

Inaugural HSR Classic 6 Hours of The Glen Comes to a Competitive Conclusion at Watkins Glen International

The Inaugural Historic Sportscar Racing (HSR) Classic 6 Hours of The Glen came to a safe and successful conclusion Sunday with the first three Run Group winners in the history of the newest "HSR Classics" race honored after two days of competition on the legendary Watkins Glen International Grand Prix circuit. The Classic 6 Hours joins the HSR Classic Daytona 24 Hour and HSR Classic Sebring 12 Hour as the third race in the HSR Classics triple crown and delivered in its first edition this weekend the same intense competition and drama for which the Daytona and Sebring HSR Classics have become known.

The weekend's trio of Run Group winners were each awarded custom designed watches carrying the race's logo from B.R.M. Chronographs.

One of the weekend's most notable victories was a record-extending seventh HSR Classics win by the 1974 No. 26 Chevron B26 co-driven by car owner/driver Gray Gregory and his teammates Randy Buck and Ethan Shippert. The always-quick Chevron swept all three Run Group A rounds at The Glen over the course of Saturday and Sunday to become the first team

and drivers to win each of the HSR Classics races at Daytona, Sebring and Watkins Glen at least once.

The weekend's win at The Glen was also the third-consecutive HSR Classics victory for the No. 26 Chevron team and drivers after sweeping the 2022 Daytona and Sebring HSR Classics races late last year. Gregory and his teammates have four career HSR Classic Sebring victories - 2018 through 2020 and '22 - and a pair of HSR Classic Daytona wins last year and in 2020. Along with the Classic 6 Hours, the seven victories are the most for any single team and driver lineup in the nearly 10-year history of the HSR Classics events.

Next up for HSR on the 2023 calendar is a return to Watkins Glen for the Inaugural HSR Stock Cars at The Glen on NASCAR weekend, August 19 - 20. Prior to that, HSR returns to WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca for its third year as the sanctioning body for the Rolex Monterey Motorsports Reunion, August 16 - 19, and Monterey Pre-Reunion the week before, August 12 - 13.

About HSR: Now an IMSA property, Historic Sportscar Racing (HSR) was formed in the



mid-1970s with an event at Road Atlanta. There was one goal then and it remains true today: to celebrate the race cars from the past. As a "time machine" of sights and sounds, HSR provides a venue for competitors and spectators alike to share in the wonderful history and excitement created by the cars that competed at race tracks around the world. HSR currently sanctions eight vintage and historic racing events at some of the world's most renowned race tracks, including

Road Atlanta, Sebring International Raceway, Daytona International Speedway and more. The complete schedule and full event information can be found on HSR's website at www.HSRRace.com. Look for the HSR Channel on YouTube and follow HSR on Facebook at www.Facebook.com/HSRRace/ and on Twitter and Instagram at @HSR_race. A dedicated website for the Classic 24 Hour at Daytona presented by IMSA is available at www.Classic24hour.com.

Watkins Glen Preview

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Not only is the track a great place to visit, but there are many things to see and do!

Wondering where to begin? Here are a few ideas! Watkins Glen State Park's Gorge Trail boasts 19 waterfalls along a 2 1/2 mile trail. The Rim Trail (which is dog-friendly) at the State Park is open year-round and offers a neat perspective, skirting the top edge of the gorge.

Get out on the water with a sail on a historic schooner or perhaps a sightseeing cruise is more

your style. You can even take a lunch or dinner cruise!

Downtown Watkins Glen has gone through a makeover keeping the history and prestige of the past racing history.

There are Vineyards, Breweries and Distilleries where you can sample the local products. Check out a couple MSA Favorites below.

State parks, waterfalls and of course the Fingerlakes let you enjoy nature.



CAN CHASE MAKE IT 3 WINS AT THE GLEN??

Back at the track, besides NASCAR Cup (August 7-8th, 2021) there is IMSA, SCCA GT World Challenge and a must do the Hilliard U.S.Vintage Grand Prix which goes thru historic downtown Watkins Glen up to the Road Course.

Beer & Wine Festival are held here as a yearly event. Check out www.theglen.com and www.watkinsglenchamber.com for events and activities.

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