

2013 MOTD



Welcome Guide

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EVENT COMMUNICATIONS

There will be a large Fontana Village map and a Daily Schedule of Events by the Wildwood Grill. For general communications between everyone attending, please monitor channel 7 sub-channel 21 on your FRS/GMRS radio. Please use this channel only to get in contact with other members of the group, and refrain from playing music or having long conversations on 7-21. Doing so blocks the channel and prevents others from using it. In order to keep 7-21 clear for the group to use, it's best if you move your conversation to another channel instead of staying on 7-21. Below is a list of sub-channels for each local group attending.

2 Sub	15 -----	Philly MINI				13 Sub	20 -----	Midland MINI Motoring			
3 Sub	8 -----	MINI Skirts				14 Sub	7 -----	Chicago MINI Club			
4 Sub	9 -----	Central Maryland MINI Motorists				15 Sub	15 -----	Queen City Coopers			
5 Sub	21 -----	MINICCI				16 Sub	10 -----	Hampton Roads Club MINI			
6 Sub	21 -----	Michigan MINI				17 Sub	1 -----	Upstateminis (South Carolina)			
6 Sub	9 -----	QoC				17 Sub	21 -----	Mid-South MINlacs			
7 Sub	21 -----	MOTD Main Channel				18 Sub	21 -----	Kansas City MINI Enthusiasts			
8 Sub	0 -----	Gulf South Motoring				19 Sub	9 -----	Bluegrass MINIs			
9 Sub	0 -----	Mid-Ohio Motoring (MoM)				20 Sub	20 -----	Tar Heel MINIs			
10 Sub	4 -----	SunShine MINIs				20 Sub	21 -----	"Drive and Eat"			
10 Sub	11 -----	CarlisleMINI				21 Sub	7 -----	Mini NEO and MKO			
11 Sub	11 -----	Metroplex MINI				21 Sub	21 -----	PittStop MINI - (Bingo & Draggin Dragons)			
12 Sub	14 -----	Mid TN MINIs				22 Sub	22 -----	DC Metro MINIs			

Fontana Hours

There will be “Daily Schedules” and “Fontana Map” banners displayed by the Wildwood Café

Fontana Lodging Check-in is in the Main Lodge Building

MOTD Registration will once again be in the card room inside the Rec. Hall.
 (that is next to the bar in the Rec. Hall where the Group Dinners are)(see map below)

Fontana Food Tent in Vendor Alley: Fri. – Sat.: 11:00am – 3:00 pm

The Mountain View Bistro at the Lodge: Breakfast: 7:30am – 11:30am
 Dinner: 5:30pm – 9:00pm ----- Mon-Thur.*
 Dinner: 5:30pm – 10:00pm ----- Fri-Sat *
 (Reservations required for dinner)

The Wildwood Grill will be open : Lunch/Dinner : 11:30am - 10:00pm ----- Mon-Thur.
 Lunch/Dinner : 11:30am - 11:00pm -----Fri-Sat.

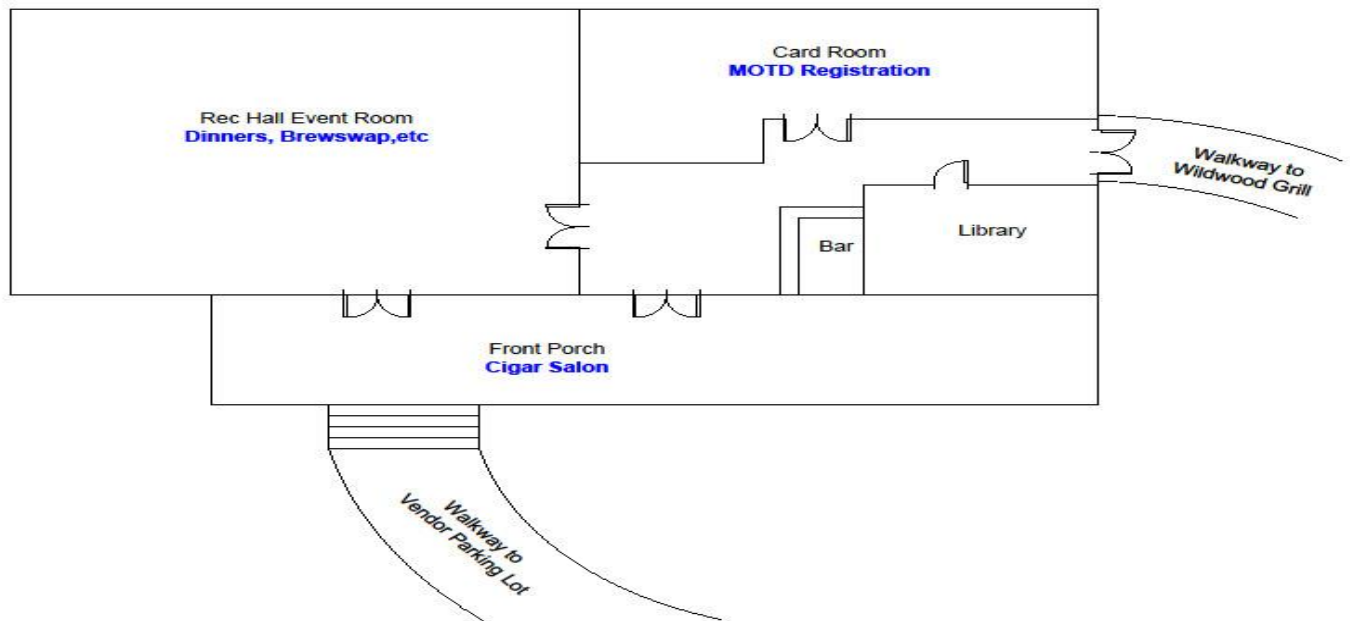
* A Buffet Breakfast will be available at the Mountain View Bistro. (Fri., Sat. and Sunday)

The General Store will be open: Mon. – Tuesday 8:30am - 5:30pm
 Wed. – Saturday 8:30am - 9:30pm
 Fri. – Saturday 8:30am - 5:30pm

Ice Cream Shop: Thursday 1:00pm - 9:30pm

Overlook at the Top of the Dam Wed – Sunday 10:00am - 5:00pm

Car Wash locations: General Store Parking Lot - Old Registration Building Parking Lot
 Small Parking lot across the street in front of the Rec. Hall



Safety on the Dragon!

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Drive the Dragon at your skill level - don't try to push it or keep up with faster vehicles.

STAY IN YOUR LANE, cutting the corners and taking chances that might appear "fun" while sitting in your easy chair, BEWARE, this style of driving on the Dragon can cost you dearly. The challenge of the Dragon is to take the many curves in the best line possible inside your lane.

Do NOT sightsee. The Dragon is to drive, not to watch the sights. On many runs I don't even see what is on the side of the road. I'm watching the roadway way ahead.

Look far ahead at the road, curves, bushes, other vehicles, etc. If you haven't seen the hazards right in front of you, you are going to hit them anyway, so you might as well pay attention to what you have time to avoid.

We have seen deer, bear, turkeys, and wild boar on the roadway. Be ready to brake and slow down. When we say brake we DO NOT mean slamming on the brakes. That will get you turned around in a hurry and it's no fun looking at where you've been at any speed.

