Geargrinders News

October 2025

October 25 Ghouls Gambol Rally

Cascade Sports Car Club's 59th anniversary of the Ghouls Gambol Rally is Saturday, October 25. The Ghouls Gambol Rally is a fun drive on scenic country roads, through autumn-colored countryside.



About the rally

Rallymasters David and JoAnn Gattman take Ghouls Gambol – titled the *Battle of Evermore* – north to Woodland to visit The Patch.

Pick pumpkins, go for a hayride, explore the corn field maze or try pumpkin bowling. Visit vendor booths and enjoy photo opps on the farm.

Expect treats and maybe a trick or two on this fun Halloween outing. Prizes for top rally finishers and best decorated cars.

Extra treats awarded for correct answers to optional questions along the route. For example, in what year was a certain cemetery established. Careful attention to detail will win this contest.

Start location End location

Northwest Portland Woodland, Washington

Event flyer:

www.cascadegeargrinders.org/files/2025GGFlyer.pdf

Registration

Register by **midnight October 22**: http://msreg.com/CSCCGG25

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

A team consists of 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).

Schedule

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

October 25, Saturday

Decorated cars at start: 9:30 am First team starts 10:01 am

First team finishes approx. 1:30 pm

Prizes awarded soon after all teams finish

For updates: https://www.cascadegeargrinders.org

Sept. 27 Saturday Series Rally

Fifteen teams entered Cascade's final of six events in the Saturday Rally Series held on Sept. 27. Rallymasters Kerry and Marcus Gattman titled this event *Fall of the Peacemakers* reflecting the rallymasters' musical tastes.

The rally started at Milwaukie Lowe's and ended in Ridgefield, Washington. The route was about 100 miles long and took about three and a half hours to complete, including a break in Hockinson.

The odometer calibration transit traveled north on Interstate 205, across the Columbia River, then east on Hwy 14 to Washougal, ending at the Washougal School District Administrative Offices.



The route continued east into Skamania County, following twisty roads through the forest, before heading west into Clark County, skirting the urban area. The scenery was beautiful and the roads fun to drive.

Challenges

The first challenge was a Supplemental Rule which added an automatic speed change at every speed control sign along the route, except during transits. These speed changes did not appear in the route instructions and

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were in addition to speed changes specified in the route instructions. For those who like to precalculate perfect time at each route instruction, this presented a challenge. The rally contained seven of these automatic speed changes. The automatic speed change specified an average speed of 2 mph less than the stated speed limit.



An instruction containing the term ITIS (if there is such) provided a subtle reminder that the main road usually goes left at a T intersection. A 15-second pause provided a penalty for those who forgot this rule.

A couple of instructions challenged you to make a speed change at precisely the correct location. For example, the instruction to change your average speed to 38 mph 2 miles API (after previous instruction) required that you take note of exactly where that previous instruction ended and then execute the 38 mph speed exactly 2 miles after that.



Another instruction directed that you change your speed to 28 mph at a sign reading 15 mph for 1.33 miles, then change your speed to 33 mph. This required that you precisely note the mileage of the 15 mph sign where you make the first speed change, and then exactly 1.33 miles after that change your speed to 33 mph.

A bit of trickiness involved that 1.33 miles. During that distance, you could not execute the succeeding route instruction. So of course an opportunity to do

just that was offered up in an instruction containing the term OR. If you didn't wait for the 1.33 miles to expire, you did the first half of the OR instruction. Folks who correctly stayed on course waited until after 1.33 miles before executing the second half. The two routes rejoined just before the next checkpoint.

Two transits required you to keep track of when you started the transit and then accurately end the transit at precisely the correct time. The first was a 22-minute transit on a 3.2-mile gravel road. The posted "recommended" speed was 10 mph. The second was a 25-minute 1.25-mile transit through Hockinson, offering plenty of time to stop at the market or the gas station/convenience store. The challenge with these long transits is keeping track of your time and making sure you end the transit and begin the next timed section on time.

Although no challenge was intended, apparently Clark County's roundabouts created some confusion. Although our practice has been to use instructions like R third OPP to exit roundabout on 32ND, sometimes an OPP is not an OPP, for example when it is a dead end or does not have an identifying road name sign. Oops!

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Congratulate the top finishers

First overall and first in the Equipped Category –

Bob Morseburg and Cheri Eddy

Second overall and second in the Equipped Category –

Robert Paxman and Kathy Sacry

Third overall and first in the SOP Class – **Alexander Castaneda and Eric Hanson**

Fourth overall and second in the SOP Class – **Bill and Kelly Ferber**

Fifth overall and third in the SOP Class – **David and JoAnn Gattman**

First in the Novice Class (first-timers) –

Keith and Lori Bowdish

Second in the Novice Class -

Scott and Teresa Fry

The winning team of Bob Morseburg and Cheri Eddy had a total score of 6 points over 13 scored legs, and they zeroed 7 legs. That means they had 6 seconds of error over a three and a half-hour road rally. Very impressive! Also notable, second place SOP had just 5 seconds of error more than first SOP. That's a close contest.

Since this was the last of six rallies in the 2025 Saturday Road Rally Series, the performance of these contestants may decide who the 2025 Series Winners will be. Saturday Series winners will be announced and awards presented at the Ghouls Gambol Rally on October 25. Don't miss it!

Thank you!

Thank you to the September Rallymasters, Kerrie and Marcus Gattman. It takes a lot of time and effort to put together an event like this. Also a big thank you to Ed Frank and Eustacia (Jo) Su who ran the rally checkout. Please join us in thanking them for their contribution to Cascade's rally program.

Help needed!

Your Geargrinders Chairs need more help to keep the road rally program going.

What kind of help, you ask?

