

Geargrinders News

May 2024



May 25 Saturday Series Rally

The Cascade Geargrinders Saturday Rally Series offers beginner-friendly time-speed-distance road rallies, lasting three to four hours, starting and ending in the Portland area. The May 25 rally is the third of six in the Saturday Rally Series. Teams who run three or more of the six Saturday Series rallies are eligible for Series Awards.

Rallymasters Monte and Victoria Saager plan a fun romp amongst Washington County's fields of crimson clover that bloom in May.



The route provides spectacular views and beautiful scenery, in addition to fun-to-drive roads.

The rally is mostly tour-style with a few simple challenges to amuse your brain.

Schedule

May 24, Friday
Zoom Rally Q&A meeting 7 pm

May 25, Saturday
First team starts 10:01 am
First team finishes approx. 1:30 pm
Prizes awarded soon after last team finishes

Registration

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. The app is free.

Entry fee is \$25 per team for CSCC members, \$35 per team for non-members.

Register by **midnight May 22:**

<http://msreg.com/CSCC24MayRally>

April 20 Saturday Series Rally

Twenty-one teams entered Cascade Sports Car Club's second event in the 2024 Saturday Rally Series on April 20. The *No Foolin'* rally was a fun cruise across Willamette Valley farmland into the foothills of the Cascades ending in Estacada. The 100-mile course took a bit over three hours to complete, including a mid-rally break in Hubbard.

The odometer calibration started at Milwaukie Lowe's and ended at the historic Butteville Store. Extra time was provided for visiting the store for their famous ice cream, a coffee drink or a breakfast item.

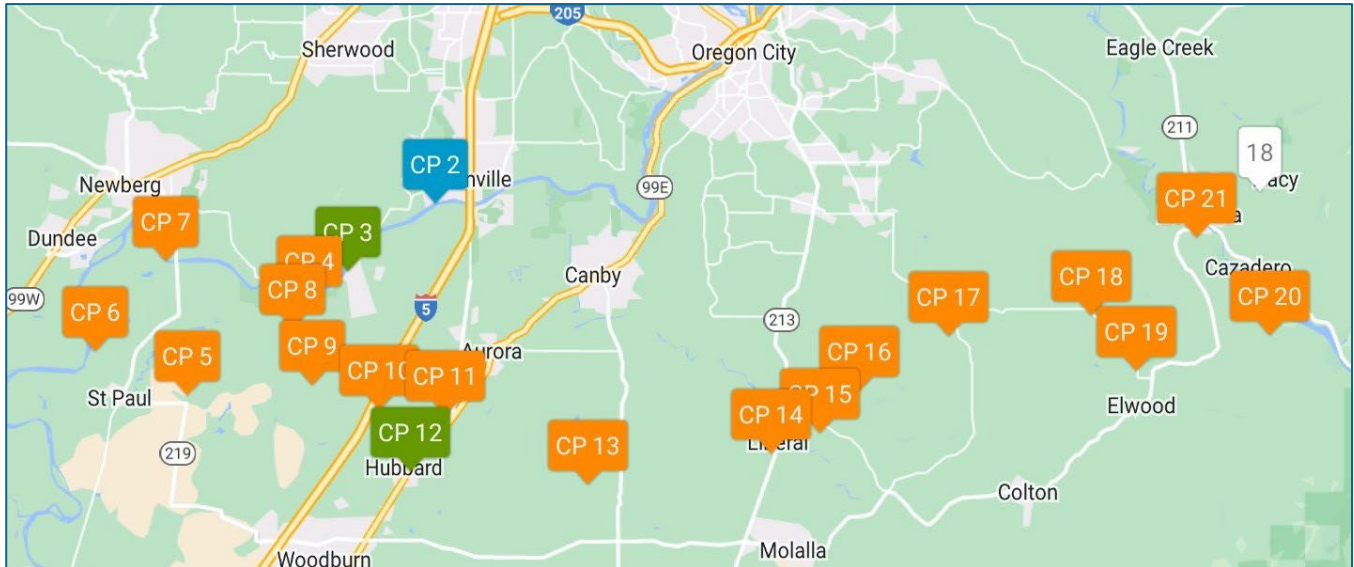
David Gattman, driver of Car #1, reported that he found out from his mom on the morning of the rally that his grandfather went to Butteville School. He appreciated the warm fuzzy feeling of visiting the store where his grandfather probably got his school supplies as a child around 1911.