Maintain a "safe zone". Keep a safe distance between you and the vehicle ahead of you. Watch your rear view mirrors for faster vehicles. If you see a faster rider/driver coming up behind you, pull over to the right of your lane, slow down just a little, and wave them around. It is much safer to let a faster vehicle go around you than to try to outrun them. NEVER stay left trying to keep someone from passing you. NEVER pull off the road onto the shoulder unless it is at one of the pull-off parking areas. It may be illegal to pass on the Dragon, but I'll let a faster vehicle get around me to protect my safe zone.

There will always be faster drivers than you. Don't try to be the King of the Dragon. Drive the Dragon many times before trying to challenge it. Even then you still need to respect it at all times.

DO NOT STAND ON THE BRAKES if you see danger ahead. You are much better off to tap the brakes and maintain control. Some 90% of the accidents on the Dragon are due to speed and then over-braking. If you see another vehicle coming at you in your lane, hug the white line in your lane. In all likelihood you can avoid trucks and trailers if you stay alert and watch ahead.

DO NOT be spooked by other vehicles. DO NOT make sudden avoidance moves. You might have to adjust your line to avoid a car, truck, or bike, but DO NOT lay on the brakes or turn off the roadway suddenly unless that is the only out you have. Motorcycles might dent your car, but that is better than going off the bank and hitting a tree sideways. If a cycle is in your lane that is their mistake and problem, don't let them force you into a worse situation for yourself.

Trucks are usually traveling at a very slow speed and you should have time to stop and back-up if you see one coming at you and taking the whole corner. Watch for signals from drivers/riders coming at you. Many times they will escort a big truck over the Dragon and wave a warning to you to pull over. DO NOT ignore these warnings.

Safety on the Dragon! - continued

Avoid driving hard on the Dragon in heavy traffic times. Weekends from 11 am to 5 pm are the busiest. These are the times to lay back and enjoy watching the "show" go by. The early mornings (before 11 am) and the late afternoons (after 5 pm) have the least traffic. ALWAYS stay 100% alert. You do not have the advantage of relaxing on the Dragon.

Make sure your vehicle is mechanically sound and that your tires are good. Plan to make several runs, the first is always a nervous one then you can have fun on the second and third.

DO NOT over-use your brakes. Use your gears and DOWNSHIFT. A good Dragon driver WILL NOT use a lot of brakes.

Focus - do not daydream. Watch the road, your mirrors, and pay attention to other bikes/cars/trucks. 99% of the accidents on the Dragon come from the following:

Too much speed - Too much brakes - Inattentiveness - Driving above your abilities



Graham County Food Drive

Once again we will be reaching out to help support the local Graham County Food Pantry and give back to local folks in the area. We have several incentives to get everyone involved:

Donations Via Registration: ToddsModds has donated a MOTD sticker for the first 400 people that bring 4 or more canned goods to registration or a cash donation.

Dragon BINGO: PittStop MINIs will offer 5 extra Bingo sheets for any players who bring one or more food items or donates money to the food bank at the event.

Dragon Parade: XIEK will have a custom "Motoring CD" available for a single food donation at the start of the Dragon Parade.

Here is a list of Items in need: (please check the expiration dates)

Cereals

Pasta

Assorted canned goods

Macaroni & cheese

Diapers (sizes 2 - 5)

Rice

Kleenex

Lotion

Oatmeal

Soups

Peanut Butter

Crackers (assorted)

An event of this size does not happen by itself. It takes a coordinated effort from a lot on individuals and groups. So let's all thank the following contributors and supporters of the 2013 MINIs On The Dragon!

2013 Vendors and Sponsors

AutoXCooper
Craven Speed
Crown MINI of VA
Imperial MINI
DDMWorks
Dent Tricks
Detail Productions
Detroit Tuned
Digital Vision Gallery
Fontana Village
Graham County

Group 4 Autosports
Helix Motorsports
Hendrick MINI
Paint Pro
M7Tuning
MC2 Magazine
MINI FINI
MINI of Tampa Bay
MINI of Wesley Chapel
MINI Skirts
MINIBee's Motoring Merchandise

MINIUSA
Out Motoring
CroftgateUSA of Orlando
Renew Protect
RVA MINIs
Smoky Mtn. Homes and Cabins
Tapoco Lodge
ToddsModds
Way Motor Works

2013 Event and Drive Volunteers

Alan & Bev Miller
Alicyn Drew
AutoXCooper.com
Barry & Robin Patascher
Becky and Luis Mendez
Bill Connelly
Bill Derr
Blaine and AshleyJohnston
Bob & Ginny Percy
Carl Bauersfeld
Celia Seminerio
Central Maryland MINI Motorist
Craig Mcveay
DC Metro MINIs
Detroit Tuned
Dirk van Duym
Fred Fisher
Georgia MINI Auto Club
Gigi Lewing
Hendrick MINI
Jack Rowland
Janet Ford

Jason Hurdle - XIEK
Jay & Norma Jean Pecotte
Jeff Cole
Jeff Ellis
John Cee
Katie Williams
Leon Dixon
MKO
Mid-Ohio Motoring
MINI Skirts
Motoring Alliance
Nathan Freedenberg
Out Motoring
PittStop MINIs
Richard & Carol Nick
Shelly & Maya Stanley
Shey & Teri Knight
Sunshine MINIs
Tar Heel MINI Motoring Club
Tom Womble
Way Motor Works
Woody & Barbie Marshall

Event Summary Page

Wednesday - May 2nd 2013

- 6:30 am - 11:30 am Smoky Mtn. Sunrise Drive
- 7:00 am - 9:00 am Glamour Shots
- 9:00 am - 4:00 pm 12 Minute Massages
- 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm Dragon Safety
- 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm Registration Pick-Ups
- 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Welcome Dinner
- 8:00 pm - 10:00 pm Cigar Salon
- 8:00 pm - 10:00 pm Wine Tasting
- 8:00 pm - 10:00 pm Skirtstock

Thursday - May 3rd 2013

- 6:00 am - 11:00 am Sunrise Drive
- 7:00 am - 1:30 pm Dry Falls and Bridal Veil Falls
- 8:00 am - 4:00 pm Gatlinburg Craftsman Loop
- 8:30 am - 3:15 pm Cades Cove Loop
- 9:00 am - 11:00 am Registration Pick-Ups
- 9:00 am - 11:00 am Dragon Safety
- 9:00 am - 2:30 pm Deep Creek Waterfalls
- 9:00 am - 4:00 pm 12 Minute Massage Sessions
- 9:15 am - 3:00 pm White Water Rafting
- 10:00 am - 3:00 pm Brewery Drive and Lunch
- 10:15 am - 3:15 pm Winery and Lunch
- 10:30 am - 5:30 pm Dry Falls / Bridal Veil Falls
- 1:30 pm - 6:30 pm Cherohala and Dinner
- 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm Registration Pick-Ups
- 3:30 pm - 6:00 pm River's End Dinner - Janet
- 3:30 pm - 6:00 pm Phillips Restaurant
- 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm Exhaust Sound Off
- 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm Bingo
- 8:00 pm - 10:00 pm Way's Tent Party
- 9:45 pm - 10:00 pm Firework Show

