



**April 17-18, 2026
Jasper, Indiana**



TECH & SKILLS REGIONAL CONFERENCES

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Friday, April 17 – Plant Tour (optional)

1:00 pm **ENGINE PLANT TOUR**
815 WERNING RD, JASPER IN 47546
LIMITED TO 60-70 ATTENDEES*

*ATTIRE: Closed toe shoes required. Steel toe recommended but not required. Hearing/safety supplied by Jasper.

Saturday, April 18 – Conference

7:00 - 7:30 am EXHIBITOR SETUP

7:30 - 8:15 am REGISTRATION, VISIT EXHIBITORS

8:15 - 8:30 am WELCOME; HOST & EXHIBITOR INTRODUCTION

8:30 - 9:45 am TECHNICAL SESSION #1
**Brad Boeglin, Jasper Engines with
David Griffin and Steve Boldizar, HP Tuners**
*“Understanding Automotive Emissions
Compliance, CARB & EPA”*

This session offers a foundational understanding of automotive emissions compliance and roles of CARB and the EPA in regulating aftermarket vehicle modifications. Participants will also be introduced to HP Tuners NEW Hardware the “MPVI4” along with HP Tuners VCM Suite software package, exploring its powerful ECU calibration capabilities and the versatility of its advanced scanning tool.

9:45 - 10:15 am BREAK, DOOR PRIZES

10:15 - 11:30 am TECHNICAL SESSION #2
Dan Begle, King Bearings
“Engine Bearing Polymers and Failures”

Why do engine bearings fail? How polymer technology is being applied to start/stop engines and conventional engines for longer life.

11:30 am - 1:00 pm LUNCH (meal provided on site by the host)
TABLETOP EXHIBITS OPEN, DOOR PRIZES

1:00 - 2:15 pm TECHNICAL SESSION #3
**Jacob Carpenter and Jerry Greenman,
Kennametal North America**
*“Choosing The Right Cutting Tools For
Blocks and Heads”*

This exclusive, comprehensive training session covers the fundamentals of carbide, CBN and PCD tool selection for common engine machining operations and challenges with block and head materials like Cast Iron, CGI, Aluminum and Hardened Powder Metal Components.

2:15 - 2:45 pm BREAK, DOOR PRIZES

2:45 - 4:00 pm TECHNICAL SESSION #4
**Lake Speed Jr, SPEEDiagnostix and
Mark Malburg Digital Metrology**
“Surface Texture”

Considering the performance gains made via honing and GM’s L87 engine recall, surface texture has become an incredibly important variable. Get it right and win championships (see Greg Anderson). Get it wrong and you have major problems (see GM’s billion-dollar mistake). This session presents the tools and defines the methods that allow you control this important but hidden variable.

4:00 pm CLOSING REMARKS, DOOR PRIZES,
CONFERENCE ENDS



Conference Location

JASPER INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS

1919 Hospitality Drive
Jasper, IN 47546

Exhibitors Ship To:

JASPER INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS

ATTN: AERA CONFERENCE
1919 Hospitality Drive
Jasper, IN 47546

Hotels

HOLIDAY INN

2000 Hospitality Drive
Jasper, IN 47546
812-482-3344
(within walking distance
to the conference)

COMFORT INN

1970 Hospitality Drive
Jasper IN 47546
812-556-2888
(within walking distance
to the conference)

FAIRFIELD INN & SUITES JASPER

333 River Center Landing
Jasper IN 47546
812-406-0669
(about a 5-8 minute drive
to the conference)

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WHEN: APRIL 17-18, 2026

WHERE: **JASPER ENGINES & TRANSMISSIONS**

4/17 SHOP TOUR: 815 WERNISING RD. JASPER IN

4/18 CONFERENCE: 1919 HOSPITALITY DR. JASPER IN

Register online at aera.org/attend-jasper

ATTENDEE REGISTRATION FORM

NAME _____

COMPANY NAME _____

AERA ID NUMBER _____ NON-MEMBERS PLEASE CHECK HERE.

COMPANY ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP _____

PHONE _____

E-MAIL OR FAX CONFIRMATION (REQUIRED) _____

SIGNED BY _____

OPTIONAL ENGINE PLANT TOUR: NO YES: TOTAL # FROM SAME SHOP _____

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FEES: \$35 per person – Please list additional attendee names from the same shop below.

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: _____

CHECK – PLEASE MAKE PAYABLE TO AERA.

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