

2014 West Coast Championships @ Sonoma Nov 7-9

Posted by 944Racer72 - 24 Mar 2014 07:25

Since there's an east coast thread, might as well start a west coast thread.

Who's planning to go? Barring any unforeseen problems, I plan to be there.

Looks like registration doesn't open until June for this event:

www.nasapracing.com/event/1864

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Re: 2014 West Coast Championships @ Sonoma Nov 7-9

Posted by jivenjim - 16 Nov 2014 18:59

Clip 15Sec youtu.be/ld6FJRv0BKg

Sat Race: youtu.be/Z5gyVTbtLOU

I call this race "No Respect";

Started with Javier giving a preview to him crashing Steve Sun. I asked Javier why he drove me off the INSIDE of turn 2, lap 1; and he said he thought he left me enough room. You will note my car was about even at turn in and then Javier drives all the way to the inside of gator. If I would of held inside line (which I controlled) It would not of been good for lots of cars... so I drove off course and then lost positions.

Then Thomas makes some bold moves and passes big and pulls it. Nice Lines I must say Thomas. Then he chops me off a few times as I try to get around with about 15 hp less. I dyno'ed at 120 that afternoon where most good cars were at 135.

Sun Race: youtu.be/MIWK-L73ohY

Lost shift linkage (not the normal coupler bolt but other on perp linkage) on first upshift after good start. bummer...

Tranny went 2 weeks earlier and we just put in spare. Should of checked everything was tight on rebuilt.

But at least I didn't get my car totaled by Javier, nor punted by stupid Miata.

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Re: 2014 West Coast Championships @ Sonoma Nov 7-9

Posted by afonseca - 17 Nov 2014 13:59

Sterling Doc wrote:

Alberto, you'll find we'll share setup info most any time, as Charlie is graciously showing. It's something of a 944 Spec tradition to get the newer guys up to speed - makes the competition better out on the track, and that means more fun, and all of us better drivers/competitors.

Most of us run 2-3 lbs more in the tires. If you can get a tire pyrometer with a probe, you can figure out optimal pressures for your setup, and driving style.

The RR's like a lot of camber. Charlie's settings are about typical, maybe slightly more camber by a tenth or two.

Thanks guys, I appreciate it! It looks like I was in the ballpark with pressures and the level of grip on track just seemed to deteriorate as the weekend progressed. I heard there may have been some oil dropped at some point in other groups so that could explain it.

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Re: 2014 West Coast Championships @ Sonoma Nov 7-9

Posted by cbuzzetti - 17 Nov 2014 16:27

My experience has been that the 31-32 pressures work and the 36-38 pressures work. But the ones in between did not work for me. That being the 33-35 pressure range.

Cant explain it but that is what my testing has showed.

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Re: 2014 West Coast Championships @ Sonoma Nov 7-9

Posted by pixrken - 19 Nov 2014 14:09

Hi,

Aubie's race report is up on the front page or via this link

944spec.org/944SPEC/news/1-latest/219-20...-states-championship

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Re: 2014 West Coast Championships @ Sonoma Nov 7-9

Posted by Sterling Doc - 19 Nov 2014 15:15

Thanks Ken!

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