

The Montana 500 Newsletter

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Director's Meeting Covid19

President Matt's Special Covid19 Message 4-29-2020:

MT-500 update!

Dear Members of the MT-500,

We held a Director's conference on April 29, 2020 via joint phone call to discuss the possibilities of holding the 2020 Montana 500 on its scheduled dates. Director's present were: Matt Hansen Pres, Rick Bonebright VP, Janet Cerovski S-T, Mike Stormo D, Mike Robison D, Bill Mullins D, Dan Brown D, and Erica Cerovski D. Rick Carnegie D was absent. Mike Cuffe participated as a guest.

Currently, Montana has a 3-phase plan in place to get the State back to normal while carefully monitoring the health and safety of its residents and visitors. Under phase 1 and 2, a 14-day quarantine out of state is in place along with no non-essential travel and limited gatherings. Phase 3 would allow for us to most likely conduct business as usual.

Of course, the continued recovery with no spikes in Covid-19 cases will play a huge part in how fast the phases are instituted.

Our general consensus is to re-evaluate the progress of Montana's phasing recovery up until the first week in June. A decision will be made in early June by the Directors whether we can proceed or will need to post pone until next year.

Everyone hang in there during these uncertain times, do your part to "Flatten the Curve". Get your cars ready, and we will keep you posted by email or by facebook.

If you have any questions, contact any Director and we will answer to the best of our abilities. Here is the official Montana Government News Site. <https://news.mt.gov/governor-bullock-announces-plan-to-begin-phased-reopening-of-montana>

Below is a revised Hotel contract arrangement and update.

Please note the following changes to the Motel Reservations in “Green” text below.

Helena Motel Covid-19 Information MT-500

- **Motel:** Wingate of Helena 2007 N. Oaks, Helena, Montana.
- **Reservations:** Call 406-449-3000 before June 17, 2020.
- **Cancelations:** Call 406-449-3000 before June 17, 2020.
- **ORG.** Montana Cross Country “T” Association MT-500
- **Block Dates:** Arrival Saturday, June 19, departure Wednesday morning, June 24, 2020.
- **Motel Location:** Behind Perkins Restaurant near Cedar Interchange, Southwest side.
- **Trailer parking:** Please unload and park trailers at the Helena College Airport campus, located ½ mile west and south of Cedar Interchange, on Airport road.
- **Inspection:** Inspection will be at the Helena College Airport Campus on Sunday, June 20, starting at Noon.



Map to Wingate by Wyndham Helena Airport, Helena, Montana

Montana Cross Country "T" Association
A Schedule S nonprofit Montana Corporation
Founded in 1961

Background:

The Ford Model T was voted the "Car of the Century" which was an international award given to the world's most influential car of the 20th century. The election process was overseen by the Global Automotive Elections Foundation with a narrowed field of 200 cars. The winner, the Ford Model T, was announced at an awards gala on December 18, 1999 in Las Vegas, Nevada.

The Montana Cross Country "T" Assn. is dedicated to rebuilding, refurbishing, preserving, and proving stock Ford Model T's. In some cases, members fully restore these cars to a "new car status" in most every aspect.

The Assn. also allows the above Model T's that meet written safety requirements to be endurance-tested at their annual runs. The Montana 500 is sort of a proving ground for the owner, engine builder, chassis builder, and electrical systems builder.

We highly recommend that you get yourself a Model T and join these endurance runs. Expect to have some old school (or new school) fun. It is a friendly helpful atmosphere.

Membership Information:

Active Membership includes all the privileges of the Association including issues of the Montana 500 Newsletter. Annual dues are \$10 and entitle the member one vote at meetings.

Touring & Endurance class: \$35.00/Run.

Current members and those wanting to become members should send a check to:

Attn. Treasurer, Janet Cerovski

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Montana 500 Web Information:

1. <https://themontana500.wordpress.com/>
2. <https://www.facebook.com/pg/Montanafivehundred/posts/>
3. <http://www.antiqueautoranch.com/montana500/>

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