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Message from the President~ Spring is On Its Way!

Hi y'all!

Well, we made it through our second event weekend. Yahoo! It was a great weekend; we had both rain and sun, and Jesse DeJager experienced his first autocross as a chairman. Thanks Jesse.

Doug Batt helped switch things up for Sunday's course, which was equally fun. Two new racers came out to play with us in the kart class. You have to give them credit for coming out on Sunday. They were soaked!

We also had a tremendous surprise. Saturday at the driver's meeting I mentioned that, due to slow times for some businesses, we did not have a sponsor for the weekend. We all gave thanks to Redwood Sports Car Club for the sponsorship. A short bit later two people approached me and personally donated \$300 for the sponsorship of the weekend's events. That was awesome! The very kind racers have wished to remain anonymous, but I know who you are and I think



you both are great!

The next autocross is March 14–15, and our handsome chairmen will be Oliver Taylor and Pete Day. Our sponsor for one of the days is Frank Jorge Excavating. Thank you, Frank, for another year of sponsorship!

Take care. I look forward to seeing you all soon.

~Tina Johnson, President

2009 Events

- Mar 14–15** Winter Series #3, non-points/non-points
- Apr 18–19** Driver's School, non-points/non-points
- May 16–17** Rhodycross I and II, points/points
- June 13–14** Megacross I and II, points/points
- July 3, 4, 5** Members Only Special Event, non-point
- Aug 15–16** Back-to-School Special I and II, non-points/points
- Sept 19–20** Die Hard Special, points/points
- Oct. 17–18** Octoberfest I and II, non-points/points

Day of Event Schedule

- 7:30 a.m. Gates Open
- 7:45–8:30 a.m. Registration
- 7:45–8:45 a.m. Tech Inspection*
- 7:45–8:55 a.m. Course Open for Walking
- 9:00 a.m. Driver's Meeting—Mandatory
- 4:30 p.m. (approx.) Gates Close

*All vehicles must be "race-ready" at tech inspection. This includes "Annual Tech" cars. Cars must have race tires mounted and interior must be clear of all loose objects.

Event Fees

- \$10 first time drivers
- \$12 RSCC club members
- \$20 non-Club members

Coming Up: Winter Series #3 – March 14–15

Winter Series II - "Anhydrous" Cross on Saturday

Event Chairman: Jesse DeJager

Thank you, everyone, for attending my first-ever autocross. If you attended, you could have easily identified this as my first event due to my awkward driver's meeting, but I improved the second day. Thanks for your kind ears and to any who helped with the safety advice. Since this was my first event, I couldn't have done it without the help of the entire board of directors: Doug Batt and Brett for helping set up the course, Pete for providing lunch, Tina and Jenna for registration, Doug Pulver for timing, and double thanks to Brett for tech. Also, thanks to everyone else for your help in all the other equally valuable areas.

The first day went really well with no rain, our unofficially "anhydrous cross." The course ended up being

very tight in some areas and free-flowing in others, and we won't mention the confusing figure eight in the south end that took a few tries for some to "figure" out.

Then there was Sunday. The day started out promising but quickly turned into a very wet day, in other words a "hydro cross." This day had a notable high point when a rogue cone finally tired of our abuse and firmly lodged itself in the rear of Brett's car, only to be dislodged after his run concluded. We ended up only racing for the first half of the day when I decided to call it a day, only to have the rain completely let up after we finished stacking the cones.

Thanks for coming and enjoying my first course, and I promise the next course won't be quite as tight.

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Free Waste Tire Coupons Now Available

Humboldt County residents with a coupon can bring up to nine waste tires to the Humboldt Waste Management Authority in Eureka for free disposal. Coupons will be widely available throughout the county over the next four months.

Local homeowners are encouraged to use these free coupons to remove tires that can become unsightly trash piles or mosquito breeding habitat. These coupons are for passenger car or light truck tires, on or off the rim. No large truck tires, industrial equipment tires, or tires from businesses will be accepted. Residents are also reminded not to mix tires with other trash when redeeming these coupons at the authority's Eureka transfer station. Tires arriving at the transfer station as loads mixed with other trash will be subject to additional fees.

This free coupon redemption program is being sponsored by the authority, Humboldt County Division of Environmental Health, and the California Integrated Waste Management Board. For more information, call the authority at 707-268-8680 or e-mail bwhitener@hwma.net.

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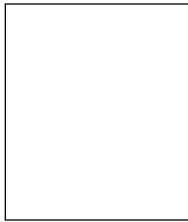


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RX7 Resurrection...engine transplant ongoing

Submitted by Liz Petersen, photo by Tony Reed

Tony is hard at work on the engine swap, to get "Phoenix 7" running, legal, and back on the road (and on the auto-x course). Despite having a flu virus which set him back for a full weekend, Tony has now pulled out the donor car's engine (which was blowing blue smoke and probably not long for this world) and dropped in the strong-running engine from my previous RX7. His work now is to connect all the wiring, hoses, tubes, etc., and then we can fire it up to see if everything is put back together correctly before going for a smog certificate and registration.



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