

Geargrinders News

July 2023



July 22 Saturday Series Rally

The next rally in Cascade Geargrinders Saturday Road Rally Series is July 22. Rallymasters Marcus and Kerrie Gattman will take us from Milwaukie Lowe's, east through Sandy and into the Columbia River Gorge area, to eventually end in Gresham.



The July rally is the fifth of six in the Series. Teams who run three or more of the six rallies are eligible for [Series Awards](#).

The Saturday Series offers beginner-friendly time-speed-distance road rallies, starting and ending in the Portland area. Each rally begins at 10 a.m. on a Saturday morning and lasts from three to four hours. A mid-rally break at a scenic or interesting location is usually included.

Entry requires a street-legal vehicle, licensed and insured driver, navigator, and a smart device (cell phone or tablet) running the Competitor Richta GPS Checkpoints app (app is free).

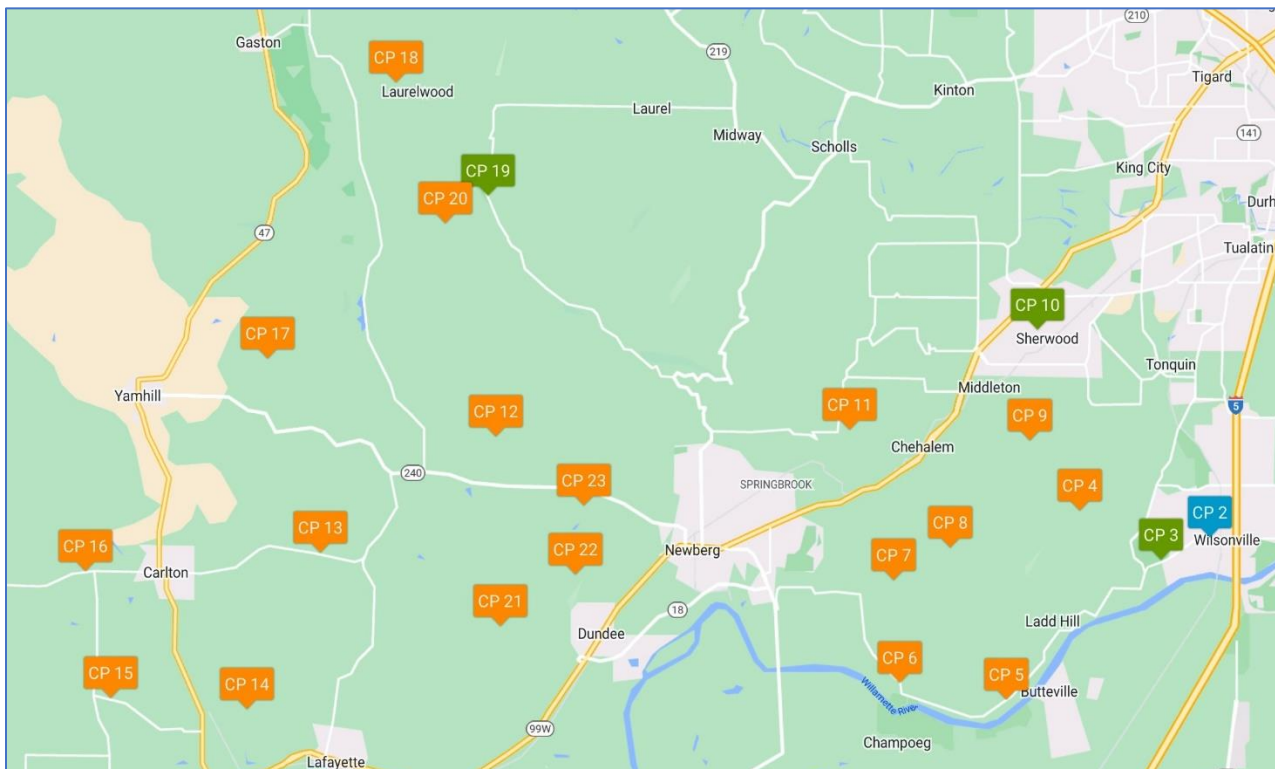
Entry fee is \$20 per car for CSCC members, \$30 per car for non-members.

Registration is open through midnight **July 19**: <http://msreg.com/CSCCJuly23>

June 10 Saturday Series Rally

About the rally

The June rally was a bit over 100 miles from the start in Milwaukie to the ending location in Newberg, and it took just under 4 hours to complete the course, including a couple of scenic breaks. This event was lightly trapped, meaning it included a couple of simple navigational challenges.



