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June 2025

The Official Newsletter of *Empire Sports Car Association*Volume 62-6

ESCA Autocross June 14, 2025

Sonoma County Fairgrounds

Registration opens by June 3rd
check your email!



ESCA Meeting June 3, 2025 7:00 p.m.

ESCA Meetings are In-Person/ZOOM

This is the only meeting in June!

Round Table Pizza, 1791 Marlow Rd, Santa Rosa Link for ZOOM meeting will be sent before the meeting..

TRC Presents a <u>Virtual</u> Question/Answer Gimmick Rallye (TRC provided instructions with Google Maps Street View to "run" the rallye)

Saturday June 7, 2025

Beetlejuice, Beetlejuice



Join us on a virtual Beetlejuice-theme romp

FEE: We ask for a donation of \$20 (USD) to the Charity of your choice, but we do recommend support for Veterans Associations. In particular, Gary Sinise Foundation (https://garysinisefoundation.org/donate) or Wounded Warriors Family Support (https://wwfs.org/donate). Thank You.

Register - start here to register for this rallye:

Start: Downloadable instructions available online at noon (USA PT) at the TRC website with a Zoom rallye school conducted at 1:00pm (PT) to explain the rallye and how to use Google Maps Street View.

Finish: by 8:00 pm (PT) - with a Zoom meeting for results and rallye discussion after the finish closes.

Certificate Awards in 6 classes: 1st timer, Beginner, Novice, Senior, Expert,

Master-Expert

More Information:

TRC Website: https://therallyeclub.org
Email: Jun2025@therallyeclub.org



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Robert's Roundtable 2025



Hello, ESCAns! Our last meeting was jam-packed with new member applications and preparations for the Mother's Day Autocross, so I didn't have the opportunity to present my conclusions from the survey I created earlier this year.

I received 29 responses total, which is around 22% of the total membership of the club as of the April meeting. Based on the demographic data collected, I'm not sure if this is the most representative sample.

Half of the respondents have been members for more than 10 years, but three-quarters of them attended fewer than 5 meetings last year. More than half of respondents live further than 13 miles from the Round Table Pizza where we meet, with a quarter of respondents living 62 miles away or further.

The data did confirm one thing we already knew: Autocross is by far our most popular event, with 62% of respondents saying they competed at least once in 2024, and 80% saying they intend to compete this year.

In addition to Autocross, about half of respondents expressed interest in Picnics/Banquets and Tours. I'm excited to hear that people are enthusiastic about more events, and I encourage people to think about potential tour routes and picnic locations.

More than a third of respondents say that they attend meetings via Zoom "most of the time" or "always," with just under a third "never" using Zoom. Based on the popularity of Zoom shown in the data and anecdotally, I want to look into improving our Zoom experience with better Audio/Visual equipment and a better internet connection, if possible.

My final takeaway for now is that we're overdue for a run of ESCA member t-shirts. I'll try to find some information on pricing and sizes, then I'll figure out the best way to take orders from interested people.

Beyond that, I think it's difficult to make any confident decisions due to the relatively low number of survey respondents. With this in mind, I will be reopening the survey for the month continued on the next column

of June only. Please provide a response if you did not respond earlier this year. All responses are anonymous, so don't be shy! Thanks to everyone who chimed in originally



Cars & Coffee - All FREE events

1st Sunday of the Month: 8am - 10am

- ► Montecito Shopping Center, Santa Rosa
- ► Marin County at 132 Vintage way, Novato 6:30am - 10:00am

2nd Sunday of the Month: 8am - 10am

- ► Coddingtown Parking Lot, Santa Rosa
- ▶ Petaluma at 389 S McDowell Blvd.

4th Sunday of the Month: 9am

► Penngrove at 10070 Main St.

