



# Pine Mountain Hillclimb

**Presented by *Summit Racing Equipment***

**April 18–21, 2024: Pine Mountain Resort Park, Pineville Kentucky**

SCCA Sanction:

This event is hosted by the Appalachian Hillclimb Series, East Tennessee Region and the Southeast Division of the Sports Car Club of America and held under the most current SCCA Hillclimb Rules.

EVENT OFFICIALS	
<b>Event Lead(s):</b> Heyward Wagner, Mark Pilson	<b>Competition Director:</b> Brad Gates
<b>Safety Steward(s):</b> Rob Leslie	<b>Chief of Tech:</b> Steve Eckerich
<b>Registrar:</b> Vicki Eckerich, Nan Leslie	<b>Chief of Timing:</b> Kevin Greer
<b>Chief of Course:</b> Chris Polhomas	<b>Paddock Marshal(s):</b> Mark Pilson
<b>Novice Coach:</b> Lance Dotson/ Chris Rathke	<b>Equipment and Technology:</b> Steve Eckerich

## **Registration and Entry Information:**

Registration opens March 1, 2024 and the first 90 qualified entrants will be accepted. All additional entrants will be held pending final Event Lead approval on March 25. Lodging is available for an extra cost.

## **Entry Fee(s):**

**Prepaid: \$325** (If received or postmarked by April 12)

**Late Entry Fee: \$400** (Submitted on or after April 12)

**Weekend Membership: \$25** (If not a current SCCA member.)

## **Refunds/Fees:**

Prepaid entries canceled before April 13 will receive a full refund.

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

**Online Registration:** [msreg.com/2024PineMtnHillclimb](https://msreg.com/2024PineMtnHillclimb)

**SCCA Workers:** Contact [AppalachianHillClimb@gmail.com](mailto:AppalachianHillClimb@gmail.com)

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

## **Event Site:**

The Main Paddock is at Laurel Cove Amphitheater, on State Park Road, inside Pine Mountain Resort Park. US Route 25E, 11 Miles North from the Cumberland Gap Tunnel, or 1 mile South of Pineville, State Park Road is on the west side of the highway. Look for the park sign for Laurel Cove Amphitheater and Chained Rock. Following State Park Road, the Main Paddock is approximately 1.1 miles on the left. The course runs from Laurel Cove Amphitheater to just below the Rock Hotel trailhead.

Spectators will be allowed under the direction of, SCCA Backroads of Appalachia and Pine Mountain State Park.

# **General Information and Supplemental Regulations**

## **Driver Licensing and Eligibility**

Drivers must:

1. Have a current or weekend member 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 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, Novice Meeting will be held at the startline at 7:10am

## **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 at least 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.

The full requirements can be found here: <https://timetrials.scca.com/pages/hillclimb-safety-rules>

## **Technical (Tech) Inspection**

All vehicles must go through tech inspection. Locations and Times will be in the schedule.

## **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., 1st driver 59, second driver 159).
- 3) You must display your Hillclimb Class designation during competition runs (S, SS, U, etc.) Low-tack class letters will be available for purchase at a reasonable cost at the event.

## Competition Classes and Requirements

Appalachian HillClimb Series Competition Rules will be used for vehicle classification, rules and awards

<https://www.appalachianhillclimb.com/rules-and-classes.html>

## Awards and Records

The following Awards will be given for overall performance:

- King or Queen of the Hill- Presented by Haltech (Overall fastest time)
- King or Queen of the Hill- Presented by Haltech (Fastest driver not matching the gender of the overall fastest time award)
- Fastest Street Car- Presented by Nine Lives Racing
- Fastest Non-Aero car- Presented by Nine Lives Racing

The following Awards will be given for class performance:

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

Records will be kept for Overall Awards, AHS classes. In addition, the following Supplemental Records will be kept

Road Race:

- GT1, GT2, GT3, GTL, T1, T2, T3, T4, AS, STU, SPU, ITR, ITE, STL, ITS, ITA, ITB, ITC, EP, FP, HP, SM, P1, P2, FA, FC, FX, FF, F5, FV

Solo:

- SSP, CSP, DSP, ESP, FSP

## Running Order/Number of Runs:

- There will be 4 Run Groups. Group 2 will run up the hill before Group 1 comes down, Group 4 will run up the hill before Group 3 comes down.
- Two driver cars will run in Groups 2 and 4
- Only runs available to all competitors in AHS class will be eligible for awards.
- The Event Leads have discretion to allow supplemental runs to stand as records, provided any competitors presently within 2 seconds of the standing record is 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 by transponder unless unavailable. Transponder rental is included in entry fee.