Friday - May 4th 2013

- 6:30 am - 10:30 am Donut Run
- 7:00 am - 9:00 am Glamour Shots
- 7:45 am - 4:00 pm Blimey's Tiny Tour of Terror
- 8:00 am - 9:30 am Dragon Parade
- 9:00 am - 11:00 am Registration Pick-Ups
- 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Zipline
- 9:30 am - 1:30 pm Dragon Fire Run
- 9:45 am - 3:15 pm Cherohala and Lunch
- 9:45 am - 3:15 pm Lunch in Murphy NC
- 10:00 am - 1:30 pm Draggin Dragons
- 10:00 am - Cabin Decorating Voting
- 10:15 am - 3:15 pm Brewery Drive and Lunch
- 11:30 am - 1:30 pm Poker Run
- 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm Burger Run
- 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm Registration Pick-Ups
- 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm MINI Glamour Photo Shoot
- 2:15 pm - 8:45 pm Mingus Mill - Balsam Mtn. Inn
- 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm Kickball
- 3:00 pm - 10:00 pm Mingo Falls - Oconaluftee
- 3:30 pm - 6:00 pm River's End Dinner - Snooter
- 3:30 pm - 6:00 pm Carolina Kitchen Dinner
- 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Brewswap
- 8:00 pm - 11:00 pm Karaoke

Saturday - May 5th 2013

- 7:00 am - 10:00 am Breakfast Fundaiser
- 7:30 am - 5:15 pm Autocross
- 9:00 am - 11:00 am Registration Pick-Ups
- 10:00 am - 11:00 am Panoramic Photo
- 11:15 am - 2:30 pm Ice Cream Run
- 11:30 am - 3:45 pm Shotguns at the Dragon
- 1:15 pm - 4:30 pm Nantahala Brewery Lunch
- 1:30 pm - 5:00 pm Fun Factory
- 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm Car Show
- 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Farewell Dinner
- 8:45 pm - 11:15 pm Twilight N Twisites
- 11:00 pm - 1:00 am Midnight Run

Schedule of Events

Wednesday May 1st, 2013

Smoky Mountain Sunrise Drive

Host: Bill Derr

Time: 6:30am – 11:30am
Location: General Store Parking Lot at Fontana

Glamour Shots for Your MINI

Host: Craig McVeay and Alicyn Drew

Time: 7:00am – 9:00am
Location: Fontana Marina Parking Lot

12 Minute Massage Sessions (\$15.00)

Host: Phillip from the Fontana Spa

Time: 9:00am – 4:00pm
Location: Main Lodge at Fontana Village

Dragon Safety – Wednesday

Host: Jack Rowland

Time: 12:00pm – 2:00pm
Location: Blue Ridge Room in the Main Lodge Building (lower level)

Registration Pick-ups

Host: Nathan Freedenberg and Volunteers

Time: 2:00pm – 5:00pm
Location: Card Room inside the Rec. Hall

Welcome Dinner

Host: Barry Patascher / Sunshine MINIs

Time: Doors open at 5:00pm
Dinner is served at 6:00pm
Location: Fontana Rec. Hall

Cigar Salon

Host: Jeff Ellis / MKO Club

Time: 8:00pm – 10:00pm
Location: Front Porch outside of the Rec. Hall

Dragon Wine Tasting

Host: Alan and Bev Miller and AutoXCooper

Time: 8:00pm – 10:00pm
Location: Fontana Rec. Hall

SKIRTSTOCK

Host: The MINI Skirts

Time: 8:00pm – 10:00pm
Location: Porch in Front of the Wildwood Grill

Thursday May 2nd, 2013

Sunrise Drive Thru the Smokies

Host: Janet Ford

Time: 6:00am – 11:00am
Location: General Store Parking Lot at Fontana

Dry Falls and Bridal Veil Falls

Host: DC Metro MINIs

Time: 7:00am – 1:30pm
Location: General Store Parking Lot at Fontana

Gatlinburg Craftsman Loop

Bob & Ginny Percy

Time: 8:00am – 4:00pm
Location: General Store Parking Lot at Fontana

Cades Cove Loop

Host: Woody & Barbie Marshall

Time: 8:30am – 3:15pm
Location: General Store Parking Lot at Fontana

Registration Pick-ups

Host: Nathan Freedenberg and Volunteers

Time: 9:00am – 11:00am
Location: Card Room inside the Rec. Hall

Dragon Safety – Thursday

Host: Jack Rowland

Time: 9:00pm – 11:00am
Location: Blue Ridge Room in the Main Lodge Building (lower level)

Deep Creek Waterfalls and Lunch

Host: Barry & Robin Patascher

Time: 9:00am – 2:30pm
Location: General Store Parking Lot at Fontana

12 Minute Massage Sessions (\$15.00)

Host: Phillip from the Fontana Spa

Time: 9:00am – 4:00pm
Location: Main Lodge at Fontana Village

White Water Rafting

Host: Tom Womble

Time: 9:15am – 3:00pm
Location: General Store Parking Lot at Fontana

Brewery Drive and Lunch

Host: Carl Bauersfeld

Time: 10:00am – 3:00pm
Location: General Store Parking Lot at Fontana

Calaboose Winery and Lunch

Host: Shey & Teri Knight

Time: 10:15am – 3:15pm
Location: General Store Parking Lot at Fontana

Dry Falls and Bridal Veil Falls

Host: Jack Rowland

Time: 10:30am – 5:30pm
Location: General Store Parking Lot at Fontana

Cherohala Drive and Dinner

Host: Fred Fisher

Time: 1:30pm – 6:30pm
Location: General Store Parking Lot at Fontana

Registration Pick-ups

Host: Nathan Freedenberg and Volunteers

Time: 2:00pm – 4:00pm
Location: Card Room inside the Rec. Hall

Rivers End Restaurant Drive

Host: Janet Ford

Time: 3:30pm – 6:00pm
Location: Old Registration Building Parking Lot

Thursday May 2nd, 2013 – continued

Phillips Smoky Mountain Restaurant Host: Craig McVeay
Time: 3:30pm – 6:00pm
Location: General Store Parking Lot at Fontana

Exhaust Sound Off Host: Dirk van Duym
Time: 3:00pm – 4:00pm
Location: General Store Parking Lot at Fontana

Dragon Bingo Host: PittStop MINIs
Time: Doors open at 5:30
6:30pm – 9:30pm
Location: Fontana Rec. Hall

Way Motor Works Margarita Host: Way Motor Works
Time: 8:00pm till the Blender runs Dry
Location: The Way Motor Works Tent

Firework Show Host: Snooter and Fontana Village
Time: 9:45pm – 10:00pm
Location: Fontana Baseball Field

Friday May 3rd, 2013

Donut Run Host: MoM and Motoring Alliance
Time: 6:30am – 10:30am
Location: General Store Parking Lot at Fontana

Glamour Shots for Your MINI Host: Craig McVeay and Alicyn Drew
Time: 7:00am – 9:00am
Location: Fontana Marina Parking Lot

