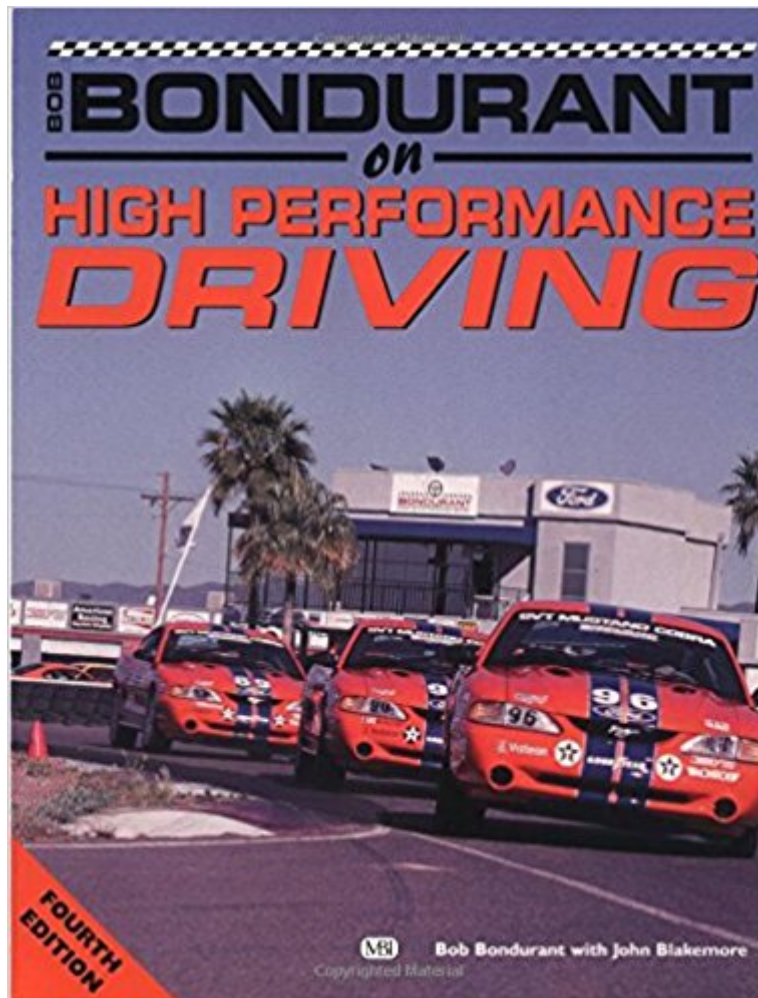




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Bob Bondurant On High Performance Driving



Synopsis

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Customer Reviews

BB makes it clear that smooth is fast. His driving discussion is in agreement with Carroll Smith's Drive to Win.

It has been a while since I read this book, but I disagree with those who only see it as a plug for Bondurant's racing school. This is a well-written explanation of vehicle dynamics, and contains a wealth of information that is useful in everyday driving. I have tried to apply what I learned from this book in various low-buck automotive sport competitions, and frankly I just don't have what it takes to excel in motorsports. I do appreciate, however, Bondurant's efforts to explain everything from seating position, to how to place your hand on the shift knob, to proper line through the corner to gain the fastest exit speed. I believe reading this book has been at least as much benefit to my every day driving skill as the mega-buck 3-day race car driving school I took a few years back.

Shameless advertising of Driving School and associated sponsors/products, nowhere near enough focus on the art of car control. The content taught me nothing I didn't already know, and even that was in poor detail. The few images that are used as examples to explain various controls and actions were extremely dated and unclear. While any 'current' images would have to be straight out of a brochure for said driving school. A lot of Red Herrings that have little, if any, relevance to topic being discussed. Merely self promotion. There are many other publications that explore and explain performance driving much more clearly and concisely.

Bob Bondurant on Bob Bondurant. A 90-page book in which Bob Bondurant spends the first 32 pages name-checking all the celebrities and famous people Bob Bondurant hangs out with, and all the cool cars Bob Bondurant owns. The next 58 pages are Bob Bondurant telling you again and again...and again, and yet again, that Bob Bondurant is going to teach you to be a better driver. Very little of this 90-page infomercial is wasted actually teaching you to be a better driver. Don't bother.

Good history and basic high performance driving instruction.

I bought this book because I wanted to learn more about high performance driving without the cost of going to a school, but roughly half of this book is just advertisement of Bob's driving school in Southern California. For example, on controlling skids, he talks very little about how to get out of a skid and then he begins on how you can learn more if you come to his driving school because the school has such and such equipments. There's even an entire chapter dedicated to how to graduate from his driving school. He also seems to be obsessed with his past glory, which he doesn't mind spending time to talk about. **DON'T WASTE YOUR MONEY ON THIS PIECE OF GARBAGE.**

You may have spent time on an autocross course or participated in open track events. Sooner or later you push it to the point where you spinout. Do you know why? You will after reading this book! It's the next best thing to spending time at Bob's driving school. I'd recommend both!

Great book to learn the basics of high performance driving without fluff. Also, the biography of Bob in the beginning was awesome. What an awesome guy.

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