# Geargrinders News

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## 2026 Rally Season Winners

The 2026 Saturday Road Rally Series included six rallies, March through September, except May. To be eligible to win a Series Award, a competitor had to run at least half of the rallies. For those who ran all six Series rallies, their best five finishes counted.

The CSCC Rally Championship included the Saturday Series rallies plus Mountains to the Sea. To be eligible, a competitor must be a Cascade member.



**2026 Saturday Rally Series Winners**

**Drivers – Equipped**
1st – Robert Paxman
2nd – Bob Morseburg
3rd – Rick Morrison

**Drivers – Unequipped**
1st – Marcus Gattman
2nd – David Gattman
3rd – Bill Kayser

**Drivers – Novice**
1st – Don Atwood
1st – Maury Crites
3rd – Patrick Prothe

**Navigators - Equipped**
1st – Kathy Sacry
2nd – Cheri Eddy
3rd – Martha Morrison

**Navigators – Unequipped**
1st – Brandon Harer
2nd – JoAnn Gattman
3rd – Marc Nielsen

**Navigators – Novice**
1st – Vicki Atwood
1st – Tiffany Crites
3rd – Adrian Ramos

**2026 CSCC Rally Champions**

**Equipped Driver** – Robert Paxman

**Unequipped Driver** – Tie between:
David Gattman and Marcus Gattman

**Equipped Navigator** – Kathy Sacry

**Unequipped Navigator** – Tie between:
JoAnn Gattman and Brandon Harer

Series awards were presented at the Ghouls Gambol Rally on October 31. Club Championship trophies will be presented at the club annual awards event. Please join us in congratulating the 2026 Rally Season Winners!

Rally Season Points: http://www.cascadegeargrinders.com/files/CSCC_2026_Rally_Season_Standings.pdf

## October 31 Ghouls Gambol Rally Results

Seventeen teams entered Cascade Sports Car Club's 60th Ghouls Gambol Rally held on October 31. Rallymasters Monte and Victoria Saager titled this event ***Whiskers' Revenge***.

