

# 2026 MAFCA National Convention Early Bird Newsletter

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## SCHEDULED EVENTS

- BLUE RIBBON CAR JUDGING
- FASHION JUDGING, MODELING & DISPLAY
- RESTORERS CLASS EVALUATION
- FIVE GUIDED TOURS + SELF GUIDED TOURS
- NINE SEMINARS
- GYMKHANA (CAR GAMES)
- HUBLEY RACES
- FASHION BOUTIQUE
- COWBOY BREAKFAST
- RAFFLE ROOM
- HOSPITALITY ROOM
- PARTS VENDOR
- REPAIR TENT



# An Interview with the Hubley and Gymkhana Directors

## Let's talk Hubleys and Car Games

*Editor's note: I interviewed Tim Nau, Director of Hubley Races and Rob Blout, Director of Car Games for the Early Bird Newsletter. Here's the transcription.*

**Editor:** Tim, how long have you been the NWRG Hubley guy?

**Tim:** The current track used was built by the Gallopin' Gerties club and its first use was at the MAFCA International Convention held in Portland in 2004. But that's the year the Gerties and I started running races at the Nationals when held in the Pacific N.W. and at Northwest Regional Group Meets and Hub Tours.

**Editor:** Does MAFCA have racing standards?

**Tim:** Yes, the rules for racing your Hubley are in place to make the competition fair for everyone. They include construction, lubrication and how much they may weigh.

**The Track:** Provides two lanes of racing fun! Racing lanes are 24' in length plus a run-out section past the electronic finish line. The electronic finish line provides the time it takes each car to race down the track.

**The Cars:** Metal 1/24 scale models made by Hubley, Gabriel, and Scale Model. One of seven Model "A" body styles: Sedan, Station Wagon, Coupe, Roadster, Roadster Pickup, Victoria and Phaeton. Cars must be stock, including the original tires, wheels, and axle screws. No modifications allowed. Steering may be secured or loose at racer's choice.

**Weight:** Cars may weigh up to 21 ounces (1 pound, 5 ounces). Weights added to lighter cars must be secured, not loose in car. A dry lubricant (graphite for example) is allowed at racer's choice.

**Preregistration:** Required. Late entrants will not be accepted at the time of Check-In. This allows us to have your car already in the database. Check-In is for weighing and attaching the number to your car.

**Race:** After the cars are checked in, all handling and racing of the cars is done by race personnel. At the time their cars are being raced, the competitors will be called up to the track and asked to bring the cars back to the starting post. Cars will be pitted against each other in random order to determine 1st, 2nd and 3rd place.

In the final event, the two fastest Hubley's race to determine the overall winner. Prizes are awarded for the first three places.

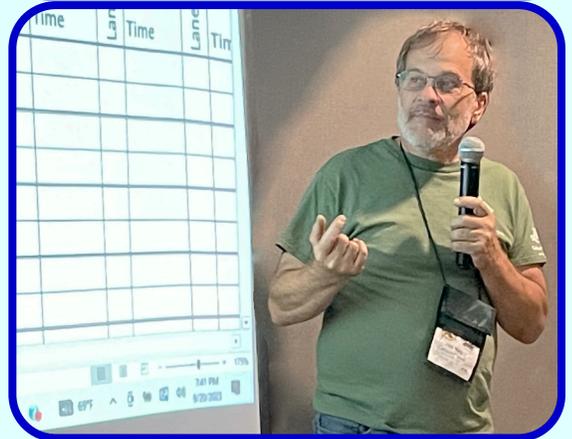
**Editor:** Funniest moments in your Hubley career?

**Tim:** In the early years we would have ladies with pom-poms and they created cheers for their cars. They even got "the Wave" going in the crowd. And there have been some years that not all the cars make it all the way to finish line and what those owners do and how they respond can be pretty funny and creative. The comments sparked from the crowd can be pretty funny in themselves. Lots of suggestions and parts offered up to those who's cars "stall out" on the track. All-in-all, a fun time is had by everyone despite how their car did.

**Editor:** If you don't have a Hubley, where can you get one?

**Tim:** eBay would be my first place to look. There are usually 5-10 Model A Hubley's ranging in price from \$20 - \$40. And then some of your local club members probably have 6-8 cars in their shops and attics.

**Editor:** Can't wait, thanks Tim.



*Top Photo: Hubley's lined up during the Redmond OR in '24' Hub Tour.*

*Bottom Photo: Tim Nau is explaining the Hubley race rules during the Victoria BC in '23' Hub Tour.*

**Editor:** Rob, tell us about some of the car games you have scheduled for Pendleton.

**Rob:** First off, I'm going to have a lot of help from my Treasure Valley Model A Club members as well as from the High Desert A's and the Inland Empire A's.

We've come up with a couple of new games and some of the tried and true events from past meets.

I'm really excited about the 'Blindfolded Obstacle Course' where we'll blindfold the driver and have the passenger talk them through an obstacle course. Fastest time without going off course, wins. Another new one to us is the 'Roulette Wheel' game. You drive up, stop and where the valve stem lands on the Roulette wheel, Points are awarded.

Another one of the old standards will be taking a 'Champagne Glass' full of water and driving over some 2X4's. Fastest time with the most amount of water left in the glass is the winner. We're also going to have the 'Bumper Stop' with a slight twist. Once you've determined your forward target, you'll back up to get your target from your rear bumper. Combination closest to the "Stop Lines" wins.

We'll have the 'Bean Bag Toss into various size containers; most bags in the containers wins.

**Editor:** What else?

**Rob:** We'll have a 'Spark Plug' timed event where the driver gets out, runs over and screws all four spark plugs into an engine head wearing welding gloves. As soon as the driver is back in the car, the passenger runs over and unscrews the four spark plugs wearing welding gloves. Fastest time wins.

**Editor:** I've heard rumors of some extra points?

**Rob:** Extra points will be added for those who are dressed in ERA ATTIRE. Extra points will also be added at each event for answering a U.S. Constitution Question correctly. So brush up on the questions from the "Emigration Naturalization Test" (History and Government)

**Editor:** Wow, that's a great idea, thank you Rob, a total of six events; sounds like we'll be having a lot of fun!



*Above Photos include gymkhana in Bend, Oregon and Walla Walla, WA.*