Last Sunday of the Month 8 am - 10 am

► Rohnert Park at 459 Rohnert Park Expressway

Car Shows every Fridays 4 to 7 pm AND Car Shows Every Sunday 11am - 2pm

► Machado Burgers 406 Larkfield Center Santa Rosa



Please Welcome
New Members

Tim Auer Corvette
Micah Bayless 911 RSR Tribute EV
Pablo Figueroa Mazda Miata
Rion Gronberg Mazda Miata
Kevan Jurin Corvair Corsa V8
Gavin Morton Honda CRX SI
Jake Rosen
Nate Rosen Toyota MR2 Spyder
Freya Williams Mercedes Benz 140E

Northern California Engineering Contractors Association Father's Day Anniversary 2024 Peoples Choice Sunday, June 15, 2025 Winner Show Case Sponsor

DLE I. Santa Rosa

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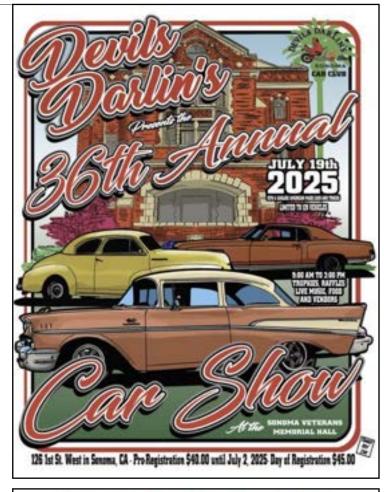
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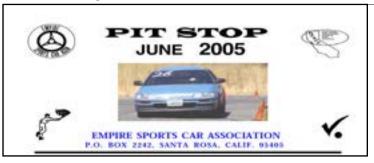
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20 Years Ago in Pit Stop June 2005

By Bob Jenkins

The front page had information about an **ESCA** autocross at the Sonoma County Airport in June, a tour to the Infineon Raceway to watch the WINE COUNTRY CLASSICS, and an autocross video was to be shown at the second **ESCA** meeting in June.

Inside were **ESCA** autocross site rules and autocross Hot Lines for other clubs, a column titled Kevan's Corner by the **ESCA** Chairman. Two pages of information on a May **ESCA** Autocross, with results showing the event had 37 drivers

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and Top Time of Day was Scott Torgerson in his 240Z, followed by Kevan Jurin in a Rotus Super 7, followed by Frank Jurin in his Rotus Super 7.

There was a A Long Ago in Pit Stop article on June 1988. And a Rallye article stating **ESCA** wins again in the NCSCC Varity Rallye series with its 40TH ANNUAL APRIL FOOLS RALLYE with a score of 90.214 out of a 100 possible.

A two-page article of an **ESCA** 2 day tour to Mendocino by Linda Jurin that talked about the run that went up the coast with an over-night stay at the Hill House in Mendocino and dinner there and a stop on the return run at the Anderson Valley Brewery.

A welcome new members had a list of 7, but none are still members. **ESCA** had a Hot Line to call for any changes to events, and we were meeting at the Round Table Pizza at 1003 Guerneville Road in Santa Rosa.

The 2005 **ESCA** Board was Chairman Kevan Jurin, Vice-Chairman Paul Ferrin, Secretary Marci Jenkins, Treasurer Claudia Quinlivan, Ex-Officio Blain Hendrix. Frank Jurin was the Autocross Chairman and all committee positions were filled except Entertainment.



Redwood Sports Car Club

Redwood runs their autocross' at Samoa Dragstrip on a
Saturday & Sunday of the same weekend.
They also run a HillClimb at Korbel.
Their web site is http://www.rscc.net/
more information is on their FACEBOOK PAGE

The Fourteenth Annual Redwood Sports Car Club



Two-Seat Car Show

If you and your friends enjoy small Sports Cars come out to the Woodley Island Marina in Eureka

Saturday June 7, 2025 9:00am to 2:00pm



ESCA Autocross 05/11/25

By Ed Biglin

With clear skies but lots of wind, **ESCA** ran its second AutoCross of the season on Mother's Day at the Sonoma Fairgrounds site. The course, "Mother's Day Mashup" was a long one, using most of the available real estate on the west side of the paddock fence, and even ducking through the fence for a short loop. It had a good balance of right and left turns, with long speedy stretches leading to tight sections where John Castellano said "I had to completely tip toe through."