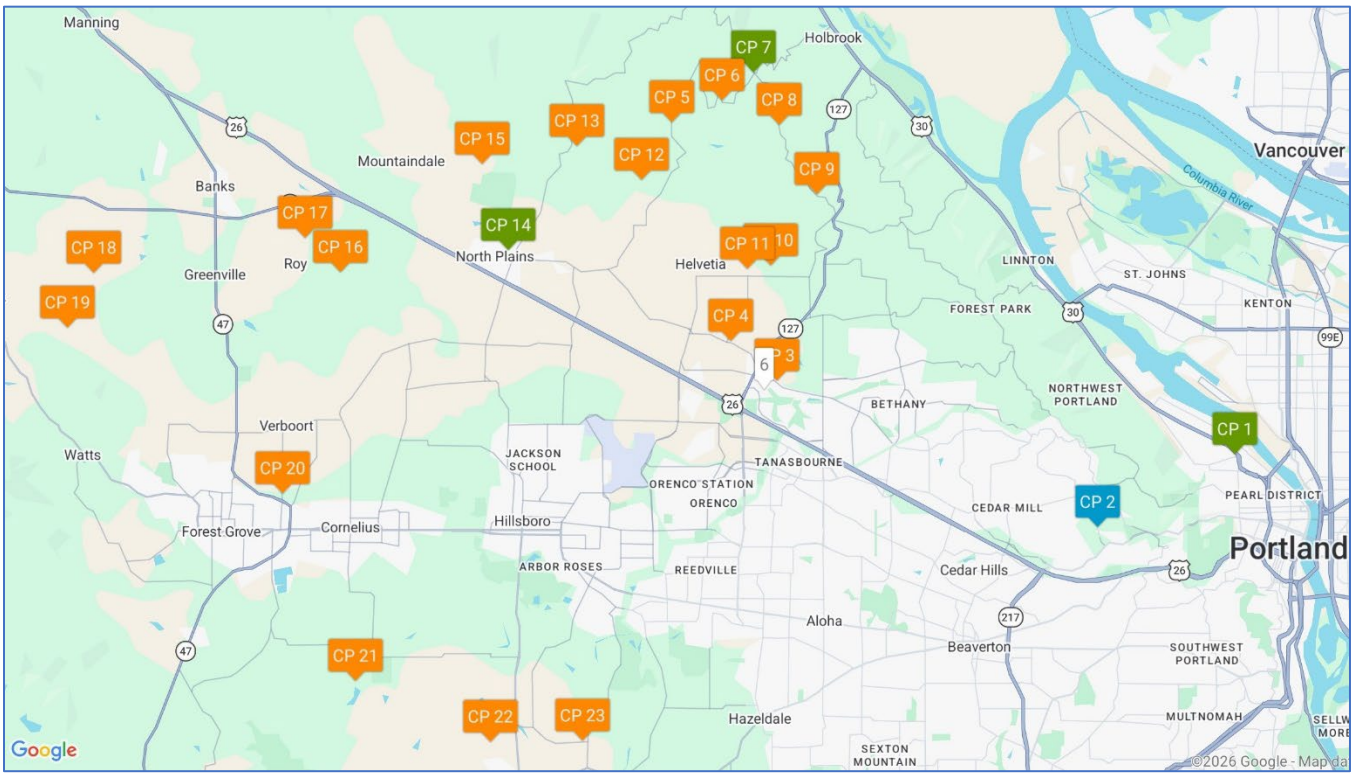


Starting in northwest Portland and ending south of Hillsboro in Midway, the route was about 100 miles long and took a bit over three and a half hours to complete, including a couple of breaks.

This Halloween-themed event began with a decorated car contest. Rally teams voted for their favorites, with treats for the winners.

The odometer calibration transit traveled across northwest Portland's Nob Hill district, through Washington Park, past the Rose Garden and Hoyt Arboretum, continuing along Skyline into Washington County to Rock Creek Park. The route continued through West Union, Skyline, Valley Vista, Helvetia, Jackson Quarry (remember the "Pumpkin Bridge" from Ghouls Gambol of long ago), eventually arriving in North Plains for a break.

The rally then traveled out Pumpkin Ridge, past ol' Ray Sweeney's barn where Cascade members built haunted houses for long ago Ghouls Gambols. Then into the Roy area, up Clapshaw Hill to Hillside, through Verboort to another break at the Fern Hill Wetlands in Forest Grove. Then up Blooming Fern Hill and Iowa Hill to Victoria's favorite road – Dober (where crimson clover blooms mid-May). From there the route headed toward the ending location in Midway. The roads were fun to drive and the scenery was beautiful. Autumn color was in full display along the rally route.




**Challenges**

Trick or treat! What is a Ghouls Gambol Rally without some tricks to go with the treats?

The first challenge is the old odo trap. The first instruction begins the odometer calibration transit and directs you to take 50 minutes to complete the next 22 route instructions. NRI 22 ends the odometer calibration transit and sets an average speed. If you assume the 50 minutes ends at NRI 22, you earn penalty points. The 50 minutes actually ends with NRI 23 (the next 22…). But there's more. NRI 23 includes a 10-second pause. Since the 50 minutes ends when you complete the next 22 instructions, you do not use the pause. Tricky.

Next is also an oldie but a goodie – the number switch. NRIs 27 and 28 are presented out of order. If you execute them in the order shown on the paper, you earn penalty points. On course teams pass the off course teams going through this loop neighborhood in the opposite direction.

When told to change your average speed for one mile, what do you do at the end of that mile? Seems obvious, but the rules support your decision to revert to the speed you were going prior to this speed change. Yep.

Then there are two tricks back to back, both seeming to occur at railroad crossings. At the first you are looking for an opportunity to pause at a STOP. But what you encounter is a railroad crossing. Yes, it has a stop sign, but STOP is a term defined in the Road Rally Rules meaning an intersection controlled by a stop sign. So at the railroad crossing there is a stop sign, but there is no intersection of rally roads, so you cannot execute the pause at STOP at the railroad crossing.

The next one has you looking for an opportunity to pause at a "STOP" (a sign reading stop, could be school bus stop, just need the word stop). This time when you encounter a railroad crossing with a stop sign, you can use the instruction to pause at a "STOP".

Another interesting challenge directs you to pause at a sign that includes the word "AND" however the actual sign uses an ampersand (&) so you can't use the pause because the sign doesn't match the reference in the route instruction. Turns out this precedes a break and isn't counted in the scoring, so the pause is moot anyway. Trick or treat!




How far is it between route instructions? Another challenge directs you to pause if the distance between two NRIs is less than a mile. Since NRIs exist only on the page, they're about half an inch apart, very much less than a mile so you pause. (The distance between the action points of the referenced instructions is well over a mile.)

