



Flag Rock Hillclimb

Presented by Summit Racing Equipment

June 3–4, 2023: Flag Rock Recreation Area, Norton Virginia

SCCA Sanction #23-HC-59795

The inaugural Flag Rock HillClimb is the #2 event of the 2023 Appalachian HillClimb Series and is hosted by the Blue Ridge Region of the Sports Car Club of America with support from the East Tennessee and Central Carolinas Regions. The technical 1.75 mile Flag Rock HillClimb features approximately 15 turns with connecting esses and an elevation gain of 920 feet. The event will be held subject to SCCA Hillclimb rules.

EVENT OFFICIALS	
Event Leads: Heyward Wagner, Brad Gates, Rob Leslie	Competition Director: Kathy Barnes
Safety Stewards: Heyward Wagner	Chief of Tech: Steve Eckerich, Jim Mason
Registrars: Vickie Lanning, Josh Reinard, Amanda McCafferty	Chief of Timing: TBD
Chief of Course: Don Drennon	Chief Starter: Eric Mohn
Chief of Communications: Dick Todd	Equipment and Technology: Steve Eckerich
Novice Coach: Brad Gates	Grid Monster: Rob Leslie
Paddock Marshals: Rob Leslie, Jim Mason	

Registration and Entry Information:

Registration opens April 17, 2023 at 6 PM. The first 80 qualified entrants will be accepted.

Entry Fee(s):	Prepaid: \$325 (If received or postmarked by May 15)
	Late Entry Fee: \$400 (Submitted on or after May 19)
	Weekend Membership: \$30 (If not a current SCCA member.)

Refunds/Fees:

Prepaid entries canceled before May 15 there will be no charge to your credit card. If you do not withdraw by May 15th you are considered an entrant and your credit card will be charged May 16th

NO REFUNDS TO EARLY ENTRANTS/NO EXCEPTIONS AFTER MAY 15TH.

Late entries will be charged at registration, and there will be a \$35 fee charged for any check returned by the bank.

Online Registration:

<https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/flag-rock-hillclimb-recreation-area-scca-appalachian-hill-climb-series-453658>

Please bring your state-issued driver license – and if you're an SCCA member – your membership card to at event check-in.

General Information and Supplemental Regulations

Driver Licensing and Eligibility

Drivers must:

1. Have a current Full Membership of the SCCA
2. Have a valid state-issued driver's license
3. Be able to handle the physical and mental demands of competition for the length of a session for each session of the event
4. Have an SCCA HillClimb, Time Trials or Competition License or a competition license from a recognized sanctioning body (e.g. NASA Road Race, Rally or Time Trials License; Rally USA Comp License, FIA Competition License, SVRA, GridLife, PCA, BMWCCA or other recognized competition organization).

Minor Drivers (Less than 18-years-old)

In addition to the above, minor drivers:

1. Must contact event officials before the event
2. Must provide a completed SCCA Minor Waiver (Form 1068)
3. Novice HillClimb Program Attendance, Novice Coaching and working with a mentor is required.

Novice Drivers

Drivers who have not participated in a Hillclimb event are required to attend the Novice HillClimb Program, participate in Novice Coaching and work with a mentor.

Vehicle Eligibility

The event is open to automobiles (no motorcycles, karts, ATVs or similar) which meet the following criteria:

1. Has at least four (4) wheels, grouped in equal sets of half of the wheels on the vehicle per side
2. Is properly muffled
3. Does not have a high center of gravity. Potentially unstable vehicles with a high center of gravity—determined by whether they are wider than they are tall—are excluded from SCCA Time Trials. Width is the average track width of the vehicle, and height is measured from the ground to the highest point. Extra caution should be exercised with non-traditional vehicles (e.g., trucks using racing slicks or tires with less than 200 tread wear rating).

Vehicle/Driver Safety Requirements

This event requires that all vehicles meet the SCCA Hillclimb "Safety Level 2" at a minimum. This includes an approved racing specification helmet, at least a 4-point roll bar constructed to SCCA specifications, an approved racing harness, racing suit, shoes, gloves, and other items like arm restraints or window nets and fire suppression devices/systems. Factory safety systems (like you might find at a track day or time trial) is not considered appropriate.

