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### Upcoming EESCC Events

**Event #7, #8 & IROC** **Sept 27th & 28th, 2003**  
 Location: Coca Cola Bottling

**Year End Awards Banquet** **Nov 8th, 2003**  
 Location: Hilton, Eugene, Or

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

**Fast Grass Autocross** Cancelled, property sale pending  
 Venue change is possible, please check the website. Please  
 help us find a new site.

### Other Clubs Events

Aug 30, 31	ACCO Event # 7 & 8	Redmond
Aug 30	NHA Bogus Basin Hillclimb	Boise ID
Sept 7	WMC Event #5	Salem
Sept 9-13	SCCA Solo II National Champ.	Topeka KS
Sept 20-21	ACCO Event 9 & 10	Redmond
Sept 20-21	SSCC Practice & Event 8	Medford
Oct. 4-5	Enduro Practice & Enduro	Medford
Oct 5	WMC Event # 6	Salem
Oct. 25-26	ACCO 2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Shootout	Redmond

### Event Trophy Mugs

*The trophy mugs from events 1-6 must be picked up at the last event, Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>. They will not be mailed and may be given away if not nicked un.*

### **Eight Days, Eight Hundred Dollars and Eight Minutes of Fun!!**

This is how it goes every year for me getting ready for Larison Rock HillClimb. I work like crazy on the car for the whole week prior to going to Oakridge, and spend too much money on new tires and go-fast goodies, so I can drive for eight minutes. Sound crazy? Not really, in the HillClimb world it is fairly normal. Being a BMW tech by day, I tend to analyze my car while driving and that slows me down. So, if I take it apart and reassemble with great care and attention to

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### **Daddy's Little Racer**

Ok, so told they want to hear about autocrossing from a woman's perspective. Let's be completely honest, how different could it possibly be? You have your car, helmet, and wristband then you walk the course with a hand drawn map like everyone else. Of course I do get those odd stares from people, but you get used to that. I think what people really want to know is why is this girl interested in racing and who does all the work on her car?

Let's start with my interest in racing. Starting at 5 years

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detail, I can go faster. The trick is to tell myself at the start line that the car is perfect and to just "DRIVE, DAVE!" The tires must be new each year. That is Larison Rule #1. You can't do your best on old tires. At least I can't. I just end up scaring myself by trying it and then I am p.o'd for a month for not buying them. So, two weeks before Larison all bills get demoted to second place for new rubber for the racecar.

This year was special because I talked my lovely wife into driving again. She had temporarily retired from HillClimbing. But, she is back and got another hill record to boot. I want to take this opportunity to publicly apologize to her for the trophy presentation. Pat Ezard, my co-conspirator and I were doing the trophies and I was moving down the page in order reading off all the classes when Pat asked me to skip ESPL because Peggy Veatch was going to be queen and we would announce that class later. Well, stupid Dave also skipped the next class DSPL and we finished up the trophies, said goodbyes and then my wife informs me that I skipped her. UH-OH, I am a dead guy. Scotty, beam me up NOW! She took it well. Cost me a dinner and several at-home apologies but I am out of the doghouse for now. I am blaming Pat Ezard of course. It can't be my fault.

All in all, it was another great event. Thanks to Bonnie and Jim Mueller and company for pulling it all together one more time. I especially want to thank Bruce Shelton and son Scott for helping Evan and me set up the hill each morning. There are lots of details that need the brains of all four of us combined in order to pull it off without delaying the driver's meeting. I am proud to say that not once in all these years has our setting up of the hill been the weak link delaying a prompt start of the meeting and run groups. Thanks Bruce, aka "VERN"!! Same time, same place again next year, gang. If I am still breathing I am still running!

by David Lumbr

\*\*\*As many of you are aware, since this article was written, Bruce Shelton has passed away after fighting with melanoma for several years. He was a very special part of Larison Rock. Please visit our website to see what he meant to us.

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old I was out on my Mongoose BMX bike tearing up the track. As the years went by I had outgrown two bikes and had settled into my third one. I was quite the little racer. At age 15 I decided that it was time to move on. That is when I began learning to drive in my mother's 76 Plymouth Volare with a 318. On many occasions my parents caught me driving it like a racecar and I got the lectures, but heck, I learned to drive. To this day my mother feels that out of her 4 children, I am the safest and most skilled driver. Once I got my own car a couple years later, it was time for me to start a new style of racing. My dad had already been racing with EESCC for over a year, so I knew what to expect. I went to all his events with him, and was his little pit crew of one. Now I have been autocrossing for almost 3 seasons and have no plans to stop.

As long as I can remember I have been under the hoods of cars with my dad. Anytime something needed to be fixed, or upgraded, I was with him, whether I was just handing him tools, or helping him pull the 340 out of his Dart (multiple times). I feel privileged for everything he has taught me and take pride in all our vehicles. I always tease him and say that I am the son he wished his other two could have been, but instead I'm just told that I am Daddy's Little Girl. I must admit, just seeing the smile on his face is a major part of why I love to race.

by Sherri Lyons

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