

Biographical Information Jerry Shultz

Mr. Shultz is one of several founding members of the USC 501(c)(3) non-profit Corporation known as the Emerald Empire Sports Park Development Foundation (EESPDF).

An auto racing fan since the early 1950's, his racing experience began in 1965, when he campaigned an Austin Healy Sprite Mk. II in SCCA Class racing under the auspices of the SCCSCC, the Southern California Council of Sports Car Clubs. His beloved hobby was put on hold, not so briefly, while raising a family of six usually delightful children. In 2008, racing again became a favorite pastime, and 2019 marked the tenth year of current participation in autocross with the Emerald Empire Sports Car Club (EESCC).

Professionally, Mr. Shultz enjoyed a 30-year career as a chemist and Laboratory manager for Dow Corning Corp., 3 years with the Columbia Metals silicon production facility in Wenatchee Washington as their QA Director, and an 11-year stint with the State of Oregon as the Dept. of Transportation's Safety Manager in Salem, Oregon.

Mr. Shultz's educational background includes undergraduate degrees in Biology and Chemistry and graduate degrees in Safety Engineering and Industrial Hygiene.

He lives in the Mohawk Valley on a small woodlot the family has owned since 1974, and is currently a member of "Bad Hippie Racing", a family autocross team consisting of himself, two daughters, Hope and Jamie, his wife Licia, and sons Abe and Jeff. Jerry raced a 2008 Porsche Cayman S for ten years, from 2009 to 2018. Current race vehicles include a 2013 Volkswagen GTI and a highly modified (and currently broken!) Nissan 240sx.

The club racing provided by the EESCC has proven to be a wonderful opportunity for the Shultz family and many hundreds of others to work and play together while encouraging members of our local community to learn safe vehicle control and keep speed contests off our streets and on a track. The difficulty in finding suitable locations for these and other civic activities is what has prompted the formation of the EESPDF and its search for a permanent location where we can continue to provide this outlet, as well as providing a site that police, fire, emergency service providers and educational institutions can use for training and other as yet unimagined purposes.