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America's Most Ingenious And Unique Pastimes

(NAPSA)—Baseball may be our national pastime, but all across America, people have come up with a wide variety of unusual activities that make them or their communities unique.

With the new series "Wreckreation Nation," Discovery Channel is pointing its cameras at such unusual pursuits as swamp buggy racing, cowboy action shooting and shotgun bowling. In each episode, host Dave Mordal—former Marine, heavy-equipment operator and stand-up comedian ferrets out some of the ingenious, dangerous and dubious ways Americans find to kill time.

Premiering in January, "Wreckreation Nation" will air on Tuesdays at 10 PM ET/PT. Throughout the series, Mordal travels the nation in search of bizarre hometown traditions, unusual competitions and downright peculiar pastimes that make this country creatively unmatched. Each episode highlights the adventurous attitudes and fanatical dedication of people and their friends or neighbors—and the lengths they will go to in order to have a little fun.

In each stop on his cross-country tour, Mordal immerses himself in bizarre and often highly competitive situations, daring to take on the local experts. To date, he has



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• Taken part in an Iowa/Illinois tug of war across the Mississippi River

• Raced a 25-mph lawn mower in Delaware, Ohio

• Sparred with barbarians, Romans, elves and samurai in Somerset, Pa.

• Paddled a boat made out of cardboard in Heber Springs, Ark.

• Set off fireworks with selfdescribed pyro enthusiasts in Gillette, Wyo.

• Attended alligator wrestling school in Mosca, Colo.

Think your town has a competition that fits the bill? Have a hobby that makes your friends roll their eyes? Log on to http:// dsc.discovery.com/tv/wreckreationnation/submit.html to submit your idea. Mordal may be just crazy enough to take you up on the challenge.