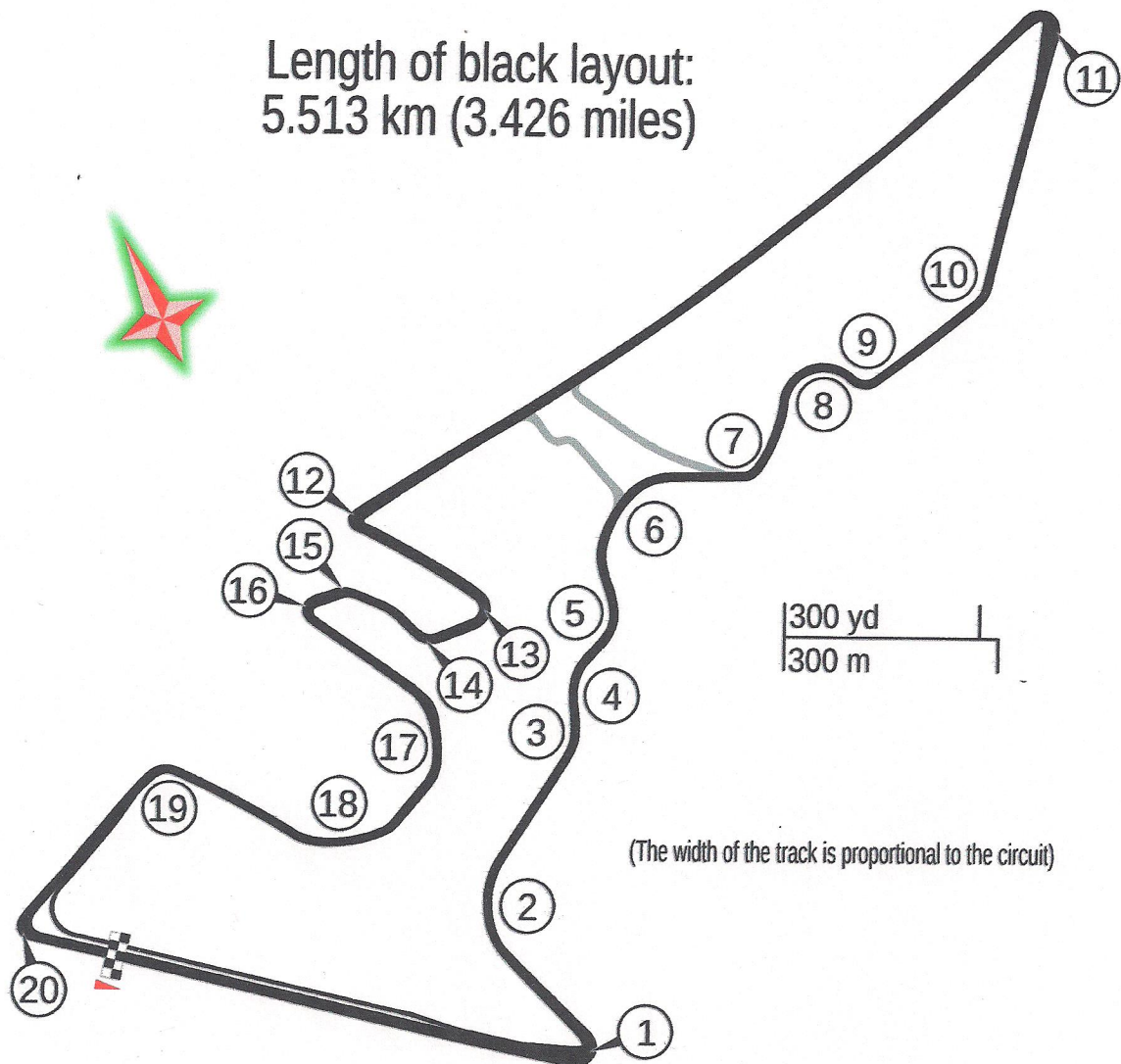


Niagara British Car Club

US Gran Prix Party

Here's one more reminder! This Sunday it's our US Gran Prix Party.

This race is being hosted by the Circuit of the Americas (COTA) in Austin Texas. It is a Grade 1 FIA Specification track of 5.5 kms and was purpose built for Formula 1 racing. A crowd of 117,429 spectators watched its first United States Grand Prix in November 2012 after four years of Formula One not hosting a Grand Prix in the United States. Ten years later in October 2022, the three-day Formula One United States Grand Prix event drew a record number of fans, roughly 440,000 people. The reception from drivers ahead of the inaugural race was highly positive. Fernando Alonso and Lewis Hamilton both praised the circuit, suggesting that it would be considerably more difficult to learn than other recent additions to the Formula One calendar.



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Racing at COTA is Counterclockwise (CCW) resulting in more left-hand than right-hand turns. Only 4 other F1 tracks are CCW so drivers bodies are not accustomed to the lateral G-forces they receive at this track.

Charles Leclerc holds the lap record of 1:36.169 in his Ferrari from 2019 and this is the fastest lap time of any type of race car on this track.

Race time this Sunday begins at 3:00 PM our time. The party is located at Dave and Irene's at 453 Hunter Road in Niagara-on-the-Lake. There is ample parking available at Cornerstone Community Church directly across Hunter Road.

Don't forget to bring your own (adult) beverage, some munchies or an easy-peasy store-bought desert to share. Lynda will probably be running a 50/50 so bring lots of cash too!