

Effective Monday October 18th 2021



Proposed race dates for our 2022 Best of the Best USA tour are not yet known. However, the itinerary below is based on the dates these races were held in 2021. Our educated guess is that what we are showing will be fairly close to the mark. These dates **are shaded in yellow.**

As we get information which confirms these race dates, we will **progressively re-shade the confirmed ones to green.** Any dates shown in white means there is no expected race on that date yet! If we can find a race in the vicinity of where we are heading the next day, we will get to it. For example, it might be a last-minute re-scheduling because of an earlier rain out perhaps.

The Hotel names and racetracks are all **hyperlinks** for you to explore. There is some sightseeing mentioned on this “brief itinerary” but there is so much more included in the day by day itinerary on the website or **at this link in PDF form.**

Final itinerary and pricing for the BoB USA tour will be published after the Australian Government has cleared the way for reasonable international travel to the USA in 2022. If the latter decision is not made in time for all travel arrangements to be made in a timely fashion for a tour, we will try again in 2023.

See page 4 for additional comments.

Tour race stats: The best one is 16 races in the first 17 nights on tour 😊

- The full BoB tour from Day 1 to Day 33 – June 23rd to (home on) July 27th has **27 race nights.**
We'll fit more in if we can! Which we will if you add the additional week on. **32 races!**

Admission to all races that are shown in the final itinerary (when released with the tour costs) will be included in the prices published. Except the NASCAR races on Days 11 & 39, the NASCAR Trucks on Day 37 and the double header Indycar and Xfinity car races on Day 38. Any additional events added in after pricing has been announced will be a personal expense to the customer. Naturally we will always get you there and back to the track, but ticket purchase for any such happening will be your own responsibility.

Chasing racing in America is a scientific art. There are numerous options to attend a race somewhere else, other than where we have chosen to be. At Global Speedway Tours we do our utmost to select what we think you will like the most. After all we are race fans as well and want to see the best, just like you.

Rain outs are a pain in the ‘you know what’. We hope there won’t be any, but with up to 32 races on the schedule you can expect some. We need to pre-book accommodation near the next racetrack of course, but, if we are within a reasonable driving distance of an alternative race, we will do our level best to get you there.

In order to travel on any future trips with Global Speedway Tours, full double vaccination for COVID will be a requirement. Unless you want to swim across the Pacific, or be rejected at your US port of entry.

DAY Year - 2022	OVERNIGHT	CITY / RACETRACK / EVENT	NOTES <i>(If no miles shown then distance is <20)</i>
1 Thursday June 23rd	Mechanicsburg, PA Holiday Inn Express	No racing this evening All passengers will be met at Harrisburg International Airport and transferred to the Holiday Inn.	Depart Australia (various ports) for the USA. Arrive Harrisburg, Pennsylvania in the evening of the same day as your departure.
2 Friday June 24th	Mechanicsburg, PA Holiday Inn Express	Williams Grove Speedway Pennsylvania Sprintweek Night 1	Visit the Harrisburg Bass Pro store plus the Eastern Museum of Motor Racing (45 miles)
3 Saturday June 25th	Mechanicsburg, PA Holiday Inn Express	Lincoln Speedway Pennsylvania Sprintweek Night 2	Visit Gettysburg and the battlefields during the day. (40 miles)
4 Sunday June 26th	Mechanicsburg, PA Holiday Inn Express	BAPS Motor Speedway Pennsylvania Sprintweek Night 3	Visit Harley Davidson factory in York, PA. Mechanicsburg to York Haven (52 miles return)

