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Rally News

* The Friday Niter series added an "Equipped Class" for 2005 (bringing the awards format into the 20th Century and matching nearly every other organization's format -ed). The guideline for the new (if you've only attended Friday Niters) class:

EQUIPPED: !Any computing or calculating device may be used, provided that it does not have a direct input of actual distance traveled. !All types of auxiliary odometers are allowed, provided they do not communicate with the computing device. !This class is intended for teams using calculators, PDAs, laptops, GPS units or other hardware which does not meet the criteria for the Unlimited class.

* With few calls in 2004, the NWRC recorded phone announcement is gone. Too many \$\$ for too little use.

* Stage Rally: The Annual Workers Appreciation and Rally Awards extravaganza is Saturday, February 26. Dinner is served 7-ish, but arrive about 6 and its over at midnight.

This is financed from rally profits and contributions from the rally teams. Hosting the "Rally Café" at the Solo National stop (late July) is also a funding source.

It's open to rally workers and potential rally workers, as well as the rallyists. Most workers see very few of the vast army of volunteers needed to pull these things off- there's Tech and Registration, for instance. This is the only chance to meet "the rest" of the community. Workers tend to be a meek bunch, but this is the only chance to walk up to a stranger, introduce yourself, and possibly get a handshake and a "thanks". Whether this repays the long hours or standing in the mud in the rain depends on you.

WHERE: Fort Lewis Golf Club (Dupont)

DIRECTIONS: !From north or southbound I-5, take Exit 116 (Mounts Road). !Turn west. !You'll see the facility on your right just west of the freeway. !For information call John Forespring at 360 943-2191.

Note: !There is no security checkpoint to get to the clubhouse. !

There is a nearby motel ^ Dupont Guest House Inn & Suites, Exit 118 from I-5. !!Phone: 800-847-7152 or 253-912-8900.

* Formally separating from NW Region of SCCA, the local organization is now called Pacific Rally Group. There aren't any dramatic changes, since the rallyists already had a separate budget and mission. There is still the meshing of SCCA and Pacific Rally Group to organize rallycrosses, since SCCA will sanction those.

* When SCCA (national) abandoned the rallyists, this impacted some Regions dramatically. The Blue Mountain Region in northern Pennsylvania was a mostly rally organization, for instance. The SCCA Board of Directors has recognized this and included a new policy outlining how a SCCA Region can exist, yet put on events under the wings of NASA or Rally America.

Club News

* New members accepted by the Membership and Wine Testing Committee, as of January: Frank Garcia Mark and Susie Weber Bruce and Jeanette Weber Joe and Shirley Gardner Steve Brown and Sally Fox

* Vince Plancich has asked RASC to help put together a rally for the Alfa Romeo Nat'l Convention on Saturday, July 30. He's still investigating what level of difficulty the "out of towners" expect. (No gravel)

* Jerry says he's getting a lot of interest in the 2006 summer Alcan, but really, really wants to fill the field with more cars.

FOR SALE / Wanted:

* blue Volvo forces sale: '99 Audi A6 Avant Quattro (wagon), 86K, loaded, \$12,500. Jerry or Colleen, 425-823-6343

Calendars....

While there aren't many "Sunday Afternoon" TSD rallys, 2005 has a lot going on. Ron Sorem assembled an extensive calendar, and you'll find some of it on the following pages.

There are still some events worth going to, but not rally activities- the Historic races on July 4 weekend come to mind. Or the Goldendale Historic Hillclimb, which is worth the trip.

I included the Hill Climb events since they slip under my radar each year. Last time you'll see them listed. Be pleased that we have as many events as anywhere.

I'm sure you will see a joke combining ORG and PRG eventually.

The only conflict is August 13. Whether to do a lap of PIR, or do laps of the forest near Montesano. -MN

