

# Geargrinders News

## Mountains to the Sea

The 2019 Mountains to the Sea Rally (M2C) was an amazing day of road rally that started in Tualatin and ended with a BBQ dinner on the beach in Newport. It was a beautiful drive, showcasing the best of Oregon's Willamette Valley and Coast Range scenery. The route highlighted a crossing of the Willamette River on the Buena Vista Ferry.

M2C introduced a new, state-of-the-art method of timing and scoring road rallies. Each rally team brought a smartphone or other smart device running the "Competitor - Richta GPS Checkpoints" app. The Richta app monitored the team's location using GPS and knew when they passed each checkpoint. The app recorded the team's time of arrival, computed their score, made a ringy-dingy sound, and displayed this information a few moments after they passed each checkpoint.

The app offered advantages for both contestants and organizers. Contestants got nearly immediate feedback throughout the event. For rally organizers, the checkpoints were unmanned; no checkpoint signs, clocks, logs, or worker crews. Also a GPS-timed rally can contain many more checkpoints; 2019 M2C was 180 miles long and had 28 timed legs. Team scores were available for download throughout the event; scores through lunch were on display during the ferry crossing transit. Final results were produced soon after the last car finished. We plan to use the Richta app for timing and scoring future Cascade Sports Car Club road rallies.

After last year's Mountains to the Sea Rally, we asked contestants for feedback. When asked about last year's two-day format, Karen Levear shared, "I really missed applauding the winner on the beach and watching the 'trophy dance' by the light of the fire." To honor her support of Cascade's road rally program and her affection for this event specifically, the 2019 Mountains to the Sea Rally was dedicated to Karen. The overall winning team accepted the trophy by performing the Karen Levear Memorial Mountains to the Sea Trophy Dance. We hope this becomes an enduring tradition.

Congratulations to first Unlimited and overall winners Charles Aggenbach and Michael Daily. Russ and Kate Sherrell finished first SOP. Eric and Katie Olbricht took first Novice. Congratulations to all twenty-three teams who ran this year's Mountains to the Sea Rally.

Thank you to Bob Morseburg and Cheri Eddy for prechecking the rally. Thank you to Bill and Kelly Ferber for the wonderful BBQ dinner on the beach. Thank you to Paul Eklund for building and tending the beach fire.



*Winners Michael Daily (left) and Charles Aggenbach discuss how to perform their trophy dance.*

## Saturday Road Rally Series



Next up in the Saturday Series is Sept. 14 by rallymaster Brandon Harer. We haven't seen his course yet, but he tells us we'll be in the Estacada area. Brandon's rallies are not to be missed, so put this one on your calendar.

Registration opens at 9 am on Sept. 14 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.

As the final event in the 2019 Saturday Road Rally Series, the September rally will decide who the Series Champions are. Series trophies will be awarded at the Ghouls Gambol Rally on Oct. 26. [http://www.cascadegeargrinders.org/files/CSCC\\_2019\\_Rally\\_Season\\_Results.pdf](http://www.cascadegeargrinders.org/files/CSCC_2019_Rally_Season_Results.pdf)



# Cascade Sports Car Club's Mountains to the Sea Rally



August 10, 2019

Rallymasters: Monte and Victoria Saager

Car #	Team	Car	Class	Total
2	Charles Aggenbach / Michael Daily	2017 Ford Focus ST	UNL	22
24	Zack Pharis / Brandon Harer	2013 Dodge Dart Rallye	UNL	42
16	Francesca Carozza / R.Dale Kraushaar	2012 Ford Focus	UNL	58
4	Paul Eklund / Yulia Smolyansky	2017 Subaru BRZ	UNL	86
17	Russ Sherrell / Kate Sherrell	2016 Land Rover LR-4	SOP	161
12	Marty Lawrence / Mike Nagle	2012 Subaru STi	SOP	166
15	Blake Harer / Jeremy Greene	2019 Ford Escape	SOP	169
3	Marcus Gattman / Kerrie Steffenson	2018 Subaru WRX	SOP	180
23	John Johnson / Maria Menor	2013 Porsche Panamera GTS	SOP	202
11	Jeffrey B Zurschmeide / Austen Angell	2000 Subaru Impreza	SOP	239
25	Fran Hanchek / Bridget Hanchek	2008 Toyota Yaris	SOP	254
13	David Gattman / JoAnn Gattman	1965 Ford Mustang	SOP	263
19	Larry Anson / Annette Anson	2001 Toyota Camry	SOP	375
5	Torm Kelsey-Green / Kasey Klaus	2015 Dodge Dart	SOP	392
10	Greg Fazio / Malia Fazio	1973 BMW 2002tii	SOP	523
8	Eric Olbricht / Katie Olbricht	2018 Subaru Forester	NOV	287
7	Betsy Blackie / Michael McCauley	2001 Subaru Legacy GT Limited	NOV	350
18	Fred Joyner / Sherry Joyner	2019 Mercedes GLC300	NOV	379
22	Jo Su / Valerie Frank	Porsche	NOV	467
21	Jeffrey Snow / Billie Heaton	1999 Mazda Miata MX-5	NOV	523
6	Andy Lilienthal / Mercedes Lilienthal	1991 Mitsubishi Pajero	NOV	544
20	Maryann Wilson / Scott Wilson	2012 Hyundai Elantra	NOV	623
14	Bradley Bergstrom / Harmen Stiff	2007 Rav4 Sport	NOV	685

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## 53<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of Cascade Sports Car Club's Resurrected Halloween Tradition

# GHOULS GAMBOL

## Road Rally October 26, 2019



**Start location:**

Northeast corner of Lowe's parking lot,  
[13631 SE Johnson Rd, Milwaukie, OR 97222](https://www.google.com/maps/place/13631+SE+Johnson+Rd,+Milwaukie,+OR+97222)

**Schedule:**

Registration: 9 am  
Participant meeting: 9:45 am  
First car out: 10:01 am  
First car arrives at finish (approx.): 2 pm  
Results announced, prizes awarded

**Entry fee:**

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

For over 50 years ghosts, goblins, spooks, spirits, the dead, the undead, and even the mostly dead have haunted the Ghoul's Gambol road rally. In years past, rally teams had to navigate through cemeteries to find hidden clues, reach into a screaming victim's chest, or worse.

Ghoul's Gambol includes both tricks and treats. [CSCC Road Rally Rules](#) apply. And yes, the rally is suitable for and survivable by beginners, er, victims.

Prizes for first through third in the following classes: Unlimited, GPS, SOP and Nervous. Also prizes for best costumes and best decorated vehicles.



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 #CSCC Road Rally



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## NASTE Goes to the Races

Cascade Sports Car Club Geargrinders Chairs Monte and Victoria Saager also maintain membership in the Northwest Association of Slot Track Enthusiasts (NASTE). For this year's Dash for Kids, Monte and Victoria set up a digital slot car track. It was a hit!

There was constant action on the track as children of all ages gave it a try. Smiles were abundant. You could even hear 10-year-olds talking smack. A favorite were the two that kept telling each other they were the fastest as they kept crashing out of the slot on every corner. It was quite the scene.

NASTE members Jeff Fields and Rico Locati came out to help corner marshal which was greatly appreciated. With four cars circling the track, changing lanes, crashing into each other, it was hectic. It was mayhem. But the kids were having fun and that was what really mattered. We even had Star Wars characters stop by. No word on where they left their Death Star.

