

Virginia International Raceway Friday, October 24 through Sunday, October 26, 2025

Welcome to the NNJR Driver Education at VIR

YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR KNOWING THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS DOCUMENT.

PLEASE READ, PRINT AND BRING A COPY OF THIS PACKAGE TO THE TRACK (COPIES WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE AT THE TRACK).

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Track Logistics

Address 1245 Pine Tree Road, Alton, VA 24520

VIR Rules

Please read the VIR visitor rules that are available here:

http://virnow.com/about/policies/

Arrival at Track

The track becomes available to us at 6:30PM on Thursday, October 23 for trailer drop off. If you arrive prior to 6:30PM, proceed to the Main Gate where you will take care of waivers and any camping fees for VIR. You will be directed to the staging area until 6:30PM. We will have 24 hour access to the track beginning on Thursday PM.

Instructor/Student Assignments

The instructor/student assignments will be sent out by Craig Mahon, NNJR registrar.

Tech Inspections

Note: All cars must complete a pre-event technical inspection at an authorized shop. Instructors may self tech. All drivers are required to complete and sign the pre-tech inspection form, which is available here:

https://nnjr-pca.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/2025-track-tech-form.pdf





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There will be a tech inspection on Thursday night from roughly 6:30PM to 7:30PM. If you miss that, Friday AM tech will begin at 6:30AM and will complete by 7:30AM. There will be no tech session on Saturday or Sunday morning. Anyone missing a tech session must see the tech steward and will be tech'd at the steward's convenience.

Camping and Garages

Camping is permitted but requires the purchase of a permit from VIR. Electric power hookups may be available. You may purchase camping permits, electric hookups, garage space, etc. at main gate registration.

Waivers and Guests

All entrants to the track, drivers and guests, must sign both VIR and NNJR waivers. NNJR will issue colored coded bands to drivers based on run group, with silver bands issued to guests.

Attire

Long pants, preferably a natural fiber such as cotton, are required, as are closed-toed, rubber soled tie shoes. Short sleeves are allowed. Race suits are recommended for race-prepped cars, but not required.

Bikes, Scooters, and Skateboards

These "vehicles" are not permitted in pit lane nor in the paddock where cars are entering or leaving the track or where tech inspection is being held. While permitted in other areas of the paddock, you are responsible to ensure that all proper safety gear is worn, in compliance with state law. Please inform anyone attending with you, especially children, to remain clear of prohibited areas and to exercise caution.

Paddock Jack Rules

Do NOT jack or place any jack stands on the asphalt. You must use wood or metal underneath any jack or jack stand.

Parade Laps

We will have parade laps during lunch on Saturday. This is an opportunity to have guests experience the track, albeit at a modest pace. Tickets are \$20 per car, all proceeds go to charity. NNJR will be offering a special opportunity at this event only. For \$50, you may purchase a raffle ticket for our annual fundraiser and, at the same time, receive free entry to the parade laps. First prize for the raffle will be free entry to all NNJR events in 2026, second prize is free entry to six events. All monies collected benefit Cheshire Home, a NJ organization that provides round-the-clock nursing and personal care assistance is vital to the health and quality of life for individuals with spinal trauma.

Food

The Pagoda Grill concession will be open Friday, Saturday, & Sunday 7am-2pm and Oak Tree Tavern will be open Thursday, Saturday, & Sunday 6pm-10pm



NNJR Driver's Education is: Safe, Serious, Fun



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Fuel

Fuel, both race and street, will be available at the pumps and paid for via credit card.

Fire Lanes in the Paddock

The fire lanes in the Paddock must remain open and clear at all times to facilitate the movement of EMS and tow vehicles. Please keep all vehicles and equipment, including awnings, EZ-Ups, etc. behind the yellow fire lane markings in the paddock. Security patrols will notify participants if they are in violation of this policy and require them to move equipment/vehicles immediately.

Driving VIR

In preparation for the upcoming VIR DE event, "trackside classrooms" are now available to watch on YouTube at your convenience. Plus both video and written Turn by Turn discussions of VIR. You are strongly encouraged to watch the appropriate session. We hope to have time on the VIR schedule for classroom discussion and questions: the presentations themselves will not be repeated at the track.

- Students: How to Improve on Track Consistency https://youtu.be/neEqKl ePzg
 - Slides: https://nnjr-pca.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/230926-Student-Drivers-Consistency.pdf
- Advanced Drivers: Six Advanced Braking Tips https://youtu.be/tLN-qpPTyMM
 - Slides: https://nnjr-pca.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/10/241008-VIR-Advanced-Braking.pdf
- VIR Turn by Turn
 - o Descriptive video: https://youtu.be/4cooE-g21Bk
 - Slides (used in video): https://nnjr-pca.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/10/VIR-Turn-by-Turn.pdf
 - Written description: https://nnjr-pca.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/210121-VIR-Turn-by-Turn-Updated.pdf
- All drivers: Track Map for your notes (print several) https://speedsecrets.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/VIR-Full.pdf
- Your First DE? Learn what to expect
 - o Short in-car demonstration Video https://youtu.be/10PpI8pjfDk

If you have questions or comments on any of this material, please email Bill Gilbert: gilbert4@rcn.com.