Rally challenges

Route Instruction 16 directed you ONTO Ladd Hill Road. ONTO is a Main Road Determinant. When directed ONTO a road, you stay on that road (by name) until you execute a deviation in a subsequent route instruction. The next two instructions were speed changes and did not contain deviations. Then Route Instruction 19 offered a deviation, however, the instruction contained the term ITIS – if there is such. An instruction containing ITIS can be executed only if it can be completed before the next route instruction; if not, then you skip it. At the first intersection where it looks like you could do it, the deviation (right in this case) goes the same direction as Ladd Hill Road. You cannot execute a deviation that takes you in the same direction as the main road. So you stay ONTO Ladd Hill Road and continue looking for an opportunity to execute NRI 19. However, NRI 20 comes up next, so you skip the NRI 19 ITIS instruction and its 15-second penalty pause.

NRI 36 set up a similar ONTO situation, directing you ONTO Bell Road, then offering an ITIS instruction that follows the ONTO. Again the correct action is to stay ONTO Bell Road and skip the ITIS instruction and its 15-second penalty.

The only other planned challenge was a note which directed you to reduce your current speed by 2 mph each time you saw a horse and rider sign. Although the note was in effect for over an hour of rally time, it occurred only once, just five minutes after it was introduced. The sign



reappeared later in the rally course, but by then it had been cancelled.

There were two instructions where we saw a couple of teams unexpectedly go wandering. The first was at NRI 15 which directed you to



Bell Road at Grahams Ferry Road

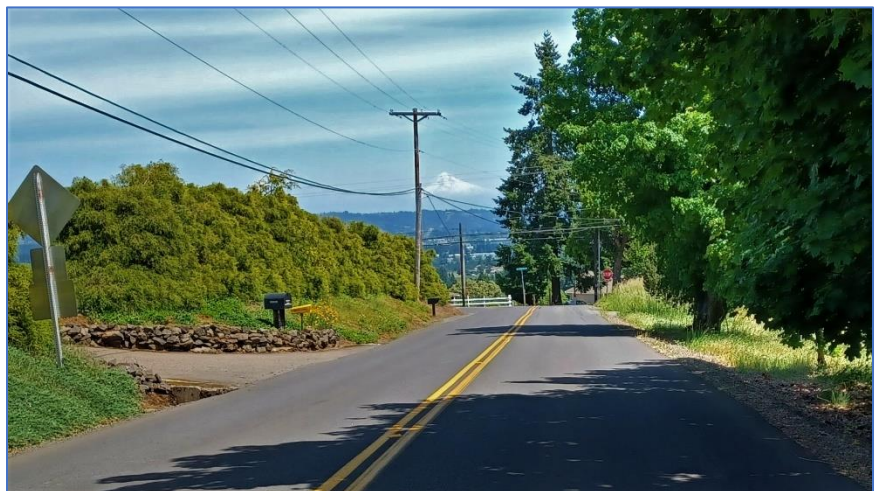
go straight at a sign reading stop which parenthetically mentioned Grahams Ferry. Grahams Ferry is the crossroad at this all-way stop intersection of Bell Road and Grahams Ferry. A couple of teams went right (the right-most straight) on Grahams Ferry instead of staying on course by going straight to stay on Bell Road.

The other was at NRI 24 where at least two teams missed a left on Parrett Mountain Road. It was a little hard to see, but it had official mileage to mark its location. Just a smidge past this intersection was a sign identifying Parrett Mountain Road as a side road on the right, so folks who missed the prior left may have assumed this road on the left was Parrett Mountain. Off they went.

Most teams stayed on the intended route, but those few who wandered were quickly retrieved and put back on course by the ever vigilant rally officials.

What the rallymasters said

By Cody and Sabrina Garvin



Mt. Hood from Parrett Mountain Road approaching Ladd Hill Road

It was very exciting to put on our very first rally. It was a great learning experience to see firsthand how much work goes into creating a single rally. There is definitely lots to think about while creating one.

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We wanted to share a lot of the beautiful roads in Yamhill County that we grew up on. Near the Anne Amie Winery sign referenced in NRI 50 is where Cody grew up.



Anne Amie Winery

We chose the name *Double Down* because a lot of the same road names reappeared. At the wrap up Zoom meeting, someone thought the name was *Double Down* because of the note instruction reducing CAST by 2 mph, which is also a great observation.

Watching all the rally contestants on the rallymaster map was super fun. There were two Fairview Drives towards the end of the rally. We thought for sure more people would turn too early, which is what we did during a pre-drive. It was also interesting to see where rally contestants created their own traps and

went off course where we weren't even anticipating that would happen.

We are so thrilled to hear that the rally was well received and enjoyed by all. All in all, it was a very fun experience mixed in with lots of hard work. We would like to give a special thanks to Monte and Victoria for helping us make the rally a polished experience with checkpoints and mileage references and all the computer stuff that goes into it. Thank you for all that you do each and every rally!