Blimey's Tiny Tour of Terror Host: Jeff Cole
Time: 7:45am – 4:00pm
Location: General Store Parking Lot at Fontana

The Dragon Parade Host: Jason Hurdle (XIEK)
Time: 8:00am – 9:30am
Location: Access Road to the Lower Dam

Registration Pick-ups Host: Nathan Freedenberg and Volunteers
Time: 9:00am – 11:00am
Location: Card Room inside the Rec. Hall

Zipline in Sevierville Host: Johnny Cee
Time: 9:00am – 5:00pm
Location: The Turnaround Point of the Dragon Parade

Dragon Fire Run Host: Alan & Bev Miller
Time: 9:30am – 1:30pm
Location: General Store Parking Lot at Fontana (upper end)

Cherohala Skyway and Lunch Host: Katie Williams
Time: 9:45am – 3:15pm
Location: General Store Parking Lot at Fontana

Lunch in Murphy NC Host: The MINI Skirt Girls
Time: 9:45am – 3:15 pm
Location: General Store Parking Lot at Fontana

Friday May 3rd, 2013 - Continued

4th Annual Draggin Dragons

Host: PittStop MINIs

Time: 10:00am – 1:30pm
Location: Rec. Hall at Fontana Village

Cabin Decorating Contest

Host: Hendrick MINI

Time: 10:00am Friday to 12:00(noon) Saturday
Location: Pick-up Ballots at the Hendrick MINI Tent in Vendor Alley

Brewery Drive and Lunch – Friday Edition

Host: Jay & Norma Jean Pecotte

Time: 10:15am – 3:15pm
Location: General Store Parking Lot at Fontana

MOTD Poker Run

Host: Central Maryland MINI Motorist

Time: 11:30am – 1:30pm
Location: General Store Parking Lot at Fontana

PittsBurger Run

Host: PittStop MINIs

Time: 1:30pm – 4:00pm
Location: General Store Parking Lot at Fontana

Registration Pick-ups

Host: Nathan Freedenberg and Volunteers

Time: 2:00pm – 4:00pm
Location: Card Room inside the Rec. Hall

Glamour Shots for Your MINI

Host: Craig McVeay and Alicyn Drew

Time: 2:00pm – 5:00pm
Location: Tapoco Lodge Parking Lot

Mingus Mill and Balsam Mountain Inn

Host: Woody & Barbie Marshall

Time: 2:15pm – 8:45pm
Location: General Store Parking Lot at Fontana

Kickball at the Dragon

Host: Blaine & Ashley Johnston

Time: 2:30pm – 4:00pm
Location: The Baseball Field at Fontana Village

Mingo Falls, Oconaluftee and Clingmans Dome

Host: Tom Womble

Time: 3:00pm – 4:00pm
Location: General Store Parking Lot at Fontana

Rivers End Restaurant Drive

Host: Barry & Robin Patascher

Time: 3:30pm – 6:00pm
Location: Old Registration Building Parking Lot

Carolina Kitchen Dinner Drive

Host: Rick & Carol Nick

Time: 3:30pm – 6:00pm
Location: General Store Parking Lot at Fontana

Brewswap

Host: Detroit Tuned

Time: 6:00pm – 8:00pm
Location: Rec. Hall at Fontana Village

Karaoke Night

Host: MOTD

Time: 8:00pm – 11:00pm
Location: Rec. Hall at Fontana Village

Saturday May 4th, 2013

Fundraiser Breakfast in Robbinsville

Time: 7:00am – 10:00am
Location: Carolina Kitchen – 400 Rodney Orr Bypass (US-129) - Robbinsville

Un-Hosted Event

MOTD Auto Cross

Time: 7:30am – 5:15pm
Location: General Store Parking Lot at Fontana

Host: Tar Heel MINIs and Group4

Registration Pick-ups

Time: 9:00am – 11:00am
Location: Card Room inside the Rec. Hall

Host: Nathan Freedenberg and Volunteers

Panoramic Photo Shoot

Time: 10:00am – 11:00am
Location: The Baseball Field at Fontana Village

Host: Atlanta Panoramic Photos

6th Annual Ice Cream Run

Time: 11:15am – 2:30pm
Location: General Store Parking Lot at Fontana

Host: Barry & Robin Patascher

Shotguns at the Dragon

Time: 11:30am – 3:45pm
Location: General Store Parking Lot at Fontana

Host: Luis & Becky Mendez

Nantahala Brewery Lunch and Road to Nowhere

Time: 1:15pm – 4:30pm
Location: In front of Soda Pops in Bryson City

Host: Alan & Bev. Miller

Fun Factory in Franklin NC

Time: 1:30pm – 5:00pm
Location: Courthouse Parking Lot in Bryson City

Host: Shelly and Maya Stanley

MOTD Car Show

Time: 2:00pm – 4:00pm
Location: Baseball Field at Fontana Village

Host: Outmotoring and GA MINIs

Farewell Dinner

Time: Doors open at 5:00pm
Dinner is served at 6:00pm
Location: Fontana Rec. Hall

