Geargrinders News

Saturday Road Rally Series

The sun shone. It rained. It hailed. Then it rained and hailed harder. And on occasion the sun shone again. We should have expected weather like this...on the day of the Rose Festival parade.

Along with the weather, the ralliers battled the course from Troutdale to Sandy. A tour along the Historic Columbia River Highway included a break for treats and sodas at Guy W. Talbot State Park in beautiful downtown Latourel. There were scenic views, waterfalls, twisty roads, Crown Point and lots of fun driving.

Rally traps were plentiful -- this was a SaagerPalooza after all. Here's an example of a simple but deceptive trap:

NOTE C: CAST 30 at "SHIPLEY". Cancel NOTE C. Cancel NOTE A.

The trick is that when you execute the CAST at Shipley, NOTE A is not canceled. Why? Well, canceling NOTE C cancels all of the NOTE including the part that would have canceled NOTE A. And since there was a 15 point pause attached to NOTE A, some teams missed a pause. It's all about the time.

Taking top honors were Cascade members Kevin Poirier and Chris Hale. A special wave of the flag to car number 2, Larry Anson and Fran Hanchek, for having the best score on Leg 4 which hosted the "toughest trap" of the day. The leg involved four possible routes -- all ended in the same place, but only one was correct. Well done, gents!

Honorable mention to novice teams -- Marty Lawrence and Aspen Padilla and Cascade president Vince Vavrosky with his daughter Clarissa -- who chose the hardest rally of the season to give it a try. They did their best to follow the route and arrived at the most important location -- the restaurant at the end! Congratulations on your first rally. Keep it up; it only gets easier and more fun.

A special thanks to our workers: Larry LeFebvre, Randy and Gloria Hale, John and Robby Elkin, and Kasey and Robert Klaus. There's no rally without you.



CSCC June Road Rally Results

Mouse Trap

Saturday, June 9, 2018

Rallymasters: Monte and Victoria Saager

Car#	Driver / Navigator	Class	Leg 1	Leg 2	Leg 3	Leg 4	Leg 5	Leg 6	RC	Total
1	Kevin Poirier / Chris Hale	UNL	3	1	14	47	1	1	0	66
4	Larry LeFebvre / Brandon Harer	LIM	46	9	1	126	8	10	0	200
2	Larry Anson / Fran Hanchek	SOP	53	39	66	37	92	40	50	377
6	Sean Anderson / Tonia Anderson	SOP	51	7	20	115	6	143	50	392
3	Pablo Eklund / Yulia Smolyensky	UNL	300	22	11	253	15	38	0	639
5	Marty Lawrence / Aspen Padilla	NOV	300	300	300	300	58	300	50	1608
7	Vince Vavrosky / Clarissa Vavrosky	NOV	300	300	300	300	118	300	50	1668

Saturday Rally Series standings are online: http://www.cascadegeargrinders.org/results.html

Next up in the Saturday Series is July 7 by rallymaster and Geargrinders Chair Emeritus Brandon Harer. "Christmas in July" runs on great rally roads in the Estacada area, and includes a short break at the Eagle Creek Fish Hatchery. Registration opens on July 7 at 9 a.m. at Lowe's in Milwaukie, with first car out at 10 a.m. Just \$20 per car for members.

Mountains to the Sea

Mountains to the Sea is quickly approaching – August 4-5. This two-day event is a tour-style rally, with official mileage on every route instruction (no route-following tricks or traps). Both days include some gravel. Saturday starts in Portland and ends in Seaside, with a beach party and BBQ dinner. Bring a piece of firewood for the beach fire. Sunday's route travels back from Seaside, ending in Scappoose Sunday afternoon. Sure to be a great weekend.

Entry is just \$85 per car for members which covers entry in the two-day road rally and Saturday 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. Sign up soon.

