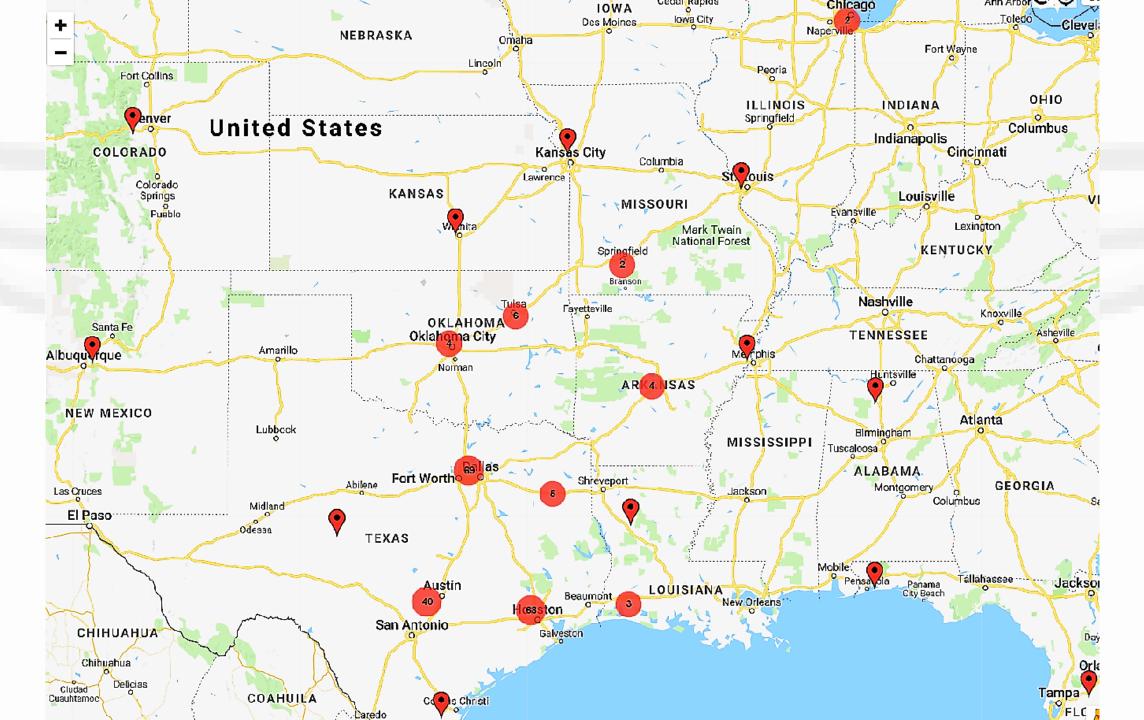
# Corinthian Vintage Auto Racing

An Analysis ... by the Numbers

# This analysis is based on race registration data from dlbracing.com and speedhive.mylaps.com

It does not include at-track registrations, cancellations, DNS, DNF

# Where Do Our 2018 Competitors Live?



#### **CVAR's 2018 Competitors**

Texas 186

DFW 69 Houston 68 Austin/San Antonio 40

Oklahoma 12