- Write content write about upcoming rallies, tell the stories and share the results of completed events, help celebrate the top finishers and volunteers.
- Take photos capture the fun of road rally by taking pictures of rally teams, points of interest along the rally route, and prize winners at the finish.



- Promote events announce upcoming events, send emails and post on social media.
- Event prizes arrange for event prizes and season awards, get perpetual trophies engraved.
- Rallymaster if you have an idea for a rally route, contact us. We can help you turn your route idea into a TSD road rally.
- Run a checkout if you're not available for an upcoming rally date, contact us to volunteer to run the checkout. It's a great way to improve your rally skills.
- Think of new ways to promote Cascade road rallies, to find new audiences for our events, to increase rally attendance, to sustain Cascade's road rally program through succession planning.

How can you help? Contact us at rally@cascadesportscarclub.org

Cascade Sports Car Club's 2025 Saturday Road Rally Series

Fall of the Peacemakers

September 27, 2025

Rallymasters: Kerrie and Marcus Gattman



Car#	Team	Class	Vehicle	Score					
Equipped: (GPS and Unlimited)									
20	Bob Morseburg / Cheri Eddy	GPS	2007 Honda Civic (Bronze)	6					
14	Robert Paxman / Kathy Sacry	GPS	2004 Nissan SpecV (Silver and blac)	117					
SOP: (stock)									
4	Alex Castaneda / Eric Hanson	SOP	2022 Chevrolet Bolt EUV (dark grey)	128					
3	Bill Ferber / Kelly Ferber	SOP	2025 Subaru Outback XT (Blue sparkle)	133					
1	David Gattman / JoAnn Gattman	SOP	2021 Subaru Crosstrek (White)	161					
13	Torm Kelsey-Green / Kasey Klaus	SOP	2006 Dodge Magnum (Slate Green)	188					
9	Joel Bristol / Susan Bristol	SOP	2021 Subaru Outback (Grey)	232					
7	Lee Nielsen / Patricia Nielsen	SOP	2000 Audi TT (Silver)	258					
8	John Sattenspiel / Bryn Griffiths-Sattenspiel	SOP	1989 Jaguar XJS ()	397					
11	David Grubb / Bill Kayser	SOP	2024 Audi RS5 (Black)	401					
10	Hal Ballard / Kat Iverson	SOP	2009 Kia Rondo (Silver)	780					
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Novice: (stock)									
6	Keith Bowdish / Lori Bowdish	NOV	2009 Buick Lacrosse (Silver)	496					
2	Scott Fry / Teresa Fry	NOV	2002 Volkswagen Golf (Blue)	526					
15	Travis Cothren / Billy Cundiff	NOV	2000 Subaru Impreza wagon (Blue)	DNS					

DNS = Did not start

Series Points Standings



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

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2025 CSCC September Rally - Leg Scores

Car #	Team	Class	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	Total
20	Bob Morseburg / Cheri Eddy	GPS	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	6
14	Robert Paxman / Kathy Sacry	GPS	6	8	10	0	9	5	9	18	12	7	8	22	3	117
6	Keith Bowdish / Lori Bowdish	NOV	14	43	16	50	29	54	16	41	60	33	60	60	20	496
2	Scott Fry / Teresa Fry	NOV	60	44	49	2	24	60	48	60	52	60	60	4	3	526
4	Alex Castaneda / Eric Hanson	SOP	0	42	12	0	4	1	19	4	1	22	7	16	0	128
3	Bill Ferber / Kelly Ferber	SOP	4	5	4	0	2	8	14	0	6	60	15	0	15	133
1	David Gattman / JoAnn Gattman	SOP	4	1	0	6	9	19	11	11	6	40	14	16	24	161
13	Torm Kelsey-Green / Kasey Klaus	SOP	17	2	17	0	13	25	10	25	3	12	33	6	25	188
9	Joel Bristol / Susan Bristol	SOP	45	15	8	15	0	44	4	29	0	32	27	5	8	232
7	Lee Nielsen / Patricia Nielsen	SOP	30	20	14	15	12	18	2	60	9	13	60	4	1	258
8	John Sattenspiel / Bryn Griffiths-Sa	SOP	51	41	60	47	54	16	12	2	29	31	9	17	28	397
11	David Grubb / Bill Kayser	SOP	60	60	12	0	23	60	5	1	60	60	32	28	0	401
10	Hal Ballard / Kat Iverson	SOP	60	60	60	60	60	60	60	60	60	60	60	60	60	780

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Cascade Sports Car Club's 59th anniversary of a Halloween tradition

GHOULS GAMBOL RALLY

Oct. 25, 2025

The Ghouls Gambol Rally is a fun drive on scenic country roads, through autumn-colored countryside. This easy time-speed-distance road rally takes about three hours to complete.

Expect treats and maybe a trick or two, for it is a fun Halloween outing after all.

Prizes for top rally finishers and for best decorated cars.

Online registration:

http://msreg.com/CSCCGG25

Entry fee:

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

Start location: Dealers Supply, 2345 NW Nicolai St, Portland



End location: The Patch, Woodland, Washington

Schedule: October 25

Decorated rally cars at Dealers Supply: 9:30 am to 10 am

First car starts rally: 10:01 am

First car arrives at The Patch: est. 1:30 pm

Decorated rally car show: 2 pm

Results announced: after all cars finish

Awards presented: est. 2:30 pm Ghouls Gambol prizes and Saturday Rally Series awards at The Patch, Woodland

More info: <u>rally@cascadesportscarclub.org</u> <u>http://www.cascadegeargrinders.org</u> .

Who says you don't have a ghost of a chance? You'll laugh. You'll cry. You'll howl at the moon!



