



The Festival of Speed returns to Atlantic City June 20-22 and promises to be the Jersey Shore's premiere high-performance powerboat and auto event of the season. Tens of thousands of spectators are expected to line the beaches throughout the weekend to watch world-class powerboat teams compete in the waters off Atlantic City's iconic boardwalk. In addition to the offshore events, an exotic auto show, featuring some of the most impressive cars and powerboats in the world will be on display. By land or by sea, the Festival of Speed is the place to be in AC the first official weekend of summer.

Need for Speed



Atlantic City Poker Run

The annual Atlantic City Poker Run returns for its 17th year on June 20, and continues to be one of season's most anticipated events for members of the New Jersey Performance Powerboat Club year after year. Part of an entire weekend of water entertainment dubbed Atlantic City's Festival of Speed — the weekend will be the largest performance-boating event to ever grace the waters of the Jersey Shore. This year's Atlantic City Poker Run promises to be one for the record books — a can't miss event for powerboat enthusiasts.

For those unfamiliar with this particular outdoor activity, a poker run is organized race wherein participants must stop at checkpoints to pick up playing cards as they make their way to the finish line. Whomever has the best hand when it's all said and done is the winner. Talk about taking luck of the draw to the next level.

The Festival of Speed kicks off Friday night with the poker run itself, followed by

an awards brunch on June 21 in honor of the Wounded Warriors Project, as well as an exotic car show, featuring over 40 of the most extraordinary cars in existence. The weekend of water racing wraps up on June 22 with the Atlantic City Offshore Grand Prix. The newly remodeled Atlantic City Golden Nugget Hotel and Casino will play host to this year's event at the celebrations surrounding it.

Fifty boats will compete in Friday's poker run, with another 40-plus participating in the offshore grand prix. Registration for all events is on a first-come, first-served basis.

Dave Patnaude, Ray Patnaude, Bob Cleveland and Rick Engstrom founded New Jersey Performance Powerboat Club in 1998 with the mission of providing its members with exciting, first-class, on-water events while inspiring great camaraderie and fun throughout the seasons. Today the club has over 200 members and counting. The club counts some of New Jersey's most enthusiastic, high-performance boaters amongst its members who share a passion for offshore races, poker runs and boat shows.

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