SEE YOU AT THE TRACK!





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VIR DE Event Officials

EVENT CHAIR Thom Calabro

CHIEF INSTRUCTORS Rich Barry, Lester Cheng, Doug Holcomb

REGISTRATION Britt Findlay, Duncan Findlay

SAFETY Curtis Barsi

STAGING VIR personnel

TOWER Jeannine Mazzola

TECH INSPECTION Peter Miller - Steward, Larry Lanwehr, Rob Hoffman,

Frank Nicodemus, Glen Ochten, Bob White

REGISTRARS Craig Mahon, Dave Martin



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Friday Event Schedule

Tech Inspection & Registration:

06:30am – 07:30am Paddock

Morning Meetings:

07:30am – 07:55am Drivers' Meeting outside the Tower Building 07:30am – 07:55am Instructors' Meeting by the Pagoda Grill

07:55am – 08:00am Green, Yellow, Blue/White, Run Group Meetings

Classroom Schedule:

08:00am – 08:30am Green (mandatory) Yellow (optional) Drivers

02:15pm - 02:45pm Black Group Drivers

03:15pm – 03:45pm Blue/White Group Drivers

Meetings are mandatory for all drivers and instructors

On Track:

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08:30am		Black	1:30pm	Black
09:00am		Red	2:00pm	Red
09:30am		Blue/White	2:30pm	Blue/White
10:00am		Green/Yellow	3:00pm	Green/ Yellow
10:30am		Black	3:30pm	Black
11:00am		Red	4:00pm	Red
11:30am		Blue/White	4:30pm	Blue/White
12:00pm		Green/Yellow	5:00pm	Green/ Yellow
12:30pm	LUNCI	4		

Run Group meetings at the end of the day. Location and time for each meeting will be announced at the morning Group Meeting.

Dinner at The Gallery

*** Friday evening 6:00 - 9:00 PM ***

All are welcome!



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Saturday Event Schedule

Morning Meetings:

08:00am – 08:10am Drivers' Meeting outside the Tower Building 08:00am – 08:10am Instructors' Meeting by the Pagoda Grill

Classroom Schedule:

08:15am - 08:45am Green/Yellow Group Drivers

On Track:

08:30am		Black	1:30pm		Black					
09:00am		Red	2:00pm		Red					
09:30am		Blue/White	2:30pm		Blue/White					
10:00am		Green/Yellow	3:00pm		Green/ Yellow					
10:30am		Black	3:30pm		Black					
11:00am		Red	4:00pm		Red					
11:30am		Blue/White	4:30pm		Blue/White					
12:00pm		Green/Yellow	5:00pm		Green/ Yellow					
12:30pm	LUNCH – Parade Laps									

Run Group meetings at end of day on Saturday. Location and time for each meeting will be announced at the morning Group Meeting.

*** Charity Parade Laps at Lunch Time! ***

\$20 per carload, or free with Golden Ticket purchased @ VIR All are welcome, including children, with proper seating & belts.

No helmet required.



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Sunday Event Schedule

Morning Meetings:

08:00am – 08:10am Drivers' Meeting outside the Tower Building 08:00am – 08:10am Instructors' Meeting outside the Tower Building

On Track:

09:00am		Red	1:30pm 2:00pm	Red
09:30am		Blue/White	2:30pm	Blue/White
10:00am		Green/Yellow	3:00pm	Green/ Yellow
10:30am		Black	3:30pm	Black
11:00am		Red	4:00pm	Red
11:30am		Blue/White	4:30pm	Blue/White
12:00pm		Green/Yellow	5:00pm	Green/ Yellow
12:30pm	LUNCH	4/		

Run groups may be combined Sunday afternoon

Please listen for announcements.

Thank you for coming and have a safe trip home.

Enjoy the "off season," best wishes for the holidays, and see you next year!