There were a total of 32 entries, a good number though the site would easily handle quite a few more. That number included a few half-day entries which the Club decided to allow this time so that drivers who had Mother's Day plans would have a chance to attend.

As of this writing, the results are still unofficial, but it looks like Top Time of the Day was taken by Grady Carter in his GTB-s Porsche Cayman 918 (54.176), narrowly edging Thomas Buggia in his GTB-r Toyota MR2 Turbo (54.446).

Here's the class winners

GTA-r - No drivers

GTA-s - Rich Bishop (55.420) 2017 BMW M240ix

GTB-r -- Thomas Buggia (54.446) 1991 Toyota MR2 Turbo

GTB-s - Grady Carter (54.176) 2016 Porsche Cayman 918

GTC-s - John Castellano (56.969) 1960 VW Bug

GTE-r – Micah Bayless (63.091) 1973 Porsche RSR Tribute

GTE-S – Stephanie Brazell (62.816) 2021 Polestar2



Autocross Helmet Requirement

Autocross helmets MUST be Snell Approved 2010 or Newer for all events.









5-11-2025 Autocross Photos

















Link to 5-11-2025 Autocross Photos https://photos.app.goo.gl/TduNHx3hvuw9KDLRA

May 11, 2025 Autocross Results

Row #	Pos.	Class	#	Driver	Car Model	Raw Time	Diff.	From 1st
1	1	gtb-s	919	Grady Carter	2016 Porsche Cayman 981	54.176	0.000	0.000
2	1	gtb-r	0	Thomas Buggia	1991 Toyota Mr2 turbo	54.446	0.270	0.270
3	2	gtb-r	27	Craig Hammond	1983 Mazda rx7	55.104	0.658	0.928
4	1	gta-s	240	Rich Bishop	2017 BMW M240ix	55.420	0.316	1.244
5	2	gta-s	153	Michael Prescott	2013 Ford Mustang 5.0	55.931	0.511	1.755
6	3	gtb-r	90	Michael Cardozo	2022 Porsche GT4	56.299	0.368	2.123
7	4	gtb-r	45	Steve Rossiter	1983 Mazda RX7	56.538	0.239	2.362
8	2	gtb-s	63	Stacy OConnell	2009 Porsche Boxster	56.812	0.274	2.636
9	1	gtc-s	3	John Castellano	1960 Volkswagen Bug	56.969	0.157	2.793
10	3	gtb-s	250	Essy Fariab	1973 Porsche 911	57.819	0.850	3.643
11	4	gtb-s	14	Martin Johns	2011 BMW 128i convertibl	58.358	0.539	4.182
12	5	gtb-s	11	Guy Southern	1973 Datsun 240Z	59.089	0.731	4.913
13	6	gtb-s	998	Stephen Wong	2013 Porsche Boxster S	59.199	0.110	5.023
14	2	gtc-s	60	Alan R Jung	Porsche Macan Turbo EV	59.335	0.136	5.159
15	7	gtb-s	33	Vincent Cortese	2007 Porsche Cayman S	59.366	0.031	5.190
16	8	gtb-s	53	Ken Silk	2006 Mini Cooper S	60.347	0.981	6.171
17	3	gtc-s	623	Nate Rosen	2001 Toyota mr2 spyder	60.618	0.271	6.442
18	4	gtc-s	12	Darrin Holm	1997 Honda Del Sol Si	60.694	0.076	6.518
19	9	gtb-s	191	Julie Silk	2006 Mini Cooper S	61.541	0.847	7.365
20	10	gtb-s	17	Nathan Engdahl	2006 Mini	61.563	0.022	7.387
21	5	gtc-s	1701	Christopher Brazell	2019 Mazda MX-5 Miata RF	62.444	0.881	8.268
22	6	gtc-s	131	Ed Biglin	2002 Honda S2000	62.712	0.268	8.536
23	1	gte-s	59	Stephanie Brazell	2021 Polestar Polestar 2	62.816	0.104	8.640
24	1	gte-r	167	Micah Bayless	1973 Porsche RSR Tribute (EV)	63.091	0.275	8.915
25	3	gta-s	15	Hunter Stuart	2009 Pontiac G8	63.666	0.575	9.490
26	4	gta-s	171	Jason Pike	1967 Ford Mustang	64.076	0.410	9.900
27	11	gtb-s	111	Alex Southern	1973 Datsun 240Z	64.189	0.113	10.013
28	7	gtc-s	37	Gavin Morton	1986 Honda Crx si	67.046	2.857	12.870
29	12	gtb-s	105	Robert Hayes	2017 Fiat 124 Spider Abarth	67.551	0.505	13.375
30	8	gtc-s	72	Pablo Figueroa	1990 Mazda Miata	68.861	1.310	14.685
31	13	gtb-s	42	Duke Ferris	2001 Porsche Boxster S	69.362	0.501	15.186
32	14	gtb-s	580	John Dolan	2001 Porsche Boxster S	133.692	64.330	79.516