There is just one main road trap. It offers an L deviation at a sideroad on the right that has a back facing stop sign. Since Protection defines the main road as the road to the left, you cannot execute the instruction there.

Finally there is one note that is active on and off throughout the rally. The note directs you to pause every time you see a cemetery. The note is used five times on five different legs of the rally.

**Congratulate the winners**

Best decorated car winners:

Dragon by **Bill and Kelly Ferber**
Snoopy by **David and JoAnn Gattman**
Bumple Bee by **Robert Paxman and Kathy Sacry**

Top rally finishers:

Equipped:
First place – **Paul Eklund and Yulia Smolyansky**
Second place – **Robert Paxman and Kathy Sacry**
Third place – **Rick and Martha Morrison**

SOP:
First place – **Bill Kayser and Bjorn Freeman-Benson**
Second place – **Lee Nielsen and Marc Nielsen**
Third place – **David and JoAnn Gattman**

Novice:
First place – **Gary Exner and Bob Cutler**
Second Place – **Don and Vicki Atwood**
Third place – **Patrick Prothe and Darci Walker**



*1st Overall and 1st Equipped*
*Paul Eklund Yulia Smolyansky*

Ghouls Gambol Rally winners received award plaques and candy bars. The taste of victory is always sweet. Congratulations to all!

**Thank you!**

A big thank you to Jamie Anderson et al for taking Ghouls Gambol and Rally Series awards photos and for producing all of our rally dash plaques and award plaques this season. Please join us in thanking her for her contribution to Cascade's rally program.




*2nd Equipped*
*Robert Paxman and Kathy Sacry*




*2nd SOP*
*Lee Nielsen and Marc Nielsen*




*3rd Equipped*
*Rick and Martha Morrison*



*3rd SOP*
*David and JoAnn Gattman*



*1st SOP*
*Bill Kayser and Bjorn Freeman-Benson*



*1st Novice*
*Gary Exner and Bob Cutler*




*2nd Novice*
*Don and Vicki Atwood*



*3rd Novice*
*Patrick Prothe and Darci Walker*




*Bumble Bee*
*by Robert Paxman and Kathy Sacry*



*Bumble Bee Stinger*



*Bumble Bees Robert Paxman and Kathy Sacry*




*Peanuts by David and JoAnn Gattman*




*Fire-breathing Dragon Slayer*



*Snoopy vs Red Baron*



*Knight and his Queen*



*Charlie Brown ghosts David and JoAnn Gattman*




*Bill and Kelly Ferber*

Cascade Sports Car Club's 60th

# Ghouls Gambol Rally

# Whiskers' Revenge



October 31, 2026

Rallymasters: Monte and Victoria Saager

| Car # | Team | Class | Vehicle | Score |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Equipped:** (GPS and Unlimited) | | | | |
| 5 | Paul Eklund / Yulia Smolyansky | UNL | 2017 Subaru Outback (Gray) | 22 |
| 14 | Robert Paxman / Kathy Sacry | GPS | 2006 Nissan SpecV (Yellow n black) | 185 |
| 2 | Rick Morrison / Martha Morrison | GPS | 2015 Lexus CT200h (Silver) | 247 |
| 20 | Bob Morseburg / Cheri Eddy | GPS | 2007 Honda Civic (Bronze) | DNS |
| **SOP:** (stock) | | | | |
| 11 | Bill Kayser / Bjorn Freeman-Benson | SOP | 2024 Audi RS5 (Black) | 121 |
| 7 | Lee Nielsen / Marc Nielsen | SOP | 2000 Audi TT (Silver) | 122 |
| 1 | David Gattman / JoAnn Gattman | SOP | 2021 Subaru Crosstrek (White) | 161 |
| 8 | John Sattenspiel / Bryn Griffiths-Sattenspiel | SOP | 2023 Mazda MX-5 (Zircon Sand) | 218 |
| 10 | Andrew Brewer / Kathryn Iverson | SOP | 2018 Cadillac ATS 3.6 AWD (satin steel) | 218 |
| 15 | Larry Desaulniers / Frank Derryberry | SOP | 2022 Ford Escape (Blue) | 251 |
| 13 | Torm Kelsey-Green / Kasey Klaus | SOP | 1991 Nissan Pathfinder (White) | 252 |
| 4 | Bill Ferber / Kelly Ferber | SOP | 2025 Subaru Outback XT (Blue Sparkle) | 280 |
| **Novice:** (stock) | | | | |
| 9 | Gary Exner / Bob Cutler | NOV | 2025 Polestar 3 (Jupiter) | 244 |
| 3 | Don Atwood / Vicki Atwood | NOV | 2007 Chevrolet Corvette (Black) | 430 |
| 12 | Patrick Prothe / Darci Walker | NOV | 2019 Audi Etron (Black) | 495 |
| 6 | Steve Moody / Kristin Moody | NOV | 2019 Porsche  Cayenne ( Purple) | 497 |
| 21 | Court Winia / Jordyn Winia | NOV | 2005 Ford Excursion (Silver) | DNS |