NW Stage events

Feb 26-	NWR Rally Awards Banquet, Fort Lewis Golf Club Dupont WA		
Mar 5-6-	Doo Wop 1 & 2 (C2, C2), Pacific Rally Group Regional Stage Rally WSRC		
Mar 20-	ORG SCCA Rally Cross #1, Oregon Rally Group, Hillsboro,		
Mar 19-20-	Performance Rally School by Oregon Rally Group, Portland, OR		
Apr 23-24-	Oregon Trail (C3) & Trails End (C2), WSRC Regional Stage Rally, Hillsboro OR		
May 15-	ORG SCCA Rally Cross #2, Oregon Rally Group, (location tba)		
Jun 4-	Dryad Quest (C3), Pacific Rally Group Reg'l Stage Rally WSRC, Shelton		
Jun 5-	Shitepoke (C3), Pacific Rally Group Reg'l Stage Rally WSRC, Shelton WA		
Jun 26-	ORG SCCA Rally Cross #3, Oregon Rally Group, (location tba)		
Jul 17-	Flaming Geyser, NWR Rally Cross Pacific Raceways, Covington WA		
Jul 23-24-	Rally Café (Solo National Tour Event) Pacific Rally Group, Packwood WA		
Jul 31-	Brooklyn Bash Rally Cross, by NWR SCCA Rally Cross, Brooklyn WA		
Aug 7-	ORG SCCA Rally Cross #4 Oregon Rally Group, Hood River OR		
Aug 13-	Rally Round PIR, by ORG/SCCA All Club Party & Rally, Portland OR		
Aug 13-	Ray's Rambler by PRG, Rally Worker's Rally Sprint & Party Montesano, WA		
Aug 13- Aug 14-	Janice's Jaunt by PRG, Rally Worker's Rally Sprint & Party Montesano, WA		
-	NWR Rally Cross #2 NWR SCCA Rally Cross, (tentative) Brooklyn WA		
Aug 28-			
Sep 10-11-	Wild West International Rally FIA listed WSRC Shelton WA		
Sep 10-	Sou'Wester (C3)Pacific Rally Group Regional Stage Rally, Shelton WA		
Sep 11-	Simpson Stages (C3) Pacific Rally Group Regional Stage Rally, Shelton		
Sep 25-	ORG SCCA Rally Cross #5, by ORG, Portland Int'l Raceway, Portland OR		
Oct 22-	Mt Hood (C3) ORG Reg'l Stage Rally WSRC (Hood River) Odell OR		
Oct 23-	Hood River (C2) ORG Reg'l Stage Rally WSRC (Hood River) Odell OR		
Nov 6-	ORG SCCA Rally Cross #6 Oregon Rally Group		
Puget Sound	l-area TSD		
Feb 11	Friday Nighter NWRC TSD & Novice Series, NWRC (all clubs), Bellevue		
Mar 5	TSD Rally School Rally School, by ORCA, Lynnwood		
Mar 11	Friday Nighter NWRC TSD & Novice Series, by ORCA, Bellevue		
Apr 3	Flapdoodle Express Chuckanut Gimmick Rally, Bellingham		
Apr 8	Friday Nighter NWRC TSD & Novice Series, by ORCA, Bellevue		
Apr 17	Raindrop NWRC Monte Carlo Series by RASC tba		
May 13	Friday Nighter NWRC TSD & Novice Series, PSRC Bellevue		
May 15	Sno-git NWRC Monte Carlo Series , by ORCA, Tulalip Casino, Marysville		
Jun 10	Friday Nighter NWRC TSD & Novice Series by ORCA Bellevue		
Jun 11-12	No Alibi TSD by RASC, PCC, Ellensburg-Clarkston-Ellensburg		
Jul 8	Friday Nighter NWRC TSD & Novice Series by ORCA Bellevue		
Jul 23-24	Golden West 2005SCCA Nat'l Road Rally Tour PCC gravel, Northern Calif		
Jul 24	Ketchum Again NWRC Monte Carlo Series Puget Sound Rally Club		
Aug 12	Friday Nighter NWRC TSD & Novice Series PSRC Bellevue		
Aug 12 Aug 15-18?	Nor'Wester 2005 RASC TSD Totem Lake, WA to Bella Coola, BC tba		
Aug 21			
Sep 9	Friday Nighter NWRC TSD & Novice Series, by NWRC Bellevue		
Oct 1 Oct 14	Night on Bald Mountain by ORCA night TSD gravel		
Oct 14	Friday Niter NWRC TSD & Novice Series, by RASC, Bellevue		
Nov 5	Armageddon XXIV TSD Monte Carlo gravel Bellingham		
Nov 11	Friday NighterNWRC TSD & Novice Series, by NWRC(all clubs) Bellevue		

