# Geargrinders News

December 2025

#### February 21 Rally School

Jump start the 2026 rally season with Rally School. Go for a scenic country drive and learn to play the game that takes you places. Rally school is for all levels of rally skill – from beginners to season winners.



Rally School is two-part. The first part is virtual rally school on Friday evening, Feb. 20. The second part is the road rally. The rally starts Saturday morning, Feb. 21, with first car out at 10:01 a.m. The virtual rally school and the practice rally are designed to help you learn how to play the game that takes you places.

An entry 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. The app is free.

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



Registration is open through midnight Feb. 18: https://msreg.com/CSCCRallySchool26

Members save with a Series Pass – entry in seven events for the price of six. A Series Pass includes entry in Rally School and all six Saturday Series rallies for just \$150.

https://msreg.com/CSCCSeriesPass26

Members save even more with a **Season Ticket** – entry in all nine events for just \$210. <a href="https://msreg.com/SeasonTicket26">https://msreg.com/SeasonTicket26</a>

Series Pass and Season Ticket holders register just once and run the same car number with the same start time at each rally. Cascade membership is available online.

Just in time for the gift-giving season, the perfect gift for that special someone – a Rally Gift Certificate.

### 2025 Geargrinders Rallymasters

A lot of help is needed to put on a road rally season. In 2025, the Cascade Geargrinders program put on nine road rallies. It takes a rallymaster to make a road rally happen. Thank you to the following rallymasters for writing road rallies in 2025.

David and JoAnn Gattman -

March Saturday Rally and Ghouls Gambol

Torm Kelsey-Green and Kasey Klaus -**April Saturday Rally** 

Russ and Katy Kraushaar – June Saturday Rally **Bob Morseburg** – July Saturday Rally

Bill and Kelly Ferber – August Saturday Rally

Marcus and Kerrie Gattman -

September Saturday Rally

Monte and Victoria Saager - Rally School and

Mountains to the Sea

Thank you, Rallymasters!



# Geargrinders Report to the Board – 2025 Yearend and 2026 Budget Approval

#### Look back at 2025

Overall, the 2025 rally season was successful. Attendance averaged 18.3 entries per event, the same as last season. The event with the most entries was the Rally School in February with 28 entries. The Mountains to the Sea Rally had 23 entries, and the Ghouls Gambol Rally had 22 entries. The six events in the Saturday Rally Series averaged 15.3 entries per rally, down from 17.5 entries per rally last season.

Prepaid entry packages continued to be popular in 2025. Twelve Season Tickets provided a guaranteed number of entries at each rally, and they promoted club membership since membership is required to purchase a prepaid entry package.

The Geargrinders 2025 season ended with a small loss of about \$400. We anticipated a smaller loss, but we were not expecting an18% increase in insurance cost. The 2026 Geargrinders budget request assumes insurance cost will remain stable, which we hope is true.

#### Look ahead at 2026

Keeping Cascade rallies accessible, affordable, and fun to run continue to be goals for the 2026 season. Attendance is projected to remain stable at 18.4 teams per rally in 2026. The season is expected to end with a small profit, but much depends on attendance which is impacted by outreach as well as fuel costs and competition with other activities.

For more information, see the 2025 Geargrinders Report to the Board.



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#### 2026 Geargrinders Rally Program

Nine rallies are planned in 2026. Once a month, from February through October, the 2026 Cascade Geargrinders road rally program will offer a Saturday drive in the country while playing the game that takes you places.

Although event dates have not yet been approved by the Board, the tentative schedule was carefully selected to avoid conflicts with Cascade races and other club-supported events, as well as local and regional road rallies. Watch for updates after the Board meets in January.

Rally School, six Saturday Series rallies, and Ghouls Gambol all last three to four hours. These rallies start and end in the Portland area. The entry fee is \$25 per team for Cascade members, \$35 per team for nonmembers.

The Mountains to the Sea Rally is an all-day road rally, starting in the Portland area and ending at the beach. The entry fee is \$60 per team for Cascade members, \$85 per team for nonmembers.

For more information: <a href="https://www.cascadegeargrinders.org/">https://www.cascadegeargrinders.org/</a>



#### CASCADE GEARGRINDERS

(Tentative until Board approval)

# 2026 Road Rally Schedule

as of 11/17/25

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 TSD road rally?** A scenic drive on country roads. A game that takes you places. A fun and affordable autosport competition for beginners and experienced rally teams.

## **Saturday Road Rally Series**

**Feb. 21**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 21

April 18

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.

June 20



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July 18

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

August 15

Sept. 26

**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**

May 9

Mountains to the Sea – 61st 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 (location to be announced).

Entry fee: \$60 per team for CSCC members, \$85 per team for non-members

Oct. 31

**Ghouls Gambol** – This daytime Halloween-themed rally explores autumn colors around Portland's foothills. Optional decorated car show. Caution: May include tricks and treats. Entry fee: \$25 per team for CSCC members, \$35 per team 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.

- Register online: MotorsportReg.com.
- Entry team consists of a street-legal vehicle, a licensed insured driver, a navigator, and a smart device (e.g., cell phone or tablet) running Competitor Richta GPS Checkpoints app (app is free).
- Rallies are conducted in accordance with the current Road Rally Rules.

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



