

Audi Club SoCal High Performance Driving School Spring Mountain Motorsports Resort, Pahrump, Nevada

March 31 - April 2, 2023

March 21, 2023

Welcome! We are excited you are joining us at Spring Mountain! This driving school will be a memorable experience, where the goals are safety, fun, and learning while enjoying the camaraderie of fellow Audi enthusiasts.

Safety First!

First and foremost, this event is *not* racing, a racing school, or practice for racing! It *is* organized training and practice which we believe will make you a better everyday driver.

"Driving fast on the track does not scare me. What scares me is when I drive on the highway, and I get passed by some idiot who thinks he is Fangio." - Juan Manuel Fangio, world champion



Things Everyone Needs to Do

Car Safety Inspection

Your car's mandatory safety inspection (tech inspection) must be completed <u>before you arrive at the event</u>. Print out the <u>Safety Inspection form</u> and take it to your Audi Dealer or independent shop, or another qualified person of your choosing. Sign the completed inspection form and **email the complete form to** <u>AudiSoCalRegistrar@gmail.com</u> or bring it with you to the event. Drivers are solely responsible for the safe condition of their vehicle and for their own personal fitness for performance driving. The form is also included at the end of this letter. If you've already done this, thank you!

Driver Credentials

Check your registration status on the event <u>Attendee List</u>. If your registration is shown as <u>Confirmed</u> you are all set. If it is anything other than **Confirmed**, and quite a few of you are still in this group, **you** still need to complete your driving credentials before arriving at Spring Mountain:

Your **ACNA** membership must be valid through the <u>end</u> <u>of April 2023</u>, as required by our insurance.



Join or Renew at www.audiclubna.org/join. Please email your Membership Number and Expiration Date to AudiClubSoCalRegistrar@gmail.com.

You must sign the ACNA standard **Liability Waiver**. Check your text messages for the personal **SpeedWaiver** link which was sent to your phone when you registered for the event. If you still can't find it, visit the Guest Registration link below and enter your name and mobile phone number which is in your MotorsportReg profile.

If you need help please email <u>AudiSoCalRegistrar@gmail.com</u>.

Wednesday All-Driver Meeting

Everyone will attend the <u>online</u> All-Driver Meeting on **Wednesday evening, March 29, 2023**, at **7:00 PM PDT**, where we go over the Audi Club program for everyone attending this event. We will be taking attendance. We understand the desire for online privacy, but please use your real



name during this meeting. You can rename yourself when in the meeting. If we can't figure out who you are we'll believe you failed to attend, causing you to lose track time while we find someone to brief you at the event. Join the All-Driver Meeting via Zoom:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87666201666?pwd=TXhQVmRTV2FlbGFxVjJZUIhtUk5BQT09.

Tuesday Specialty Meetings

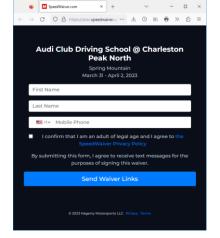
Beginners and other drivers **new to Audi Club** are invited to join our First Timer Advocates at an introductory meeting on **Tuesday evening, March 28, 2023, at 7:00 PM PDT**. A supplementary letter for our beginners will be emailed separately. Join the First Timer meeting via Zoom: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83164680274?pwd=TkhDYzdCS3YvakNML3I2TUdoZUZFUT09

Instructors will also meet at 7:00 PM on Tuesday evening 3/28. Instructors will receive a separate email from the CDI with the login link for your meeting.

Guest Waiver All of your Guests must obtain their own event → credentials by completing the club's liability waivers. Ask them to get started by entering their name and mobile phone number at SpeedWaiver guest registration page specific to this event at https://acsc.speedwaiver.com/fpmyg.

Gate Fee Bring **\$20** cash per person to pay the track's gate fee. This fee is good for the entire event, so keep the track's wristband on until you've left the facility after your last day at the event.