Host: Barry Patascher

Twisties N Twilight

Time: 8:45pm – 11:15pm
Location: General Store Parking Lot at Fontana

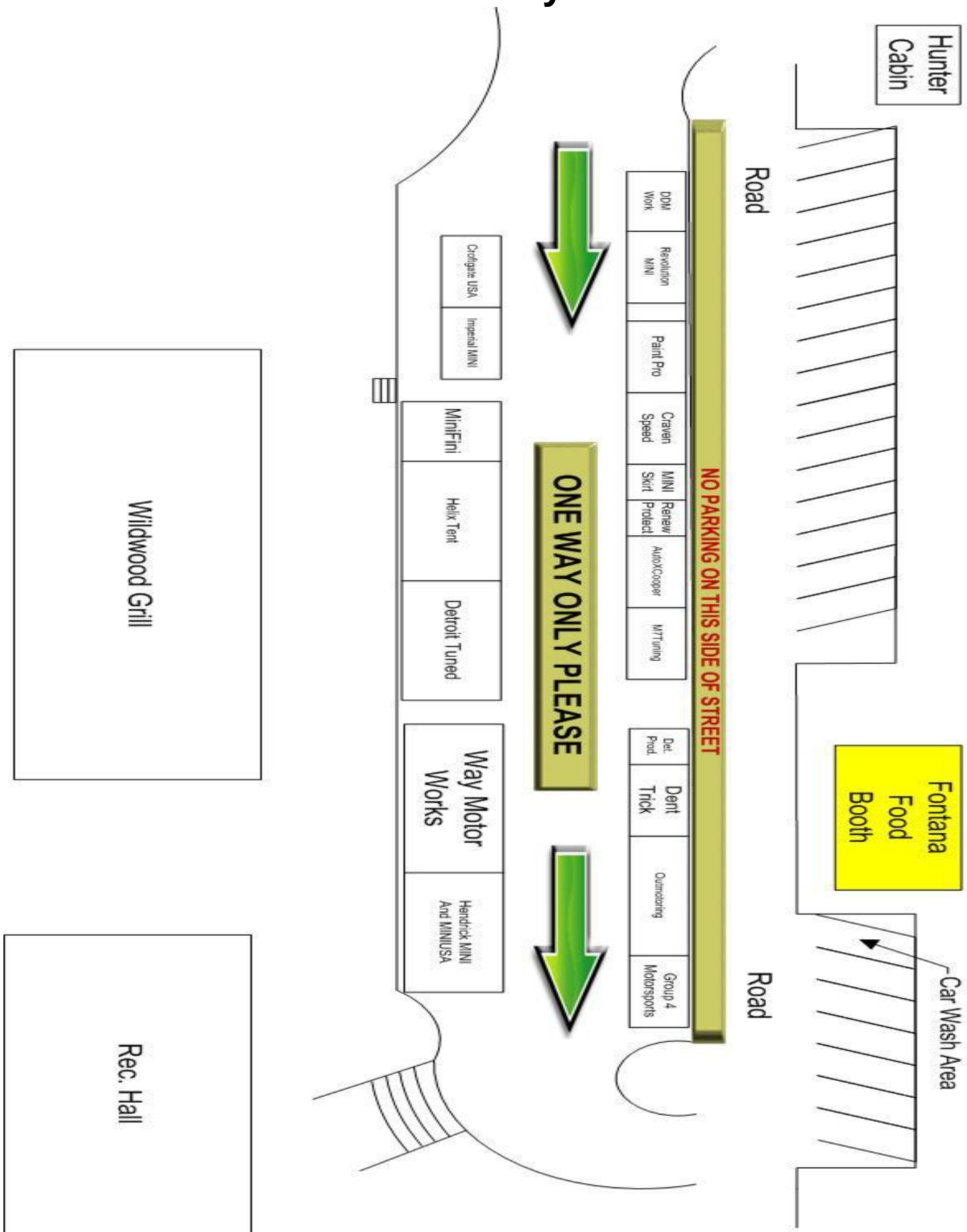
Host: Jack Rowland

Midnight Run

Time: 11:00pm – 1:00am
Location: General Store Parking Lot at Fontana

Host: MKO Club

Vendor Layout



Vendor Schedule

Vendor Name	Dates Available	Location
AutoXCooper	Wednesday - Saturday	Vendor Alley
Craven Speed	Thursday - Saturday	Vendor Alley
CroftgateUSA of Orlando	Thursday - Saturday	Vendor Alley
DDM Works	Friday - Saturday	Vendor Alley
Dent Tricks	Wednesday - Saturday	Vendor Alley
Detail Productions	Wednesday - Saturday	Vendor Alley
Detroit Tuned	Tuesday - Saturday	Vendor Alley
Group 4 Motorsports	Wednesday - Saturday	Vendor Alley
Helix Motorsports	Wednesday - Saturday	Vendor Alley
Hendrick MINIs	Wednesday - Saturday	Vendor Alley
M7Tuning	Wednesday - Saturday	Vendor Alley
MC2 Magazine	Wednesday - Saturday	Vendor Alley
MINIBee's Motoring Merchandise	Wed: 2-5 outside the reg. room Wed: At the Welcome Dinner	Thursday: Dragon Bingo Fri: 8-9pm Karaoke Night Saturday: Farewell Dinner
MINIFINI	Wednesday - Saturday	Vendor Alley
MINI Skirts	Thursday - Saturday	Vendor Alley
OutMotoring	Wednesday - Saturday	Vendor Alley
Paint Pro	Wednesday - Saturday	Vendor Alley
Way Motor Works	Tuesday - Saturday	Vendor Alley

MOTD Restaurant Guide

Wildwood Grill At Fontana
828-498-2211

The Bistro at Fontana
828-498-2211

Deals Gap Grill
17548 Tapoco Road
Robbinsville, NC 28771
828-498-2231

Pacifico Mexican Rest.
429 Rodney Orr Byp. (US-129)
Robbinsville, NC
828-479-2431

Na-Bers Drive In
1245 Main Street
Bryson City, NC 28713
828-488-2877

Dragon Pitt BBQ
4407 Calderwood Hwy
Maryville, TN 37801
(865) 253-3566

Carolina Kitchen
400 Rodney Orr Byp (US-129)
Robbinsville, NC
828-479-1500

River's End
13077 hwy 19 west
Bryson City, NC 28713
828-488-2176

Pappa's Pizza
211 Tapoco Road
Robbinsville, NC 28771
828-479-2431

Huddle House
610 Tallulah Road (US-129)
Robbinsville, NC
828-479-9695

Yummi Yummi Buffett
33 Rector St
Bryson City, NC 28713
828-488-1240

Lynn's Place
237 E. Main Street
Robbinsville, NC 28771
828-479-9777

The Filling Station & Subs
145 Everett Street
Bryson City, NC
828-488-1919

Anthony's Rest. & Pizzeria
15 Depot St
Bryson City, NC 28713
828-488-8898

McDonalds
374 Rodney Orr Byp
Robbinsville, NC 28771
828-479-6776

Fryemont Inn and Restaurant
245 Fryemont Street
Bryson City, NC
800-845-4879

Jimmy Mac's Restaurant
121 Main Street
Bryson City, NC 28713
828-488-4700

Wendy's
347 Old Hwy 129
Robbinsville, NC 28771
828-479-4755

Guayabitos Mexican Restaurant
239 US-19 South
Bryson City, NC
828-488-1336

Jarrett House
101 E. Haywood Road
Dillsboro, NC
828) 586-6251

Phillips Smoky Mtn. Rest.
146 E. Main Street
Robbinsville, NC 28771
828-479-8811

Everett Street Dinner
126 Everett Street
Bryson City, NC
828-488-0123

Kosta's Greek Restaurant
489 Haywood Road
Dillsboro, NC
828-631-0777

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

Given the somewhat remote location of the event, we'd like you to be aware of what to do in the event of an accident or emergency. If you have cell coverage call 911. If you don't not have cell coverage try to make you way to a establishment such as Fontana Village or The Crossroads of Time. Additional options: If you're not on The Dragon, but in Tennessee, contact the Monroe County Sheriff who can be reached at (423)442-3911 or the Tellico Ranger Station on the Tennessee side of the Cherohala Skyway, located at 250 Ranger Station Road, Tellico Plains, TN 37385 (423)253-2520. If you are in North Carolina but not on the Dragon, the Graham County Sheriff can be reached at (828)479-3352. Alternatively, contact the Cheoah Ranger Station on the North Carolina side of the Cherohala Skyway, located at 1133 Massey Branch Road, Robbinsville NC 28771. (828)479-6431 There is also a TVA Police station located at the top of the Fontana Dam near the Visitor's Center. If you have phone access you can also use 911. The closest hospital is the Swain County Hospital in Bryson City As a reminder, none of the drives are a race. Please drive safely, obey all traffic laws, and stay alert for changing road conditions.

HISTORY OF MINIS ON THE DRAGON

In May of 2003, the first group of Miniacs went to conquer the Dragon. Sixty cars in number and strong in spirit the first Dragon slayers were excited to come back and tell the rest of the world of their adventure. It was this group that ordained that the first weekend in May, they would return, bringing as many MINI friends as possible. Each year since, the daily events and host have changed, but the essence of the event remains. MINIs, Twisties and Friends sharing the common bond of a fun car and a great road. . And finally, to those original 60 who came that May, who keep coming back, who spawned and inspired this idea --- Lead the way to the Dragon --- Let's Motor!

