



# AT SPEED

## *Emerald Empire Sports Car Club*

P.O. Box 1204, Eugene, Oregon 97440

Email: [President@eescc.org](mailto:President@eescc.org)

[WWW.EESCC.ORG](http://WWW.EESCC.ORG)

January 18, 2022

### 2022 EESCC Club Officers

<b>President</b>	<b>Robert Jacobson</b> Email: <a href="mailto:President@eescc.org">President@eescc.org</a>
<b>Vice President</b>	<b>Hope Mueller</b> Email: <a href="mailto:VicePresident@eescc.org">VicePresident@eescc.org</a>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Jim Mueller</b> Email: <a href="mailto:Treasurer@eescc.org">Treasurer@eescc.org</a>
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Peggy Steck</b> Email: <a href="mailto:Secretary@eescc.org">Secretary@eescc.org</a>
<b>Chief of Registration</b>	<b>Bonnie Mueller</b> Email: <a href="mailto:Registrar@eescc.org">Registrar@eescc.org</a>
<b>Chief Safety Steward</b>	<b>Keith Olsen</b> Email: <a href="mailto:SafetySteward@eescc.org">SafetySteward@eescc.org</a>
<b>Chief of Timing</b>	<b>Tim Steck</b> Email: <a href="mailto:ChiefofTiming@eescc.org">ChiefofTiming@eescc.org</a>

### **Upcoming EESCC Events**

**MONTHLY MEETING** 7:00 PM Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Sizzler, Springfield**

**TIMING SCHOOL** 11:00 – 3:00 Feb 27

[Preregister Online](#)

**ICEBREAKER AUTOX** March 13

**Valley River Center, Eugene**

[See Flyer Online](#)

### **The New Season**

We are planning a full season of events. Icebreaker and events 5,6,7 and 8 are confirmed, the rest are tentative. Please be sure to follow the website closely, read your emails, and look for the flyers to keep you updated.

HooDoo is planning to repave the site, and they haven't determined when they can get it done. So that is a good thing, but creates its own uncertainties.

The annual sign up and prepay is up, so get signed up and get ready for an exciting year of events.

### **\*\*\* In this Issue \*\*\***

- 2022 Officers of EESCC
- Upcoming EESCC Events
- The New Season
- Changes to Tech Procedure
- Driver Profiles, Alan Bowers, Bruce Harmon
- [Icebreaker Flyer](#)

### **Changes to Tech Procedure**

We are going to do a once yearly tech. Every car will have to be teched initially, then if the car is basically sound, it will get a sticker to indicate that the driver will be doing their own tech at each event.

Cars that have questionable safety issues may only receive an event-to-event ok. All cars may be pulled to re-tech at any time. Also, if there have been major changes to a vehicle between events, we would like to re-tech it. Any new car that you bring will need to be teched.

Remember- this means that the driver is responsible for doing a complete check prior to each event! Use the tech sheet on the website as a template for what to check. Remember to have the completed form to take to tech for your first event.

### **Driver Profiles**

In this newsletter is two new articles to continue with my series of 28 profiles. In 2020 and 2021 the drivers/cars were highlighted on our coasters.

Continued on page 4

# EESCC Sponsors - Support our Sponsors!!



**TBS Consultants**  
 Experts in IT Services  
[www.TBSConsultants.com](http://www.TBSConsultants.com)  
 (541) 767-2100

**Jamie Black**  
 Licensed Oregon Real Estate Broker

*Time for a new home? Call now!*




**541.954.1514**  
*Let's get you moving!*

COLDWELL BANKER PROFESSIONAL GROUP

**All Rite Roofing INC.**  
 CCB# 167716

**541-744-1283**  
**Gutter Team**

- 5-K STYLE • NEW & RETRO
- ROOFING SPECIALIST
- GENERAL CONTRACTOR
- DECKS/FENCES • SIDING



**ALEX'S GARAGE**  
 German Auto Specialists

1255 Railroad Blvd "A"  
 Eugene, OR 97402  
 (541) 654-5251

**ironcat graphics**



[ironcatgraphics@gmail.com](mailto:ironcatgraphics@gmail.com)



