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Upcoming EESCC Events

Texas Hold'em Party **November 27th**
5:30pm @ the Reinertsons
See Flyer Enclosed

Monthly Meeting: **December 2nd**
7:00pm the Sizzler
Postal Way and Gateway, Springfield

Year End Banquet

Wow, another year gone by, which means it is time again for our annual year end gala. As is always the case, Brenda outdid herself and put together a wonderful evening of fun and frivolity.

The evening started off with the Pinewood Derby, with Lorin and Ryan Wamsley in charge. It is always great to see the new, and newly repaired cars. There was a "leadfoot" and a bullet along with many other new cars. The winner of the Peoples Choice award was the "downed cone" of Sean Mueller (with a little help from Bonnie). The Butte Ugly award (for his car) went to Jerry Akins for his cow (rat?). The award was appropriately a purple cow. The Wamsleys,

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Lorin and Bren were first and second in the stock category with their tried and true Hershey bars. Joe Peck won the unlimited class with the flying wing, with Brad Moffett second in the big wheeled axle dropper.

Bonnie thanked our sponsors and our event site sponsors. Thank you again. Brad Moffett and Joel Hazen-Diehm gave out class awards. They were black denim with a custom designed logo by Lorin Mueller.

Next up was the IROC presentation where Pat Ezard does his very best to entertain. The winner this year was Ryan Wamsley, just beating out David Mills. The top lady at 6th overall was our new vice president, Jennifer Ocker. Great Driving!

Then the "special awards" were presented as usual by Bonnie. The winner of the Jim Mueller Do As I Say, Not As I Do Award went to Dawayne Kerbs, who stomped the competition hitting 65 cones. The usual suspects, Robert Steck and Jason Braunberger were second and third with 48 and 46 cones respectively.

The award for getting lost the most was a tight battle with Sean Easley and Keith Olsen with 18 and 15 gates. Sean won the award, but Keith has to be an honorable mention with a whopping total of 240 penalty seconds!

Alicia Andrews was the Gear of the Year. She really deserved it with all the work she does.

Thanks was given to Charlie Snyder for the many videos that we have had at all the banquets

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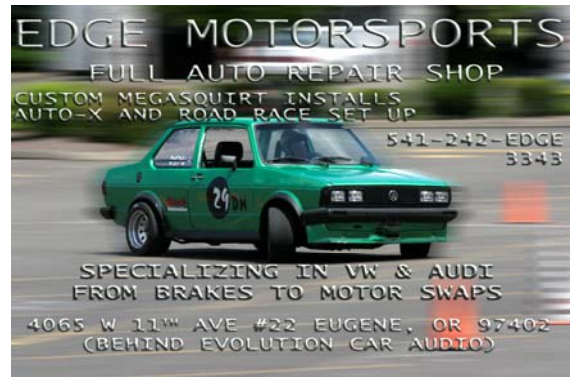
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Brad Moffett and Jerry Akins gave out the door prizes, which were rigged as usual (I didn't win!). Thanks to all our donators and to Jerry for his work in getting these.

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Again, a wonderful night and a great way to end the year.

Jim Mueller

My Trip To SyKart

I went to Sykark. I arrived at 9:00 AM. We had breakfast at McDonalds at 9:30 AM. At 10:00 I signed up for the driving school. I felt happy. Ages 8 and up without a driver's license attend the basic driving school. In the driving school I watched a show. On the show the yellow flag means to slow down. The red flag means to stop. The white flag means one more lap. I like the show.

I went out to the race track. Christian told us about the track. Then we got into the karts. The first ten minutes we went slow. At first I was scared. The last time around we went by ourselves. I went fast. I did not crash. I got a free race because it was within one week of my birthday. I felt happy. My race name is Starcross. My fastest time is 46.6 seconds. Someone bumped in to me. I took my camera. I had fun.

My slowest time is 58.1 seconds. My mommy's fastest time is 35.6 seconds. My mommy's kart is 6 and a half horse power. I feel great!

We had lunch at round table pizza. I had root beer and cinnamon rolls. I had pizza and salad. I had to take the cinnamon rolls and pizza to go. Lunch was good!

I went to Patches. I saw a dog. The dog was white with black spots. I took pictures. The karts can go 50 miles per hour. The track is outside. I had a good time. I saw a helicopter. The helicopter took people up to drop pumpkins on to the cars. There were big and small pumpkins. I had a fun time.

I got home at 8:00 PM. When I got home my mommy downloaded my pictures on to the computer. She said the pictures look great. I said I'm glad the pictures look great. I am glad to be back home.

By Destiny Reid, 8 years old – all in her own words (Catherine and Tom Reid's daughter)

Lost and Found

Ruben has a few items left at event 8. That includes a jacket, hooded sweatshirt and a spare tire with tools. Please call or email Ruben to claim these items before

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Lead Foot At The Pinewood Derby

Part of the evening activities at the Eugene Sports Car Club awards banquet is a Pinewood Derby competition for members who build Boy Scout Pinewood Derby cars. They have two categories of cars. They have a "Stock class" for cars constructed under official Boy Scout rules and a "Modified class" which adds 5 oz. to the car and any wheels/suspension can be used. Here is a picture of "Lead Foot" my Pinewood Derby entry.



An official Boy Scout track is used for the race. The cars are electronically timed. Four cars race at one time. Each car races on each slot on the track. And, like autocross, the fastest time wins. In addition to the racing, people attending the banquet vote for "People's Choice" and "Butt Ugly".

This year Una entered the car I built last year and I entered Lead Foot. To make a long story short, Lead Foot was slow not ugly and not the people's choice. Una's entry (my old car) beat Lead Foot along with many others (It did not finish last, but close to it). The winning car in the Stock class was a thin block of wood wrapped in a Hershey Chocolate wrapper - clever idea! This car's owner is Lorin Wamsley. His wife Bren's pinewood derby also a Hershey chocolate wrapper, but without almonds won 2nd place. Lorin said he was going to switch to "Almond Joy" next year.

Needless to say, it was disappointing that my car this year was slower than last year. But, racing is like that sometimes - work harder go slower. Back to the drawing board. 135 people (wives, friends and drivers) attended this year's banquet. The club does a great job with the evening activities.

Looking for better luck next year!

By Bruce Schlaebitz