



## CENDIV to Host 11 Championship Race Weekends in the 2018 Series

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Continuing a rich history of club racing for over 50 years, CenDiv is proud to announce the 2018 CenDiv Divisional Championship Series, that will race at some of the world's most famous and spectacular tracks including Road America, Blackhawk Farms and Brainerd International.

With the 2018 season beginning last September and October with events at Brainerd and Blackhawk Farms and ending 2018 in August at Brainerd, CENDIV is hosting a total of eleven race weekends during the season. There are 19 points opportunity races spread across those weekends counting toward the series points. Eight Double Divisional Championship Series weekends and three Northern Conference US Majors Tour event weekends, comprise the CenDiv Divisional Championship Series for 2018. The series welcomes over 38 national and regional classed cars and an additional 12 CenDiv regionally classed cars. Participants in the series will experience the now familiar series graphics for their race cars, Class Winner decals for each event, three **cash drawings for worker volunteers**, **two cash drawing for drivers** and **End-of-Year class trophies**.

**New for the 2018** season a driver will receive the equivalent of first place points in addition to finish points for that driver's first entry and race at any CENDIV Road Race track. For example, the first trip a driver makes to Blackhawk each season will earn 25 bonus points for entering and racing plus whatever points are earned based on finish position.

**Again for 2018 season**, a driver will be selected at each of the eight CENDIV Championship Events; Land O' Lakes (LOL) Double Divisional at Brainerd Int'l (September 2-3, '17), Chicago Double Divisional at Blackhawk Farms (October 21-22, '17), CENDIV Double Divisional (April 21-22, '18), LOL Double Divisional at BIR (May 26-27, '18), LOL Double Divisional at BIR (June 30- July 1, '18), Blackhawk Valley/Milwaukee Double Divisional Race at BHF (July 14-15, '18), Chicago Double Divisional at Road America (August 18-19, '18), and ending the season with a LOL Double Divisional at BIR (August 25-26, '18), A driver at each of these eight events will be selected to receive a **\$375 cash award** to defray entry and other costs. It is the hope of our sponsors that this cash award will encourage additional drivers to attend our local events.

Over the past several years we have enjoyed and continue to enjoy the fortune of having two sponsors to the CenDiv road racing series; **TRO Manufacturing and C&P Installations**, both of whom have a long family tradition in the club and currently participate in road racing. The intent of the Championship Series, and our sponsors Scott and Chris, is to support and build the Divisional racing program. To those ends, there are no extra fees in the entrant's entry for the Divisional Series races, and only a small fee is collected from the Major's events to fund the 2018 CENDIV Divisional Championship Series.

A few words about our CENDIV Divisional Championship Series Sponsors;

TRO Manufacturing is an industry leader in progressive, deep draw, and transfer press technology founded in 1964. Its advanced engineering, design, and manufacturing capabilities help customers such as Robert Bosch and TRW realize consistent cost reductions and quality improvements. TRO President Scott Sanda is currently a Director of the Chicago Region and has served as Regional Executive in the

past. He competes regularly in American Sedan in his black #73 Cadillac CTS-V and won the Sunoco hard-charger award at the 2013 RunOffs. He may also run a few races in a Spec Racer Ford this year. Rumor has it that Scott has a new ride, a Ford Mustang running in GT2.

C&P Installations installs materials handling equipment such as the retail storage racks seen at stores like the Home Depot and pre-fabricated buildings. Founded in 1984, C&P has approximately 60 employees and 200 customers across the country. C&P President Chris Pedersen has had a lifelong interest in auto racing. Chris first attended races with his father, who was a race official, in 1963. He started racing in GT-1 in 1980, but stopped in 1986 to concentrate on growing his business. Chris currently races in the Trans-Am series. In club racing he was seen competing in American Sedan in his orange #67 Mustang. In addition to his Trans-Am racing, Chris plans to compete in vintage events with an orange Formula 5000 car previously raced by Jerry Hansen.

We would also like to acknowledge our appreciation to TNT Rescue System Inc., the premier manufacturer of powered hydraulic rescue tools, who generously provides tools for our rescue trucks.

If you see Scott or Chris in the paddock, please stop by and thank them for supporting the series.