**Arkansas 5** 

Missouri 4

Louisiana 3

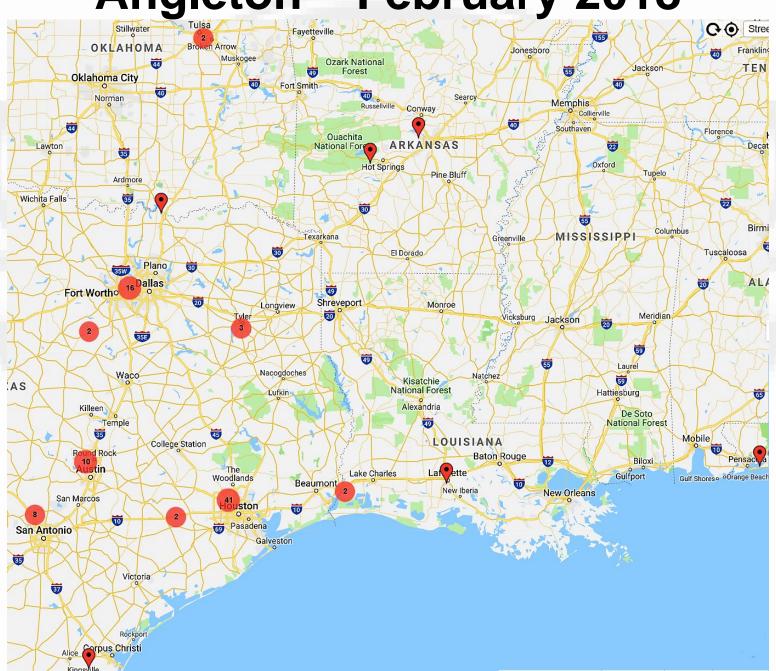
Florida 2

Alabama 1 Colorado 1 Illinois 1 Indiana 1 Kansas 1 New Mexico 1

22% of 2018 entries came from out of state

# Source of Entries by Event

**Angleton – February 2018** 



# **Angleton - February 23-25:**

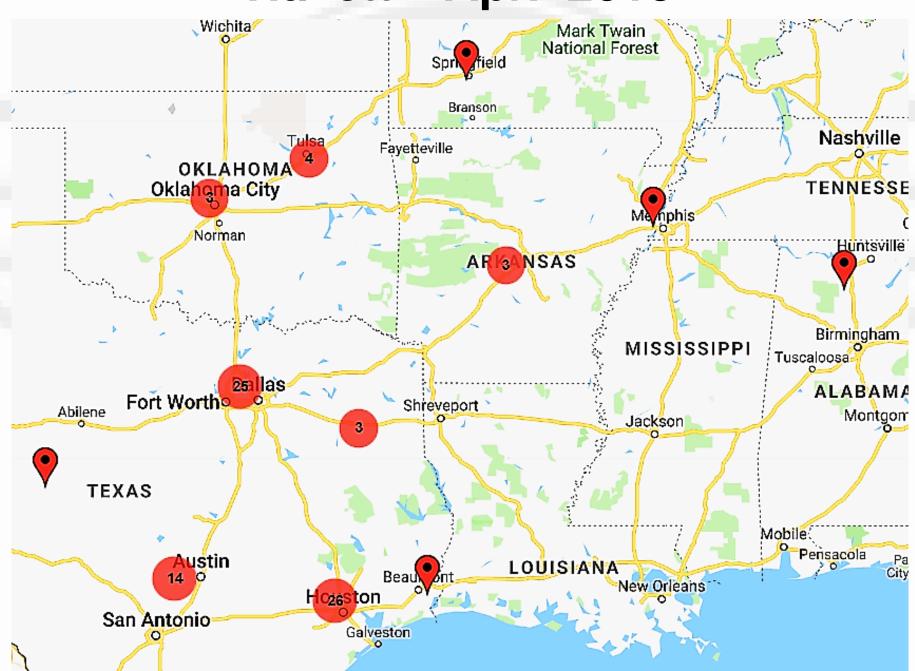
90 Entries plus 11 Students

Race time (1:00pm Saturday) temperature was 78 degrees. 71% humidity.

