

The Wishbone Alley Gazette

February, 2014 *Rainier Auto Sports Club*

Rally News

* The calendars are set as of January. Thanks to Ron Sorem for compiling a huge list.

Club News

Meeting notes: January 13th, 2014 by Jim Breazeale, Secretary

Called to order at 20:04 by Hizzoner Marvin Crippen
A Thank You note from Shirley Gardner for the gift basket of comfort foods sent by the club was passed around.

Madame Treasurer Cristy Breazeale reports a current club balance of \$4831.87. She was besieged with a flood of checks for dues throughout the meeting. Club dues remain \$25 for individuals and \$30 for families. Madam Treasurer welcomes the club's newest members Tim Chovanak and his son.

Raindrop Rally is moving along with independent reports on dash plaques on order, the check having been sent, entry fees, as well as worker movement plans and the first call for workers.

No Alibi Rally continues its steady pace of planning.

Nor'Wester Rally now has moved into the editing phases of its epic 3 day event with Ron delivering to Roy a hard copy of route instructions to cross examine. Roy is developed a relationship with a retiring marketing and media gentleman and rally enthusiast who may help with Nor'Wester's PR.

Alcan Rally continues planning and staging for its August 18th start.

NWRC report. RASC's presence was strong at this year's annual meeting, with 6 members in attendance. The Friday Niter schedule was decided with RASC's event continuing to be the last one in October. RASC was asked to work a control at the 2 other NWRC events, March and June. (remember, we are trying to grow the club and the sport.- Jim)

Proposed changes in NWRC's Bylaws & Constitution were presented. The "Rainier Rule" wording was changed to facilitate better communication between the clubs. The attending members voted to accept the proposed change. Jim said he would email the club's Yea vote. Also brought up was the outdated text on the NWRC's website link to the RASC.

Thunderbird Rally, February 8th and 9th looking for workers and competitors for the always well-attended and memorable event.

The subject of club and sport growth ideas resulted in a proposed very small, simple charity rally. The glacial pace of growth continues.

Announcements: Roy ward gave a sales pitch on the very capable Coralba C mini rally odo computer. WRC weapons grade functions, smaller than a Timewise driver's display.

Paid an arm's worth \$700, make offer, please.

Call to adjourn and seconded at 20:30 Gossip begins.

* The Alcan (Sept 18-26) is starting to consume Jerry's time. He's nailing down motel rooms since he could get more entrants than he dreamed of.

* Dues for 2014 will be accepted at the meeting. Decent haul at the January meeting. \$25 Single, \$30 Family. Bring cash or check.

* Sad news from Jarvis Owens that his wife, Alison, passed away January 26. They were downsizing to an apartment in Gig Harbor. She fell down and hit her head. Best hopes and wishes for Jarvis after many years of happiness.

For Sale

*2001 BMW 330ix. Silver, black interior. automatic transmission, 17" wheels. Cheap at \$2400 (*price reduced!*) because of a bad head gasket and much labor involved in the fix. (Shipping to Seattle from Henderson, NV for less than \$600) Jerry Hines, 206-227-6343

*For Sale: BMW limited slip rear diff, 3.91 ratio. Fits E36 (325I, 328I,M3). \$250. Ed Rachner 206-499-8271

* For Sale: Some of you know her as Rocket. She's a 2002 Subaru WRX. She's won most every TSD rally in the NW and she is for sale. The Good- lots of tweaks, spares. The Bad: Leakdown test on cylinder 3 shows a need for a valve job; slightly noisy bearing in the transmission (reported by Smart Service). Crack in the windscreen. Interested? Let's talk. Jeff McMillen: Jeff@somepants.com

Coralba C-Mini rally odo. No box or manual (available online). Two odos, forward/reverse, remote split/reset. Multi-layer key functions. No wheel pickups included. Uses standard digital transducers like Timewise and Alfa. The entire unit is smaller than a Timewise driver's display. New list over \$700.00, this one is used, make offer. Roy Ward roy.ward@frontier.com, (425) 485-6225.