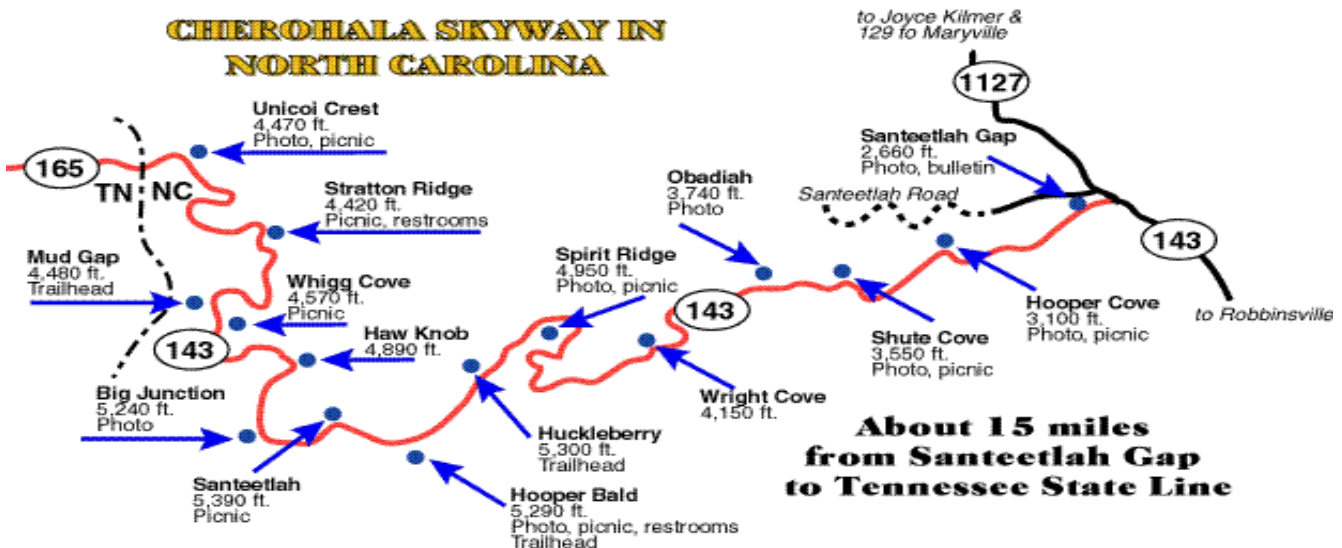
FONTANA VILLAGE RESORT

Fontana Village is exactly that: a village. It was originally built to house the workers building the nearby Fontana Dam in 1942. This small town contained everything needed to support the workers building the tallest dam on the East Coast: a general store, school, post office, hospital, church, even a police and fire department. As you travel around the resort you can see these buildings, some of which are still in use today. The dam was completed in 1945, and in 1947 the village was turned into the largest resort in the Smoky Mountains.

THE CHEROHALA SKYWAY

The Tail of the Dragon isn't the only road in the area that draws riding and driving enthusiasts, the Cherohala Skyway is another of the region's more popular roads. Built along portions of a former Cherokee Indian trading route, this 40 mile road took over 30 years to build and cost \$100 million. However, the scenery on this winding two lane road as it travels through the Nantahala National Forest in North Carolina and the Cherokee National Forest in Tennessee (hence the name Cherohala) is said to rival what can be found on the Blue Ridge Parkway. Should you decide to take a trip on the Cherohala be prepared; while it may be warm at the beginning of the drive in Robbinsville, the temperature can drop dramatically as the road climbs to its highest point at 5,390 feet. Snow is common on the road from mid-November through April, especially in the higher elevations.

There are plenty of hiking trails and photo opportunities along the Skyway, but with the exception of restrooms, there are no services available along the length of the road. Depending on the number of stops you take along the way, it can take between 90 minutes to 2 hours to travel the length of the Cherohala Skyway.



Highlands and Waterfalls



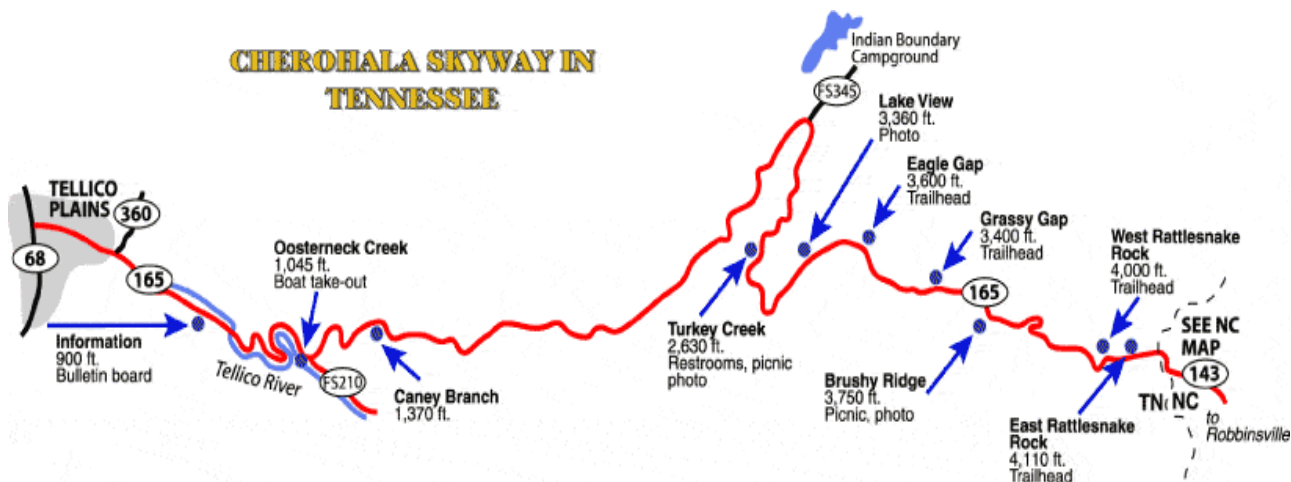
Bridal Veil Falls - 2.5 mi. east of Highlands on U.S. 64. Visible from the highway, which at one time routed traffic under the falls. Height 120 ft.

