

## **Run For The Gold**

### 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary National Championship Team Competition

The “Run For The Gold” will be a special event at the 2025 Golden Anniversary HOPRA National Championships. Past and present racers from across the span of years and geography are invited to compete in a team competition. The storied history of the HOPRA Nationals will bring together champions and friends, providing a unique opportunity to race together and share our common passion for HO slot car racing, on the track at this once in a lifetime slot car race.

**WHEN:** Saturday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025

**WHERE:** Bertram Hotel and Conference Center, Aurora, Ohio

**ENTRY:** \$5.00 – participants must enter in person no later than Thursday, June 19<sup>th</sup> by 4pm

**TRACK:** Rick DeRosa’s Brystal - Type 1 PVC, continuous rails .012-.014, 4-lane

**CARS:** Provided – color coded for each lane on the track (class TBD)

**TEAMS:** Groups of four to be assigned by the organizers two days prior to the race

**FORMAT:**

- **Racing** will be one single, five-minute heat, with a two-minute warm-up. Each of the four team drivers will race one lane only for the duration of the five minutes – **NO LANE CHANGES OR ROTATIONS**. Teams will decide themselves the drivers and their lane assignments.
- **Teams** will be assigned by the HOPRA leadership, a balanced mix of past and present competitors and will be announced Friday morning, June 20<sup>th</sup>
- **Practice** will be provided on Friday evening, June 20<sup>th</sup>
- **Cars** will remain on the same lane and be used by all teams in IROC style
- **Marshals** must be recruited and provided by the teams, up to a maximum of four Racers may also marshal any of their team cars during their race.
- **Controllers** should be provided within the teams for each other. A small pool of controllers will be available on a loan basis for any critical needs.
- **Race time** for Saturday is done by the teams contacting the race director on Friday, and planning together. Balancing the schedule between National Class races and the Team event will be accommodated, but all team racing must be completed prior to the start of the final National class race on Saturday.
- **Championship** determination will be the result of the total team laps and sections

**REUNION DINNER:** All are invited to Wednesday evening, June 18<sup>th</sup> – details TBA