

### Rally News

\* British Columbia's Thunderbird rally (this weekend) looks to get about 38 entrants, maybe because it's best when the tracks are narrow and the snow banks are hopefully deep and soft. The routes around Merritt are familiar. Last year, Satch and Russ won with an astounding 13 points in the Sonett. No doubt, they will try to repeat this year.

\* If experience counts, the 24-entry Winter Alcan proves that a good time is worth returning to. Less than eleven teams are new to the adventure. Among those are some former workers, well versed in the ways of the long, long drive.

The first day commences at Kirkland's Baymont Inn, to overnight at Quesnel, British Columbia.

\* Due to an unfortunate scheduling conflict, the WRC scheduled the Jordan Rally opposite RASC's Raindrop rally. So no one gets the two confused, Rallymaster Steve Richards will introduce a few changes to the bland Touring format.

### Club News

The 2007 Board was anomalously reelected for 2008. Dues remain the same as last year: \$30 for a Family Membership, \$25 for Single.

### Trivia

\* Ron Sorem drives over Snoqualmie Pass nearly every workday. What with the DOT rules, the big rigs chain up for long distances, including bare pavement. That wears out chains. He has found that he can pick up broken chains and repair them to make his own...since 1998.

### For Sale

\*1991 Legacy Sport Sedan, driven mostly on weekends. 2.2Turbo, 5spd, Limited Slip. \$5000

\* 1987 Subaru RX 3dr, caged, log-booked. 1.8Turbo, 5spd dual-range, locking center diff, Limited Slip. \$3000 (long list of spares for a price)

\* E-mail Ron Sorem: ronsorem@gmail.com

### 2007 RASC Calendar

\* Check out the on-line magazine for local rallyists. Its part of the NWRC website.

<http://www.nwrally.com/>

\* The local and loved Doo Wops stage rally is over the February 23/24 weekend. Not fooling with a good thing, the route and schedule will be similar to past events, including the famed Brooklyn Stage.

\* Tom Palidar is putting together a crew for the Smith Creek stage. He's invited RASC members to join in the fun:

" Updated & confirmed start times for SMITH CREEK...on Sunday 2/24.

1521 ATC 6                      **Smith Creek West**

1624 ATC 7                      **Smith Creek East**

So, this means that we need to be at the 'turnaround location' for 'flying finish (ATC 6), no later than 2:15pm. Nice change from all other times. Also, we should be all done once the stage is closed (around 5pm) & heading home. Very nice."- Tom  
(moss@eskimo.com)

### Stage Rally

Feb 23-24- Doo Wops, Reg'l Stage Rally, Aberdeen WA??

Apr 17-20- Olympus International, RallyAmerica, Olympia WA

Apr 19- John Nagel Memorial Regional Stage Rally Olympia WA

Apr 20- Gene Nielsen Memorial Stages, Regional Stage Rally Olympia WA

May 16-18- Oregon Trail, RallyAmerica National Stage Rally, Hillsboro OR

### NWRC scheduled 8 Friday Nighters

Second Friday in March through October.

March 14 is ORCA

April 11 is PSRC

May 9 is ORCA

June 13 is NWRC

July 11 is PSRC

August 8 is ORCA

September 12 is NWRC

October 10 is RASC

### Major rally events

Feb 17-26 Alcan 5000 Winter Rally, RASC, Kirkland WA to Jasper AB

Aug 2 Great Race World 35,000km Rally New York-Vancouver-Shanghai-Berlin-Paris (150 cities with stop in Kelowna BC, and familiar points en-route to Vancouver BC)

### WASH and BC TSD

Feb 9-10 Thunderbird Winter Rally, Merritt BC

March 29 ? Precipitation Falling by the Soggy Bottom Rally Club, Gig Harbor WA

Apr 6 Flapdoodle Express, Chuckanut SCC, April Fool's Gimmick Rally, Bellingham WA

Apr 27 Raindrop TSD, by RASC, Everett WA

Jun 5-8 ? 16th Annie and Steve Norman Classic Motorcar Rally, (TBA) WA

Jun 7-8 No Alibi by RASC, Ellensburg -- Walla Walla

**Rainier Auto Sports Club** will meet this coming Monday, February 11, 7:30 pm, at Canyon's Restaurant, 15740 Redmond Way in Redmond, 425-556-1390.

<http://www.canyonsrestaurant.com/locationsredmond.html>.

It's easy to find:

From the south end, take 405 north and go east on 520. Take W Lake Sammamish Pkwy NE exit and go left on SR901 (be in left lane). In 0.3 miles, S at signal and then in 0.2 miles bear left to stay on 901 toward Redmond Way. R on Redmond Way. L after RR underpass into Redmond Center.

From the west, using 520 bridge, follow instructions at W Lake Sammamish Pkwy NE exit.

From the north end, take 405 south to 124th St., exit 20, and go left on 124th (as if going to Café Veloce). Follow 124th 1.5 miles to Willows Rd NE and go right on Willows. S at signal in 2.1 miles to stay on Willows. L at signal onto Redmond Way. L after RR underpass into Redmond Center.

You may also pick up Redmond Way from the NE 85th exit 18 in Kirkland, but the traffic signals are murder going this way.

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

Agenda: Alcan is in a week. Thunderbird concluded on Sunday night with the usual creative scoring (just a guess -ed).  
The Treasurer continues collecting Dues for 2008. (\$25 Single, \$30 Family)

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