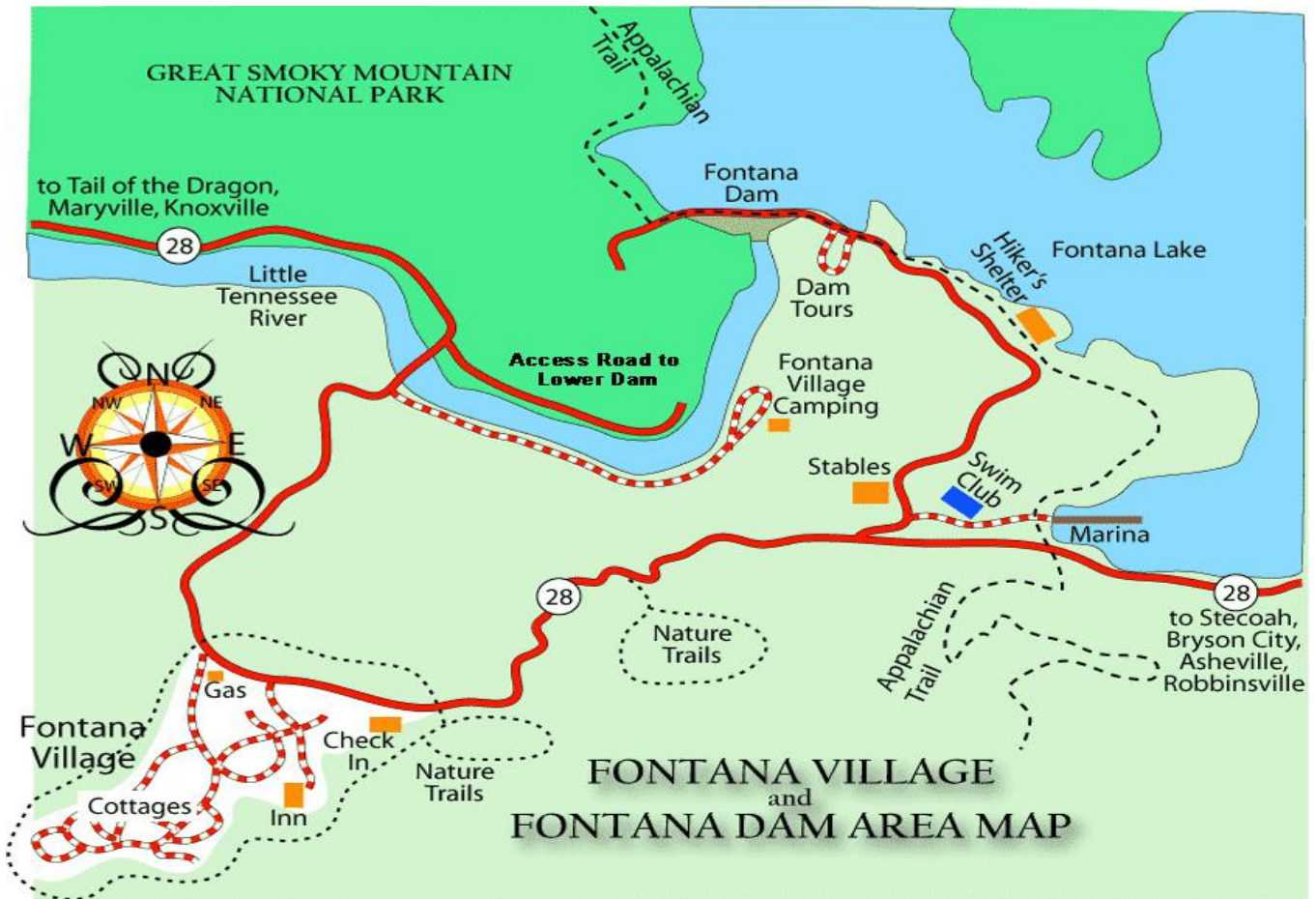
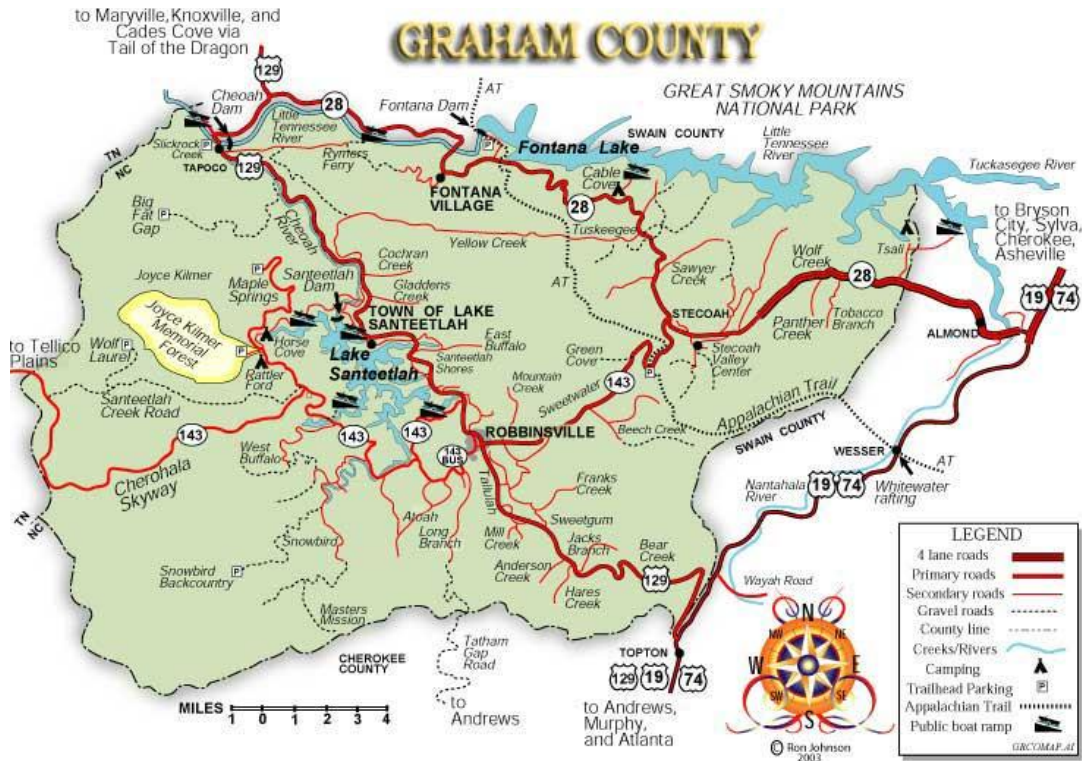
Cullasaja Falls - Visible from U.S. 64, in Cullasaja Gorge, 11 mi. east from Franklin, 9 mi. west from Highlands. Height 250 ft. Accessible by foot trail, a half-mile through steep, rough terrain.

