



Rocky Mountain Midget Racing Association will repeat the American tradition, dirt midget race cars on the oval Phillips County Raceway during the Phillips County Fair on Saturday.

“What’s more fun than good old fashioned Midget racing at the county fair?” asked Bill Harper, president of the RMMRA.

This is the second time this year the mighty midgets will visit PCR.



Midget race cars, often called the purest form of racing, have been racing in the Rocky Mountain region since 1937. The term “midgets” was originally adopted to differentiate them from “big cars” (now known as sprint cars).

In the 1940-60s, racetracks dotted the countryside, each with its own local heroes. Many historical drivers came from midgets including such greats as AJ Foyt and Parnelli Jones. In their heyday, the career path to the Indy 500 was up from midgets.

Today’s midget top guns find their way into NASCAR Sprint Cup racing. Present day examples of former midget hot shots include Tony Stewart, Kasey Kahne and Ryan Newman.

In 1940, first champion, Lloyd Axel and legendary Roy Leslie, formed the Rocky Mountain Midget Racing Association, the organization that would launch midgets into the 21st Century as one of the oldest racing associations in the United States.

This season the RMMRA is giving away prizes to fans who can answer midget racing trivia questions asked by the track announcer during events. Along with the RMMRA will be all four IMCA divisions with the dwarfs in six divisions all in one action-packed night during the fair.

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