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Upcoming EESCC Events

Monthly Meeting:	Sept 4th 7:00 pm The Sizzler Postal Way and Gateway
Events 7 & 8	Sept 28th and 29th Goshen Forest Products Flyer Enclosed
Awards Banquet	Nov. 9th 6:00 pm, Valley River Inn Information Enclosed

2013 Year-End Awards Banquet **"If I Were A Car ..."**

By Bren Wamsley

Mark your calendars! The 2013 Year-End Awards Banquet is fast approaching. It's a great time to celebrate the year's events and to commiserate with your racing family. Most of the evening is celebrating YOU!

We will be returning to Valley River Inn Saturday evening, November 9th. It will be buffet style and entertainment provided. Informational and registration forms are included in this August newsletter. You will also be able to register on-line via our website, www.eescc.org. There will

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be lots of prizes including a \$50.00 cash door prize. Register early to avoid a late registration fee.

Valley River Inn is happy to extend a rate of \$73.00 per night to the Emerald Empire Sports Car Club Holiday party attendees for a deluxe guestroom. To take advantage of this special rate, call the Valley River Inn reservations line at 1-800-543-8266 and ask for the "Holiday Party Rate".

It's the best time you'll have not behind the wheel. ☺
Look forward to seeing you there.

The Pass Was a Blast!

By Jim Mueller

I know the Willamette Pass Events were fun, because Bonnie and I were exhausted Sunday night.

The weekend started for us when Bonnie and I went to the course on Thursday with the big blower and cleaned the lot. Friday included course building and partying at "Jerry's and Bert's place".

Then there was the racing, Tim and Peggy Steck made some wild courses that combined speed and technical portions. The amount of cones that were murdered was unparalleled. We also found out that our new timing system can take a lot of punishment. Let's do it again next year.

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**August Road Clean-up
By Bonnie Mueller**

On August 3rd we held our second road clean-up of the year and we had a great turnout. Thanks to: Amy & Krysta Hart, Ruben Cruz, Bert Jacobson, Jerry Braunberger, Ed & Michelle Gouldsmith, Keith Olson & Sandy Lynch, Rae Heselbach & Jamie Porter, Andrew Hafner, Allen Hesch, Matt Boatman, Tim & Peggy Steck, and Jim & Bonnie Mueller.

24 bags of garbage, 5 bags of recyclables, and many interesting items were found. Bert Jacobson and the CP crew took home the prize for the most interesting find with a letter, check, and envelope (picked up by three separate folks at separate locations) that all tied in to some shady drug deal? Interesting stuff. Anyway, be sure and join us on our next road clean-up in November. Stay tuned.



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**Larison Rock 2013 Revisited
By David Lumbra**

Well, I made it back after taking my first break since 1988 last year. Pat Ezard won the most in a row contest, but he missed this year. So, we are even at 25 out of 26! I did set a new record this year. I ran my 9th different car. 5 BMWs, 3 VWs and one Dodge. Dave Kipperman is close behind at 7 cars and will likely pass me, as he tends to build a “new” car every other year.

There are lots of ways to have fun at Larison, besides driving up the hill. I spent all day Saturday taking pics between checkpoint 5 and turn 11. Way fun place. Rose, Mark and I guessed at the time of the car passing by in front of us and surprisingly, we can come within a second or so sometimes. If I was mean, I could make a picture album of all the drivers with “white knuckles” as they turn into eleven. Some are quite relaxed, others not so much, lol.

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Larison Rock 2013 Revisited. (continued)

Because Pat wasn't there, I got to take the group photo this year. For grins and giggles I asked everyone to give me the "finger" for the last shot. Look at the club's website at the pic. Some of my friends were more than happy to show me their middle finger. Some gave me the thumbs up, others showed their index finger. Some gave me the peace sign, while some were embarrassed to show any fingers and chose to look around to see what everyone else was doing. Funny stuff.

Now, on to the driving part. Doug Drouet was kind enough to share his Scirocco "Shakira" with me for the weekend. He teased me with new slicks on very wide wheels. I watched him go by me twice on Saturday flat as heck and quick, too. I was eagerly awaiting my turn on Sunday afternoon. After I had lunch on Sunday, I got the car and stopped by the compressor to check pressures. Doug showed up and said we had to change tires, as he corded the left front badly. He was right. I got to run on older slicks on much narrower wheels, with less than an optimal contact patch. Oh well, not much else to do, right?

Then Doug adjusted the e-brake cables tighter for me to have better brake bias. Uh, okay thanks. I launched for my first run and by turn two, I smelled brakes. I didn't have to brake for three as the car slowed itself down just by lifting. My suspicions were confirmed at top pits as the car would not back up. The rear brake shoes were hanging up on the drums. Note to whoever was handing out the run times. I really do know where reverse is in a VW. It just didn't work. I loosened up the cables for my second run and it was two seconds better, and lots more fun. Thanks Doug, for the adventure, lol. I will remember that trick to slow co-drivers down. NICE!

I did manage to get some great pics and learned more about shooting cars "at speed". Thank you to all the volunteers that showed up to help, without even driving the event. We couldn't have done it without you. I got to experience my first antenna launching party, as well. Very interesting. Try it sometime. Until next year, be safe.