The Tour Repour... Tan's Donuts (West) to Oakmont Car Show 5/24/25

By Martin Johns

The Tour from the Cambodian Donut Shop to the Oakmont Car Show received a low quantity/ high quality turn out - thanks for bringing the Jag, Michael Bundy. The route (untested) turned out to be well chosen, a nostalgia trip to the back side of the airport to trigger the security cameras at the old Autocross site gate, followed by a mix of twisting lanes and by-roads round the perimeter of Santa Rosa, plus a short detour on 101 due to a road closure wrongly billed as a ramp closure. Ed's blue Honda S2000 was hailed by the owner of a red one, even though he was driving something else. It was that kind of top-down day. The always eclectic Oakmont Car Show, serenaded by the ever popular Jaydub and Dino, was overflowing with a record 125 entries. Chuck Banks was there with one of three Pantera's. There were over 30 manufacturers



Those were the days . . . Entrance to the old **ESCA** autocross site at the airport



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from AC to Zagato - Ferrari's, Corvettes, GTO's, Z28's, MG's, Thunderbirds, trucks, hot rods, and a healthy contingent of prewars, both WW2 and WW1. Not a single 57 Chevy, they must have been at the more ordinary shows. For me it was the technically advanced FWD Supercharged Cord convertible in near original condition. With the V12 Ferrari a close second. Come on out next year, you'll be glad you did....

~ Martin and Ed

Editor's note: We heard that ESCA members, Charlie Smith (67 Alfa Romeo QuattroRoute Zagato), Terry and Gary O'Connor (her T-Bird and his Woody) also showed their cars.



Chuck Bank's 400hp in 3000 lbs of 50 years ago.



The Anti-Prius, another Pantera...

Look for 2 more articles and pictures of the show in next month's Piτ Sτορ.

