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March 20th was our annual combined Worker School and Instructor Training. This year the focus of the morning classroom was on "Instructing the Enduro Team". The format included review of the Dual Vehicle Occupancy rules, as well as providing new and returning instructors a chance to discuss teaching tips and the art of performance driving instruction. Following lunch the "cars on course" allowed our new and returning Corner Personnel real time practice in observation, flag protocol, radio communication and fire suppression skills. Thanks to all who participated.



Special Thanks to the good folks at A.B.C. Fire Extinguisher in Portland. These guys have supported our training program with equipment and advice since year one.



Our featured speaker was Dr. Duane Starr whose topic was the physiological demands of endurance racing.

In line with the social distancing requirements dictated (by what we all hope will soon be the end) of the Covid crisis, Instructor Class was held at the Grass Valley Pavilion.

With the careful restoration and updating work the community has invested the facility gets better and better each year. Although they are often booked, if you are scheduling an event with us and a facility of this type would answer the needs of your event, please call Brenda at the Track Office for availability and detail information.

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Runnin' the heard through the cattle chute. When the wind gets cold nuthin' is as welcome as a hot meal.

Food Services is again helping our Event Presenters serve real food... even if it still has to be in "to-go containers".

Beef Bourguignon and Chicken Fettuccini Alfredo were a couple of old friends it was good to see offered again.

We look forward to being able to get back to doing our popular long table seating and hard plate service again very soon.



STAR Projects Driver Training, March 27th.
A variety of practice starts were on the curriculum: 2 x 2 rolling grid, single file restart, and the most classic of all

the Le Mans start.

There are a whole generation of drivers that have never had the opportunity to start a race this way, but if you are ever called on to do one, or even watch one... they are pretty cool.



O.R.P. has both Lemmon's and Lucky Dog Racing League events scheduled for this season. There will be STAR practice days on Friday before both races and both are open to H.P.D.E. drivers as well.

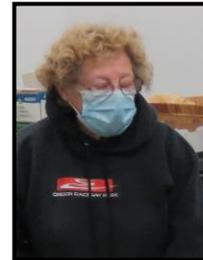
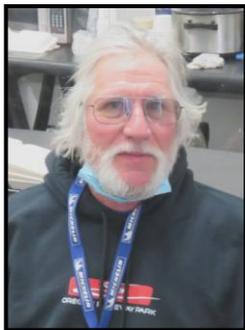
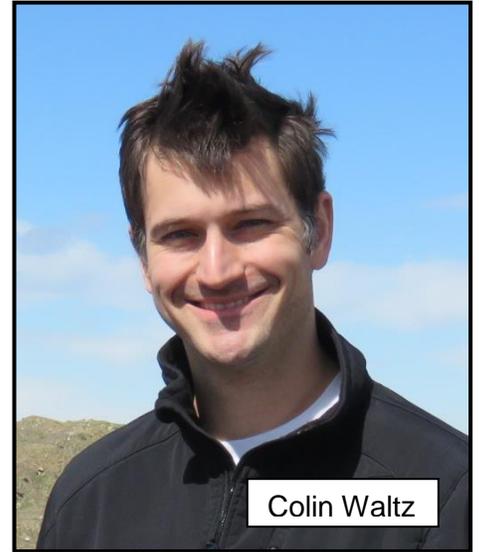


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Sunday, 28th March. **Skip Day Track Day**

The third event this month at O.R.P. and the first Skip Day Track Day since the reins were handed over to new Event Presenter Colin Waltz. Congratulations, the event sold out early. The next Skip Day is in May.



Good events run with lots of help. Unfortunately Team Continental had to cancel their original date on the 27th, but a big thanks to the T.C. members that came up and supported this month's events.

Just a few of those helping out were Steve Lovejoy, Jim Larfield, Duane Starr, Ron and Joyce Tanner, Andy Robottom, Jon Wilson, Bill Murray (both), Terry Amundson, Pete Belfanti, Mike Kelly, Gator Hudson, Austin Smith, Don Crawford "and a cast of thousands" that I can't think of right now.

Despite a vicious wind on Sunday afternoon (complete with sheared brake markers and tumbleweed that could pass a Miata) March events produced a lot of smiling new faces that will be back for what is shaping up to be a really full year.

Also we had a good turn out from the O.R.P. Club folks for the instructor and worker schools on the on the 20th.

Dumb Question of the week: "So what is that equipment over by the gas pumps used for?"



We're in a wheat field! That is how we make Hefeweizen...just kidding, it's for blending fuels.