Geargrinders News

Saturday Road Rally Series

Rallymaster Simon Levear delivered a great season opener with the April 13 Saturday Road Rally. The course offered beautiful scenery and fun-to-drive roads, including a lap around Hagg Lake, ending in Cornelius. Although the route was easy to follow, the TRAP TRANSIT section was tricky. Six route instructions offered two optional actions: A or B. One was

correct (zero points) and one wasn't (50 points).

First overall was the Unlimited team of Rebecca Ruston and Russ Kraushaar. Second in Unlimited and second overall was the team of Paul Eklund and Brandon Harer. Larry Anson and Fran Hanchek finished third overall and first place in the SOP class. Eric Olbricht and Alexander Olbricht took first place Novice.

CSCC April Road Rally Results

Mr. D Loves Company

Saturday, April 13, 2019



Did I mention the TRAP TRANSIT was tricky? NRI 50 made the difference between the top two teams. At a four-way intersection, the road straight ahead had a back-facing stop sign, the road to the right had a back-facing stop sign, and the road to the left did not have a back-facing stop sign. MRD 3.3 PROTECTION directs you to take the "single road which leaves the intersection without a back-facing stop or yield sign on it". If you went left you correctly executed part B of the instruction for zero penalty points.

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Most teams tripped on NRI 53, also a main road trap. You are on an unpaved road, when you encounter an intersection with three apparent choices: straight ahead is paved, the road on the right is marked "dead end" (not a rally road), and the road on the left is unpaved. MRD 3.4 SURFACE says, "The main road is the obvious continuation beyond an intersection of the road with the same type of surface as that which you approached the intersection on." If you went



left to stay on the unpaved surface you correctly executed part B of the instruction for zero penalty points.

Next up in the Saturday Series is May 11 by rallymaster Kevin Poirier. In honor of Mother's Day weekend, the working title is "Mother of a Rally." That should tell us something. The all-paved route tours roads less traveled in the north Clark County area, ending in Woodland.

Registration opens at 9 am in the northeast corner of Lowe's parking lot, 13631 SE Johnson Rd, Milwaukie, OR 97222. \$20 per car for CSCC members, \$30 per car for non-members.

August 10 Mountains to the Sea

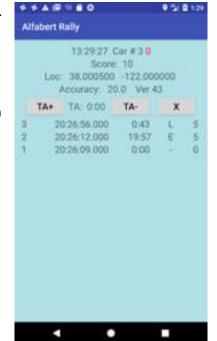
The Mountains to the Sea Rally has an ending location! The rally will end at South Beach Park near Newport. Development of the route is nearly complete. This beginner-level tour-style event includes TSD regularity sections with GPS-timed passage controls, time of day restarts, and a Monte Carlo finale.

For the Monte Carlo section, a start time/location and end time/location are provided. Route instructions dictate the route, but no speeds are given. Just arrive at the specified final checkpoint at the specified time to zero the leg.

We're excited about using the new GPS checkpoint app. We've been in contact with last year's Mountains to the Sea winner, Jim Crittenden, who's using the app for SCCA Milwaukee rallies. It was used for their Spring Scamper Road Rally on April 7. Based on contestant evaluations (35 cars), the GPS Checkpoint app was a huge success. Contestants especially enjoyed the immediate leg score feedback that the app provides. and how quickly scores were posted. Jim plans to use the app to time and score the Roads Scamper on June 9. https://scca-milwaukee.org/event/4303/

The app offers some advantages over traditional timing and scoring for both contestants and organizers. Contestants get nearly immediate feedback. Once you pass a checkpoint, the app calculates your score for that leg and displays it to you. For rally organizers, manned checkpoints are not needed. The event is scored and results are available almost as soon as the last team crosses the finish line. A GPS-timed rally can contain many more checkpoints. For example, Spring Scamper was a three-hour 90-mile road rally with 44 checkpoints.

Have I mentioned we're excited about GPS rally apps?





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#CSCC Road Rally

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2019 TSD Road Rally Schedule

Rally School

March 9 – Novice or Nervous – Classroom review of Cascade Geargrinders' time-speed-distance road rally rules and procedures, followed by a presentation on how to rally like a pro using a smart phone GPS app. North Plains Senior Center, 31450 NW Commercial Street, North Plains, OR 97133. Class starts at 9 a.m., ends by noon. \$10 per person for CSCC members, \$15 for non-members.

Saturday Road Rally Series

10 am

April 13 Registration: 9 am

May 11 Drivers meeting: 9:45 am

First car out:

June 8

July 13

September 14

\$20 per car for CSCC members (\$30 for non-members)



Start location

Northeast corner of Lowe's parking lot, 13631 SE Johnson Rd, Milwaukie, OR 97222

Save with a Series Pass

\$80 for 5-event Series Pass. Register once for the entire Saturday Rally Series. Keep the same car number all season. Available to members only. CSCC membership available at every rally.

2019 Saturday Rally Series Championship

Best 4 of 5 Saturday Rally finishes count toward the 2019 Saturday Rally Series Championship.

Special Events

August 10 – Mountains to the Sea – Full-day road rally from Portland to the Pacific on northwestern Oregon's finest back roads. Includes famous beach party. Beginner level time-speed-distance road rally.

October 26 – Ghouls Gambol – A Cascade tradition, this Halloween road rally explores the autumn colors around Portland's foothills and farmland. Caution: May include frights.



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