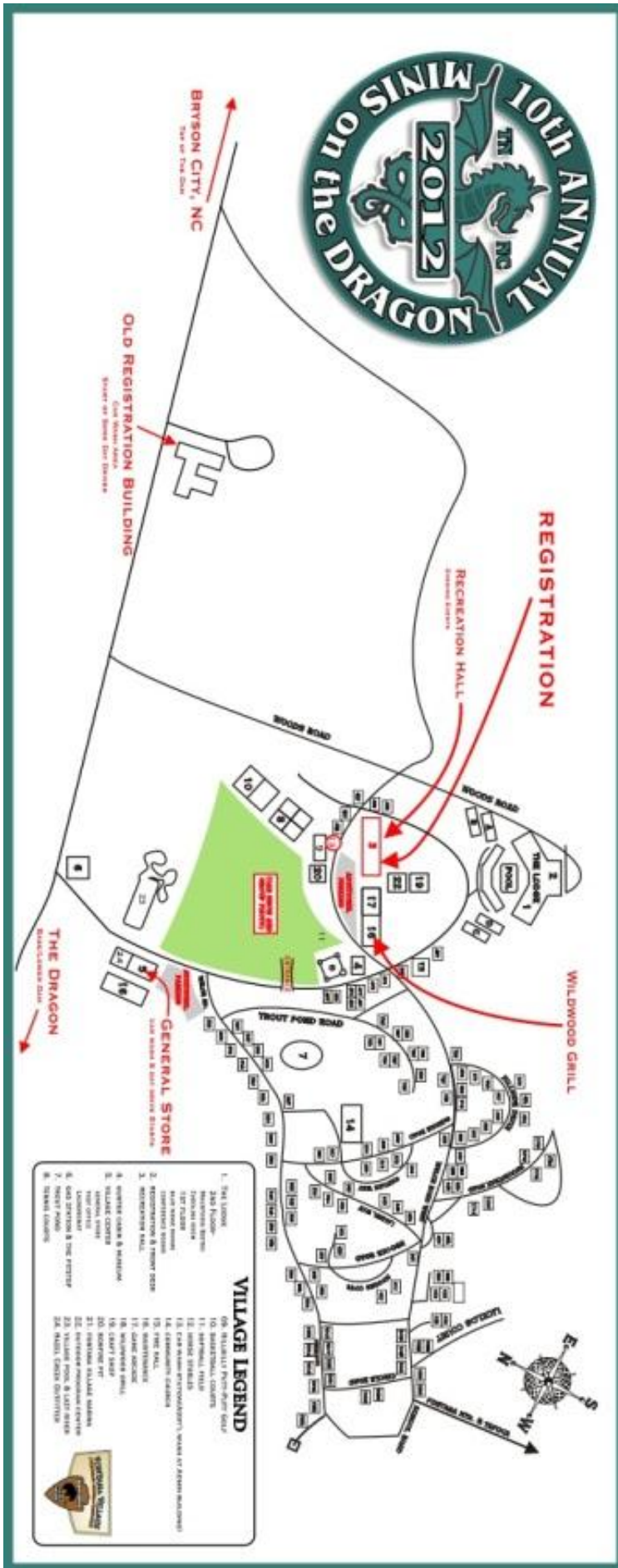
Dry Falls - Located near U.S. 64, 3.5 mi. west from Highlands, 16.5 mi. east from Franklin. Paved walkway leads to falls from parking area. Walk underneath the 75 ft. falls.

Glen Falls - From Highlands, travel 3 mi. south on NC 106. Turn left on U.S. Forest Service Rd. with "Glen Falls" marker. One-mile trail to falls is **steep and rough**. Consists of three large falls, each dropping approx. 60 feet.

Whitewater Falls - At 411 ft., the highest falls in Eastern America. From Cashiers, take U.S. 64 east, 10 mi. to "Whitewater Road." Falls are located 10 mi. south on Whitewater Rd., near the NC-SC state line.





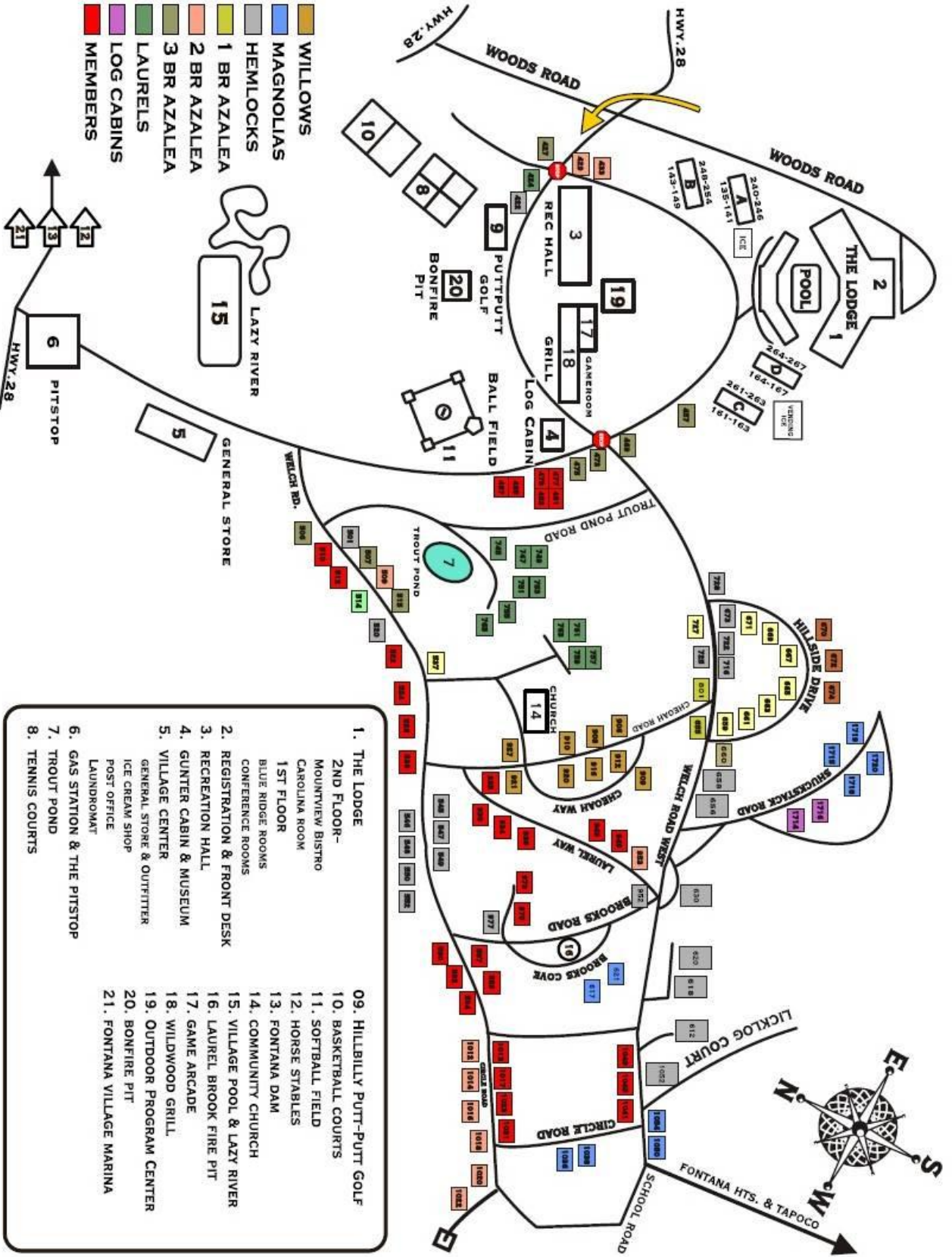


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6. REGISTRATION & TROUT CATCH
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 10. BASKETBALL COURTS
 11. SOFTBALL FIELD
 12. HORSE STABLES
 13. FONTANA DAM
 14. COMMUNITY CHURCH</p> |
| <p>2. REGISTRATION & FRONT DESK
 3. RECREATION HALL
 4. GUNTER CABIN & MUSEUM
 5. VILLAGE CENTER
 GENERAL STORE & OUTFITTER
 ICE CREAM SHOP
 POST OFFICE
 LAUNDROMAT</p> | <p>15. VILLAGE POOL & LAZY RIVER
 16. LAUREL BROOK FIRE PIT
 17. GAME ARCADE
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