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Rallymasters Monte and Victoria Saager planned to hand out snacks and bottles of water at the mid-rally break at the Rivenes Park in Hubbard. However, due to a miscalculation in the drive time from their home in Hillsboro to the park in Hubbard, instead of arriving before teams arrived at the park, they got there just as the first teams were leaving at the end of their break. Oops! Most of the teams were able to grab a bag of chips and a bottle of water before rushing off to the restart.

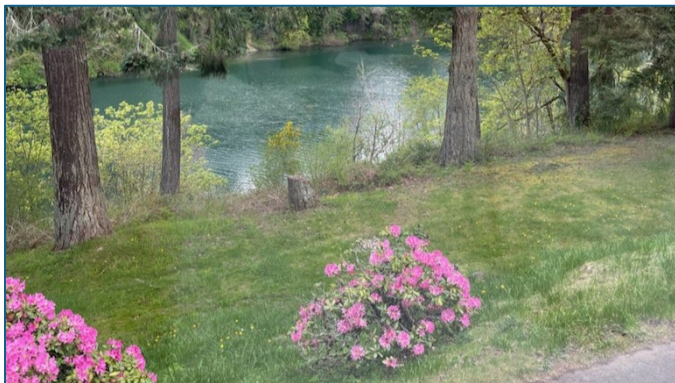
To add more consternation, a couple of teams were delayed by a train on their short drive to the restart, affording an appropriate use of a time allowance.



Orange=Checkpoint Green=Restart

Challenges

The April rally was mostly a tour-style rally, meaning there were just a few simple challenges (tricks and traps). The first challenge was an ITIS (if there is such) instruction directing a 15-second pause at a yield sign. On course teams recognized that although the road they were on made a sweeping curve to the left, there was a straight-off that led to the referenced yield sign at which they should correctly pause. Teams that missed the yield sign were just a bit early at Checkpoint 8.



Willamette River along Butteville Road

The next challenge was another ITIS instruction directing a 15-second pause at a STOP. The first opportunity was at a stop sign at a railroad crossing. However, since STOP is defined in the rally rules as an intersection controlled by a stop sign at which you must legally stop, and since there is no intersection at a railroad crossing, the instruction could not be done there. In fact there was no opportunity to execute that instruction prior to the next route instruction, so

the ITIS instruction should have been skipped. Teams that paused at the railroad crossing earned some penalty points on Checkpoint 10.

Soon after, a note was introduced directing a 15-second pause at each LAKE. In short succession, four sideroads were encountered, each with LAKE in their name. A fifth sideroad named LAKEVIEW didn't count, so teams that paused a total of one minute correctly executed the note. Teams that also paused at LAKEVIEW earned 15 penalty points on Checkpoint 11.

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The next challenge was a mileage trap. An instruction directed you to CAST 43 (average 43 mph) for 1.5 miles then CAST 37. The next instruction directed you to go right. Teams that did this correctly completed the 1.5 miles before going right. Teams that didn't wait the full 1.5 miles took the first right and earned penalty points on Checkpoint 14.



Rally cars parked at Butteville Store

The final challenge was a main road trap. You are looking for the first opportunity to go right. You come to a T intersection at which you could go either left or right. If you decide to use the right first opportunity at this T, then you'll use the next instruction which is to go right on a road named Skinner ITIS (if there is such) with a 30-second pause. However, if you happen to notice that the road to the left at that T has a back-facing stop sign but the road to the right does not, then you know the main road goes right by protection so you can't use the right first opportunity instruction at the T. You correctly follow the main road to the right and use the right first opportunity to go right on Skinner. Teams that used the Skinner ITIS instruction earned penalty points on Checkpoint 20.

