

# The Montana 500 Newsletter

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## 2024 Endurance Run at Roundup, Montana

- **Dates of the Endurance Run:**
  - Inspection Sunday, June 16, 2024
  - Run dates are Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday following Inspection.
- **Motels & RV Parks:**
  - Big Sky Motel, 740 Main St., Roundup, Montana. 406-323-2303
  - Autumn's Inn, 630 Main St., Roundup, Montana. 406-323-1000
  - Ideal Motel & RV Park, 926 Main St., Roundup, Montana. 406-323-3371
- **Organization for this:**
  - Montana Cross Country "T" Association MT-500
- **Block Dates:**
  - Arrival Saturday p.m., June 15th, departure Thursday a.m., June 20th.
- **Trailer Parking:**
  - To be determined.
- **Camper-RV Parking:**
  - Ideal Motel & RV Park, 926 Main St., Roundup, Montana. 406-323-3371
- **Inspection:**
  - Sunday at noon. Venue to be determined.
    - Remember to remove your old seals and seal wire before inspection.
- **Eateries:** There are many places to eat in Roundup. Better check to see when they are open. Some are 7 am to 8 pm.
- **Membership Information:**
  - Annual 2024 dues are \$40.00 for voting members due in January.
    - All Directors must be a voting member.
  - Annual 2024 dues are \$20.00 for non-voting members due in January.
  - 2024 Endurance Run entry fee is \$100.00 per Model T

Please volunteer or bring volunteers to the Endurance Run, to help with the following Endurance Run duties. If you can volunteer, please call President, Rick Bonebright at 406-273-3509 as soon as you can.

- Trouble truck drivers pulling trailers
- Timers & Flaggers
- Computer Data Entry (Excel Spreadsheet)
- Radar Gun Operators

If you volunteer your vehicle to help with the above duties, the MCCTA will pay the gasoline (diesel fuel) expenses for the vehicles used performing the above 4 duties. Keep receipts and give them to Janet for reimbursement.

### **Big Thank You's:**

Thanks to Ray Erbe for all the time he put in to setting up the Endurance Run by finding a meeting location, trailer parking space and other needed areas.

Thanks to Don Snyder, III, of Snyder's Antique Auto Parts, for donating a new gasket kit for our use in assembling the tore down car. Don sells parts we need to keep our Model T's running and on the road. Thanks again Don, much appreciated. [Vintage Ford Parts Distributor](http://VintageFordPartsDistributor.com) | [Snyder's Antique Auto Parts \(snydersantiqueauto.com\)](http://Snyder'sAntiqueAutoParts.com)

Thanks to our timers Heather Robison, Meghan Teats, Sharon Pester, Cathy Wright, Carla Carnegie and the others. Thanks to trailer drivers Dean Lukowski, Stan and Willy Langel and the others. Thanks to all others who helped with the Endurance Run event.

Come and expect to have fun,

The Montana Cross Country "T" Association, aka, The Montana 500.

**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, electrical systems builder, and parts suppliers.

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. The membership provides 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 \$40 for voting members; \$20 for non-voting members. Endurance Run: \$100.00 each Model T. Current members and those wanting to become members should send a check to:

Montana Cross Country T Assn [ MCCTA ]  
c/o Janet Cerovski, Treasurer  
1004 Sioux Road, Helena, MT 59602

**Montana 500 Web Information:**

1. <https://mt500.run/>
2. <https://www.facebook.com/pg/Montanafivehundred/posts/>

**Executive Officers:**

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## **Past Presidents of the Montana Cross Country "T" Association**

Past Presidents	Home Town	Years served	Starting Town
Ed Towe-1 <sup>st</sup> Leader	Circle, Montana	1961-1962	Bonner, MT to Fairview, MT
1. Ken Cook	Bozeman, Montana	1963	Bozeman to Lewistown '63
2. Ray Habel	Dutton, Montana	1964	Baker to Helena '64
3. Bill Walters	Bozeman, Montana	1965-1966	Great Falls '65, Laurel '66
4. John Foos Jr.	Laurel, Montana	1967-1968	Lewistown '67, Dillon '68
5. Bud Peters	Ledger, Montana	1969-1970	Shelby '69, Helena '70
6. Rich Armstrong	Helena, Montana	1971-1972	Bozeman '71, Miles City '72
7. Al Rieker	Boulder, Montana	1973-1974	Helena '73, Livingston '74
8. David Meuli	Conrad, Montana	1975-1976	Great Falls '75, Helena '76
9. Ed Delzer	Shelby, Montana	1977-1978	Lewistown '77, Helena '78
10. Rich Armstrong	Helena, Montana	1979-1980	Great Falls '79, Libby '80
11. Chuck Worthington	Livingston, Montana	1981-1982	Conrad '81, Livingston '82
12. Terry Peters	Ledger, Montana	1983-1984	Bozeman '83, Helena '84
13. Marian Cook	Bozeman, Montana	1985-1986	Helena '85, Helena '86
14. Dale Schuler	Carter, Montana	1987-1988	Butte '87, Billings '88
15. Jim Halseth	Dutton, Montana	1989-1990	Great Falls '89, Bozeman '90
16. George Nickol	Ledger, Montana	1991-1992	Butte '91, Great Falls '92
17. Terry Peters	Ledger, Montana	1993-1994	Butte '93, Bozeman '94
18. Tony Cerovski	Helena, Montana	1995-1998	Fairmont '95, Helena '96,
19. Tony Cerovski	Helena, Montana	1997-1999	Lewistown '97, Lewistown '98
20. Simon Nickol	Ledger, Montana	1999-2000	Missoula '99, Great Falls '00
21. Sam Nickol	Ledger, Montana	2001-2002	Kalispell '01, Helena, '02
22. Tom Carnegie	Spokane, Washington	2003-2004	Bozeman '03, Eureka '04
23. Rick Carnegie	Spokane, Washington	2005-2006	Lewistown '05, Dillon '06
24. Mark Hutchenson	Spokane, Washington	2007-2008	Haver '07, Thompson Falls -08
25. Mike Robison	Valleyford, WA	2009-2010	Livingston '09, Fairview->Bonner '10
26. Mike Stormo	Davenport, WA	2011-2012	Conrad '11, Butte '12
27. Mike Cuffe	Eureka, Montana	2013-2014	Fort Benton '13, Libby '14
28. Tom Carnegie	Spokane, Washington	2015-2016	White Sulphur '15, Dillon '16
29. Bill Mullins	Spokane, Washington	2017-2018	Missoula '17, Shelby '18
30. Matt Hansen	Colbert, Washington	2019-2020	Columbus '19, Helena '20
31. Rick Bonebright	Florence, Montana	2021-2022	Kalispell '21, Glendive '22
32. Rick Bonebright	Florence, Montana	2023-2024	Fort Benton '23, Roundup '25