British Columbia, Canada TSD events

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Feb 19-20	Thunderbird 2005 WCRA BC Regional TSD Winter Rally, Merritt BC
Feb 26-27	WCRA Rally-X on Ice West Coast Rally Association, Ashcroft / Barnes Lake
Feb 27	Island Rallysport Club Rally Cross #1 ,Port Alberni BC
Apr 9	Island Rallysport Club TSD Rally School, Duncan BC
Apr 10	Island Rallysport Club Novice TSD , paved, Nanaimo BC
Mar 20	Island Rallysport Club Novice TSD , paved, Victoria BC
Apr 2	WCRA Novice Workshop #1 BC Novice TSD, Maple Ridge BC
Apr 30	Heart of Darkness WCRA BC Regional TSD night (location tba)
May 14-15	Coast To Coast IRC BC Regional TSD PCC, Vanc. Is., gravel (tba)
Jun 4	WCRA Novice Workshop #2 BC Novice TSD Kamloops BC
Aug 6	WCRA Novice Workshop #3 BC Novice TSD Hope BC
Jul 23	Gold Digger WCRA BC Regional TSD Pemberton BC
Aug 14	Island Rallysport Club Novice TSD #3, paved Campbell River BC
Aug 27	Tsunami IRC TSD night, paved Vanc. Is. Series #3 (tba)
Sep 24	WCRA Rally-X tba
Oct ??	WCRA Novice TSD Novice TSD Rally Workshop tba
Oct 29	Midnight IRC BC Regional TSD night gravel Vanc. Is. Nanaimo BC
Nov 19-20	Totem 2005 WCRA BC Regional TSD PCC (location tba)

Portland-area, Oregon TSD rallys

Mar 12	CSCC TSD Rally Scho	ool & Rally Cascade Sports Car Club, Tigard OR
Mar 18	Friday Nighter	Cascade Friday Nighter Series , Portland OR
Apr 15	Friday Nighter	Cascade Friday Nighter Series, Portland OR
May 20	Friday Nighter	Cascade Friday Nighter Series, Portland OR
Jun 17	Friday Nighter	Cascade Friday Nighter Series, Portland OR
Jul 15	Friday Nighter	Cascade Friday Nighter Series, Portland OR
Jul 16	The Scenic View	SCCA National Road Rally Course Portland OR
Jul 17	The Beaver Cleaver	SCCA National Road Rally Course Portland OR
Aug 19	Friday Nighter	Cascade Friday Nighter Series, Portland OR
Aug 20	Mountains To Sea	Cascade Touring TSD Portland OR
Sep 16	Friday Nighter	Cascade Friday Nighter Series, Portland OR
Oct 8-9	Port Orford	SCCA Regional TSD location tba) OR
Oct 21	Friday Nighter	Cascade Friday Nighter Series, Portland OR
Oct 29	Ghouls Gambol	XXXIX Cascade Halloween TSD Portland OR

Hill Climbs

May 21-22??	Knox Mountain Hillclim	ıb Kelowna BC
Jun 25-26	Freezeout Hillclimb	Northwest Hillclimb Association , Emmett ID
Jul 2-3	Larison Rock Hillclimb	NW Hillclimb Assn Emerald Empire SCC (Eugene) Oakridge OR
Jul 30-31	Hoopa Hillclimb	Northwest Hillclimb Assn, Hoopa Reservation CA
Aug 6-7	Bible Creek Hillclimb	Willamette Motor Club (Salem OR), Wilemina OR
Aug 20-21	Black Otter Hillclimb	Northwest Hillclimb Association , Billings MT
Sep 3-4	Bogus Basin Hillclimb	Northwest Hillclimb Association , Boise ID
Sep 10-11	Teton Hillclimb	Northwest Hillclimb Assn (ID/WY border), Driggs ID
Sep 24-25	White Bird Hillclimb	NW Hillclimb Assn (SE of Lewiston), White Bird ID

And... the rest

Apr 29-May 7	7 Cannonball One Lap of America presented by Car and Driver, South Bend IN
Jun 9-12	2005 Classic Motorcar Rally, Woodinville WA
Jun 25-Jul 9	Great Race 2005, Washington DC to Tacoma WA
Jul 17-23	Yukon Challenge Rally TSD, Los Angeles to Anchorage, Rob Henry c/o gabriand@aol.com
Aug 11-14	Monte Shelton North West Classic Motorcar Rally, Portland OR
Sep 10-17	Targa Newfoundland Tarmac Rally, St. John's Newfoundland

Rainier Auto Sports Club will meet this coming Monday, February 14 at 7:30 PM at Café Veloce at the Totem Lake shopping center. Best way I can think of to get there is 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 poss, with the Café on your right at that point. Monthly meetings are the second Monday of each month. Past Members, visitors, and spectators are welcomed.

Agenda: Raindrop plans, with appropriate arm twisting. Pre-bragging about Thunderbird. Discussion of 2005 membership card format may be contentious. Since it's Valentine's Day, may be a short meeting.

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