5 Monday June 27th	Mechanicsburg, PA Holiday Inn Express	Lincoln Speedway Pennsylvania Sprintweek Night 4	Visit Lancaster County covered bridges and Intercourse.
6 Tuesday June 28th	Quakertown, PA Econo Lodge	Grandview Speedway Pennsylvania Sprintweek Night 5	Visit Chocolatetown Hersheypark on way to Quakertown, via Reading. Mechanicsburg to Quakertown (103 miles / 2 hours 31 mins) Quakertown to Grandview Speedway (18 miles / 29 mins)
7 Wed June 29th	Burnham, PA Quality Inn & Suites	Port Royal Speedway Pennsylvania Sprintweek Night 6	Quakertown to Burnham via the Millersburg Ferry on Route 209. (144 miles / 2 hours 56 mins) Burnham to Port Royal (20 miles / 22 mins each way)
8 Thursday June 30th	Hagerstown, MD Sleep Inn & Suites	Hagerstown Speedway Pennsylvania Sprintweek Night 7	Burnham to Hagerstown (82 miles / 1 hour 56 mins) Hotel is next to a Wal-Mart Supercentre and opposite the Premium Outlet Stores.
9 Friday July 1st	Cloverdale, IN Super 8	Lincoln Park Speedway aka Putnamville Speedway MSCS & USAC non wing sprints. Bill Gardner Sprintacular Night 1	Hagerstown to Cloverdale, IN (565 miles - 8 hours 42 mins) Cloverdale to Putnamville Speedway (11 mins / 7 miles)
10 Saturday July 2nd	Sun Prairie, WI Quality Inn & Suites	Beaver Dam Raceway Badger midgets, wingless sprints and Legend cars Gain an hour today.	Cloverdale to Sun Prairie, WI via Chicago and Milwaukee (346 miles – 5 hours 48 mins) Sun Prairie to Beaver Dam (30 miles e/w)
11 Sunday July 3rd	Sun Prairie, WI Quality Inn & Suites <i>Sun Prairie is a suburb of Madison.</i>	Angell Park Speedway Badger midgets /wingless sprints. Independence Day special AND / OR the NASCAR Kwik Trip 250 at Road America.	Note that it may not be possible to get from Road America to Angell Park in time for the racing at this iconic track. OR visit Madison, the capital of Wisconsin.
12 Monday July 4th	Fond du Lac, WI Hampton Inn	Rain date for Angell Park Independence Day Highly possible there will be racing at the Plymouth Dirt Track at the Fairgrounds tonight.	Check out Green Bay and Lambeau Field, the home of the Packers. We will also visit Road America at Elkhart Lake the day after their NASCAR race. Watch the Independence Day fireworks over Lake Winnebago at dusk.
13 Tuesday July 5th	Peoria, IL Comfort Suites	Knox County Fair Speedway WoO Late Models Summer Nationals Hell Tour	Fond du Lac to Peoria, IL (271 miles / 4 hours 25 mins) Peoria to Knox County Fair Speedway (43 miles / 40 mins)
14 Wed July 6th	Peoria, IL Comfort Suites	Spoon River Speedway WoO Late Models Summer Nationals Hell Tour	Peoria to Spoon River Speedway (31 miles / 36 mins)
15 Thursday July 7th	Decatur, IL Americas Best Value Inn	Macon Speedway WoO Late Models Summer Nationals Hell Tour	Drive from Peoria to Streator, IL (62 miles / 1 hour 15 mins) Morning visit to Dee Tattersall's home and town to see where Bob lived. Including lunch with Dee if possible. Streator to Decatur / Macon (106 miles / 1 hour 46 mins)
16 Friday July 8th	Pella, IA Baymont by Wyndham	Knoxville Raceway (Iowa) Cornbelt Nationals for USAC & POWRi 410 sprintcars + winged 410's	Drive Decatur to Pella (320 miles / 5 hours 09 mins) Pella to Knoxville Raceway (14 miles)
17 Saturday July 9th	Pella, IA Baymont by Wyndham	Knoxville Raceway (Iowa) Cornbelt Nationals for USAC & POWRi 410 sprintcars + winged 410's	Pella to Knoxville Raceway (14 miles)

