

Geargrinders News

Saturday Road Rally Series

The second rally of the season took a trip to the green vistas of Clark County, Washington, on a pleasant spring day, traveling through the hills outside Camas, to Yacolt, Lucia Falls and finally, Battleground. Rallymasters Russ and Katy Kraushaar selected a great route with wonderful roads, great fun for the driver, with sweeping curves and great views for the navigator.

Most of the legs contained no traps, with the accent on timekeeping, and course following held to a minimum. But there were two. The first leg contained this instruction:

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The rules are pretty clear about not being able to go straight at a T. But, it's not an actual T; it's a road named T. Looks legit! Except that glossary terms (T) can only be used as defined so T cannot be a road named T. It was only a 5-point penalty though.

The final leg contained the namesake mouse trap. Russ and Katy found a neighborhood so new it only has roads and streetlights. So new, that Google maps shows it as a field. And on this small loop of roads they placed an ONTO, a route control and three checkpoints - two of which were blackjacks. If you correctly navigated the mouse trap, you found the route control only once and the correct checkpoint after having passed it on your first trip around the loop. The maximum time penalty for the last leg was 50 points.

Congratulations to the first place team of Kevin Poirier and Chris Hale! Candy bars were awarded to all participants to remind us that the taste of victory is always sweet.

CSCC May Road Rally Results

Mouse Trap

Saturday, May 5, 2018

Rallymasters: Russ and Katy Kraushaar

Car #	Driver / Navigator	Class	Leg 1	Leg 2	Leg 3	Leg 4	Leg 5	RC	Total
1	Kevin Poirier / Chris Hale	UNL	3	4	3	3	5	50	68
5	Larry Lefebvre / Brandon Harer	UNL	1	5	4	4	50	50	114
8	Pablo Eklund / Yulia Smolyansky	UNL	9	2	9	7	50	50	127
7	Sean Anderson / Tom Young	SOP	59	11	15	50	29	0	164
2	Roger Diltz / Simon Levear	MAS	21	44	23	30	50	0	168
9	Marcus Gattman / David Gattman	MAS	14	15	3	40	50	50	172
6	Larry Anson / Fran Hanchek	SOP	33	139	19	17	50	50	308
3	Matt Jaskowiak / Mike Glass	SOP	264	0	39	104	35	50	492
4	Larry McCortin / Christy Temple	NOV	300	8	90	151	50	50	649

Next up in the Saturday Rally Series is **June 9**. Geargrinders Chairs Monte and Victoria Saager are planning a scenic romp through the gorge, visiting favorite rally roads in Corbett and Larch Mountain area, including a tour of Crown Point, ending at Scooters in Sandy.

It's a Saager rally, so of course there are some traps. But they're all easy. And even if you get one wrong, you'll meet up with the on course cars soon. Everyone finishes! Brush up on the RRRs, and you'll do fine.

Registration opens on June 9 at 9 a.m. at Lowe's in Milwaukie, with first car out at 10 a.m. Expect to finish in about three and a half hours. Just \$20 per car for members.

Come drive with us. The route is out there...

Mountains to the Sea

Preparation continues for the 53rd anniversary of Cascade's classic [Mountains to the Sea](#) road rally **August 4-5**. This year's rally starts in northwest Portland, parties on the beach in Seaside Saturday evening, then finishes back in the metro area Sunday afternoon. \$85 per car for members covers entry in the two-day road rally and dinner for driver and navigator at the fabulous beach party. \$10 each for additional diners. Pre-registration is open and a block of rooms is available at the Ebb-Tide. Book early!

Help wanted! The Mountains to the Sea rally needs checkpoint crews on Saturday, August 4, and on Sunday, August 5. Crews will travel to control locations and time rally cars as they pass. Two people are needed for each crew, one to operate a rally clock to time cars and one to record the car number and passage time. Dinner Saturday night is on Geargrinders. [Let us know](#) if you can help.

We hope to see more Cascade members at this season's road rallies. If you are new to road rally or just want to brush up before the rally season, start by reviewing Cascade's [Road Rally Rules](#). Check out the Cascade Geargrinders [Novice Guide](#) for time-speed-distance road rally tips.

And if you are looking for a driver or co-driver to run Cascade road rallies with, [contact us](#) and we'll get you matched up.



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