Cloudy & windy

Days since last race: 76

#### Hallett – April 2018



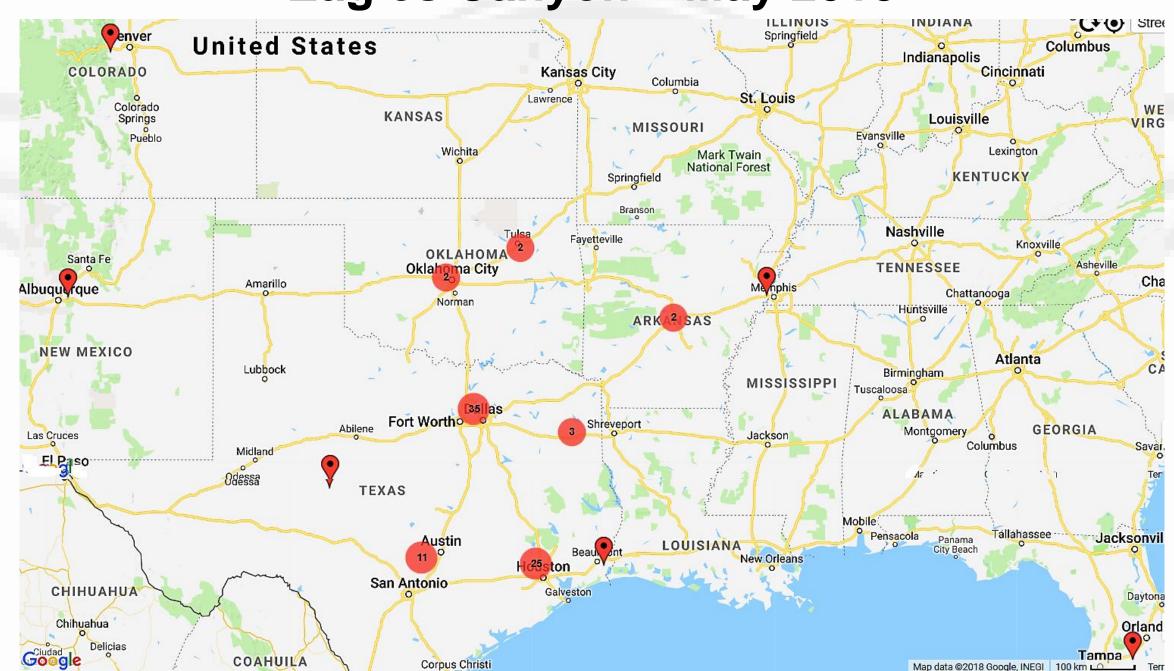
# Hallett - April 13-15:

97 Entries

Race time (1:00pm Saturday) temperature was 41 degrees. 47% humidity Cloudy & Windy