18 Sunday July 10th	Sioux Falls, SD Holiday Inn Express & Suites	Huset's Speedway Regular program of winged 410, 305 sprintcars and street stocks	<i>Pella to Sioux Falls, South Dakota</i> <i>(337 miles / 5 hours 03 mins)</i>
19 Monday July 11th	Joliet, IL Hollywood Casino	No racing this evening <i>During today's drive we will stop at Baseball's Field of Dreams in Dyersville, IA</i>	<i>Early 7.00am departure</i> <i>Brandon to Dyersville</i> <i>(365 miles / 5 hours 33 mins)</i> <i>Dyersville to Joliet</i> <i>(229 miles / 3 hours 38 mins)</i>
20 Tuesday July 12th	Lima, OH Howard Johnson	Attica Raceway Park World of Outlaws sprintcars Brad Doty Classic. <i>Pick up Stubb for the ride to Attica</i>	<i>Joliet to Lima</i> <i>(245 miles / 4 hours 23 mins)</i> <i>Lima to Findlay to Attica</i> <i>(75 miles / 1 hour 26 mins each way)</i> Lose an hour today.
21 Wed July 13th	Winchester, IN Randolph Inn & Suites	Eldora Speedway World of Outlaws and USAC sprints on the same program <i>This race night is the first of four (yes that's right, four) consecutive races at Eldora.</i>	<i>Dave Argabright hosted luncheon today in Troy, Ohio. Jack Hewitt will be our special guest of honour.</i> <i>Findlay to Troy (86 miles/1 hour 20 mins)</i> <i>Troy to Eldora (40 miles / 50 mins)</i> <i>Eldora to Winchester (30 miles)</i>
22 Thursday July 14th	Winchester, IN Randolph Inn & Suites	Eldora Speedway World of Outlaws sprintcars Historical Big One \$100,00 to win	<i>Winchester to Eldora (30 miles)</i> <i>Eldora to Winchester (30 miles)</i>
23 Friday July 15th	Winchester, IN Randolph Inn & Suites	Eldora Speedway World of Outlaws sprintcars The Knight Before the Royal	<i>Tour of Winchester Speedway.</i> <i>Lunch at Kathy's in Greenville, OH.</i> <i>Winchester to Eldora (30 miles each way)</i> <i>Eldora to Winchester (30 miles)</i>
24 Saturday July 16th	Winchester, IN Randolph Inn & Suites	Eldora Speedway World of Outlaws sprintcars The 39th Kings Royal \$175,000 to win	<i>All day at Eldora for Stubb's party.</i> <i>Winchester to Eldora (30 miles)</i> <i>Eldora to Winchester (30 miles)</i>
25 Sunday July 17th	Franklin, PA Quality Inn & Conference Centre	Tri-City Raceway Park 410 winged sprintcars, 358 modifieds, Pro & Mini Stocks	<i>Winchester to Franklin</i> <i>(387 miles / 6 hours 20 mins)</i>
26 Monday July 18th	Niagara Falls, Canada TBC	No racing this evening	<i>Franklin to Niagara Falls</i> <i>(177 miles / 2 hours 56 mins)</i> <i>Sightseeing all afternoon at Niagara</i>
27 Tuesday July 19th	Butler, PA Comfort Inn & Suites	Lernerville Speedway World of Outlaws sprintcars Silver Cup/Don Martin Memorial	<i>Sightseeing all morning at Niagara</i> <i>Niagara Falls to Butler</i> <i>216 miles / 3 hours 28 mins)</i>
28 Wed July 20th	Indianapolis Comfort Inn & Suites North at the Pyramids	<i>If a race doesn't pop its head up, we'll have Dinner at the Texas Roadhouse next door to the hotel.</i>	<i>Butler to Indianapolis</i> <i>(405 miles / 6 hours 14 mins)</i>
29 Thursday July 21st	Indianapolis Comfort Inn & Suites North at the Pyramids	Circle City Raceway Winged 410s, Midgets, Micros	<i>Road trip around Indianapolis. Visit the Indy Speedway and Museum / Gasoline Alley / Lucas Oil Raceway / Brownsburg / Lunch at the Pitstop BBQ</i>
30 Friday July 22nd	Gas City, IN Best Western Plus	Gas City Speedway USAC Indiana Sprintweek Night 1	<i>11.00am tour of Lucas Oil Stadium</i> <i>Indianapolis to Gas City</i> <i>(78 miles / 1 hour 17 mins)</i>

31 Saturday July 23rd	Gas City, IN Best Western Plus	Kokomo Speedway USAC Indiana Sprintweek Night 2	<i>Visit the James Dean Museum in Fairmount. Gas City to Kokomo (28 miles / 30 mins)</i>
32 Sunday July 24th	Lawrenceburg, IN Comfort Inn & Suites	Lawrenceburg Speedway USAC Indiana Sprintweek Night 3	<i>Gas City to Lawrenceburg, IN (139 miles / 2 hours 37 mins)</i>
33 Monday July 25th	In transit	Depart Indianapolis Airport Mid-afternoon flight from Indy	<i>Lawrenceburg to Indianapolis (98 miles / 1 hour 47 mins) Fly out from Indianapolis Airport for points west and connecting flights to Aust cities.</i>
Tuesday July 26th	This day disappears	completely thanks to the	miracle of the time zone!
34 Wed July 27th	Arrive at your preferred Australian gateway city	Connect to domestic Australian flights as required	<i>Your tour arrangements with Global Speedway Tours have now concluded.</i>

In 2022 we are already committed to taking our second tour to the Chariots of Thunder in Darwin. There is some probability that there is a higher chance of the Chariots tour being permitted to travel, than a tour to America's heartland. Which state of Australia our tour members live in may also dictate whether they can even leave their own state, let alone get back into it from the USA.

