

The Wishbone Alley Gazette

July, 2018 *Rainier Auto Sports Club*

Rally News

* The Trans America Challenge, presented by the Endurance Rally Association, concluded in Seattle on Father's Day. A few local rallyists helped out at checkpoints on the final Newberg, OR to Seattle leg. They used a route written by Ron Sorem for that day, via TSD sections past the historic Brooklyn Tavern.

The rally concluded at Lemay automotive museum before the closing banquet in Seattle. Ken Lingbloom heard a familiar voice- it was a Brit who hosted the Olympus visitors to the RAC back in 1985!

* Alcan 5000 (August 20-28, 2018)

<https://www.alcan5000.com>

The latest entry list has 35 cars (13 from the PNW), and 35 motorcycles.

The Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/261614507789/>

is where pictures of the various "builds" get posted.

Club News

*June 11, 2018 Meeting Notes (reported by Secretary Dolores Ranhofer)

Called to order: 7:40PM

* Rally Reports:

Nor'Wester: Roy and Ron reported on the Route. RCE and the RM have determined that June should stay a No Alibi date and Nor'Wester take place in the fall (September). September 7/8 2019 are proposed Nor'Wester dates. Ron will drive the southern route on Sat. and Jim will drive the northern on Sun. Nor'Wester route will be really close to Canada. Question about a 2- or 3-day rally. Three day in 2017 was most popular (50th anniversary and centrally based). Something to keep in mind for September 2019 for Nor'Wester, it may be a 2 day. Any performance of labor needs a permit on Forest Service Roads. When touring through Nat'l Forest we are just driving through and we should not need a permit.

2020 No Alibi: Someone needs to step up and help with the planning. Looking for a tradition of a brisk gravel event. Planning should be happening during the year of 2019.

Raindrop: Proposed date is 28 April 2019.

Lewis and or Cowlitz counties are possible sites with better speeds. Talk to Steve Brown about Bainbridge Island.

Friday Nighter October 12th: No report.

ALCAN: Doing great. 70% of entries paid. NITTO contract coming along. Looking for people

for the first couple of days. Okay on crews with the part-timers.

No Alibi 2018: Full report in WAG.

* Old Business:

Bylaws: Will be presented in final at next meeting.

Remind Kelly we need to obtain a copy of the Insurance Certificate for our events.

Early September - will know about the Friday Nighter.

Lists: Make the club email list the most official. Club members are on the list. Starting April or May if you haven't paid you are off list.

Still have requests for inclusion on the closed Facebook page. The open Facebook page is currently open to anyone.

Members of Google List are members who are paid by the end of January. NWRC needs a headcount at the end of January and this is the count RASC will provide.

* New Business:

Should club purchase a good printer? Do we need a serviceable printer for events? Black and white or portable? Alternative is to provide supplies and borrow a printer.

Marvin: Benjamin Thompson asked if we could allow Auxiliary Odometers.

His father wants to use GPS in SOP. Our rules do not address the use of GPS in any class. Something to keep in mind for September 2019 for Nor'Wester. Opinion is a GPS defeats the purpose and spirit of SOP.

Meeting adjourned: 8:37PM.

Trivia

* Rabbit report from Jim Breazeale: "I did get the head back on the Devil Bunny and everything else except for the exhaust manifold to down pipe. The wrong gasket in the box. Alas."

* Long-time friend-of-rally Rich Olmstead passed away June 27.

After a few years of trying to finish a stage rally in a RX7, he became the ultimate rally volunteer, getting the Oregon Rally Group (ORG) going, organizing rallies, and volunteering at whatever duty was needed. He will be missed

* "Celebration of Life for Rich Olmstead

Please join us on July 14, 2018 between 1-4pm in paying tribute to Rich

The location: Artillery Barracks, 600 Hatheway Road, Vancouver WA 98661

On the beautiful Fort Vancouver Historic Site
POC is Robert Holcomb
360-901-4732

terradesignphotography@gmail.com

if you would like to contribute photos to the show please add them before July 12th.

here is the link to the Google drive folder

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1TL6j0SQLqwTjsLu4RivTX40IGE2g3Ooc> “



Rich in his natural habitat- setting up a checkpoint.

* Steve Richards is still waiting for his right leg to mend. That means no weight on the leg. July 17 is next big date, when the doctor evaluates the leg. The leg broke on May 27.

* Dolores Ranhofer finally saw a doctor about an oft-painful right shoulder – and bad sleep. The result is surgery on July 24th. She won't be able to do any of her favorite things that involve the right arm.

The doctor prescribed Cannabis Cream to ease the pain. The Ranhofers made their first-ever visits to cannabis shops to find the cream. And it works!

* Matt Tabor is still moving into the new house; perhaps the garage will be empty enough by the rainy season. He's working on his lawn-mowing skills, mostly how to schedule the task.

His Subaru STI didn't like Olympus recce. The 2011 year has a steering rack unique to that year. He's been through two.

* The Ranhofers took Otis to a gathering in Plain, WA (suburb of Leavenworth?) to mingle with the four-wheel-drive crowd. A diverse bunch. No damage.

For Sale/Wanted

* **2004 Ford Focus ZX3** -**\$1500** Duratec engine with only around 170,000 miles! Lots of new stuff I put on it: Clutch master and slave cylinder, and

all of the rubber lines in between, new alternator.
Brian Cary shoquatt@gmail.com

* I was going through my inventory of **headlight bulbs** searching for H4s and I find I have five or six sets of various wattage **9004 halogens**. I presently have no car or truck using 9004. \$5 per pair?? ronsorem@gmail.com

* Ron's note made me think that I've got **several sets of 9003's, 9006's and H3 fogs** taking up space, also. Same deal as Mr. Sorem's. If you want 'em or need 'em just send me an email.
Michael Jones codrvr@aol.com

* **FOR SALE:** Dual-band VHF/UHF mobile transceiver. TYT TH-8600, new in box, programming software, programming cable. Very compact under-dash radio. \$110.00, this is not a Baofeng radio. Operator's manual is in understandable English. roy.ward@frontier.com



RASC Calendar

Washington TSD

July 13 - NWRC Friday Niter by ORCA
August 10 - NWRC Friday Niter by ORCA
August 20>28 – Alcan 5000 by RASC, “Fairbanks plus and minus”
September 14 - NWRC Friday Niter by NWRC
October 12 - NWRC Friday Niter by RASC

Pacific NW Stage rallies

Sept 14>15 – Idaho Rally (ARA), Placerville, ID
Sept 28>30 – Pacific Forest (CARS), Merritt, BC
Oct. 5>7 – Tour de Forest (ARA), Olympia, WA

Oregon TSD

August 4 – Mountains to the Sea, (Cascade SCC)
Portland> Seaside
Sept 8 - Saturday TSD (Cascade SCC), Milwaukie, OR
Sept 22>23 – Oregon 1000
Oct 27 – Ghouls Gambol (Cascade SCC), Portland, OR

RAINIER AUTO SPORTS CLUB

RASC usually meets on the second Monday of each month. Locations vary as we try out all the venues.

The July 9 meeting will be held again at the Olive Garden at 11325 NE 124th St, Kirkland, WA 98034 at 7:30 PM. The restaurant is on the west side of I-405, on the south side of NE 124th. You can take the signal at 113th and turn in after that.

Agenda: Looking for volunteers: many, many positions available.

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