

2020

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INDY 500

Escorted by **Willie Kay**

Meet and Greet with
Scott Dixon
&
Victory Banquet



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Willie Kay a former speedway and circuit driver, a car owner and Indy Car crew man, was a Director of Speedway NZ for eleven years, and promoter of Western Springs and Baypark tracks for nineteen years. Willie has escorted motorsport tours including Indianapolis 500, Formula One Grand Prix, vintage car events, V8 super cars, major speedway races and aviation events for thirty five years. Motorsport in its many facets has been his life and work, and Willie takes no greater pleasure than in sharing his experience, knowledge and contacts for the benefit of tour members.

Tim Wrathall will be assisting Willie with tour escort duties this year. Tim has assisted on previous tours and knows the Indianapolis area well. He grew up around race cars and crewed for American drivers. This will be Tim' seventh Indy 500.

INDY 500 2020 PACKAGE

No other motor sports facility in the world has the rich history and tradition of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway and "The Greatest Spectacle In Racing" which continues with the 104th running of the Indy 500 on Sunday May 24th 2020. The Indy 500 is a showcase of achievement, providing unprecedented action, thrills, speed and spills. The quest for innovation, more skill, more speed and glory will explore the limits of man and machine. The city of Speedway comes alive with supporting events in support of this historic icon of auto racing. The largest gathering of people on earth, the richest motor race in the world and the largest single day sporting event makes this race a spectacle not to be missed.

Join me for an insider's experience and the trip of a lifetime, at the 104th running of the Indy 500.

PACKAGE INCLUSIONS:

- Return Economy Class afares, all airlines, fuel surcharges, NZ & USA departure taxes (Full package)
- One night at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Los Angeles (Full Package)
- Airport transfer
- Seven nights at Pear Tree Inn Indianapolis
- Daily cooked breakfast
- Evening "Kick Back and Relax" sessions with hot food and cold beverages at the Hotel
- Get together drinks with your hosts
- Group transfers by minivan for the duration of the tour
- Entry to Indy 500 and Pit/Gasoline Alley access
- Tickets to Terre Haute Speedway, Freedom 100 race, Carburation Day, Legends Day, Indy 500 Parade and Anderson Speedway Sprint Cars Reserved Grandstand seat for Indianapolis 500
- Boxed lunches on the days of Indy 500 Parade and Indy 500
- Indy 500 Victory Awards Celebration Banquet
- Local sightseeing in Indianapolis
- Sporting Tours merchandise
- Services of tour host Willie Kay & Tim Wrathall (subject to a minimum of 10 persons travelling)



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MONDAY 18th MAY

6.30 pm latest check in time Air New Zealand Counter.

Please ensure you are in possession of a valid passport with more than 6 months validity from departure from the USA and a visa if you are travelling on a passport other than New Zealand or Australian. It is imperative you have your ESTA (Electronic System Travel Authorisation) with you when travelling in the USA. Sporting Tours will not be held responsible for any incorrect documentation.

7.30 pm Depart AUCKLAND on AIR NEW ZEALAND flight NZ006

12.30 pm Arrive LOS ANGELES transfer by hotel shuttle to CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL

TUESDAY 19th MAY

Transfer by hotel shuttle to Airport

9.50 am Depart LOS ANGELES on AMERICAN AIRLINES flight AA488

5.08 pm Arrive INDIANAPOLIS you will be met on arrival by your Willie Kay (look for the Sporting Tours sign) and transferred to the PEAR TREE INN 9320 N Michigan Rd in the evening you will enjoy "get together drinks" with tour hosts Willie Kay and Tim Wrathall

WEDNESDAY 20th MAY

Visit the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, tour the Hall of Fame Museum, take a lap around the track and visit the souvenir stands. This evening visit Terre Haute for the "Tony Hulman Classic" USAC Sprint Cars and supporting events on the Half Mile dirt track.

THURSDAY 21st MAY

In the evening attend the Indianapolis 500 Old Timers banquet. This event is the annual gathering of former drivers, mechanics and crews and is attended by some current drivers from the Indy 500 and other sanctions, and celebrities.

FRIDAY 22nd MAY

Carburation Day. This is the last chance for the final chassis tuning for the Indy Cars and is a great opportunity to watch the action. Following the Indy Car practice the Indy Lights cars race for 40 laps in the Freedom 100. At the completion of the Freedom 100 race, the Indy Car teams hold their Pit Stops competition, competing for US\$50,000. In the evening attend the Silver Crown race at Indianapolis Raceway park.

SATURDAY 23rd MAY

Pre-race festivities for the Indy 500 begin with Legends Day at the Indy track including vintage race car displays and autograph sessions. Attend the public Indy 500 drivers meeting then watch the parade through downtown. The second largest parade in the USA this event reflects America's love of parades and it is a spectacle well worth watching. In the evening attend the running of the Little 500 on the 1/4 mile high banked paved oval at Anderson Speedway. Thirty three non-winged sprint cars start three wide for 500 laps in this "mini" Indy race that has become a tradition and a fitting climax for the build up to the Indy 500.

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SUNDAY 24th MAY

The day we have all been waiting for, the highlight of the Tour, the INDIANAPOLIS 500 Gates open at 6.00am and prerace ceremonies including a spectacle of bands, a vintage race car demonstration, celebrity introductions, driver introductions, renditions of "America the Beautiful", "God Bless America", the United States National Anthem,

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MONDAY 25th MAY

Rain day for the Indy 500. In the evening we are privileged to attend the official Indy 500 Victory Awards Celebration Banquet. Join celebrities, former drivers, sponsors and team owners to hear the Indy 500 drivers make their acceptance speeches as they receive their prize money cheques and awards. More than US \$13 million is distributed at this exclusive event which is televised live and is a great ending to the tour. A table has been reserved for tour members. Business attire (jacket & tie recommended).

TUESDAY 26th MAY

Transfer to Airport

5.15 pm Depart INDIANAPOLIS on AMERICAN AIRLINE flight AA448

6.50 pm Arrive LOS ANGELES

9.50 pm Depart LOS ANGELES on AIR NEW ZEALAND flight NZ001

THURSDAY 28th MAY

5.30 am Arrive AUCKLAND

TOUR COSTS

FULL PACKAGE

Share double/twin room basis \$9,495 per person
Single room basis \$10,800 per person

LAND ONLY PACKAGE (excludes air fares)

Share double/twin room basis \$6,465 per person
Single room basis \$7,575 per person

BOOKING CONDITIONS

A non-refundable deposit is required to secure a reservation. Full Package \$3000 per person / Land Only Package \$2000 per person. Non Refundable balance of tour cost is due 60 days prior to departure. Sporting Tours reserves the right to amend the deposit amounts based on the composition of your final package or as required by the various suppliers.



104th running Indy 500

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