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# **Upcoming EESCC Events**

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

Events # 5 & 6

Aug 14 & 15th Willamette Pass

#### **Other Events per Schedule Attached**

Other Clubs' Events	
ACCO Schedule, Redmond	See attached schedule
SCCA Oregon Region	See attached schedule
Siskiyou Sports Car Club	See attached schedule

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#### Don't Pass Up the Pass

After having so much fun two years ago at Willamette Pass Ski Area, and after a year's absence, we decided that it was time to go back and do it again.

This time the Lodge is going to be open for our dining pleasure. But the main attraction is the Gondola Ride to the top of the mountain. The view is incredible, and you don't have to hike straight up!

The parking lot is swept and we have the whole enchilada for our pleasure. You need to make this one event not to be missed.

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#### The King is Dead, Long Live the King

Larison Rock Hillclimb, 2004 was a wonderful host to many, many very interesting stories. There were a lot of personal triumphs, and a few personal tragedies. Even before the event started we had a "casualty". Lorin Wamsley had to have emergency surgery Thursday night before the event and spent the weekend recovering at Sacred Heart. We missed you a bunch, but we are happy to hear you will be OK. Get well soon. Thanks go to Bill Baugh for getting the equipment trailer to the hill at the last minute.

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Some people are staying in Motorhomes at the site, some are camping at Odell Lake, across the highway, several of us are staying at the hotel in Crescent Lake Junction, and some are even staying in Oakridge.

Please don't miss this weekend, it is a gorgeous place, and the competition will be the best.

#### SEE YOU AT THE PASS!!

First, so you know what the title of the article means, we have a new overall hill record holder. Dwight Gillilland in his A Mod monster lowered the bar by almost 3 seconds to 1:40.872. For those of you who have seen two minutes on tape, just imagine going 20 seconds faster. Long live the New King. (For anyone else out there who wants to be King the car is for sale for \$20K. No Tim, we want you to keep on living.)

Top door slammer was Tim Steck, who had a 1:54.607, which was only 4 tenths behind Dave Heppler's monster Falcon for fastest door slammer ever. BUT, he did lend new meaning to the term "door slammer" as he slammed the car into the bank just past checkpoint four and played forester with some pretty stout trees. Not one seems to be sure, because of the dust, but it appeared he rolled endwise and destroyed both the front and the rear of the Camaro. Needless to say, the spectators at checkpoint four got the view none of them wanted. As usual, the safety crews, EMTs and especially Chris Allen, the tow truck driver, did a wonderful job.

Otherwise Dave Kipperman slightly wounded the 510, as the only other car that needed the tow truck. On the plus side he almost got top door slammer with a 1:55.030, and he ended the hill with the fastest Datsun time ever at the hill, but he was pushed for that title by Cary McCallister in his Z with a 1:55.211.

Rob Veitenhans had a couple of thrills himself and ended up with paint damage on his wife's pretty silver Focus. He was not injured due to the crash, but she hadn't seen the car yet, either.

On the VW front, and there were a lot of VWs, Brad Moffett almost saw his VW record go when Eduardo Martinez came within four hundredths with his 1:56.785. Of course Zack Wilson had his thrilling ditch excursion at the end of which he "found himself back on the road". Yee Haw. Another story concerns Jon Barkee in the M3. He has been oh so close to breaking 2 minutes, without actually doing so. It looked like this weekend would be no exception, as he had a 2:03.709, a 2:00.657, and a 2:00.192 on his first three runs, before breaking the magical barrier with a 1:59.473 on his last run. He also was the first stock class driver to break the two minute barrier.

Peggy Steck was the Queen of the Hill with a 2:02.326, and had a shot at being the first woman under two in a door slammer. However, see paragraph three for why she only had two runs.

Before I ramble on some more, I want to thank Bonnie Mueller and her right hand gal, Cheryl Baugh, for without them, this event just wouldn't have happened. Bonnie truly loves this hill. There are so many others who did their usual great jobs, like Dave Lumbra with the shirts and Pat Ezard with registration, the Akins for the door prizes, Tim and Peggy Steck for timing, and so many others I can't mention them all. Another great big cheer must go to Lorin Wamsley, who swept the hill so that we could all break records. (Thank God he got it done before he got sick.)

We have an amazing number of other stories concerning new class records and under two minute runs. Jim Daniels shattered the CSP record and entered the under two club, eventually running a 1:58.342. Ken Loftin, after many years of illegal body lightening (rust), finally broke two on his last run with 1:59.539. Marc Johnson, ditto with a 1:59.020.

Setting new hill records were Marcy Myers, Jon Barkee, Jim Daniels, Tammy Daniels, Tim Steck, Peggy Steck, Dwight Gilliland, Dale Schulte, Cary McCallister, Dave Kipperman, Eduardo Martinez, and Kip Anderson.

This hill has its social side. Next to the VW camp and partiers was the Focus Camp and partiers. No word on who partied the hardest, but they all seemed to be feeling OK on Sunday. (Western Distributors did make a late run to Oakridge, I am told.) The pizza party was crammed as usual, but we had plenty of door prizes. Karen Johansen won the 50/50 raffle and pocketed a cool \$210, which will help defray the fuel costs for Rosie the Bus.

One last big THANK YOU to all the volunteers, club members, friends, sponsors, etc etc. etc. See you next year.

Jim Mueller

PS: Way to go Sean!

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