Days since last race: 46

Eagles Canyon – May 2018



### Eagles Canyon - May 4-6:

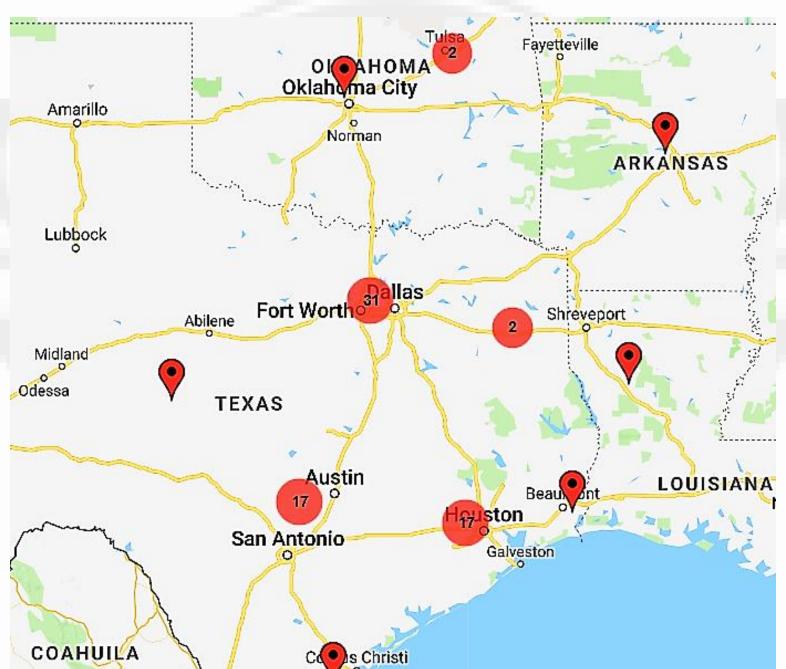
92 Entries

ECR drew from the second widest geographic area of all 2018 events

Race time (1:00pm Saturday) temperature was 76 degrees. 37% humidity. Fair skies

Days since last race: 27

#### Cresson – June 2018



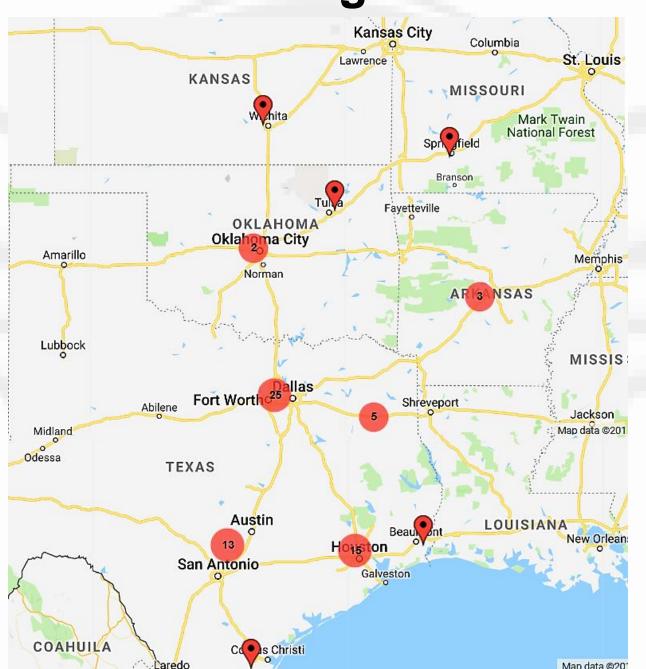
### Cresson - June 1-3:

**77** Entries

Race time (1:00pm Saturday) temperature was 98 degrees. 37% humidity. Fair skies 80 degrees same day in 2017

Days since last race: 25

### Hallett – August 2018



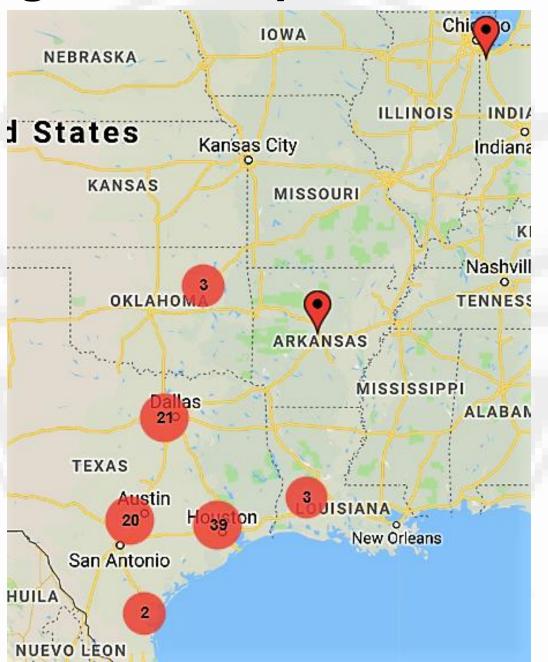
# Hallett - August 24-26:

77 Entries

Race time (1:00pm Saturday) temperature was 91 degrees. 52% humidity. Fair skies 76 degrees same date in 2017

Days since last race: 80

# Angleton – September 2018



# Angleton - September 28-30:

85 Entries plus 12 Students

Race time (1:00pm Saturday) temperature was 73 degrees. 96% humidity. RAIN!

Days since last race: 32

#### TMS - December 2018



#### TMS - December 1-2:

115 Entries

TMS drew from the widest geographic area of all events during 2018

Race time (1:00pm Saturday) temperature was 70 degrees. 28% humidity. Fair skies 67 degrees same day in 2017

Days since last race: 61

What contributed to our financial loss in 2018?

Here are five reasons supported by the data:

#### 1. "Lost Drivers"

Of the 247 drivers who entered at least one event during 2017

73 drivers dropped out and did not compete in 2018

They comprised 29.6% of our total drivers

They contributed 124 entries, 20.0% of 2017's total

At \$400 per entry, that's a loss of potential revenue of \$49,600

We lost almost 30% of our active drivers, 20% of our entries, and nearly \$50,000 in potential revenue