Paddock & Skid Pad Set up your daily parking spot on the Upper Paddock. If you are an early arrival, please keep the parking spots along the east fence (closest to the classroom) clear; they are for the



event organizers' large vehicles where download sessions will be hosted. See the <u>Paddock Map</u> on our website for the parking areas and the traffic pattern. Please don't park on the Lower (southern) portion of the paddock. This is the skid pad. Beginner car control exercises will be held there Saturday morning. Cool downs will be permitted on the skid pad after the exercises conclude.

Weekend Configuration Audi Club will run the Charleston Peak North CW course layout during all three days. See the passing zones map on our website. You can also download a recently updated track map specifically for making notes about the track from our website, and view a great Turn-by-Turn Video explanation of driving this track configuration. There are also links to other in-car videos linked on our website's Spring Mountain page.

Preliminary Schedule of Events The updated <u>Preliminary Schedule of Events</u> may be downloaded from our website and for your convenience is included at the end of this letter.

Audi Club HPDE is presented by **TOYOTIRES**

Attend the Saturday evening banquet for a chance to win a set of **Toyo Tires!!**

Turn the page for Things to Know if you are new to Audi Club HPDE driver education. Given the new venue, we think our returning drivers should also review this information!



Things to Know if You are New to Audi Driver Education

Event Check-In will be held early each morning in the <u>Charleston Peak Classroom</u> located at the North end of the Garage building. See the schedule and paddock map. Early check-in for drivers registered for the weekend will also be available Friday evening in the Classroom. At check-in, Drivers will show their state-issued **driver license** and their smartphone with **SpeedWaiver** credential. If not previously emailed to us, you will also submit your completed and signed **tech form**. You will then be given a packet with **tech sticker** *allowing your car* to go on the track, **adhesive numbers** for your car, your **name badge**, the final **schedule**, and your **meal tickets**. Your **guests** will show their own smartphone credential and receive their guest wristband, but the Audi Club wristband *allowing YOU* to go on track will NOT be in this packet – keep reading to find out why.

Morning Briefings Friday and Saturday in the early morning there will be a safety briefing at the track in the Classroom. Show your **name badge** at the end of this briefing to receive the Audi Club **driver's wristband** you must show at grid each time you go on the track.

Helmets must be worn during all skid pad exercises and while driving on track. Helmets must be motorsports-specific and rated Snell SA2015, SA2020, or have a current FIA rating. Motorcycle helmets are not allowed. If you would like to purchase your own helmet, we suggest a visit to our SoCal sponsor Winding Road Racing in Costa Mesa. They usually have both affordable and high-end helmets in stock, and they offer a 5% discount to Audi Club members.

Weather The town of Pahrump is in the Nevada desert at 2,600 ft elevation. We expect excellent conditions with warm days in the mid-70s and cool nights, but desert weather can be unpredictable so plan accordingly. Bring a jacket, folding chair, sun hat and sunglasses. If you bring a portable shelter, please have weights and tie it down securely against afternoon winds. Those who bring separate track wheels may want to consider also having track-capable treaded tires just in case – these also make good weights for your EZ-Up! Remember to stay hydrated in the dry desert air! The club will provide drinking water, but we suggest you bring some drinks with electrolytes to prevent 'bonking'.

Clothing Make sure you wear appropriate attire. We suggest long pants and long-sleeve shirts, and require flexible closed-toe shoes be worn while driving. Clothing should be made of cotton, wool, or other fire-resistive materials. Avoid slick fabrics so you won't slide around in your car's seat. Those stretchy yoga pants our ladies love look great but fail both of those tests. Wear layers which you can shed as temperatures increase during the day. Be prepared for any conditions, as the weather in the Spring can be variable.

Car Numbers Audi Club assigns your car number and provides a pair of vinyl number plates for the side of your car. Make sure you bring a cloth and cleaner to wipe the car before you apply the numbers to your doors. Otherwise, the fine desert dust can interfere with the removable adhesive and your numbers may blow off the car when you get up to speed.

