

# **Historic Grand Prix®**

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## **NEWSLETTER**

### **USGP, Austin**

The first order of business is to extend a very sincere appreciation to everyone who participated at the HGP race at the United States Grand Prix in Austin – drivers, entrants and all team personnel – for delivering an outstanding performance on and off the track. You did yourselves and HGP proud.

At the driver's briefing, we outlined our expectations. You each delivered with some even exceeding expectations. For us that was the major return on all the work invested in organizing this event. Thank you.

There were certainly some challenges erected, however the Circuit of The America's operations and track managers Chuck Aksland and Jason Wade were very supportive and responsive and together with Deputy Clerk of the Course Bill Van de Sandt had our best interests in mind throughout the weekend.

An essential ingredient for the success of the event was the admirable performance of Carl Jensen, Nancy Wheeler, our new Technical Director Ben Farrant, his assistant Jordan Miller and Renea Dayton who stepped into the breach to manage the challenging Allsport photo-credential project. Most importantly, Chris Locke's key role in the negotiations with Allsport/FOM was critical to concluding the deal.

### **2013 Schedule**

Our ambition for next season is to anchor the HGP schedule with an encore engagement at the USGP Austin and a return to the GP du Canada in Montreal. We suggest reserving the two dates of 7-9 June and 15-17 November on your calendar.

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We will be using a new advanced entry process for these major events. This is a requirement in order to have a firm commitment from owner-drivers planning to participate. More details on this will be communicated after the holidays.

**Annual Dues**

A few years ago, they were reduced to reflect the economic times. With the major venues where we are now participating, it is necessary to more than return them to their former level to reflect the realities of the cost of running the organization, particularly given what is required at these major venues. Beginning next year the dues will be \$1,500 per year.

Thank you for your continued support of and participation with your organization.

Warmest wishes for the holiday season and a healthy new year.

*Rebecca James Phil*