**Mark Nearing**  
**PLUMBING**  
 CCB# 190822

**SERVICE**

Residential • Commercial  
 Licensed • Bonded • Insured

**541-556-3869**  
*Free Estimates*

**541-485-2888**  
 In Eugene @ 4080 West 11th

**Custom Audio**  
 Audio - Video & Security



ALPINE  
 Boston  
 CLIFFORD  
 KENWOOD  
 Pioneer  
 MX  
 AUDIO

**se habla español**

**CHAMELEON PAINTING LLC**  
 DBA: CHAMELEON PAINTING SERVICES  
 CCB #224115

541.912.6165 CELL  
 541.935.6753



**ERIC HOFFMAN**

[CHAMELEONPAINTINGLLC@HUGHES.NET](mailto:CHAMELEONPAINTINGLLC@HUGHES.NET)

# EESCC Sponsors - Support our Sponsors!!



**loanDepot**  
Mortgage Financing

**Paul Fortier**  
NMLS #226337  
FT02 PST (541) 579-1510  
pfortier@loanDepot.com

FDIC Insured | Equal Housing Lender

Free Estimates CCB#194382

**BLACK DIAMOND FENCE & DECK, INC.**  
Trellises • Pergolas • Arbors • Decks  
blackdiamondfenceanddeck@gmail.com  
**541-606-5488**

**CHIEF AUTOSPORTS**  
28 W O ST STE C&D SPRINGFIELD, OREGON 97477  
CHIEFAUTOSPORTSLLC.COM (458) 205 8094

- AUTOBODY & PAINT
- SPRAY-ON BEDLINER
- FIBERGLASS REPAIR
- CUSTOM VINYL DECALS
- METAL FABRICATION
- CUSTOM BODY KIT &
- WIDEBODY SPECIALISTS
- APPAREL AND MORE!

**EDGE MOTORSPORTS & REPAIR**

(541) 242-3343  
4055 W 11TH AVE.  
UNIT 22  
EUGENE OR.

**Priority One**  
HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING

**iTint**  
Performance Tint & Protective Film

Kyra & Alex  
541-992-2233  
iTintWindowTinting.com

**W\*Touch**  
DETAILING  
"Lane County's Premier Detailing Facility"  
Interior • Exterior • Ceramic Coatings • PPS  
100% Satisfaction Guaranteed • Fully Licensed & Insured  
**541-743-5155**  
610 Commercial St, Unit D, Eugene, OR 97402 • ntouchdetailing.com

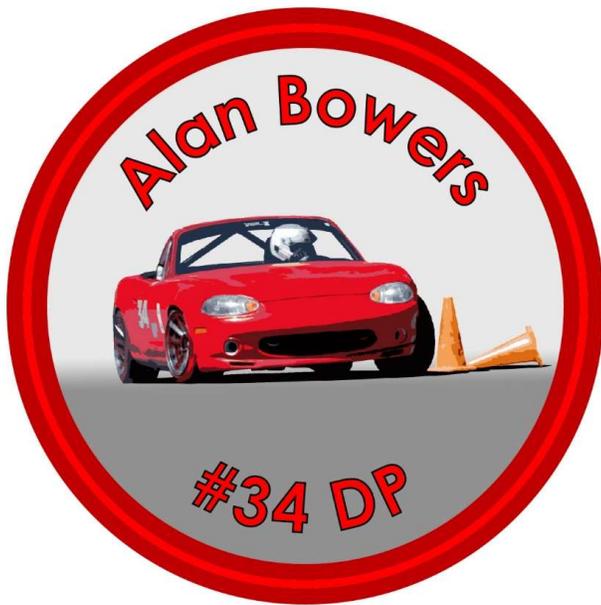
**fix AUTO COLLISION**

3445 Main Street  
Springfield  
541-726-8453

**Fitness Equipment of Eugene**  
www.fitnessequipmenteugene.com

Paul Glaze  
Office 541-344-6900  
Cell 541-912-6046  
service@fitnessequipmenteugene.com

Now, hear about Alan Bowers and Bruce Harmon in their own words:



**When and where did you get into autocrossing?**

First actual autocross was in 2004 with San Francisco Bay Area Region SCCA. Did a teen “Street Survival” course with another organization prior to that which got me hooked on performance driving, and managed to get into a couple GM test drive events to thrash around in a corvette or two around their cone “courses.”.

**When did you first enter events with EESCC? How did you find out about us?**

First autocross with EESCC was in 2014 co-driving a couple of cars but ran Larison Rock in 2013 (drove my Miata from CA, following Lorin if I remember right). Moved to Oregon in late 2014 and started attending more regularly.

