

<p style="text-align: center;">OCTOBER 18TH, 2009</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LET'S GET CARL</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">BACK ON TRACK!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">A FUNDRAISER FOR NASCAR DRIVER CARL LONG</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Country Roads Group Riding (CRGR) has a ride going to Charlotte to attend this event departing from Knoxville, TN. October 17th and returning on October 18th.</p>
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Who? Carl Long is a part-time NASCAR Nextel Cup and Nationwide Series driver. He operates on a very limited budget but is able to scrape together enough money to make a few races a year. He is 42 years old, married and has four children, two of which are small and still live at home. Carl and his wife Dee Dee are also CRGR members.

What? In May, 2009 at Charlotte's Lowes Motor Speedway and at a non-points race, Carl put an engine on the track that exceeded NASCAR regulations. The engine had a catastrophic failure and was later inspected by NASCAR and found to be 358.17 CI which is .17 over the limit. NASCAR fined Carl \$200,000 which is the largest monetary fine in NASCAR history.

Why? We feel this fine is an injustice to Carl because he bought the engine from a reputable builder of NASCAR engines and has nothing to do with it being over the limit. He did obviously violate the rules by taking the engine to the track not knowing there was an issue. Carl has possible avenues of litigation against the engine builder however, that could take years to settle. The best solution to this situation is to pay the fine as soon as possible so that all of those that are affected remain in good standing with NASCAR.

When? Our Bobby Smith will be your RC as he leads this **RIDE OR DRIVE** via scenic routes to Hickory, N.C. where you will spend Saturday night. The next morning you will travel to Mooresville, N.C. and the Memory Lane Museum for the event. Afterwards, you will return to Knoxville via the Interstate. CRGR is not charging anything to attend this ride. There is a minimum \$35 per person registration fee which will also include admission to Memory Lane Museum. <http://www.memorylaneautomuseum.com> It will also get you a chance to meet and shake hands with Carl Long, to get his autograph and hear his story. Dee Dee will also be on hand.

There is a **PRIZE LIST** currently being developed for those that are attending the event. Prizes thus far range from autographed T-Shirts to a chance to be a Pit Crew member. (This is a real job waving the Pit Flag and dodging flying lug nuts, not a token job flipping burgers for the crew.). Please check the prize list for updates as the Event date approaches.

OK, I'm in! What do I do now?

First, go to <http://www.countryroads.org>. "Click to Enter" under the CRGR logo, Click on "CRGR Rides" and scroll down to find this Event. Pick a location where you want to meet us and make your reservation based on the hotels on our list.

Second, Email bobby@countryroads.org and tell him you plan to attend and where you will meet him based on his list of locations.

Finally, go to <http://www.carl-long.com> and register for the fund raiser. (Cost is \$35 per person or \$40 at the event.)