

944 Questions??

Posted by jsallenbach - 10 Feb 2011 19:51

I have been thinking for awhile and been doing research about road racing. My original plan was to race Open wheel Formula v's, but found out that there really isn't a lot of competition in that class. I stumbled upon this class and it looks like a lot of fun. Some questions I have are do you have to have a license to race this class in NASA and SCCA? If so, I would probably have to go to a racing school. Which is recommended in SoCal? Is there usually some good competition in this class? I'm probably forgetting some questions so if you have any other input, fire away.

Re: 944 Questions??

Posted by joepaluch - 11 Feb 2011 05:49

You do need a competition license to race in NASA or SCCA. SCCA does not have the 944 class outside of Arizona, but NASA does and it is strong in SoCal.

NASA also has a Driver Ed program that will help you move from novice to racer. You spend time on the same track as the racers, but there is limited passing that gradually moves toward open passing in more skilled run groups. How long it takes depends on skill level and when the next competition school is. Most races myself included ran a number of DE events before having the skills to get a competition license and race effectively. To start you can bring a street car or bring a race car and start entering events.

Re: 944 Questions??

Posted by cbuzzetti - 11 Feb 2011 18:01

Welcome to 944 spec!!!

Lots of help available here.

We have a great group of guys in SoCal who would welcome another racer or DE driver.

I am assuming you are in the SoCal region.

Let's us know what info you need and if you need help finding a car.

Re: 944 Questions??

Posted by jsallenbach - 11 Feb 2011 20:46

Well i would like to see what schools are available to get my racing license, then go from there.

Re: 944 Questions??

Posted by cbuzzetti - 12 Feb 2011 17:56

www.calclub.com/

www.sfrscca.org/

here are the web sites for SCCA in Cal. You can do a two day super school and get a racing license for SCCA. This does require an SCCA legal racecar, drivers and saftey gear.

With this license you can apply for a NASA Comp license and will have to prove your ability in a DE setting. You may get passed the first time or it may take a few events to get approved. This is usually the fastest way to go racing.

The NASA method does take longer. But you can do most of it with a street car.

So there are benefits to either system.

At NASA you will have the support of the 944 group if that is the class you are looking to get into. You can start with a street legal 944 or buy a race ready car. It is cheaper to buy a racecar in the long run. The racecar can be street legal so you could drive it to the track.

Do you have any track experience?

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Posted by Fooshe - 13 Feb 2011 01:23

The feeder school for NASA is Driving Concepts.

Go to www.drivingconcepts.com to check their schedule. Great 2 day race school.

They also have an HPDE at Willowsprings on March 3rd, if memory serves me right.