## Fuel and Fueling:

Standard pump gas is available approximate 1 mile from Start. Race fuel is not available on site or nearby.

An min. 10 lb. ABC extinguisher is required to be present any time fuel is being transferred.

## Additional Event Rules:

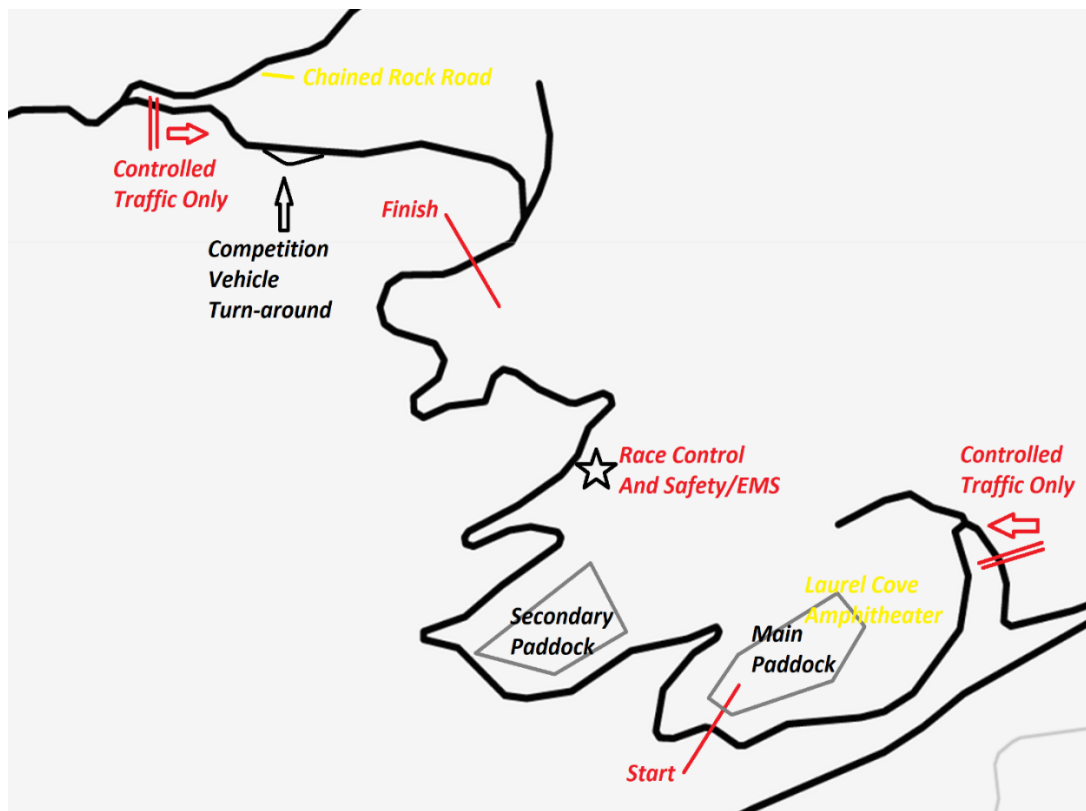
- 1) Other than mentors, sighting, on parade lap(s), passengers are not permitted on or in any race vehicle while on course.
- 2) Drivers must attend the daily driver's meetings. If a driver misses the driver's meeting for any reason, they are required to see the Competition Director or Event Lead before 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 must adhere to all applicable park, 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. On site Park Rangers are sworn law enforcement and will handle violations of law in the manner they see fit.
- 5) Active tire warming devices are not allowed.