We look forward to possibly creating a rally next year. Until then, keep calm and rally on!

What rallyists said

From Car # 12 Navigator Kathy Sacry

Here is our June rally story:

We started fine, but in the third NRI we took off in the wrong direction. Two phone calls later with the rally masters and Victoria, Monte suggested we start over. 10:30 TA entered and we managed a 4 on the first checkpoint.

Still things were not smooth, but we were doing okay. We had a "0" and another after the first transit. Maybe we were too cocky at that point because our downfall was imminent. Going 35 in a 45 zone with a tailgater threw us for a loop. We missed a sign and didn't change to CAST 53 in time, checkpoint 40 late!

By this time, we were singing "Que sera sera" - (old Doris Day song) which became our motto for this rally. We were at peace with whatever outcome may come.

We guessed wrong at a pause, another 27. Took a wrong side road, turned around, and timed it but again a wrong TA, 54! Oh well, just sing Que sera sera.

All in all, we are happy with our 4th place.



*Car # 4 queued up to start first leg
-- the first time ("We'll be back")*

I liked the rally a lot!!! I look forward to more events from Cody and Sabrina.

We had a blast and thank Cody and Sabrina for the fun rally and beautiful scenery.

Thank you for all you do.

From Car #1 Navigator JoAnn Gattman

What a run. We lost a fire truck, then another fire truck. Passed a farmer going too slow, went too fast, missed a sign! Yikes! To do well, we will take it. Remind me not to need help in the Bell Road area! Had a nice drive and we are feeling pleased we won. Who knew that was possible with those time decs?

Dave likes to keep us around 3s if we don't get zeros, so our couple of teen scores he was fretting. I'm only competitive with him so it really frosts his



Car #1 Driver David Gattman

cake that I don't get upset when we get bigger scores. Like I said, I just like driving aimlessly around with the old man. It was a nice event and we got to see so many wineries, at least the entrances.

Had a nice chat with one of our novice couples. She was cute, figured if she has less points next month and doesn't actually pull off the road to take those pauses they will be winners next month. Dave gave them some pointers so hopefully they will be back. Nice to see how excited they get for finishing. Very cute to see the father/son team novices too. They had a good time and checked in at pizza to make sure he didn't need to do anything. Reminded me of when Dave started running with Marcus.

Anyway, wrote a book to say thanks for the good event. Garvins did well. Thanks for all the typing, writing and driving Victoria and Monte do to keep the club moving.

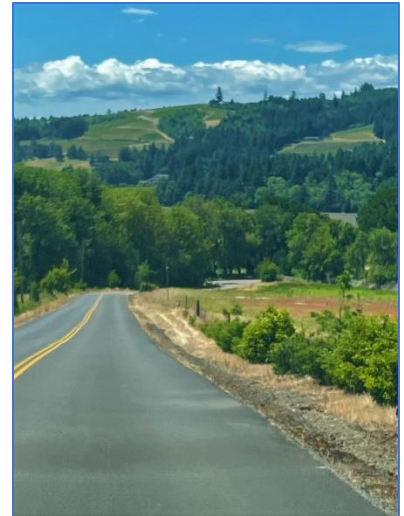


Photo courtesy JoAnn Gattman

Congratulate the top finishers!

First overall and first in the SOP class is the team of **David and JoAnn Gattman** in Car #1 with a score of 103 over 18 scored legs. Second overall and second in the SOP class is the team of **Russ and Kate Sherrell** in Car #2 with a score of 133. Third overall and third in the SOP class is the team of **Torm Kelsey-Green and Kasey Klaus** with a score of 165.

Finishing first in the Equipped category is the team of **Robert Paxman and Chris Lane** in Car #8.

Both entries in the Novice class, both first-time rally teams, found all the checkpoints and finished the rally. In first place in the Novice class is the team of **Joel Bristol and Aksel Bristol** in Car #16. Finishing second place Novice is the team of **Michael and Cheryl Knight** in Car #14.

The top three teams in each class receive a car wash coupon and coffee card. But it's really about the fame and glory.

Congratulations to all!

"Invite a friend" discount offer extended to July rally!

We are looking for ways to invite new folks to join us. You can help by sharing our event announcements and by inviting a friend.

If you are a current Cascade rally participant (ran rallies this season and/or last), invite a friend, let us know you invited them, and we'll give them a \$10 discount when you both register for the July rally.

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Road rally is a fun way to enjoy driving your car. Play the game that takes you places. Affordable fun for a carful.

