
Subject: Thunderhill Fulltrack Drift/Grip
Posted by [ConePirate](#) on Mon, 22 Jun 2009 23:25:16 GMT
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Tuesday August 11th, ThunderDrift will be holding a very special fulltrack drift event at Thunderhill Raceway in Willows, CA.

This event is very special in number of ways. We're doing a hawaiian-shirt day, so everyone bring out your crazy hawaiian shirts! Also, there have been numerous requests for a special AE86-only fulltrack event at thunderhill, so I'm offering a special discount to AE86 owners to see how many will come out. If it's successful, we'll do an ALL-hachi event in 2010.

This event will also be a brilliant opportunity for those of you who are drifting in, and spectating at Formula D at Evergreen to hit an awesome drift event on your way home. Thunderhill Raceway is conveniently located to the entire west coast! 10hrs south of evergreen, 10hrs west of Miller Motorsports park, and 10hrs north of Spring Valley and WSIR.

As at all TD fulltrack events, a grip session will be provided for those who are interested in gripping a world-class road course. Be sure you choose the grip option when completing the online-registration form.

Car/Driver Requirements:

- No leaks of any kind
- Battery tiedown must be stock or better. (No duct-tape/zipties/or other janky crap)
- Interior Safety Gear/Roll Protection must be stock or better.

*** If you have a convertible, please call for more info. You will be subject to further safety requirements.

- Helmets must be SA2000, M2000 or newer.
- Closed Toe Shoes, No sleeveless shirts.

ALL ASPECTS OF TECH (INCLUDING THOSE NOT MENTIONED) ARE SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE EVENT CHAIRMAN.

Entry Fee is:

\$200 per driver

\$180 per driver w/hawaiian shirt

\$160 per AE86 driver w/hawaiian shirt

Thunderhill's 15-turn 3-mile road course features oncamber and offcamber banked turns, lots of elevation changes, and arguably the best 5-turn linkable section in the western US. Come enjoy drifting of epic proportions combined with some great hawaiian festivities.

Subject: Re: Thunderhill Fulltrack Drift/Grip
Posted by [gotzoom?](#) on Tue, 23 Jun 2009 00:30:58 GMT
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How about an AE86 without a Hawaiian shirt? I think I can make this one. How do the grip and drift sessions work? Can you do both?

Subject: Re: Thunderhill Fulltrack Drift/Grip
Posted by [ConePirate](#) on Tue, 23 Jun 2009 03:05:05 GMT
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If you've got an AE86, you should already HAVE a hawaiian shirt hahaha! if not..... get one!

Grip/Drift sessions generally stay separate, but if the grip session is slim, I'll let people try it out for a session or 2 if they want.

Subject: Re: Thunderhill Fulltrack Drift/Grip
Posted by [balmo](#) on Tue, 23 Jun 2009 20:01:21 GMT
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drifting your 86 dave? argh! 'promised no more care events 'till i get married.

Subject: Re: Thunderhill Fulltrack Drift/Grip
Posted by [ConePirate](#) on Wed, 24 Jun 2009 20:13:21 GMT
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Subject: Re: Thunderhill Fulltrack Drift/Grip
Posted by [ConePirate](#) on Sun, 05 Jul 2009 00:50:43 GMT
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Attention Drifters! There has been a major change! The event is no longer on Monday August 10th, it will be held on TUESDAY AUGUST 11TH!

It's my fault. I had a communication error with thunderhill, and the monday-date went to a group of motorcyclists. My sincerest apologies to those of you who already requested monday off of work for this event.

To those of you who did, and to those of you who are coming down from FD Evergreen, I recommend you take your time and have a relaxed drive to the track on monday. We'll have camping at the track monday night, and we'll be having a party of sorts in the main building of thunderhill complete with a projector, so we can play option videos, FNF, or even videogames. I'm going to arrange a dinner that evening as well, so please come and enjoy the shindig.

I repeat, the event has been moved to TUESDAY AUGUST 11th.

Subject: Re: Thunderhill Fulltrack Drift/Grip
Posted by [gotzoom?](#) on Sat, 18 Jul 2009 01:45:20 GMT
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Yay. I just signed up. Should be interesting...

Subject: Re: Thunderhill Fulltrack Drift/Grip
Posted by [dodol](#) on Sat, 18 Jul 2009 06:27:26 GMT
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what is the format?
is it 2 group like group A and group B?

any grip session?
when is the latest registration?

Subject: Re: Thunderhill Fulltrack Drift/Grip
Posted by [ConePirate](#) on Tue, 21 Jul 2009 18:42:26 GMT

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Thanks for signing up!

dodol, Reg ends on Thursday August 6th.