Tech Inspection

All competition vehicles must be properly registered for the event and pass tech safety equipment inspection at the Norton Expo Center Friday evening or early Saturday morning.

Numbers and Class Designation:

Numbers and class designation must be visible on both sides of the vehicle, will be issued on a first-come/first-serve basis and must meet the following criteria:

- 1) Numbers must be minimum 8" tall
- 2) Two-driver cars should add "1" to the primary driver's number (e.g., first driver 59, second driver 159)
- 3) All competition vehicles must display the issued Appalachian Hillclimb Series class designation sticker during competition runs.

Competition Classes

The Flag Rock Hillclimb will utilize the Appalachian Hillclimb Series Classing Matrix. The classing matrix can be found here: www.appalachianhillclimb.com

Awards and Records

The following Awards will be given for class performance:

- Top 3 finishers in each AHS class will receive trophies.

The following Awards will be given for overall performance:

- King or Queen of the Hill (Overall fastest time)
- King or Queen of the Hill (Fastest driver not matching the gender of the overall fastest time award)
- Fastest time by an electric/hybrid vehicle, and
- Fastest front wheel drive vehicle.

Flag Rock Hillclimb records will be kept for class and overall performance awards. For a record to be set, at least two cars must have run in the history of the class.

Running Order/Number of Runs:

- There will be a minimum of two Run Groups. Run Groups and run order to be announced at event.
- Two driver cars will run in separate groups
- Only runs available to all competitors in AHS class will be eligible for awards. The Event Leads have discretion to allow additional runs to stand as records, provided all competitors present within 2 seconds of the standing record are given the option to run
- While event management will do all we can to notify drivers, it is the driver's responsibility to know when their group is on call. Unless through some fault of event organizers, or other extenuating circumstance beyond the control of the driver, runs missed by drivers will not be made up.

Official Timing:

Timing will be via timing light. Chief of timing and timing staff TBA.

Fuel and Fueling:

Standard pump gas is available in downtown Norton. Race fuel is not available onsite or nearby. A minimum 10 lb ABC fire extinguisher is required to be present any time fuel is being transferred.

Additional Event Rules:

- 1) Other than mentors on parade lap(s), passengers are not permitted on or in any race vehicle while on course
- 2) Drivers must attend the daily driver's meetings. If a driver misses the driver's meeting for any reason, they are required to see the Competition Director or Event Lead before being allowed to compete
- 3) The requirements for conduct and sportsmanship as defined in the SCCA Time Trials Rules will be

strictly enforced. (<https://timetrials.scca.com/pages/tt-basics>)

4) All participants, crew, officials, worker, spectators and guests will adhere to all applicable city, county, state and federal laws and regulations, will follow all rules and regulations listed herein, added, posted at the event or otherwise communicated, and shall not engage in any illegal, immoral, or unsafe activities or business while on the event site.

Parking and Paddock:

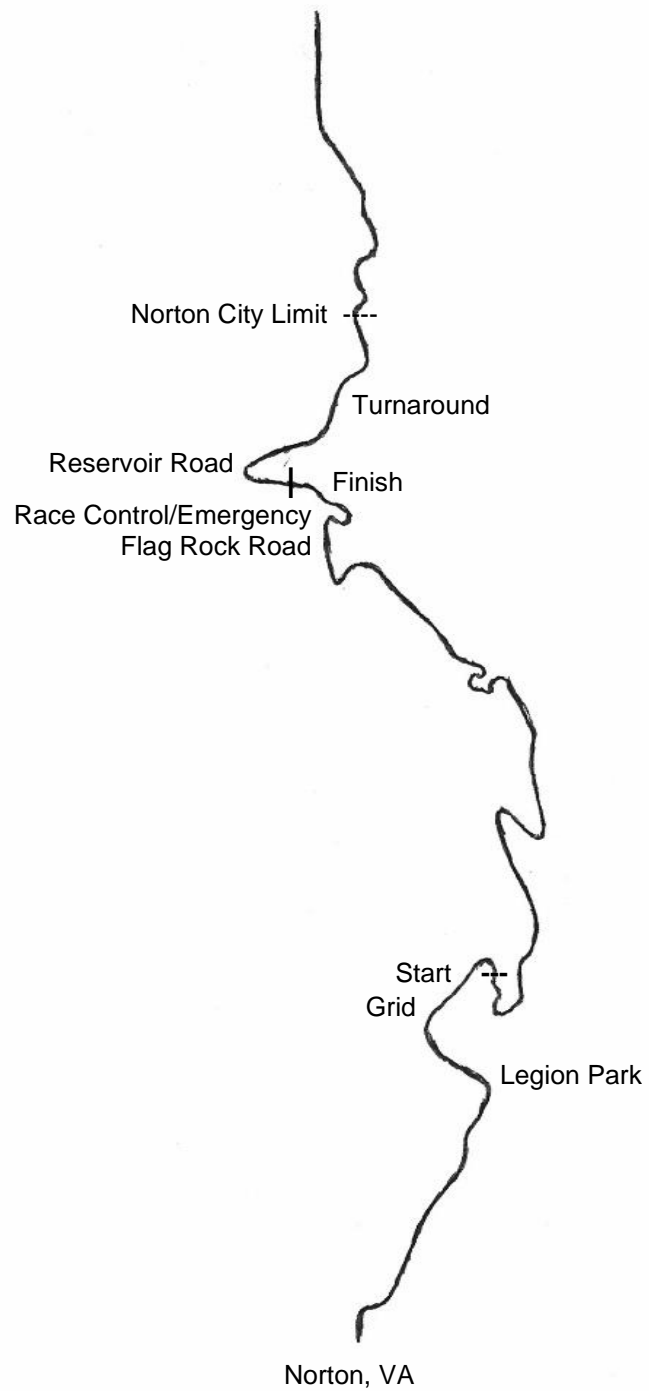
The paddock area will be along the railroad tracks just east of the Norton Expo Center, 115 8th Street SW, downtown Norton Virginia.

- All parking and paddock spaces will be as directed by Paddock Marshals
- Workers will park in the gravel parking lot at Reservoir Road off Route 619S
- Competition vehicles that cannot transit from town may paddock in the Flag Rock Recreation Area Campground (Flag Rock Road). Contact an event lead for more information.

Course Location:

The Flag Rock HillClimb Course will be on Route 619 south of the city of Norton in the Flag Rock Recreation Area. All event activity will be within the city limits of Norton, Virginia. Grid and start will be just above Legion Park with the finish just below Reservoir Road. Course map on following page.

Flag Rock Hillclimb Course Map



Appalachian Hillclimb Series

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Official Event Schedule

Friday, June 2

8:00 AM	Course Setup, Route 619S in Flag Rock Recreation Area
12:00 PM	Paddock Opens along railroad tracks east of Norton Expo Center
1:00 PM	Check-in and Tech Inspection - Norton Expo Center
5:00 PM	Race Car Show and Street Party - Downtown Norton
6:00 PM	Novice Worker Classroom - Norton Expo Center
8:00 PM	Check-in and Tech Inspection Close
9:45 PM	Quiet Hours in Paddock

Saturday, June 3

7:00 AM	Late Check-in and Tech - Expo Center
7:30 AM	Worker Meeting at Legion Park
7:45 AM	Driver's Meeting - Expo Center
8:00 AM	Course Closed to non-event traffic
8:15 AM	First Competition Group Shuttle to Course
8:30 AM	Competition Runs Begin
Noon	Lunch Break - Course Open
1:00 PM	Competition Runs Resume – Course is Closed
5:00 PM	Competition Runs Conclude
5:30 PM	Course Open
9:45 PM	Quiet Hours in Paddock

Sunday, June 4

7:30 AM	Worker Meeting at Legion Park
7:45 AM	Driver's Meeting - Expo Center
8:00 AM	Course Closed to non-event traffic
8:15 AM	First Competition Group Shuttle to Course
8:30 AM	Competition Runs Begin
Noon	Lunch Break - Course Open
1:00 PM	Competition Runs Resume – Course is Closed
4:00 PM	Competition Runs Conclude
4:15 PM	Course Open
4:30 PM	Flag Rock Hillclimb Trophy Presentation - Expo Center