Cascade Sports Car Club's

Saturday Rally Series

Double Down

June 10, 2023

Rallymasters: Cody and Sabrina Garvin



Car #	Team	Class	Vehicle	Score
Equipped: (GPS and Unlimited)				
8	Robert Paxman / Chris Lane	GPS	2004 Nissan SpecV (Silver)	368
30	Robert Morseburg / Cheri Eddy	UNL	2007 Honda Civic (Bronze)	DNS
SOP: (stock)				
1	David Gattman / JoAnn Gattman	SOP	2021 Subaru Crosstrek (White)	103
2	Russ Sherrell / Kate Sherrell	SOP	2003 Porsche 911 (Black)	133
13	Torm Kelsey-Green / Kasey Klaus	SOP	2007 Dodge Caliber (Red)	165
12	Dave Sacry / Kathy Sacry	SOP	2023 Mazda CX-5 (Soul Red)	194
4	Bill Ferber / Kelly Ferber	SOP	2013 Fiat 500 Pop (Mental Green)	221
10	Andrew Brewer / Kat Iverson	SOP	2018 Cadillac ATS 3.6 AWD (satin steel)	233
7	Lee Nielsen / Chuck Winkler	SOP	2000 Audi TT (Silver)	248
3	Angelique Ortega / Kevin Ortega	SOP	2013 Hyundai Sonata (Grey)	DNS
5	Madelyn Tabor / Mark Tabor	SOP	2014 Subaru Crosstrek (Dark gray)	DNS
6	Cody Garvin / Sabrina Garvin	SOP	2017 Volkswagen Golf R (Black)	DNS
9	Brian Anderson / Jamie Anderson	SOP	2020 Mazda CX5 (Red)	DNS
20	John Johnson / Maria Menor	SOP	1985 Porsche 911Targa (Meteor Metallic)	DNS
Novice: (stock)				
16	Joel Bristol / Aksel Bristol	NOV	2017 Mazda Miata (Black)	386
14	Michael Knight / Cheryl Knight	NOV	2017 Volkswagen Golf R (white)	457
11	Hallie Edge / Joseph Edge	NOV	2002 Subaru Impreza WRX (Silver)	DNS

DNS = Did not start

[Saturday Series Points](#)

[June results with leg scores](#)

Enjoy a fun drive in the country. Play the game that takes you places.



CASCADE SPORTS CAR CLUB GEARGRINDERS

2023 Road Rally Schedule

Register: MotorsportReg.com

as of 11/22/22

Saturday Road Rally Series

February 18 – Rally School – Start the season with a virtual review of time-speed-distance road rally rules and procedures on Friday evening. Then run a practice road rally on Saturday morning to test your driving skills and navigational knowledge.

March 18

April 15

May 13

June 10

July 22

August 19

Saturday Series rallies are beginner friendly TSD road rallies, starting and ending in the Portland area. Rallies take three to four hours to complete. First car starts at 10:01 a.m.

Entry fee: \$20 per car for CSCC members, \$30 per car for non-members

Save with a Series Pass. \$120. Includes entry in Rally School and all 6 Saturday Series rallies. Register just once to enter all 7 events. Run the same car number with the same start time each rally. Available to CSCC members only. CSCC membership is [available online](#).



Special Events

September 9 – Mountains to the Sea – 58th anniversary of Cascade's classic rally. Full-day tour-style time-speed-distance road rally, offering a scenic route that is fun to drive, starting in Portland and ending at the Pacific Ocean (perhaps Newport). Entry fee: \$50 per car for CSCC members, \$75 per car for non-members

October 28 – Ghouls Gambol – This daytime rally explores autumn colors around Portland's foothills and farmland. Optional decorated car show. Caution: May include tricks and treats. Ends at Spirit of Halloweentown in St. Helens. Entry fee: \$20 per car for CSCC members, \$30 per car for non-members

Save more with a Season Ticket. \$180 for 9-event Season Ticket. Includes all benefits and events in the Series Pass, plus entry in Mountains to the Sea and Ghouls Gambol. Available to members only. CSCC membership is [available online](#).

November 18 – Oregon Trailblazer – This year we welcome the return of an occasional Cascade tradition – a tricky TSD rally that challenges your team's driving and navigational skills. Expect tricks and traps. (The last Oregon Trailblazer Rally was in 2006.) Entry fee: \$20 per car for CSCC members, \$30 per car for non-members

For all 2023 Cascade Geargrinders road rallies:

- Online registration is required: MotorsportReg.com.
- Entry requires a street-legal vehicle, a licensed insured driver, a navigator, and a smart device (e.g., cell phone or tablet) running the [Competitor Richta GPS Checkpoints app](#) (app is free).
- Rallies are conducted in accordance with the current [Road Rally Rules](#).
- Events will comply with the [Cascade Geargrinders Coronavirus Message](#).



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