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SOVREN at Qlispé Park

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SOVREN Spokane Festival of Speed

Qlispé Motorsports Park, Washington

June 7-8, 2025
story by Andy Collins





#12 Loren Campbell, 1965 MG Midget; #1 Stephen Newby, 1959 Austin Healey Sprite;
#149 Ted Herb, 1968 Austin Healey Sprite

Jerry Kayser



Patrick Krohn

#99 Thor Johnson, 1959 Lotus 17; #6 Greg Heacock, 1961 Cooper T-53 Zerex Special

It has been 4 years since SOVREN raced at Qlispé Motorsports Park in Spokane, Washington. Since the last race, the Spokane Motorsports Park has been

The weather was wonderful with mostly clear skies and with the late afternoons at about 80 degrees. This event was another round of the Emerald

racing here as well with Loren Cambell winning the race in a car borrowed from Stephen Newby. Stephen finished second in another of his Sprites.

Cup Formula Ford series and about 16 cars participated. Each race was thrilling as Russ Werner and Mark Smith challenging for the lead. In the end, it was Smith winning 3 races and Werner 1. This race is part of a series started with SOVREN and now runs

The big bore race thrilled the fans with many cars. While the racing wasn't as close as many would like, the thrill of large V-8 cars always gets the fans excited. A number of racers come from Canada to participate here, as the track is only six hours from Calgary.

Following Saturday's racing, Dave's Pizza Recovery arrived with his huge box van. There they set up tables and made pizza and cooked them in their own ovens! Nearly everyone stayed for a wonderful time enjoying pizza, beer and the days racing.

The event was a success. After missing the last four years it was great to be back in Spokane, and everyone had a perfect time. Plans are already in place for next year's race with even a bigger event than this year. Plan now to make your plans now to come to Spokane and participate in this wonderful race in 2026.



Patrick Krohn

#393 Arash Nadershahi, 1969 Alfa Romeo 1750 Spider

purchased by the Qlispé Indian Tribe and there are great efforts to improve the facility. This past winter, the runoff areas have been improved to make the track safer. This race is called the Spokane Festival of Speed and follows up in the past years to get the community involved with the race.

7 races with a growing number of cars each weekend.

The Sprite Midget challenge race featured about 10 cars. There was great

Friday was a test and tune, and many racers took advantage to learn or re-learn the track. At the end of the day, 16 cars motored downtown for a car show. With SOVREN cars and the local Inland Empire Porsche club there were about 100 cars lined up on one of the main streets downtown. Always fun to have race cars driving on the streets and going fast enough no to overheat. Not only did fans come out and watch the cars, but they were also encouraged to come out to the races. In fact, the local television station had a nice piece about the race.



Jerry Kayser

#2 Dane Babkirk, 1999 Van Diemen FC; #6 Mark Jaremko, 1985 Ralt RT-5



Patrick Krohn

#65 Michael Zbarsky, 1967 Triumph; #59 Ron Oscarson, 1972 Porsche 914



Jerry Kayser

#13 Greg Heacock, 1959 Bug Eye Sprite

ENTRANTS LIST

GROUP 1-4

DRIVER/CAR

- P. Adams/1961 Cooper T-56
- L. Campbell/1965 MG Midget
- W. Carrel/1970 Zeitler
- J. Duncan/1964 MGB
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- D. Escriva/1957 Austin 100-6 MM
- G. Heacock/1961 Cooper T-53 Zerex Special
- T. Herb/1968 Austin Healey Sprite
- T. Johnson/1959 Lotus 17
- C. Larsen/1969 Zink C-4
- L. Lyford/1962 Austin Healey Sprite
- G. McKinley/1972 MGB

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- A. Nadershahi/1969 Alfa Romeo 1750 Spider
- S. Newby/1959 Austin Healey Sprite
- R. Newman/1960 Austin Healey Sebring Sprite
- R. Oscarson/1972 Porsche 914
- J. Rankin/1965 Beach Mk 4B II
- J. Roosa/1957 Triumph TR3A
- B. Simer/1962 Lotus 23
- T. Sullivan/1961 Alfa Romeo Spyder
- D. Tilden/1968 Zink C-4
- B. Volkert/1960 Austin Healey Sprite
- B. Westmoreland/1972 Porsche 914
- M. Zbarsky/1967 Triumph

GROUP 5/6/12A

DRIVER/CAR

- P. Hall/1972 Datsun 240z
- T. Johnson/1974 BMW 3.5 CSL
- J. Nuxoll/1993 BMW 325IS
- M. Parsons/1970 Porsche 914/6
- B. Westmoreland/1972 Porsche 914
- M. Zbarsky/1967 Triumph

GROUP 7/8/12B

DRIVER/CAR

- D. Adelsman/2003 Chevy Monte Carlo SS



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#181 Todd Sullivan, 1961 Alfa Romeo Spyder



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#95 Peter Nielson, 1974 Merlyn; #7 Glenn Woloski, 1979 Van Diemen RF-79



Jacob Langston

#49 Pat Hall, 1972 Datsun 240Z

GROUP 9

DRIVER/CAR

- J. Buskirk/1968 Corvette
- C. Hillis/1993 Porsche 968 Turbo/SC
- R. Hooper/1966 Ford Mustang GT350
- T. Johnson/1974 BMW 3.5 CSL
- D. Knoll/1970 Ford Mustang 302 Boss
- T. Morton/1969 Camaro
- A. Nadalin/1965 FFR Challenge
- C. Smith/1973 Datsun 260Z
- R. Stotschek/1976 Camaro
- D. Thieman/1979 Ford Mustang
- S. van Meel/1975 Camaro

GROUP 9

DRIVER/CAR

- M. Deilke/1970 Winkelmann WDF-2

- T. Delane/1978 Crosslé 35F
- M. Edick/1969 Lotus 61
- C. Lyford/1970 Caldwell D-9B
- M. Maros/1972 Titan Mk 6
- D. Morrison/1968 Lotus 51
- M. Nau/1974 Hawke DL-11
- C. Paris/1973 Elden Mk 10
- M. Smith/1972 Titan Mk 6
- G. Snow/1968 Lotus 51B
- R. Werner/1979 Crosslé 35F
- G. Woloski/1979 Van Diemen RF79

GROUP 10

DRIVER/CAR

- D. Babkirk/1999 Van Diemen FC
- G. Coffin/1985 Swift DB-3
- M. Jaremko/1985 Ralt RT-5
- D. Rugh/1982 Ralt RT-5

SPRIDGETS

DRIVER/CAR

- L. Campbell/1965 MG Midget
- G. Heacock/1959 Austin Healey Bug Eye Sprite
- T. Herb/1968 Austin Healey Sprite
- S. Newby/1959 Austin Healey Sprite
- R. Newman/1960 Austin Healey Sebring Sprite
- B. Volkert/1960 Austin Healey Sprite

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