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## **Upcoming EESCC Events**

Monthly Meeting	1 <sup>st</sup> Wed. of each month
7:00pm	n The Mission Restaurant
Franklin B	lvd. & Patterson, Eugene
<b>Autocross Series Even</b>	ts #3 & 4- June 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4th
	Valley River Center
	See Flyer Enclosed
Larison Rock Hillclim	b July 1 <sup>st</sup> & 2nd
	Rd 2102, Oakridge Ore
<b>Autocross Series Even</b>	ts # 5 & 6-July 29 <sup>th</sup> & 30 <sup>th</sup>
	Willamette Pass Ski Area
<b>Autocross Series Even</b>	ts #7 & 8-Sept 23 <sup>rd</sup> & 24 <sup>th</sup>
	Coca Cola Bottling
<b>Fast Grass Autocross</b>	TBA
Awards Banquet	November 4 <sup>th</sup> 2006
	Hilton Hotel, Eugene OR

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### **Back to the Mission For our Meeting Place**

EESCC will be back at the Mission Restaurant, on the corner of Franklin Blvd and Patterson in Eugene.

As always the meeting will be at 7:00 pm. See you there!

### The Rock is Coming

It's not too early to start planning for Larison Rock Hillclimb. We will be having planning meetings in May and the flyer will be published near the end of May. So if you have any ideas for Logos or any other improvements, let Bonnie know.



#### Dave's Dilemma

Somehow I got voted to write the April article, but I just can't seem to decide which topic to write about. I was thinking of writing about taking some time off from autocrossing. I haven't missed more than one or two since 1984 and wanted to get some things done around the farm. But if I did that, Phil and Ty will just think I am whining again and ducking them so I won't write about that. Then I was thinking of writing about my tee-shirt dilemma. Most of you don't know it but I have 2 dressers because my shirt collection won't fit in one. I am an addict, I admit it. I can't toss out a shirt unless it is shredded. Never mind that I will never fit in half of them again. Some have special memories. Like the Doobie Brothers long sleeve one from the Cow Palace in 1976. I was deaf for 2 days after that show. We just had to stand by the stage. But, that isn't a topic about driving so I better not write that. Then I was thinking of writing about all the autocross memories with this club. Like the time Pete Hoeve downshifted into reverse at speed and it went in! Well once anyway. Like all the times the sprinklers came on at VRC. Seems like ten times. I bet that one pipe is still broken. Or when I was working the bus stop at the airport lot when a competitor slowed in front of us and drove up and said,

" My shift knob fell off. Can I get a re-run?"

We said no, but the clock is still running on this run and you better get going. I better not write that. Who wants to read about the past? So what can I write about that's current and interesting to the masses? I can write about my new car! Well it will be new to a lot of you because I haven't driven it for 4 years. Today we dusted off the "Streetfighter" to give it a bath and get it ready for Larison and a few autocrosses later this year. No 2002 has ever gone under 2 minutes at Larison. So, this year's goal is to make that happen. I got a camera mount for Christmas and will film the occasion. The car I am talking about is a 1968 BMW 1600 that I built in 1988 as a 2002tii. My wife and I have hillclimbed it, autocrossed it and chased Porsches at PIR with it for a long time. Evan is providing some prodding, encouragement and lots of labor to make it all happen. It will be a hoot competing against all of my OSPU rivals with the old car again. There I did it. I finally thought of something car related to talk about. Now who wants a deal on a hundred Icebreaker tee-shirts? Plan on seeing them at every raffle drawing soon. I am limiting myself to one thank you. Part of my new 12step program.

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The \$60 Kart

About three years ago, a little blue Kart with a 5.0 horsepower Briggs sat outside in the wind and rain, gathering rust. Now you can see the very same kart out on the autocross course drifting around corners and burning rubber at the starting line. The EDGE Motorsports decal on the exhaust was put there for a reason.

Port and polished, knife-edged crank shaft, Honda valves, aluminum flywheel, custom exhaust, and more, compliments of Brad and Phil. \$60 is the total amount of money put into the engine and brakes. I didn't expect the amount of power that it emitted. The wheels spun and I took off sideways at full throttle. I drifted for a few seconds before straightening out and flooring it all the way back before the engine died.

I got a little more practice in before the test and tune, and the engine died in the middle of the first run. After that I did better and got in a few spinouts. In the afternoon, I got in two half runs before the kart completely died.

At the first event, I ran the first day and had some more spinouts. But then I got in a couple of good runs with my best time of 51 seconds. My dad only beat me by a second. I stayed after in the rain, and didn't get to run the second day because my gear was completely wet. It took a lot of work to fix the kart to where it is now, but I still need some slicks. The turf tamers on it now aren't helping my times. My first time racing has been a fun and interesting experience, and I can't wait for June 3<sup>rd</sup>! Kevin Cruz