Experienced Driver Day Even if you are not driving on Friday, we welcome you **to show up to observe and get a ride** on the track with one of our instructors. You are also invited to **join us for the Track Walk** early Friday afternoon.

Friday is an independent **training** and **practice** day, so we suggest our advanced drivers get in the learning spirit by taking the opportunity to ride or drive with an instructor, or test your ability to drive consistent laps – there is a handout on our webpage.



Passing Protocol To avoid conflicts with Spring Mountain members joining our event, we will be using Point-By passing in all run groups. Passing will only be allowed in designated passing zones. Passing is on either side as directed by the car being passed. The slower car stays on its normal driving line and points to the side of their car on which they want the faster car to pass. The faster car should expect to go off-line to complete the pass. Passing will be covered in detail in the Beginner classroom. There is a map and description on our website, and passing practice is scheduled on Saturday afternoon for the beginner group.

Breakfast & Lunch Your registration includes our catered buffet lunch at the track. There is not a café at the track. Please make your own breakfast arrangements prior to arriving at the track each morning. If you require a special meal you will need to bring it with you or go off-site for lunch. Lunch will be served at the center Garage location shown on the Paddock Map. Lunch for your guest should have been pre-ordered during the checkout process on motorsportreg.com.

Dinner On **Friday**, after the track walk, we will have a meet-and-greet with food and beverages in our hospitality area next to the classroom. Please join us! Check-in will be available for the weekend driving school in the adjacent Classroom.

If you have registered for a two-day weekend package, or if you purchased optional tickets for the **banquet dinner on Saturday** evening, this will be in the Spring Mountain members clubhouse located alongside the Clubhouse Straight, west of the administration building. See the schedule for mealtimes.

DrivingEvals.com hosts our student/instructor evaluations and logbooks. You will receive a welcome email from DrivingEvals just before the event with the name and contact information for your instructor. We encourage you to reach out to each other to chat before arriving at the event. You will then use DrivingEvals to submit your feedback at the conclusion of the event.

Speed Secrets Performance Driving 101 online course introduces the fundamentals of performance driving in an approachable way. We use it to prepare Beginners for your live classroom at the event. Both Beginner and experienced drivers may use code **SoCalAudi-50** at checkout for a 50% discount on a lifetime subscription to either or both courses available at www.speedsecrets.com/learn

Photography A professional photographer will be taking pictures of you and your car on track during selected days of this event.

If you or your guest are a photography buff, we are looking for someone to take photos of the off-track activities during the event. Let the event master know if you or your guest can help out the Club!

Cameras and smartphones must be in your pocket or securely mounted. Handheld devices are not allowed in the car. Exterior suction cup cameras require a separate securely attached leash. Use common sense and restraint when posting stories and media online – please post only those which reflect well on you, on your club, and on your fellow participants.

Lap times Our club's focus is on safe performance driving, not lap times. Data collection and in-car video is encouraged for post-session analysis, but lap times or lap timer screens (e.g., Corvette PDR, AiM Solo, etc.) may not be visible to the driver while on the track. If you have this equipment permanently mounted in your car please select an alternate display, such as engine health, or hide the display.

Medical Info Emergency medical response will be onsite while driving is underway. All drivers should carry an ICE (In Case of Emergency) card or form on their person while participating in this event. There



are sources and examples in the Detailed Driving School Requirements document on our website www.audiclubsocal.org/driving-school.

Driver Qualifications All driver participants must have a <u>valid driver's license</u> issued by their state of residence. Minors (under 18 years of age) must be accompanied during the event by a parent or guardian who is legally authorized to sign the track's and the club's minor liability waiver.

Rest and Hydration Get to bed early Thursday, Friday and Saturday night. Avoid overdoing fun those evenings. The club will provide bottled water during the event, but it is wise to bring your own preferred drinks and snacks to avoid bonking during the day in the warm, dry desert air.