Congratulate the winners

First overall and first in the Equipped Category was the team of **Bob Morseburg and Cheri Eddy** in Car #25 with a total of 16 points over 17 scored legs. They zeroed eight legs, and all their leg scores were single digit. Another outstanding run for this team.

Second overall and first in the SOP Class was the team of **Russ and Kate Sherrell** in Car #2 with a score of 127. They had twelve single digit scores and no leg score over half a minute. Excellent performance for this SOP team.

There was a tie for third overall and second SOP. With a total of 132 points, just 5 points out of second place, were the teams of **David and Joann Gattman** in Car #1 and **Alex Casteneda and Eric Hanson** in Car #4. Very impressive.

Finishing first in the Novice class was the first-timer team of **Bjorn and Duncan Roberts** in Car #19. Second Novice was **Sean Pitman and Grant Heizenrader** in Car #17. Third Novice was **Michael and Cheryl Knight** in Car #15.

Finishing second in the Equipped Category was the team of **Robert Paxman and Chris Lane** in Car #8.

Congratulations to all!

[Thank you to Andrew Brewer and JoAnn Gattman for photos used in this story.]



Christmas tree farm with view of Mount Hood near Estacada

Cascade Sports Car Club's
2024 Saturday Series Rally

No Foolin'

April 20, 2024

Rallymasters: Monte and Victoria Saager



Car #	Team	Class	Vehicle	Score
Equipped: (GPS and Unlimited)				
25	Bob Morseburg / Cheri Eddy	UNL	2007 Honda Civic (Bronze)	16
8	Robert Paxman / Chris Lane	GPS	2004 Nissan SpecV (Silver and black)	310
SOP: (stock)				
2	Russ Sherrell / Kate Sherrell	SOP	2003 Porsche 911 (Black)	127
1	David Gattman / JoAnn Gattman	SOP	2021 Subaru Crosstrek (White)	132
4	Alex Castaneda / Eric Hanson	SOP	2022 Chevrolet Bolt EUV (dark grey)	132
13	Torm Kelsey-Green / Kasey Klaus	SOP	2006 Dodge Magnum (Slate Green)	178
5	Dave Sacry / Kathleen Sacry	SOP	2024 Mazda CX-5 (White)	198
14	Joel Bristol / Susan Bristol	SOP	2021 Subaru Outback (Grey)	209
3	Bill Ferber / Monte Allen	SOP	2013 Fiat 500 Pop (Mental Green)	340
10	Andrew Brewer / Kat Iverson	SOP	2023 Porsche Macan GTS (Papaya)	350
7	Lee Nielsen / Chuck Winkler	SOP	2000 Audi TT (Silver)	DNS
Novice: (stock)				
19	Bjorn W Roberts / Duncan Roberts	NOV	2008 Volvo S60 (Dark Blue)	295
17	Sean Pitman / Grant Heizenrader	NOV	2011 Honda Fit (Blue)	305
15	Michael Knight / Cheryl Knight	NOV	2017 Volkswagen Golf R (White)	354
18	Angus Proud / Wendy Proud	NOV	2004 Toyota Prius (Blue)	443
12	Laith Colonica-Ladnier / Desiree Colonica	NOV	2023 Toyota Corolla SE (Black)	487
16	Greg Nation / Kayla Wanzer	NOV	2008 Honda CR-V (White)	638
6	Morey Straus / Mariska Straus	NOV	2023 Honda Civic Sport (Blue)	901
9	Barbara Jacobs / Jamie Anderson	NOV	2020 Ford Fusion (Red)	DNS
11	Bill Kayser / Bjorn Freeman-Benson	NOV	2022 Audi RS5 (Silver)	DNS
20	Jesus Castillo / Kevin Marasch	NOV	2023 Subaru WRX (Orange)	DNS

