



Life Member – Don Taylor

If you had raced Mt. Ascutney anytime from the early 1980s until sometime after this writing in 2023 and had the misfortune of “going off” you were probably happy to have met Don Taylor. Don was most likely the one who operated the wrecker that pulled you out of the woods.

Don has been involved with cars all his life and has been in the racing game for nearly that long. Early on Don was in the SCCA doing Rallycross among other things. Somewhere in the early 1980's He got involved with the Sports Car Club of NH and the hillclimbs at Mt. Ascutney. Not only did Don enjoy the racing and the people, many of which he counts as good friends but, he filled the need for a good wrecker operator. His influence at the hill grew as he became the Chief of Tech and he filled this position not only at Ascutney but also at the Mount Washington Hillclimb. With his training in safety and with his hillclimb experience Don has helped bring many changes to hillclimb rules to benefit not only SCCNH but all of the New England Hillclimb Association events. While hillclimbs are Don's true love he has also been known to Chair or help with a rally or two. If Don's dedication to SCCNH is not obvious consider that he also served as the club's President.

As noted, the friendships that Don has found in the club have meant a great deal to him but in particular, he has great respect for Drew Young, also a life member. Don's favorite number to race under is “88” a number he got at his first Mt. Washington climb in 1990. This is a number that he still uses on his current, and favorite car, a 1990 Mitsubishi Eclipse GSX.

Don has been awarded Life Membership for his years of dedication to the club as President, at hillclimbs, and in other ways. Don Taylor enjoys the club and intends to keep helping in whatever way that he can for as long as he can.

