

PALMRA

presents for 2010, the **VOLUNTEER CHASE FOR THE CUP.**

OK folks, we talked about it at the PALMRA meeting, now we are putting it into action. For 2010 we are going to try a new points system that we think will get more people involved in our sport. This program is for anyone who attends PALMRA races on a regular basis. You may be a driver, crew member, family members, friends of a racing family, or you just may want to be involved in the sport of Lawn Mower Racing but for what ever reason can't be on the track as a racer.

Here is how the program will work. Points will be awarded based on "jobs" that are done at the track. To earn your points, while drivers are registering to race, VOLUNTEERS will also register on a sheet at the registration table. During the course of the race, after you have completed a "job" you will enter the "job" by your name on the registration sheet.

The sheet will look like this.

Volunteer Registration Sheet					
NAME	JOB	JOB	JOB	JOB	JOB
Joe ShMow	Track Prep	Main Flagger			
Jane DoeMow	Reg. Helper	Score Assistant			
Crazy Mow	Banners	Track Prep	Corner Flagger		

Here is a list of "jobs" you may volunteer for to earn your points.

Main Flagger 75 points/class - Volunteers for this position will be required to have a strong knowledge of the flag meanings. This volunteer should expect to do most if not all the race classes ran during the day, this would also include warm-ups. You are responsible for keeping the race moving. Also if there is an unsafe track condition, it your responsibility to have it corrected. Limited to volunteers 16 years of age or older.

Corner Flaggers 25 points/class - This position is a class by class basis. You are not required to flag all the classes. You are required to assist a racer in the case of a caution, either helping them on or off the track as quickly as possible. If medical attention is required you need to let officials know immediately. After the mowers have been safely removed or rejoined the field, you are responsible to correct any track markers that may have been displaced. After the track is clear, give a signal to the main flagger who will then instruct the racers to proceed. You are responsible for clearing the track in your area of any possible injury causing debris. Limited to volunteers 16 years of age or older.

Banner Hangers 20 points/race - You will be required to hang sponsor banners before race time. You will also be required to remove banners at the end of the day.

Lap Counters 15 points/class - This job requires a very loud outdoor voice and capability of following along with the race leader. You will provide lap information to both the main flagger and the scorer. Limited to volunteers 16 years of age or older unless racing in the JP class.

Registration Helper 30 points/race - You will work with Tammy to create a smooth registration process.

Announcer Assistant 20 points/race - Volunteers will work between PALMRA staff and the announcer to provide info, and class information. You may be asked to help announce a race.

Scoring Assistant 15 points/class - You will work with Tammy to keep the lineups correct and watch for close finishes at the start finish line. Also work with the lap counter. Limited to volunteers 16 years of age or older unless racing in the JP class.

Track Prep./Teardown 75 points/race - Any volunteer who assists with track markers, (hay bales, tires, cones, etc.) walking the track to remove debris, hanging crowd control devices before the race and after the race will receive these points.

Media 50 points/race - Using cameras and video recorders provided by Dean Jr., take pictures and video of on track action, pit area happenings, the crowd, and any other PALMRA activity.

More “jobs” may be listed as we get closer to race time. If you know of a “job” that we have missed, please let us know.

Points will be added tallied up after each race just like the racers points and at the end of the season at our banquet we will award trophies to the highest point scorers.

So, be helpful, get involved and have fun. Volunteers will make a race day easier for everyone!

See you at the track,
Dean Jr.