

Finally, Some Events!

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Well here it is mid-summer and we finally have had a couple events to attend even if they have been a departure from what we have been accustomed to. As it seems we have a shortened season, we will also have a shortened article! I feel that first I should let everyone know that a miracle has occurred! I have just returned from the Bible Creek Hillclimb, itself having just returned from a four-year hiatus (not without its issues however) where absolutely no one left the road and required a tow! This is the very first hill that I have attended at which this has happened. Congratulations to all that safely completed their runs.

As everyone who cares knows by now the Larison Rock Event went into hiding from the virus this year but it has managed to survive this quarantine period without becoming terribly ill and will return next year barring any further virus complications. There are a wide variety of emotions that surround the cancellation of an event like this, many of which make decision making very troublesome. Will it be allowed at all? If so, what will it look like? Can it be a good event? How many people are we letting down? (a big one for me) How much work will be wasted? How much additional work will be required? Will it be safe, as the first event of (of any kind) the season for most of the entrants? There are many others but I think this gets the message across, the physical demands of chairing an event are no match for the mental strain that comes along with the responsibility of preparing for the running of an event. Larison enjoys a wide range of support from many folks that come out and throw time and energy at providing a good event, many events do not have this type of support though they all need it. It is working with these people that is missed most of all, though there are probably other events (and running the hill against the clock or your personal goals is not to be missed) that will fill the activity gap, there is nothing to replace what is gained by working with people that give so much for others enjoyment...

As I said, a very short article but I do want to thank Jody for becoming the latest new event organizer and Keith for dragging him into the fold! See you out there!