We'll be running 3 groups. A = Expert Drift, B = Beginner Drift, C = Grip.

Let me know if you have more questions!

Subject: Re: Thunderhill Fulltrack Drift/Grip
Posted by [reza](#) on Wed, 05 Aug 2009 12:35:13 GMT
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Geoff,

Can we share an entry? two drivers and one car here. We will share a run group.

Thanks,
Reza

Subject: Re: Thunderhill Fulltrack Drift/Grip
Posted by [ConePirate](#) on Wed, 05 Aug 2009 20:56:59 GMT
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Hey Reza,

You are welcome to share a car, but you'll both need to register and pay full price. We'd put you in 2 groups, but the problem with that is that one of you would have to be in the beginner group and one in the advanced. Are either of you advanced drifters?

Subject: Re: Thunderhill Fulltrack Drift/Grip
Posted by [reza](#) on Thu, 06 Aug 2009 03:56:53 GMT
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I mean to share a car, just 1 run group. We will share the registration fee.

Thanks,

Reza

ConePirate wrote on Wed, 05 August 2009 13:56Hey Reza,

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Subject: Re: Thunderhill Fulltrack Drift/Grip
Posted by [ConePirate](#) on Sun, 09 Aug 2009 09:48:44 GMT
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Attention all participants. Registration is now closed, but the event is not full. If you still want to drive, the non pre-regged price is \$220 cash at the track.

THIS IS AUGUST AT THUNDERHILL! it WILL be very hot. Remember to wear sunscreen and drink plenty of water! t-hill has 2 big permanent canopies, so everyone can get shelter under there... NO TRAILERS ALLOWED UNDERNEATH THE CANOPY! There is a limited amount of space, and we want it filled with people, not trailers. The only trailer that will be parked under the canopies is Luke's, and that's because it'll be the official party-spot monday night.

THE DRIVERS MEETING WILL BE AT 8:45AM SHARP

We want to have a hot course at 9:00AM, so NO LATE-COMERS will be tolerated. I'm absolutely serious about this, if you miss the drivers meeting, you don't drive.

Making the drivers meeting should be very easy, because we're inviting you all to enjoy an evening at the track including watching F&F on a big-screen, hawaiian-style hospitality, and camping afterwards. Everyone is welcome to show up whenever they want on Monday, but will only be allowed inside the park once the current day's event is over at 5:00PM.

THE SCHEDULE FOR THE DAY IS AS FOLLOWS

(we'll have paper-versions of this available for you at the track)

08:45 - Drivers Meeting

09:00 - Grip

09:25 - Beginner Drift

09:50 - Expert Drift

10:15 - Grip

10:40 - Beginner Drift

11:05 - Expert Drift

11:30 - Grip

11:55 - LUNCH

12:55 - Grip

01:20 - Beginner Drift

01:45 - Expert Drift

02:10 - Grip

02:35 - Beginner Drift

03:00 - Expert Drift

03:25 - Grip

03:50 - Beginner Drift

04:15 - Expert Drift

04:40 - END

We're left with 20-min at the end of the day, maybe we'll do something fun with that time. I've got a few ideas...

PASSENGERS will be \$15, and must be at least 18yrs old.

SPECTATORS (EVERYONE not driving) will be \$5 at the gate.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to call me. I'll be online very sporadically between now and the event, so if it's important, be sure to call. I'm in Portland right now on my way home from FD Seattle!

-Geoff

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Subject: Re: Thunderhill Fulltrack Drift/Grip
Posted by [balmo](#) on Thu, 13 Aug 2009 05:56:20 GMT
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fun event! dave had a blast too! your car is very driftable. that hankooks in the front helped a lot too.

lots of drop dirt action!

Subject: Re: Thunderhill Fulltrack Drift/Grip
Posted by [gotzoom?](#) on Thu, 13 Aug 2009 16:48:56 GMT
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Yeah, that was a lot of fun. I'm looking forward to the next one. I guess I didn't have game because there are no pix of me

I started feeling pretty comfortable by the 3rd session and by the end of the day, I was able to sustain a drift all the way through turn 2, so I was pretty happy with that. Turn 10 and 11 are the most fun, though. A couple times, I managed to drift over the crest of 5 and swing the backend around so that I drifted down the hill into 5a. That was pretty fun, but I need more practice to get the timing right. OK, i'm hooked now. hehe

If anyone is thinking about trying out drifting, I recommend it highly! Throw a set of craptastic all season tires on your rear wheels, put the rear shocks on full stiff and go have some fun. The hardest part is remembering not to drive the racing line!
