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Upcoming EESCC Events

Monthly Meeting **1st Wed. of each month**
Time: 7:00pm
Location: The Mission Restaurant
Franklin Blvd. & Patterson, Eugene, Or

Fast Grass TBA! **October 16th**
Hopefully some field, somewhere

EESCC Banquet **6:00 PM November 6th**
Eugene Hilton

Other Events per Schedule Attached

Other Clubs' Events

Siskiyou Sports Car Club **Fall Enduro**
October 1st – 3rd

ACCO (Redmond) **Oregon Shootout Invitational**
October 9th & 10th

SCCA Oregon Region
October 30th

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2004 Fast Grass Autocross

The Fast Grass autocross is scheduled for October 16th. As of now, we have no site for the event. We are working very hard to obtain a suitable site.

If you know of a site let us know ASAP.

Please check our web site for additional details. We will not be mailing out any flyers for this event!

Cross your fingers, this one is always fun. Yee haw!

Another Awesome Season Ends

This last weekend saw another wonderful pair of events at the Coca Cola Bottling Plant. Thanks again to those folks.

Bonnie and Cheryl put together a couple of courses while bouncing along in the back of the Durango, somewhere between Pueblo and Colorado Springs, Colorado. Until finally spotting a Starbucks near I25, they were both suffering from sleep and caffeine deprivation. Anyway the courses worked

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A NEWBIE'S POINT OF VIEW

Do you remember the first time you went to the Circus? I do and going to the SCCA National's is a lot like it. Lots to see, do, and watch. Our day began at 5 AM (only because there were 5 of us to get ready to go) and ended about 10 PM. We were on the go all the time. There were two big - BIG - LARGE courses to memorize and walk and walk and walk some more. Of course we wanted to watch the other two days run so that we could see how they did. There were the other Oregon and Washington drivers we wanted to support too.

On Wednesday it rained, boy, did it rain buckets full. Then there was the thunder and lightening. Did I mention that you have to run for a car or cover when lightening strikes there? Well, you do, because you are the highest point out there on the plains in Kansas. "We're in Kansas Toto." It also rained on Friday, but not when any of us were driving, thank heavens.

I came in DFL but it was so much fun I didn't care. Lots of friends were made and some really fun times were had. Sean snores and so does Bonnie but don't tell her. She said I snored too, but I didn't hear any snoring coming from me. She also hogged the covers too but it was so humid and hot there I didn't care.

We got to Kansas and to our motel on Friday evening. About 9 pm or so there was a knock on our door and we were so tired, when Bonnie answered it and there stood Tim and Peggy we thought we'd made a wrong turn somewhere! Can you imagine our surprise? They'd flew into Tulsa, Oklahoma, picked up a 2000 SS Camaro (that looked just like the one that bit the dirt, it was scary) and drove in to see us. Of course Tim had spoken to me earlier in the week to ask a bunch of questions of where we were staying and I thought nothing of it.....duh, there they were!

Where else can you go and see about 40 Corvette's most of them Z06's and lots of top notch cars and drivers you only get to read about and don't know. They actually talk to you and are so very friendly.

out pretty damn well and Bonnie was also able to create a workable IROC course. (I don't know why the call it the "International" Race of Champions, other that a couple of competitors have been to Tijuana .)

We had 109 competitors on Saturday, and 114 on Sunday. As of the end of Sunday, we had crowned 28 class champions and nailed down 86 trophy winners, which is a record. We even had one couple tie for a class championship, so you know the competition was close!

The winner of the IROC is in Ruben Cruz's vault, not to be unlocked till November 6th. He promises not to reveal the results for less than 4 figures.

The original IROC car, a supremely tacky rendition of a ricy, racy Scirocco. Thanks guys. However, it suffered terminal clutchitis, so Ruben stepped in with his own VW to save the day.

As has been the case this year in every event since March, rain played a significant role in the weekend. (The March events were hot and dry, go figure.) We had a mist during the first run group on Saturday, but the rest of the weekend we had dry if cool runs.

Tim and Peggy Steck were able to show off their new clone Camaro. Rumor has it that some guy in Oklahoma, the Reverend Red has magical Chevy healing powers. Hmmm.

So it is with a heavy heart that this season gives way to the Enduros and Oregon Shootouts of October.

See you at the banquet, and let's get cracking on those pinewood derby cars.

Your humble editor, Jim Mueller

Lots of parties to go to and lots of good food and conversation. The pavement is nothing to write home about but it is pavement and there is LOTS of it. The talk is that maybe next year there will be new pavement or a new site there close. **Go once in your life to have a great experience**, I recommend it highly!

Heartland Raceway is just a hop skip and jump away. We drove over there to see it and what ole Oregon is missing out on. It has a wonderful road race and drag race facility plus a large mud pit for Monster Trucks and other uses. We all fell in love with it!! Oh! To have such a place here!!! Dream on Cheryl.....

Did I mention that we found most espresso outlets and coffee kiosks between Oregon and Kansas? "Friends don't let friends drink Folgers" Watch for a T Shirt with that slogan on it. It's from a Java Caboose somewhere out there in the Midwest.

All in all Sean and I were like two little kids with our faces lit up and smiling a lot.

Thanks Bonnie and Jim, I had a wonderful and memorable time I shall never forget as long as I live! ☺

by Cheryl Baugh

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