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Driving course wins approval from planning commission

By Pamela A. Keene

Atlanta Motorsports Park has logged a win with the approval of a zoning request last month by the Dawsonville City Planning Commission. Now AMP founder Jeremy Porter is preparing for a mid-February vote by the Dawsonville City Council that will grant him a change in zoning and pave the way for the brand-new driving course country club.

Community opposition from a group called "Citizens for Dawson County" has been evident, but Porter said he hopes that by clarifying his intentions and offering to put into place various guidelines regarding sound levels and attendance his request will receive the approval of the Dawsonville City Council at its February 16 meeting.

Already, Porter has signed a number of high-profile members and partnerships, including Patrick Dempsey, Atlanta Braves' Chipper Jones and Atlanta Falcons' Michael Jenkins. SPEED Channel's Bob Varsha has agreed to serve as official spokesperson. Varsha is also a founding member of AMP and joins the ranks of other high-profile members, including road racing champions Jack Baldwin and David Murry. Driving Impressions will be AMP's sole racing apparel retailer. Hyper Sport is also a strategic partner.

"Things are falling into place very well for us," Porter said. "People are beginning to understand that what we're bringing is not a racetrack with high-volume traffic and major events, but a country club for people who like to drive performance vehicles."

Porter hosted an event for nearly 150 prospective members at Lamborghini of Atlanta, including MAV TV which is creating a documentary on the building of the AMP project. Big names in sports and racing are joining the AMP sponsorship/partnership team. Dempsey's race car now bears the AMP logo, plus Jones and Jenkins are both founding members of the country club.

"We've been working hard to dispel the myths, misconceptions and misinformation about AMP," Porter said. "For instance, we will not be having major driving/racing competitions here that will create large crowds. And the noise levels will be self-regulated by way of regular testing for sound and the installation of thick buffers of trees."

Atlanta Motorsports Park will be a country-club where members can drive their motorcycles, high-performance automobiles and karts on specially designed driving courses. The current site plan also calls for a members-only lounge, a 10,000-square-foot clubhouse with lockers and shower facilities and a pool, hiking trails and tennis courts.

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