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## **Upcoming EESCC Events**

**Monthly Meeting:** June 4th

7:00 pm The Sizzler

**Postal Way and Gateway** 

Autox Series Events 3 & 4 June 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>

Valley River Center

See Flyer Enclosed

Larison Rock Hillclimb

July 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>

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Flyer Mailed Separately

#### We Can Hear You

All autocrossers- please read the article on the last page of our newsletter to get information of our sound procedures. Always come prepared to an event to physically reduce the sound level of your car. Please check out the article on the last page!

#### Road Cleanup another "Sweeping" Success

On April 26<sup>th</sup> 14 volunteers helped clean our adopted section of the highway in Goshen. We collected over 35 bags of garbage and found some amusing items for our "most interesting item" contest!! Pizza and drinks were furnished by the club afterward. Thanks to all who helped.

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#### A Bunch Of Hoods

On May 4<sup>th</sup> a bunch of adventurous souls took on the challenge of driving totally blind. Each driver was outfitted with a large hood covering their helmeted head and had only their terrified navigator to lead the way. The speeds were extremely slow as far as autocrossing goes, so safety was definitely no problem.

There were many different ways of communicating instructions. Some used the 12-3-6-9 method, some used telepathy and pointing (totally useless I might add), and some just screamed. All methods strained relationships to a degree!!

Mike Mullikin brought his golden lab puppy to the event. He is a puppy raiser for Guide Dogs For The Blind, our charity for this event. Mike gave a little talk, telling us that each dog and their eventual owner's training costs amount to over \$70,000. All this is donated, as it doesn't cost the blind person anything. Lifetime veterinarian costs are even included. So, you can see that our donations are so important!!

Thanks to Tim & Peggy Steck for chairing the event again, Our club donation will come to over \$700. Thanks to all the participants and donors for a successful event.

Bonnie Mueller

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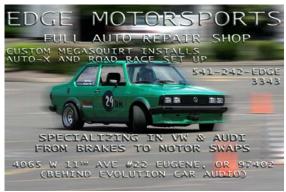
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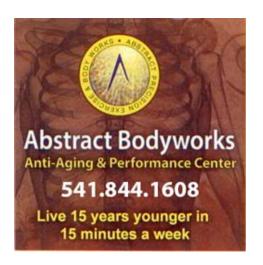






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#### **EESCC Sound Procedures**

Our absolute maximum allowed decibels is 95.9. Our rules state that you are to be given the information that your car is over the limit in grid after you return from your run where you were recorded over the limit.

- 1) You must then make a physical attempt to quiet your car. This can possibly be accomplished by attaching a downturn exhaust piece, or adding noise reduction material, or deleting baffles depending on your type of exhaust. But, a physical effort must be made, and verified by grid or the event chair. You may not just "let up" as you pass by the meter.
- 2) If after making a physical attempt to quiet your car you are still recorded over the limit, that car (and all other drivers of it) may not run any more that day.
- 3) You may return with a quieter car the next day/next event and all readings start over.

We allow more noise than most of the other auto-x clubs. If your car has been getting close readings but not over, keep these things in mind:

- 1) The meter is set 50 feet from the edge of the gate/course perpendicular to the travel of the vehicle. We try to have the meter in an area where the driver will be most "on it" such as a straight, yet safe for our workers to be standing there. At some of our locations we have shorter straights so you may not be "on it" as much, thus your car seems quieter, yet without any changes and a longer straight, you may be louder.
- 2) Weather, humidity, rain, trees around a course, buildings around a course, all play into readings being slightly different.
- 3) If your exhaust exits out the side, we cannot control that it may be pointed straight at the meter, as we have to put our sound meter in a safe, workable location.
- 4) So, if your car consistently is coming in "just under" the max, please make an effort before your next event to reduce the noise by 1-2 additional decibels, because the next time it could be "just over"

Thanks from EESCC