



PIT NEWS
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Next Meeting: December 3, 2025

A Few Words from the President's Desk



Hello Crew Members,

This is an abbreviated, special edition newsletter just hitting on a few important topics. Please read the entire newsletter.

There will be another newsletter coming out in December. Until then, Happy Thanksgiving to you and yours.

Sincerely,

Gerry G
Your Prez and Crew Chief



Important Upcoming Dates

Dec 3, Wednesday	Monthly Meeting, Colony Cottage Recreation Center, 7 PM
Dec 11, Thursday	Christmas Parade, 12 PM, Villages Polo Club (more details below)
Jan 5, Monday	Daytona Speedway Tour and Museum Access (details to follow)
Jan 7, Wednesday	Monthly Meeting, Colony Cottage Recreation Center, 7PM
Jan 24, Saturday	Villages Car Club Showcase, Brownwood Square, 4-8 PM



TVMRFC Election of Officers

Per the bylaws of The Villages Motor Racing Fan Club, election of officers is done every three years at the December club meeting. The current election will take place on December 3, 2025.

The nominees for officers of the club's Board of Directors are as follows:

- President – Jeff Ing
- Vice President – Art Fehrman
- Corresponding Secretary – **Open**
- Recording Secretary – Craig Simundza
- Treasurer – Pat Fehrman

PLEASE NOTE: If you would enjoy being a friendly point of connection for our club, consider nominating yourself and stepping into the role of Corresponding Secretary. It's a meaningful way to keep our members informed, and brighten someone's day with a note or card. Silky Meegan, retiring Corresponding Secretary, will provide you with training and guidance.

Duties of Corresponding Secretary

- Submit club notices to the Daily Sun for the Recreation News.
- Prepare and send thank-you notes to all guest speakers.
- Issue Hall of Fame invitations to guest speakers and record all RSVPs.
- SUNSHINE PERSON – Keep a club-supplied petty cash fund used to purchase and mail get-well and sympathy cards to club members and close supporters of the club.

NOTE: Officer nominations may be made by club members in good standing (dues paid for the current year) by contacting Craig Simundza, Recording Secretary at (708) 744-7292, before Dec. 3, 2025, or between 6 PM and 7 PM on Dec. 3, 2025 at Colony Cottage Recreation Center.

Next Meeting – December 3



Our next meeting is on December 3 at Colony Cottage Recreation Center, going green at 7 p.m.

We will learn about Clay Millican, who rocketed to stardom in the IHRA, dominating with an unprecedented six consecutive Top Fuel championships, from 2001 through 2006. During that run, he racked up over 50 event victories, becoming the winningest Top Fuel driver in IHRA history.

After the IHRA era, Millican transitioned to the NHRA Top Fuel ranks, where he has scored eight wins and remains a fan favorite. His best elapsed time is 3.628 seconds, and his top recorded speed is 338.26 mph.

We will watch a video that gives you a firsthand look at the incredible world of NHRA Top Fuel drag racing. Millican takes you from one end of the car to the other, explaining how every component works and what makes these machines the quickest and fastest accelerating piston-driven vehicles on the planet.

In another video Millican offers a detailed look at the controls and procedures involved in driving an NHRA Top Fuel dragster. He explains the step-by-step process from initial checks to the car's launch, to the race-ending shut down.



Membership Dues – Time to Renew

At the November 18 Board of Directors meeting a vote was taken to **increase membership dues immediately to \$25.00 a year.** This increase is necessary to continue providing quality events to our members. You can renew your membership at the next meeting. If you are unable to attend a meeting but want to renew your membership, you can go to the club's website (villagesracingclub.com), download and print the membership form and mail it with a check made payable to TVMRFC for \$25.00 and mail the form and check to Lois Taylor, 701 Abdella Way, The Villages, FL 32163.



We will be collecting toys at the December 3 meeting. They will go to children in our Tri-County area with the Toys for Tots program, run by the Marine Corps veterans. **Bring a new, unwrapped toy for someone up to 12 years of age. No candy, clothing or gun-like items, please.** Craft items such as crayons, coloring books, stickers, doodle pads and colored pencils are also desired. Thank you for making a child's Christmas a bit brighter.

Christmas Parade – December 11, 2025

The Villages Christmas Parade is scheduled for Thursday, December 11 at noon at The Villages Polo Club. **Jeff Ing is looking for walkers to march and carry the race club banner.** He is also looking for a "Race Theme" decorated golf cart. We are allowed 8 decorated carts. Please contact Jeff Ing at (631) 897-6263 ASAP if you can attend this event. More details to follow.

Thank You

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