Established drivers are disappearing at an alarming rate

1. "Lost Drivers" - the Trend

2015-2016 lost 26.7% of drivers

2016-2017 lost 27.6% of drivers

2017-2018 lost 29.6% of drivers

2018-2019 projected loss of 69 drivers

Only 43% of our current drivers have raced with us continuously since 2015

### 2. Decreased Participation

In addition to the 73 drivers "lost" after 2017

57 drivers decreased their participation from 2017

A decrease of 90 entries

Since 2015, an average of 59 drivers per year have decreased their participation

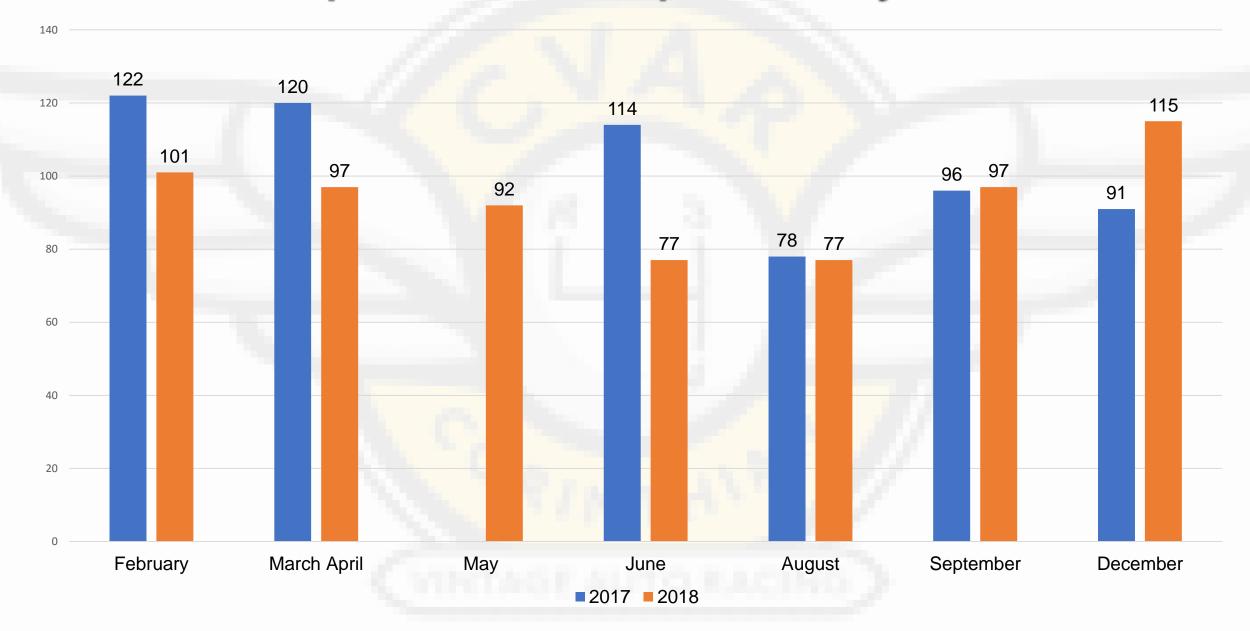
In 2018, CVAR lost 214 potential entries from drivers who had raced with us during 2017

If these drivers had registered for only one more race, it would have generated \$85,600 in revenue

# 3. Fewer Entries per Event

|                   | 2015            | 2016       | 2017       | 2018            |
|-------------------|-----------------|------------|------------|-----------------|
| Races             | 5               | 5          | 6          | 7               |
| Entries           | 595             | 585        | 620        | 644             |
| Entries per Event | 119             | 117        | 103        | 92              |
| Entries w/o TWS   | <mark>84</mark> | <b>102</b> | <b>103</b> | <mark>92</mark> |

#### Comparative Entries per Monthly Event



#### 4. Failure to Maximize the Season

# 136 drivers (54% of the total) ran only 1-2 times during the 2018

7-race season

Of those who ran one race at Hallett and/or Angleton, fewer than half ran the second race at that same track

#### 4. Failure to Maximize the Season

You didn't have enough time to prep between races?

