IRON RIVER—Plans are all set for the seventh annual Father's Day Weekend, which takes place at the Iron County Fairgrounds this weekend, June 15 to 17.

The Iron County Pullers Association, which runs the event, will hold a truck pull on Friday night, the classic car parade Saturday afternoon, followed by a demo derby that night.

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On Sunday, it's the 35th annual Auto Show along with an arts and crafts show.

The weekend will also include the area's first "Sale Trail," area-wide garage sale and flea market, which takes place throughout Iron River, Caspian and Gaastra all day Saturday.

The Friday night truck pull and Saturday night demo derby are held in front of the grandstand at the fairgrounds. Despite detours from U.S. 2 construction, it shouldn't be that hard to get to the fairgrounds—just take along a little patience.

Sunday's events are also at the fairgrounds, on the upper level, near the exhibit buildings and rotunda.

All the events are sponsored by the Iron County Pullers Association. Here is the schedule:

Friday, June 15

Friday evening's big event is the truck pull, which is run by the Pullers Association in front of the grandstand.

Weigh-in and registration is from 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Spicer Trucking, on West U.S. 2. The drivers' meeting is at 5:30, and the pulling starts at 6.

Trucks will pull a weight sled for distance, with entries in a number of classes, broken down by weight, engine size and whether the truck is stock or modified.

Saturday, June 16

This year, the first ever Sale Trail, a city-wide garage sale and flea market, will be held in Iron River, Caspian and Gaastra from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Call the Chamber of Commerce office (265-3822) for more information.

The classic cars and trucks make their first appearance Saturday afternoon, in the annual "cruise."

The vehicles start gathering at 2 p.m. at the Krist Oil parking lot on M-189; the cruise starts at 3 p.m. and passes through Iron River, Stambaugh and Caspian before returning to Iron River—with some minor changes in the route due to construction.

Despite the detours and one-way streets, you can expect a full house at the fairgrounds Saturday night for the demo derby.

The action starts at 6 p.m., but get there early to see all of the action. Don't get caught in a long line! There will be plenty of food and drink available at concessions stands.

Pits open at 2 p.m., and a drivers' meeting takes place at 5. All demo drivers must register by June 14. Call 906-284-1713 for more information.

Sunday, June 17

Sunday is the day of the 35th annual auto show. Registration is from 9 a.m. to noon; the first 50 vehicles to enter get dash plaques. For more information, call 906-265-3822.

The show runs from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., when trophies are presented to the top entries in each of 15 classes. The People's Choice trophy will also awarded at that time.

There is plenty of time to walk around, admire the classic vehicles and talk to their proud owners. Bring your camera!

The Classic Farm Machinery Club of Iron County will be part of the show, showing off antique farming and industrial machines, including tractors and steam engines.

The fourth annual arts and crafts show is also on the upper level of the fairgrounds, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The event features art, craft, jewelry, antiques and flea market items.

The fair’s “blue building” and Rotunda will be available for those who want to show their items under a roof, along with outside display space.

With car lovers and art lovers all in one place on Father’s Day afternoon, several concession stands will be busy, and a DJ will be on hand to keep the music coming.

Corporate sponsors of Father’s Day Weekend are the Krist Oil Co., Tru Recycling, Iron River Auto Supply, Lindwall Motors, Michigan-Wisconsin Spring and Brake Inc., Auto Value Iron River, Al Clements Trucking, Kurtz Diesel, K&D Service and Mr. T’s Family Restaurant.