The length of quarantine time a returning traveller will have to do (and where) will also dictate our thinking. We have factored in 14 days to this itinerary. If as the media are suggesting that it will only be seven days at home and a negative COVID test, then that makes a difference. For now, this tour is designed for a 14-day quarantine period.

Note that on 15/10/21 the Premier of NSW announced that returning residents of NSW do not need to quarantine at all.

If the Government announce the latter shorter quarantine period for the majority of states, then we will extend the Best of the Best USA tour by a further week. This is what could also be included.

EXTENDED SEVEN DAYS IF QUARANTINE PERIOD FOR RETURNING AUSSIES IS SCALED BACK

33 Monday July 25th	Indianapolis Comfort Inn Airport	No racing this evening	Lawrenceburg to Indianapolis <i>(98 miles / 1 hour 47 mins)</i> A leisurely day while we get departing tour members on their way back to Australia.
34 Tuesday July 26th	Indianapolis Comfort Inn Airport	No racing this evening	Inspect & tour Ganassi Indycar Race shop Go karting and lunch at Charlie Brown's Speedway Indoor Karting to finish
35 Wednesday July 27th	Terre Haute Hampton Inn	Terre Haute Action Track Don Smith Classic USAC's Indiana Sprintweek Round 4 / 410 non winged	Indianapolis to Terre Haute <i>(67 miles / 1 hour 7 mins)</i> Resting peacefully in Terre Haute
36 Thursday July 28th	Terre Haute Hampton Inn	Putnamville Speedway USAC's Indiana Sprintweek Round 5 / 410 non winged	Terre Haute to Putnamville <i>(37 miles / 39 mins each way)</i>
37 Friday July 29th	Edinburgh, IN Best Western <i>This hotel is within 200 metres of the</i> Edinburgh Premium Outlet Stores	Bloomington Speedway USAC's Indiana Sprintweek Round 6 / 410 non winged OR Lucas Oil Raceway The NASCAR Trucks <i>Edinburgh to Bloomington</i> <i>49 miles / 1 hour 06 min</i>	Terre Haute to Edinburgh, IN <i>(105 miles / 1 hour 43 mins)</i> The group will probably split into two today and tomorrow, A second vehicle will be rented (appropriate to the size of the second group) so they can get to and from Indianapolis. It makes sense to position ourselves in a town and hotel which is equidistant to all venues. Edinburgh suits that purpose perfectly.
38 Saturday July 30th	Edinburgh, IN Best Western	Tri-State Speedway (night) USAC's Indiana Sprintweek Round 7 / 410 non winged OR (day) The NTT Indycars on the road course at Indianapolis Motor Speedway PLUS the NASCAR Xfinity series cars on the Indy Road course. All on the same day!	Edinburgh to Indy Speedway <i>(39 miles / 42 mins)</i> It would be impossible to get from Indy Speedway to Tri-State in Haubstadt after today's races finish. Edinburgh to Tri State Speedway <i>(152 miles / 2 hours 35 mins)</i> Gain an hour going Lose an hour returning.
39 Sunday July 31st	Edinburgh, IN Best Western	Indianapolis Motor Speedway NASCAR on the road course during the day. Paragon Speedway at night Non winged 410 sprints, super stocks, modifieds and bombers	Edinburgh to Indianapolis <i>(39 miles / 42 mins)</i> Indianapolis to Paragon <i>(38 miles / 46 mins)</i> Paragon to Edinburgh <i>(40 miles / 54 mins)</i>
40 Monday August 1st	In transit	Depart Indianapolis Airport Mid-afternoon flight from Indy	Edinburgh to Indianapolis Airport <i>(42 miles / 42 mins)</i> Fly out from Indianapolis Airport for points west and connecting flights to Aust cities.
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There is nothing stopping those who want to stay on for the Iron Man at I-55, the Knoxville Nationals, and/or Smackdown at Kokomo to take our tour and enjoy all the fun that we know it generates with friends, then stay on for those events.

This itinerary is subject to change with fine tuning always happening as things change on the American racing scene. The whole tour is dependent upon the pandemic and international air travel to the USA being re-opened with reasonable and acceptable conditions.

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