Alcohol and any other substance which impairs the ability to drive safely <u>may not be used</u> until track driving ends at the conclusion of the day (when the track goes "cold"), whether or not you are done driving early, or if your substance is legal or illegal, over the counter or prescription. This includes use by your non-driving guests! We even recommend that you avoid or limit caffeinated beverages so you can be at your sharpest.

Drones (aerial cameras) are prohibited on the Spring Mountain property.

Spring Mountain Motor Resort and Club is an exclusive private club with an extensive racetrack located in Pahrump, Nevada. The track consists of 55 different configurations up to six miles in length – and they keep expanding! Audi Club is fortunate to rent this exceptional facility for our driving school. We are guests of their club, so please treat the members, facility, and personnel with respect – we'd like to be invited back again and again!

What do You Mean, There's More? Yes! We have *more* helpful documents which may be downloaded from our website at www.audiclubsocal.org/driving-school and from our Spring Mountain page at www.audiclubsocal.org/spring-mountain.

- This Welcome Letter.
- **Driving Directions** to Pahrump and the Track.
- A guide to Spring Mountain's new and improved **corner light system**.
- Passing Zone Map with Point-by instructions.
- The safety inspection form: **Tech Form**.
- Our First-Timer overview gives an idea of what to expect at an Audi Club Driving School. It
 includes a convenient performance driving glossary.
- **Detailed Driving School Requirements** has specifics on safety gear, helmets, belts, seats, and vehicles, convertibles, SUVs, tires, and much more.
- **Event Info** You can always review the Advertisement and Registration Requirements you saw when you initially registered. They are at MSReg.com/AudiSM23.

If you wish to have a copy at the track of any of the documents linked in this letter, please print and bring the pages of interest.

While we've tried to provide complete information, inevitably we will have omitted something, or you will need additional information. Please do not hesitate to contact the organizers:

Bill Vogel, Spring Mountain eventmaster@audiclubsocal.org (overall event organizer)
Alex Whitney, Chief Driving Instructor cdi@audiclubsocal.org (cars, driving, instruction)

We look forward to seeing you at the track.
We are going to have a Great Time!



Audi Club at Spring Mountain 2023 - PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

> SUBJECT TO ADJUSTMENT <

The Final Schedule, with detailed Driving Session and Classroom / Seminar times, will be provided at onsite Check-In.

Tuesday 3/28

7:00 PM	First Timer Zoom Meeting
7:00 PM	Instructor Zoom Meeting

Wednesday 3/29

7:00 PM	All Drivers Zoom Meeting

Thursday 3/30

4:30 – 7:00 RV and Trailer access allowed to the Charleston Peak (CP) paddock after 4:	:30 PM
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Friday 3/31

Experienced Driver Day – at the Spring Mountain Motor Resort

no later than 7:00	Gate Open – pay \$20 cash gate fee per person, get track's wristband
7:15	Check-in begins for Friday Drivers @ CP Classroom
7:35 - 7:55	Friday-Drivers Mandatory Safety Briefing @ CP Classroom, get Club's Friday wristband
8:00 - 9:00	Track Orientation Laps followed by Warm-up Sessions
9:00 - 12:00	Experienced Driver Lapping – open pit lane format
12:00 - 1:00	Track Cold. Lunch in CP center Garages
1:00 - 4:30	Experienced Driver Lapping – open pit lane format
4:30 -	Track goes "cold" for our Hayride-style track walk

Weekend Registration & Meet-and-Greet – in the Spring Mountain clubhouse

4:30 -	Hayride-style track walk – All drivers may participate
6:00 - 6:30	Check-in for Weekend Drivers in CP Classroom
6:00 - 8:00	Meet and Greet with food and no-host bar in CP Center Garages