For more NNJR events please visit our website at www.nnjr-pca.com



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ALL DRIVERS ALL RUN GROUPS

	RED			BLACK			WHITE			BLUE		YELLOW		GREEN
No.	Full Name	Inst?	No.	Full Name	Inst?	No.	Full Name	Inst?	No.	Full Name	No.	Full Name	No.	Full Name
00	Curtis Barsi		13	Ken Husler		00	Katherine Cashman		029	Gil Mizrahi	10	Joseph Meyerhoff	23	Bryan Verbel
3	Bill Gilbert	Yes	14	David Fox	Yes	11	Owen Opolka		32	Bhavin Dholakia	15	Richard Grant Sr.	35	Lukas Salyer
4	Lester Cheng	Yes	30	Timothy Corrigan		12	Jeff Pan		316	Joseph Tasso	19	Aaron Scribner	40	Alena Kirsh
80	Hal Jones	Yes	34	Mike O'Connor		16	Ryan Gavin		323	Adrian Abrahams	41	Matthew Peck	50	Juan Bedoya
9	Ken Ernsting	Yes	37	Hong Lim		24	Billy Johnson		626	Thomas Menchini	68	John Watrobsky	61	Christopher Cammara
26	Jeff Ernsting		44	Todd Crotts		27	Tim Gavin		710	Ryan Charles	71	Lisa Knust	65	Anthony Faro
51	David Goldberg		46	Bill James		28	Chris Ritter		795	James H. Coleman	133	Frank Castronovo	80	Matt Hoose
53	Arthur Meltzer	Yes	47	Arthur Hall		31	Patrick Terwilliger		798	Pars Fotouhi	187	Mandi Race	94	Eric Verbel
56	Richard Barry	Yes	48	Bob McMinn		36	Sandra Spinelli	Yes	963	David Woodward	214	James Miuccio	122	Michael Gomes
74	Jeff McClure	Yes	49	David Font	Yes	54	Grant Lenahan				921	Kartik Sethi	222	Christopher Chiusolo
75	Janice Ernsting	Yes	61	Ron Lubin		55	Bill Fox						381	Caidan Campbell
77	Justin Ernsting		67	Thom Calabro	Yes	57	Mark Woodward						509	Carter OPolka
81	Mike Valentine	Yes	72	Rob Wallace		80	Chris Jones						795	Michael Patton
82	Larry Polk		76	Don Moberg	Yes	93	Todd Spidare						895	Rifat Dumani
		Yes	87	Scott Silverman		97	Knute Hancock	Yes					911	Courtney Ziesman
101	Brian Butt	Yes	90	Josh Horwitz		104	Frank Crumrine							
111	Keith Peare	Yes	92	Anthony Danon		107	Antonio Casellas							
114	Joe Mocniak	Yes	112	Frank Fiore		117	Eric Weissman							
115	John Holland	Yes	127	Peter Kirsh		119	Fred Spickler							
121	Todd Mierzwiak	Yes	151	Todd Drury		120	James Hiter							
136	Glen Ochten	Yes	152	Steven Clinton		131	Ray Ross							
138	Mark Kuszczak	Yes	156	Danny Carmichael		157	Daniel Cooper							
142	Thomas Green		163	Mark Walters	Yes	159	Kerry Adkins							
170	Michael Merkin		173	Paul Mitchell		168	Steven Lucas							
171	Michael Woodward	Yes	181	Eric Lee		177	Jamie Pursell							
172	Leslie Shrem	Yes	192	Donald Birdwell		179	Christopher Ciuffreda							
198	Douglas Holcomb	Yes	241	Brad Dunn		189	Suk Fung							
201	Paul Shah		251	Chris Erickson	Yes	218	Alberto de la Torre							
220	Tripp Norwood		253	Rod Carr	Yes	310	Kiran Marfatia							
271	Jay Mazzola	Yes	301	Ayo Oshinnaiye		340	Ryan Petrecz							
282	Jeffrey Hunt		305	Gerold Bepler		359	Goetz Vogelsang							
288	Christopher Carione	Yes	315	Peter Dillon		505	Tyler Mills							
289	Craig Mahon	Yes	318	Bram Masterton	Yes	517	Jim Opolka							
303	Rob Hoffman	Yes	319	Larry Lanwehr	Yes	522	Teresa Topencik							
322	Ed Mansing	Yes	331	Dean Hollister	Yes	629	Charles Kingsley							
324	Michael Laffey	Yes	376	Tim Ripley		709	Tobia Ippolito							
328	Anthony Castronovo	Yes	467	David Stetson	Yes	717	John Korossy							
333	Anne Reid		470	Brandon Tasso			Frank Bennett Jr							
398	Robert Schutzenbach			Jennifer Clarke	Yes	987	Peter Miller	Yes						
	Tim Fortney	Yes		Anthony Topencik										
	Tom Ross			Carolyn Hill-Fotouhi	Yes									
	Alexander Tafro			Denny Fortney	Yes	V	OLUNTEER INSTRUC	TOR						
	Jack Ippolito			Al Tafro	Yes		Kelly Jones	Yes						
	Matthew Rutten			Adam Fox	Yes		David Scott	Yes						
	Anthony Vasaturo Sr.			Bruce Grobman	Yes									
	Bob White			George Markley										
	Ken Casterline	Yes		Patrick Welch	Yes									
	Chris Campbell			ahmad zakeri										
	Steve Sisler			Jim Vinci										
885	Tibor Jurich	Yes	910	Monica Baer	Yes									
910	Scott Baer			Matthew Roesser										
912	Charles Price			Frank Nicodemus	Yes									
915	Russel Martorana	Yes	993	Kevin Hennessy	Yes									
992	Steven Corodemus	Yes	994	Mike Stoner	Yes									



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VIR Track Map