It ranged from 25 to 80 days

You think too many races diluted drivers' interest? People who intend to only race 1-2 times a season don't care if we have a 5, 6 or 7-race season

Only 3.6% of our active drivers entered <u>all</u> available races in 2018

# 5. Failure to Recruit and Retain Enough <u>Active</u> Students throughout our Market Areas

Data shows that CVAR recruited a total of only 46 students; 23 in 2017, 23 in 2018

Our Student Enrollment is down by 40% since 2015

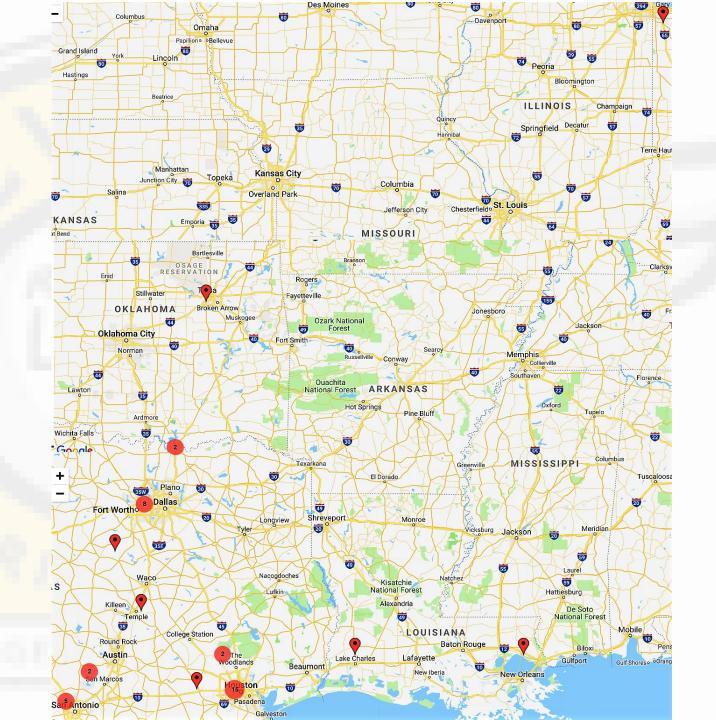
A disproportionate number come from the southern portion of "CVAR Country"

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Could this be due to the fact that both schools have been held at Angleton?

The inclusion of schools at Eagles Canyon and Hallett should modify this trend



# 5. Failure to Recruit and Retain Sufficient Students

Of those 23 Students from 2017...

13 raced again after their school in both 2017 and 2018

5 raced again in 2017 but not in 2018

3 didn't race again in 2017 but did in 2018

2 Students never raced again after their school

# On the Other Hand

There are reasons for guarded optimism

#### 1. "New" Drivers

During 2018, 64 "new" drivers joined us

36 were Students enrolled in 2017 & 2018

28 were "retreads" that hadn't raced in a year or more

These 64 new drivers contributed 104 entries

15.9% of 2018's total entries

### 2. Increased Participation

In addition to the 64 new drivers, 65 drivers increased their participation from 2017