## Parking and Paddock:

The paddock areas will be very crowded, and we would like to thank you in advance for your cooperation and understanding.

- All parking and paddock spaces will be as assigned and as directed by Paddock Marshals.
- Workers will park above the race car turn around, or at the Picnic Area at the Bridge.
- Support Vehicles – Unless specifically authorized, your paddock may contain one support vehicle (truck, trailer or RV) per entered race car. **Please let us know as soon as possible if you require additional space (greater than 25 linear feet).**
- Transporters, RVs, Trucks and Enclosed Trailers taking up multiple paddock spaces may be required to share paddock space for other race cars. Assume one race car for every 25 linear feet. Late entries or oversized vehicles not indicated at the time of registration may be assigned to the upper paddock.
- Closed Trailers – Closed trailers may be kept at your paddock space. See notes below.
- Open Trailers - Unless a necessary part of your paddock routine, trailers will be parked at the Bridge Picnic Area, or at the lower entrance to the Amphitheater (not the main paddock area).
- Main Paddock – The main paddock (Amphitheater) will be utilized by race cars needing regular pit support (Formula cars, Prototypes, Specials, Super Production, etc.) The upper paddock will be utilized for cars running DOT tires. If necessary certain race cars paddocked in the upper paddock may be assigned a single parking space in the lower paddock, if necessary.

## Course/Paddock Map



The course runs a portion of State Park Road 382, from the main parking entrance of Laurel Cove Amphitheater (Altitude 1150') for 1.7 miles, to a point near the Hotel Rock trailhead (Altitude 1850').

Concessions and vehicle paddock will be within the Laurel Cove Amphitheater parking lot, and the unpaved picnic area just northwest of the Amphitheater.

All traffic will be strictly controlled from and including the lower Amphitheater entrance to a point immediately below, but not including the intersection with Chained Rock Road.

**2024 Pine Mountain HillClimb**  
**Presented by Summit Racing, Grassroots Motorsports and Backroads of Appalachia**  
**OFFICIAL EVENT SCHEDULE**

**THURSDAY- April 18**

12:00PM Event Set Up Begins

**FRIDAY- April 19**

9:00 AM Event Command Meeting at Cove Shelter (Leads/EMS/Park/City)

11:00 AM Paddock Opens  
PLEASE DO NOT ARRIVE BEFORE 11:00 AM WITHOUT APPROVAL

12:00 PM Course is available for Touring  
Competition Cars are allowed, must follow ALL traffic laws

1:00 PM Roving Tech Available in Paddock

4:30 PM Course is closed for Touring- all traffic must be road legal

4:45 PM Competition Car escort to Pineville Begin

5:00 PM Downtown Event with Check-in and Tech Open

8:00 PM Downtown Check-in and Tech close  
LAST CALL FOR ESCORT TO PADDOCK

**SATURDAY- APRIL 20**

7:00 AM Check-in and Tech Available at Start Line/Grid

7:10 AM Novice Meeting at Start Line

7:30 AM Worker Meeting at Top of Course Turnaround (Second Overlook)

7:50 AM Driver Meeting at Start Line

8:00 AM Road Closed

8:30 AM Competition Runs Begin

NOON (Approx.) LUNCH BREAK - Road is Open

1:00 PM (Approx.) Competition Runs Resume - Road is Closed

5:00 PM (Approx.) Competition Runs Conclude

5:30 PM Road is Open

6:00 PM Worker Dinner at Bell Theater

**SUNDAY- APRIL 21**

7:30 AM Worker Check-in at Top of Course Turnaround (Second Overlook)

7:50 AM Driver Meeting at Start Line

8:00 AM Road Closed

8:30 AM Competition Runs Begin

NOON (Approx.) LUNCH BREAK - Road is Open

1:00 PM (Approx.) Competition Runs Resume - Road is Closed

4:00 PM (Approx.) Competition Runs Conclude

4:30 PM (Approx.) Trophy Presentation at Start Line - Road is Open