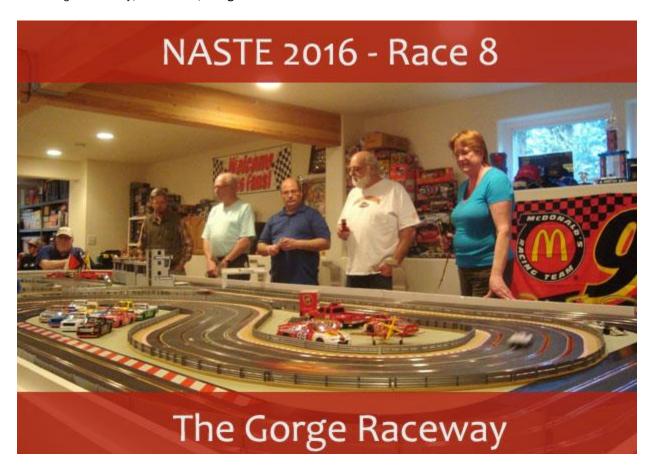
The Gorge Raceway, Troutdale, Oregon



On March 29th the NASTE racers made the trek to Troutdale, the home of Bob Nakamura's large Scalextric 4-lane layout better known as the Gorge Raceway.

We had been scheduled here earlier in the season but a small flood took over part of Bob's basement hastening the reschedule. And what a treat. In the interim Bob had not only repaired the water damage to his basement but also found time to cover the lane rails in copper tape. Beautiful, shiny, copper tape! Conductivity issues were now and thing of the past as cars zipped around the track with reckless abandon with an accent on the reckless portion. And don't forget there were still corners in the way.

After some time for practice and food the cars of the evening were presented – Slot.it Porsches sharply tuned by Bill Bostic. They were quick, handled great and brought a great fun factor to the night.

First up, the Novice bracket with Thomas Flood added to the mix to fill out the four lane grid. And in true expert fashion Thomas took them to task, with Victoria Saager taking second and Daryl Deabler taking third.

In the expert Division it was home track favorite Bob Nakamura besting the field with a strong pair of runs taking top honors in each. Bill Bostic raced to a hard-charging second place finish with Monte Saager taking third.

After the IROC action calmed a bit the 4th round in the NASTE Trans Am Cup race was held. This race is for those who have NAK-Spec Trans Am cars. The NAK-Spec Trans Am cars are Scalextric Trans Am cars with magnets and were designed to run at the Gorge. Once underway it was nothing but chaos! Battling the beasts and the devils to come out on top was Farmer Bryan Dickerson taking his first ever NASTE victory with a great run. Taking second

was Monte Saager with Bob Nak in third. A very promising race between Bryan and Bill Bostic came apart when Bill's rocket-car decided to release its guide blade over and over and over...

In the end it was another wonderful afternoon of food and fun at the Gorge Raceway. Thanks to Bob for hosting. We look forward to our next encounter.

Here are the final results:

Race No. 8 - The Gorge Raceway	Class	Round 1	Round 2	Total	Season Points
Bob Nakamura	XP	87.5	89.5	177.0	
Bill Bostic	XP	85.7	88.7	174.4	20
Monte Saager	XP	83.7	86.0	169.7	19
Tracy Flood	XP	84.2	83.7	167.9	18
Rico Locati	XP	82.6	83.6	166.2	17
Terry Abbott	XP	81.0	83.3	164.3	16
Thomas Flood	INT	78.4	80.3	158.7	
John Fisher	XP	75.8	81.2	157.0	
Mitch Brooks	XP	78.7	77.7	156.4	15
Dorothy Abbott	INT	71.4	78.9	150.3	
Al Christensen	INT	70.4	79.1	149.5	14
Victoria Saager	NOV	74.3	72.5	146.8	
Daryl Deabler	NOV	68.7	70.4	139.1	
Dominic Locati	NOV	65.5	67.7	133.2	
Brian Dickerson	XP		77.2	77.2	
Trans Am Race No. 4 - The Gorge Raceway	Class			Total	Season Points
Brian Dickerson	XP			93.2	6
Monte Saager	XP			90.7	5
Bob Nakamura	XP			86.2	4
Bill Bostic	XP			82.7	2
Mitch Brooks	XP			82.7	2
Al Christensen	XP			75.6	1