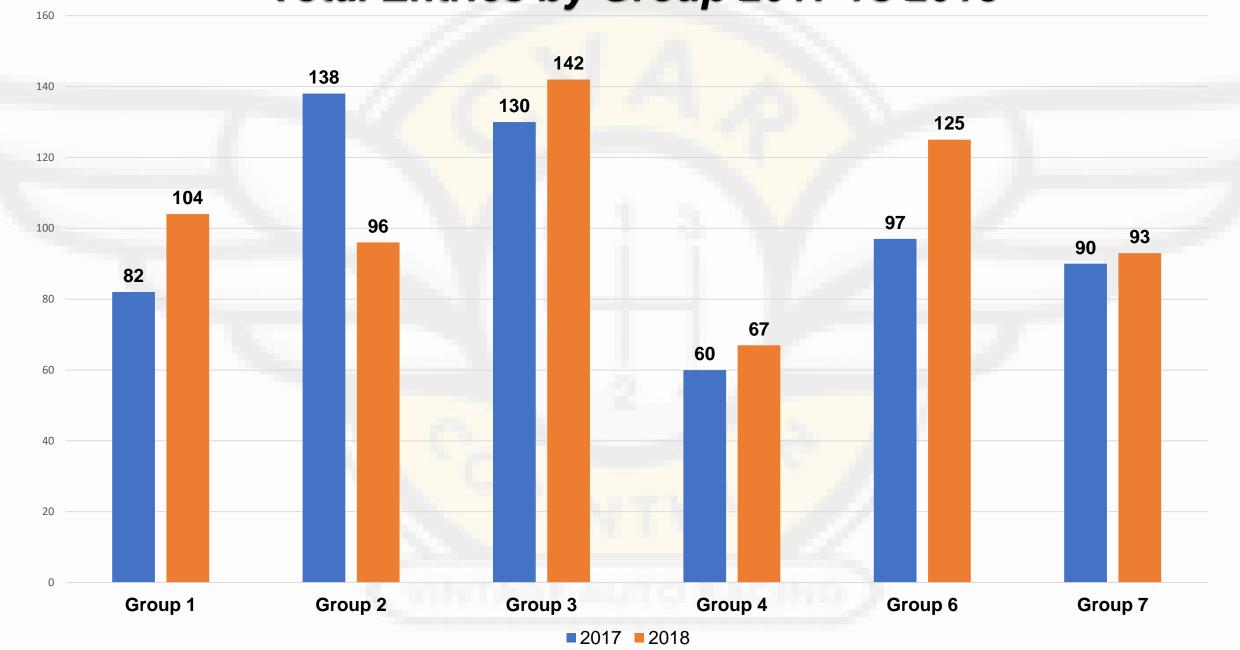
That increase totaled 107 entries

16.6% of 2018's total entries

42 drivers maintained the same participation in 2018

Only Group 2 showed a decrease in total entries

#### Total Entries by Group 2017 vs 2018



#### **Entries by Race Group ...**

Group 1's average benefited from the incremental entries at the TMS race. Group 1 averaged 15 entries including TMS but only 12 without

Group 2 had a significant decline in entries levels, especially in E & F Production. Group 2 averaged not quite 14 entries per event

**Group 3** was the largest, averaging slightly over 20 entries per event

Group 4 had minimal growth averaged 10 entries per event

**Group 6** had the highest degree of growth and averaged 18 entries

**Group 7** showed moderate growth during 2018 and averaged over 13 entries

# 3. Higher Entries per Driver

|                           | 2015        | 2016        | 2017        | 2018        |
|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Drivers                   | 258         | 243         | 247         | 247         |
| <b>Entries</b>            | 595         | 585         | 620         | 644         |
| <b>Entries per Driver</b> | <b>2.31</b> | <b>2.41</b> | <b>2.51</b> | <b>2.61</b> |

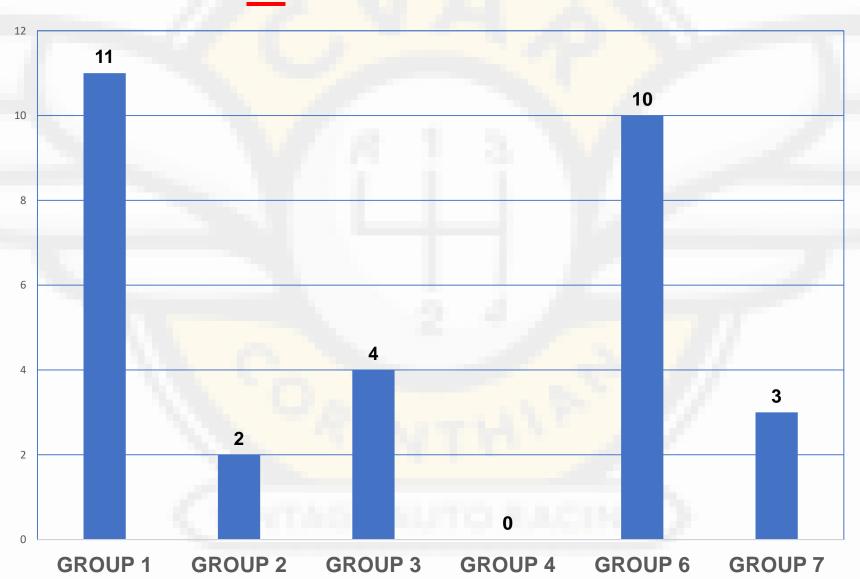
#### 4. "Signature Event" at Texas Motor Speedway

Although some doubted its wisdom, and the financial benefits weren't immediately apparent

#### **CVAR's Race Against Kids Cancer at TMS**

- a. Offered competitors a unique event on a "bucket list" track
- b. Gave us national visibility that we've never before enjoyed
- c. Provided CVAR with 30 entries from racers for whom the event was their first exposure to CVAR
- d. Moving from December to September will boost entries dramatically --- 200 entries is not an unreasonable target!