DNS = Did not start

[Series Points Standings](#)



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2024 CSCC April Rally - Leg Scores

Car #	Team	Class	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	Total
25	Bob Morseburg / Cheri Eddy	UNL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	1	1	1	0	4	1	2	2	16
2	Russ Sherrell / Kate Sherrell	SOP	2	1	5	4	17	8	4	8	4	24	4	2	15	4	11	13	1	127
1	David Gattman / JoAnn Gattman	SOP	6	5	4	0	20	6	2	59	9	1	2	1	11	0	2	2	2	132
4	Alex Castaneda / Eric Hanson	SOP	5	6	9	2	34	4	21	12	6	1	4	2	0	1	8	10	7	132
13	Torm Kelsey-Green / Kasey Klaus	SOP	3	16	9	0	10	2	10	21	16	25	13	3	17	0	12	8	13	178
5	Dave Sacry / Kathleen Sacry	SOP	2	0	8	10	12	12	3	20	2	60	5	0	6	1	16	19	22	198
14	Joel Bristol / Susan Bristol	SOP	2	1	20	5	8	4	14	60	10	2	0	14	12	13	18	16	10	209
19	Bjorn W Roberts / Duncan Roberts	NOV	21	23	7	6	13	13	13	34	3	60	36	3	1	3	15	33	11	295
17	Sean Pitman / Grant Heizenrader	NOV	2	16	60	1	23	12	2	55	22	5	18	2	0	8	8	12	59	305
8	Robert Paxman / Chris Lane	GPS	0	7	22	0	4	3	17	60	47	60	60	5	5	4	7	6	3	310
3	Bill Ferber / Monte Allen	SOP	4	37	60	25	8	4	6	0	5	26	60	4	2	48	7	28	16	340
10	Andrew Brewer / Kat Iverson	SOP	23	25	14	7	60	11	15	5	8	22	0	28	14	4	46	24	44	350
15	Michael Knight / Cheryl Knight	NOV	10	6	20	15	11	10	33	60	3	60	60	3	21	14	8	9	11	354
18	Angus Proud / Wendy Proud	NOV	7	23	0	3	2	8	13	22	21	60	60	40	47	23	45	32	37	443
12	Laith Colonica-Ladnier / Desiree Colon	NOV	18	13	23	60	2	2	30	40	27	60	60	2	15	20	9	60	46	487
16	Greg Nation / Kayla Wanzer	NOV	14	24	40	58	10	13	41	54	60	60	60	9	23	13	39	60	60	638
6	Morey Straus / Mariska Straus	NOV	60	23	60	34	52	25	60	60	47	60	60	60	60	60	60	60	60	901
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CASCADE SPORTS CAR CLUB GEARGRINDERS

2024 Road Rally Schedule

as of 12/14/23

Register: MotorsportReg.com

Cascade Sports Car Club's Road Rally program (aka Cascade Geargrinders) organizes time-speed-distance road rallies in and around Portland, Oregon.

What is a TSD road rally? A game that takes you places. A scenic drive on country roads. A fun autosport competition for teams of all levels.

Saturday Road Rally Series

February 17 – 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 23

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.

April 20

May 25

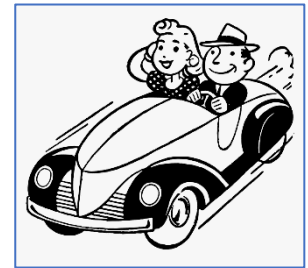
June 22

July 20

August 17

Entry fee: \$25 per car for CSCC members, \$35 per car for non-members

Save with a Series Pass. \$150. 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 21 – Mountains to the Sea – 59th 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 Gearhart). Entry fee: \$60 per car for CSCC members, \$85 per car for non-members

October 26 – 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: \$25 per car for CSCC members, \$35 per car for non-members

Save more with a Season Ticket. \$210 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](#).

For all 2024 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](#).



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