Saturday 4/1

Weekend Driving School – at the Spring Mountain Motor Resort

no later than 7:00	Gate Open –pay the \$20 cash gate fee per person or show track's wristband.
7:10 - 7:20	Weekend and Saturday-only Driver late Check-In at CP Classroom (Friday's are all set)
7:20 - 7:50	All Drivers Mandatory Safety briefing and Group Photo at CP Classroom
~8:00 – 11:55	Track Orientation then Classroom for A-Group; Driving Sessions for everyone else
9:25 - 10:40	Driving Fundamentals Exercises - A group @ Lower Skid pad with Car and Helmets
11:30 - 1:30	Lunch at CP center Garages
12:45 - 5:00	Driving Sessions; Trackside Talks – see schedule

Optional Banquet Dinner – at the Spring Mountain clubhouse

5:00 - 6:15	Social Hour; then Banquet Dinner for full weekend drivers - others may buy tickets

Sunday 4/2

Weekend Driving School – at the Spring Mountain Motor Resort

no later than 7:00	Gate open –pay the \$20 cash gate fee per person or show track's wristband		
7:20 - 7:30	Sunday-only Driver Check-In at CP Classroom		
7:30 – 7:50 Mandatory Safety Briefing at CP Classroom			
~8:00 – 12:05	Driving Sessions; Trackside Talks – see schedule		
11:30 - 1:30	Lunch at CP center Garages		
12:55 – 5:00	Driving Sessions; Trackside Talks – see schedule		
F.00 6.00	Track goes "cold". Clean up and goodbyes!		
5:00 - 6:00	Leave the facility cleaner than we found it – the Audi Way!		
6:00	Track closes and must be vacated by our club		

ATTENDANCE IS MANDATORY AT SAFETY BRIEFINGS, CLASSROOMS, AND EXERCISES.

SPRING MOUNTAIN MEMBERS WILL DRIVE WITH US ALL DAY FRIDAY AND IN OUR X/Y INSTRUCTOR GROUPS ON THE WEEKEND. WE DO NOT GET THE OPPORTUNITY TO VET THEIR DRIVING EXPERIENCE OR SKILLS.

IF YOU WILL BE DRIVING IN THESE GROUPS, WE RECOMMEND YOU INSTALL A FIXED DASH CAM IN YOUR CAR.



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hicle Make & Model:		Year:	Color:		
ENGINE	Pre-event Inspection	Event Review	BRAKES & TIRES	Pre-event Inspection	Event Review
Coolant hoses in good			Brake calipers and hydraulic		
condition; no visible leaks			lines dry		
Drive belts tight, not frayed,			Brake Pads and rotors above		
and not slipping (no squeal)			wear limits		
Wiring secure, not frayed or			Wheels not cracked, bent or		
exposed, connections tight			out-of-round		
Steering and Brake fluid			Lug bolts checked and		
reservoirs clean and full			torqued to specification		
Battery secure, cables tight			Wheel bearings not loose		
Throttle travel free, throttle			Tires tread 2/32" min, with		
return action strong			acceptable wear pattern		
No leaks - fuel, oil, coolant			Brake pedal firm		
BODY & LIGHTS	•		SUSPENSION	•	
Brake lights and turn signals			Suspension tight, Mounts		
operational (L, R, F, R)			rust-free		
Headlights (high/low) and tail			Minimal steering wheel play		
ights operational			,		
Windshield and mirrors not			Shocks dry, bushings and tie		
cracked, clear and secure			rod ends tight		
Doors, hood and trunk lids,			CV joints & hubs not binding.		
sun/moon roof; all secure			Dust boots intact		
Wipers operate, blades good			Exhaust system secure		
Blinkers or Point-by functional			·		
INTERIOR .	•		MISC ITEMS	•	
Remove all loose items/floor			Helmet; Snell SA2015, SA2020		
mats, check under seats			or EA2016		
Glove box and trunk empty,			Tow hook installed if present		
Spare tire secure or removed			To the most most market		
Rollover protection passes			Cameras and other devices		
proom-stick test (convertibles)			securely mounted		
Equivalent functional			List modifications:		•
driver/passenger restraints and					
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