RASC Calendar (Round 1: only conflict seems to be Oregon 1000, where a Saturday start would be a problem to RASC members working the Friday Nighter.) I just listed one day, but we all know some of these stretch for days.
No Rallycrosses or races listed.

“Other”

March 8 –HAM show & Flea Market, Puyallup
April 19 – Tulip Rally by MGCC, (Skagit Valley)
May 12 – “TBA” (200 mile TSD), Ukiah, CA.
Sept 13 – Targa Newfoundland
Sept 26/27 – Global Rallycross, Seattle visit
Oct 4 – Maryhill Hillclimb, SOVREN

Classic

April 25 – Spring Thaw classic, B.C.
May 30 – 21st Cascade Classic, Olympic Peninsula
Jul 24 – Monte Shelton Classic, Portland

Washington & British Columbia TSD

February 8/9 – Thunderbird, Merritt, B.C.
Mar 8 – ORCA rally school. Pre-registration required
Mar 14 – NWRC Friday Nighter by NWRC
April 11 – NWRC Friday Nighter by ORCA
April 27 – Raindrop by RASC
May 9 – NWRC Friday Nighter by PSRC
May 17 – Sno-Git by ORCA
June 7/8, No Alibi by RASC
June 13 – NWRC Friday Nighter by ORCA
June 21 – Heart of Darkness, Hope, B.C.
July 11 – NWRC Friday Nighter by NWRC
Aug 8 – NWRC Friday Nighter by ORCA
August 18>26, Alcan 5000
Sept 12 – NWRC Friday Nighter by PSRC
Oct 10- NWRC Friday Nighter by RASC
Nov 22 – Totem, Cache Creek, B.C.

Oregon TSD

Mar 7 – Friday Nighter (start: Milwaukie Lowes)
April 4- Friday Nighter (start: Milwaukie Lowes)
May 9 - Friday Nighter (start: Milwaukie Lowes)
June 13 - Friday Nighter (start: Milwaukie Lowes)
July 11- Friday Nighter (start: Milwaukie Lowes)
July 19 – Mountain to The Sea by Cascade SCC
Aug 1 - Friday Nighter (start: Milwaukie Lowes)
Sept 5 - Friday Nighter (start: Milwaukie Lowes)

Oct 11- Oregon 1000 by ORG, Wilsonville, OR

NW Stage rallys

May 2 –Oregon Trail, Portland/The Dalles
May 31 –Olympus, Shelton
June 21 – Idaho Rally, Boise
July 26 – Mendocino, Ukiah, CA
Oct 3- Pacific Forest Rally – Merritt, B.C.
Oct 18 – Mt. Hood, Odell, OR
Oct 31 – Rocky Mountain, Alberta
Dec 6 – Big White, Kelowna, B.C.

FIA WRC

Feb 6 – Sweden
Mar 6 – Mexico
April 3 – Portugal
May 8 – Argentina
May 28 – Italy-Sardinia
Jun 27 – Poland
July 30- Finland
Aug 21 –Germany
Sept 11 – Australia
Oct 2 – France
Oct 23 – Spain
Nov 13 – Wales

Rally America series (7 Nationals)

Feb 1 – Sno*Drift,
Feb 21 – 100 Wood, Missouri
May 2 –Oregon Trail, Portland/The Dalles
May 30 – Susquehannock Trail, PA
July 18 – New England, Newry, ME
Aug 22 – Ojibwe, Detroit Lakes, MN
Oct 17 – Lake Superior, Houghton, MI

Rainier Auto Sports Club will meet this coming Monday, February 10, at 8 PM at Café Veloce (Totem Lake shopping center). Best way I can think of to get there via north on I-405, take the "NE 124th" exit, then keep right under NE 124th and Straight at the signal. This puts you on Totem Lake Blvd, not whatever the frontage road is next to I-405. Then right first pass, with the Café on your right at that point.

Monthly meetings are *usually* the second Monday of each month. Past Members, visitors, and spectators are welcomed.

Agenda: Pay your dues, please. Ed Rachner will further assign tasks for his Raindrop rally. There is a glaring vacancy in the "Publicity" position. No budget.

Fresh news from Thunderbird. Maybe some boasting.

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