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Upcoming EESCC Events

Monthly Meeting Wednesday the 11th of July 7:00pm The Sizzler Postal Way and Gateway, Springfield

Larison Rock Hillclimb July 14th & 15th Oakridge OR Flyer mailed separately

Events # 5 & 6	Aug 4 th & 5 th
	Willamette Pass Ski Area
	See Enclosed Flyer

Hillclimb planning and preparation coming up!

Mark your calendars. At 7:00 PM, June 27th you are all invited to the Muellers' for a planning meeting and general BS session to organize and finalize plans for Larison Rock Hillclimb.

Also be sure to attend the hill cleanup on road 2102, the Larison road, Saturday on July 7^{th} at 9:00 AM.

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Bring your weapons of vegetation destruction to help whack the weeks and trim back the trees. Those weed whackers, blowers, mowers, chain saws, nippers, etc. are needed. If you don't have any of these a good strong back is always a necessity. **Call Bonnie @ 485-4341 for info.**

Autocross Numbers and Letters!

Help! Let's give timing all the help we can with your vehicle ID numbers and letters. (Believe me, timing needs all the help it can get!)

There are lot of ways you can make better numbers and letters. You can get magnetic vent grate covers from Jerry's or Home Depot really cheap. You can go to Staples and get magnetic sheets that work in your printer to make some nifty numbers.

If you want to do it real nicely and meet SCCA rules, talk to John at Evolution Audio 485-3848 and he will make you ones that meet SCCA rules. He has made

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arrangements for special pricing for EESCC racers. It will make your car easier to time, and you can run anywhere with those numbers.

SCCA numbers need to be at least 8" high with a 1.25" line width and the class letters need to be at least 4" high with a .75" line width. Class letters need to be between 25% and 75% of the height of the numbers.

After your novice event you really, really need to have your own helmet and numbers!

Work Assignments

It seems that some people are skipping out on their work assignments again. Let me recap the rule. If we find you skipped out on your work assignment, your runs will be disqualified and you will not be allowed to run the next event.

We don't want to sound like hard asses, but there are a lot of people who do their work assignments, as well as run the events from dawn to dusk and they need your help. It is very disrespectful to your fellow competitors to skip out on your assignments. They worked for you, so work for them!

Transitions

Hello Racers,

It's almost June and events 3 and 4 are almost here. We are getting very excited! So far we've had a lot of fun this year and there haven't been any problems. There are a lot of fast cars participating this year, and we will probably see a few new cars at the next race. The boys over at Edge Motorsports should have their new cars ready to race. I have seen their cars and they are very nice--Volkswagens of course. Make sure to ask Phill the name of the color of his new car; -) We will have to wait and see how they do, but we know they will be fast.

Phill and Brad built my black GTI, and we love it. After the boys at Edge got their hands-and a turbocharger-on the car, we had just a bit more power and torque than before. This presented a bit of a problem when we hit the gas, because the car would almost JUMP into another lane-too much torque steer. So this year we bought new tires and wheels for better traction and added power steering, which really took away a lot of the torque steer. Our next project is new Corbeau or Momo race seats to get a little more support out on the course. After the seats we will take a look at body and paint-money, money, and more money. It seems there is always something to spend our money on when it comes to racing, but we don't mind because we are having a blast.

My son Brady and I are now racing together as a team. It's great father and son time, especially since Brady comes down from Kent, Washington. Brady has had some high-speed driver training when he was in the Air Force, and he road races motorcycles up in Washington. Brady is teaching me how to look at the course and how to look through the corners. This has been a great experience for us. We have met a lot of very nice people and have made a lot of new friends. I would like to thank the EESCC club and all of the great people in it. Keep up the good work and keep those fast cars coming. Looking forward to the next event.

Clint Ipock (#1 XP)

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This is Brady now. I've been racing motorcycles for about three years now, and motorcycles have been my passion for almost twenty years. When my Dad first started talking about this autocross racing, which I had never even heard of, I thought it would be a fun thing to do with my Dad, but I didn't think it would even come close to the enjoyment I get from racing motorcycles. Boy was I wrong! After only four weekends of autocrossing—I am totally hooked on 4 wheels. I am even starting to look at road racing cars too. Anybody got some money I can borrow :-)

There seem to be a lot more similarities between racing cars and bikes than I would have thought. It turns out looking through the corners and getting on the gas early out of the exit makes you go faster on 2 wheels and 4. I am still working on corner entry and better braking though. One of the main differences, which I really like, is that screwing up on 4 wheels tends to result in a harmless spinout, whereas screwing up on 2 wheels results in an ambulance spinning out to come pick you up off the track-not to mention the \$1000 in damage to your bike. Regardless of the dangers, I am addicted to speed and there is no substitute for doing 170 mph on a motorcycle. On the other hand, there is also no substitute for racing with your Dad, in his car, railing through the corners in a turbocharged GTI, killing a few cones, and having a great time.

I'd like to say thanks to everyone in EESCC for being so helpful and welcoming. Racing is a lot of fun, but fellow racers are the ones that really make it enjoyable. I've had a lot to learn about the club, autocross racing, and driving on 4 wheels, and I've never had a problem finding someone who was willing to help me out. Thank you.

Brady Ipock (#154 XP)