ESCA & Other 2025 Calendar

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03 07 07 06-08 14 14 14 15	June
8 <u>03</u> ⊗	ESCA Regular Meeting In Person & ZOOM
§ <u>05</u>	RSCC Two Seat Car Show Samoa
♦ <u>07</u>	TRC Google Map Rallye
\$ 06 -08	Velocity Invitational at Sonoma Raceway
× 14	ESCA Autocross
§ <u>14</u>	Car Show Fort Bragg
\$ <u>14</u>	Tiburon Car Show
<u> </u>	Father's Day Car Show
§ 	7 pm Go-Kart at Nito City
\$	July
	ESCA Regular Meeting In Person & ZOOM
8 <u>05</u> €	All American Car Show
§ <u>—</u>	ESCA Autocross
× 13	Toyota Save Mart 350 NACAR Sonoma
₹ <u>19</u>	Devils Darlin's Car Show
\$ 20-21	RSCC Korbel Hillclimb at Korbel
Š 22	7 pm Go-Kart at Nito City
X	August
8 05 €	ESCA Regular Meeting In Person & ZOOM
	RSCC Autocross (weather dependent) at Samoa
	ESCA Autocross
× 26	7 pm Go-Kart at Nito City
\$	September
24 01 05 12 13 19 20-21 22 05 09-10 16 26 02	ESCA Regular Meeting In Person & ZOOM
× 06	Cloverdale Car Show
\$ 13-14	RSCC Autocross (weather dependent) at Samoa
\$ 23	7 pm Go-Kart at Nito City
×	October
§ 07	ESCA Regular Meeting In Person & ZOOM
\$ 03-05	CSRG Charity Challenge
§ 25	ESCA Autocross
§ 28	7 pm Go-Kart at Nito City
X	November
§ 01	ESCA Autocross
§ 04	ESCA Regular Meeting In Person & ZOOM
\$ 22-23	24 Hours of Lemons
\$ 25	7 pm Go-Kart at Nito City
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December

02 **ESCA** Regular Meeting In Person & ZOOM

07 **ESCA** Annual Meeting & Banquet

TBA ESCA Annual Christmas Lights Tour

> Check websites and Facebook for the latest information to learn if the events are going to happen as scheduled.

Current ESCA Membership Total 141



For Bay Area Rallyes check out the: RALLYE CLUB WEBSITE INFORMATION http://www.therallyeclub.org REDWOOD REGION PCA https://redwoodpca.org

ESCA Member Profiles Wanted

You can write about the things you have done to your car, the **ESCA** events you like to attend, when you joined **ESCA**, and/ or your hobbies other than **ESCA**. Please hold your article to no more than one page. Also include a picture of yourself and your car and send to the Pit Stop editor at:

thebeard@sonic.net

PIT STOP ADVERTISING RATES:

ESCA members: 1/2 price on below, except, Classified text is FREE. \$1.50 PER MONTH FOR PHOTO; ROOM PERMITTING.

Classified	\$2.00	per month	5 lines max.
Business Card	\$3.00	per month	3 1/2" X 2"
1/4 Page	\$4.00	per month	3 1/2" X 5"
1/2 Page	\$8.00	per month	7 1/2" X 5"
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Happy June Birthdays

Chuck Banks

Steve Chiesa

Adam Hammond

Craig Hammond

Frank Jurin

Kahtarina Kljavin

Shaun Luis

Nate Rosen

Ken Silk

Tim Tilgham

Tamara Woolever

Roy Peterka

9f you're not listed - it's because the Data Base Manager does not have your month of birth. And you're wished a Happy Birthday!

ESCA Autocross Information

Registration link will be in your email on June 1, 2025
The cost for this event will be \$70 for members and invited guests \$70, plus \$10 for One-Day Membership

Dues must be paid before you can register!
Site opens at 8:00 A.M., unless setting up.
Gate closes at 9:15 A. M

New Drivers Course walk at 9:15 A.M.
Check-in closes at 9:30 A.M.
Mandatory Drivers Meeting at 9:40 A.M.
Self Tech Card must be completed, available at time of registration on MSR and send the night before the AutoX.
Bring all release forms signed, they are emailed to you on the night before the autocross

At the Autocross - REMEMBER:
Have Driver License & ESCA Card out before the gate.
No Drugs, dogs or Alcohol allowed on site.
Bring contrasting colored tape for car number
Decibel limit is 95 - No car warm-ups before 10 A.M.
Helmets MUST be Snell Approved 2010 or newer
Must sign-up for Worker Position at Check-In
No food or water on site - please bring your own
If leaving early see Craig Hammond or event chair
Drive slowly and quietly to and from site