**How long have you been into autosports? What other forms of racing have you done or are a faithful follower? (Lemons, Lucky Dog, Hillclimbing, NASCAR, F1, Indy, drag racing,**

**drifting, off road racing, radio controlled, dog sledding 😊 etc.)**

Started doing HPDE/track events around 2004 as well (with a Ford Focus ZX3), and have since joined a ridiculous team (in 2011 or 12?) who thought it was a good idea to race a minivan and then front wheel drive pickup truck. Did a little drifting while stationed in Japan from between 2006 and 2008, but found out speed, grip and timed competition was more fun.

**Do other members of your family autocross with you? When did they start and why? (Please answer all these questions for them too)**

Dana Zimmer has dipped her toes in and autocrossed her Focus ST for a few seasons. She does enjoy it but maybe more so enjoys spending time with the great people within the club.

**How many cars have you owned and autocrossed? What was your first car? Your first “race” car?**

Only autocrossed a handful of my cars, starting with a basic Ford Focus ZX3. Got a more prepared SVT Focus with a supercharger (probably my first “race car”), but that turned out to be a money pit that never ran well. Eventually found the light and got a Miata, which has been pretty trustworthy for over a decade now (moving classes from STR to CSP to now DP over those years). Every now and then I drive Dana’s Focus ST in GS.

**What current car are you autocrossing and / or expect to run in 2022? Any changes you are doing? Class change?**

Still the Miata. No changes other than some minor stuff (which I haven’t done anything about yet). It stays reliable, so I have no need to mess with the recipe. If it blows up, Lorin has agreed to help Honda K swap it.

**What wins or awards are you most proud of and why?**

Helping get 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Chump Car 24-hour race at Buttonwillow in 2013 is up there. We completed 500 laps (1340 miles), while our best lap was over 3 seconds slower than anyone else in the top 10 (some of which had laps 10 seconds quicker than us). Also really enjoyed driving Larison Rock, going sub 2 minutes and getting both CSP and DP class records.

**What is the most fun about autocrossing? Our club?**

The camaraderie and friendly atmosphere is the most fun thing about autocrossing and EESCC, aside from the 30-60 runs in between all that. Seeing friends, seeing cool cars, and hearing tires and engines throughout the day.



**When and where did you get into autocrossing?**

First event was in El Paso, TX while in the army in 1969. I did one event there got the second fastest time of day, then other duties kept me away for 30 years. Then in 1998 saw an old college chum, Tom Kotzian, and he got me into it again, this time with an

89 Corvette, which he sold me, where I ran in Super Stock and from there on, I was hooked.

**When did you first enter events with EESCC? How did you find out about us?**

In about 2004, after I sold my Corvette and moved to Corvallis, I joined EESCC because it was closer to me and had a nice schedule of events. I ran a 2001 Focus SVT for a couple years. I soon discovered our club is the best managed club in the state.

**How long have you been into autosports? What other forms of racing have you done or are a faithful follower? (Lemons, Lucky Dog, Hillclimbing, NASCAR, F1, Indy, drag racing, drifting, off road racing, radio controlled, dog sledding, etc.)**

I raced Go Karts successfully in 1959-1963, then motorcycles for two years in the late 60's, then raced bicycles off and on for the next 30 years. Then cycling took a back seat to Autocrossing in about 2005. (I found Autocrossing a lot easier on my body.)

**Do other members of your family autocross with you? When did they start and why? (Please answer all these questions for them too)**

No, wife is glad to see me busy. My daughter used to come and watch at events and ride with me on a few runs.

**How many cars have you owned and autocrossed? What was your first car? Your first "race" car?**

First car was a worn out 1947 Studebaker. It cost me \$50. First car I autocrossed was a 1969 Datsun 510. Then 89 Corvette, 01 Ford Focus, 2007 Pontiac Solstice, 2017 Fiat 124 Spider. Also ran my wife's 88 Porsche 911 Targa couple times in 2004.

**What current car are you autocrossing and / or expect to run in 2022? Any changes you are doing? Class change?**

Will be running my Fiat 124 Spider Abarth in C Street

**What wins or awards are you most proud of and why?**

My proudest award was winning the State 50+ championship time trial (bicycle) in 1999, because of the effort made. Am also proud of winning the Silver Medal in the State Criterium championship that same year. And I'm always proud of being competitive at every autocross event.

**What is the most fun about autocrossing? Our club?**

The unique thing I enjoy most about Autocrossing is the unlimited challenge of running a new course every day and trying to drive it well. I love this club, its great people, superbly well-run events and all the fun in participating. Going to events at different locations is also fun, even though necessary due to the shortage of venues. Out of town events like Willamette Pass and Roseburg are great experiences.

**Other comments.**

I also enjoy taking photos for everyone at events.