# Value of the TMS "Signature" Event Number of Drivers by Group Whose Only CVAR Race was TMS 30 Incremental Entries



#### In total for 2018...

Although we lost 214 entries from departing drivers and decreased participation ...

CVAR gained 210 entries from new drivers and those who increased their participation

That new-found excitement generated almost one-third of our total entries for the year

Long-term drivers are more active. The 107 who have raced continuously since 2015 averaged 2.95 entries

## What Does All This Stuff Mean?

#### Some Observations ...

CVAR is much more than a Texas racing group. 22% of our 2018 entries came from outside the State

More than 3 times as many students came from Houston as DFW

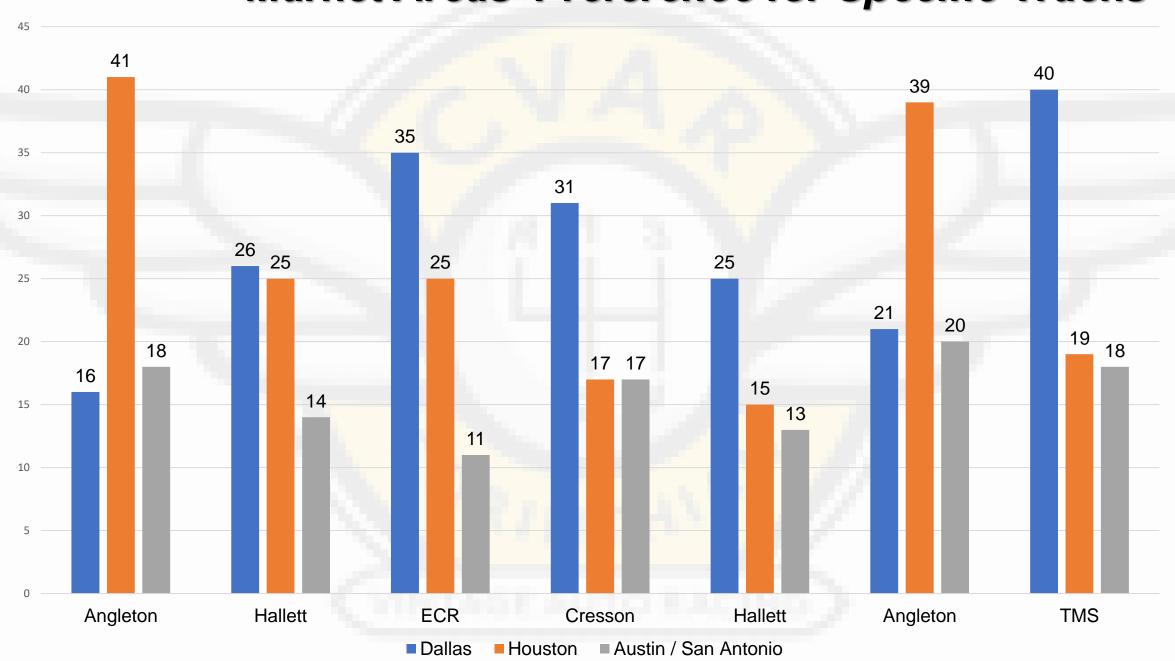
Actual weather often didn't meet the track's history. Drivers showed up and raced whether it was 40° or 91°

Despite its "distressed" condition, Eagles Canyon Raceway attracted significant support following our prolonged absence

CVAR's Signature Event at TMS brought a sizable number of new entries from outside our traditional competitor base

Different CVAR market areas and race groups have definite preferences in the tracks they run

#### Market Areas' Preference for Specific Tracks



#### Race Group's Preference for Specific Tracks