DNS = Did not start

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

## 2026 CSCC Ghouls Gambol Rally - Leg Scores

| Car # | Team | Class | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 5 | Paul Eklund / Yulia Smolyansky | UNL | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 22 |
| 11 | Bill Kayser / Bjorn Freeman-Benson | SOP | 17 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 17 | 11 | 30 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 5 | 11 | 121 |
| 7 | Lee Nielsen / Marc Nielsen | SOP | 4 | 4 | 4 | 12 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 7 | 2 | 10 | 9 | 2 | 25 | 1 | 11 | 20 | 122 |
| 1 | David Gattman / JoAnn Gattman | SOP | 18 | 6 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 7 | 12 | 3 | 7 | 7 | 11 | 16 | 0 | 15 | 11 | 9 | 22 | 161 |
| 14 | Robert Paxman / Kathy Sacry | GPS | 16 | 16 | 15 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 19 | 7 | 10 | 20 | 19 | 26 | 2 | 16 | 3 | 185 |
| 8 | John Sattenspiel / Bryn Griffiths-Sattenspiel | SOP | 19 | 17 | 22 | 2 | 2 | 8 | 2 | 5 | 14 | 4 | 2 | 7 | 23 | 20 | 23 | 25 | 0 | 13 | 10 | 218 |
| 10 | Andrew Brewer / Kathryn Iverson | SOP | 8 | 29 | 24 | 13 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 20 | 21 | 13 | 27 | 3 | 13 | 4 | 8 | 23 | 218 |
| 9 | Gary Exner / Bob Cutler | NOV | 44 | 0 | 27 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 6 | 7 | 1 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 18 | 40 | 30 | 11 | 2 | 25 | 244 |
| 2 | Rick Morrison / Martha Morrison | GPS | 23 | 7 | 17 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 7 | 9 | 60 | 15 | 3 | 4 | 21 | 59 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 247 |
| 15 | Larry Desaulniers / Frank Derryberry | SOP | 47 | 18 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 3 | 6 | 34 | 39 | 2 | 11 | 9 | 8 | 26 | 16 | 7 | 12 | 251 |
| 13 | Torm Kelsey-Green / Kasey Klaus | SOP | 29 | 12 | 18 | 25 | 3 | 7 | 16 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 17 | 26 | 17 | 1 | 1 | 19 | 18 | 20 | 1 | 252 |
| 4 | Bill Ferber / Kelly Ferber | SOP | 12 | 22 | 11 | 4 | 6 | 1 | 45 | 12 | 6 | 7 | 13 | 14 | 30 | 31 | 20 | 8 | 1 | 11 | 26 | 280 |
| 3 | Don Atwood / Vicki Atwood | NOV | 31 | 22 | 44 | 7 | 11 | 7 | 4 | 28 | 40 | 10 | 24 | 40 | 3 | 10 | 60 | 0 | 60 | 17 | 12 | 430 |
| 12 | Patrick Prothe / Darci Walker | NOV | 56 | 17 | 60 | 1 | 8 | 3 | 60 | 11 | 60 | 14 | 27 | 30 | 0 | 0 | 37 | 39 | 60 | 11 | 1 | 495 |
| 6 | Steve Moody / Kristin Moody | NOV | 60 | 60 | 5 | 12 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 37 | 12 | 0 | 48 | 6 | 60 | 22 | 27 | 60 | 60 | 8 | 6 | 497 |
| 20 | Bob Morseburg / Cheri Eddy | GPS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | DNS |
| 21 | Court Winia / Jordyn Winia | NOV | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | DNS |

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