

The Wishbone Alley Gazette

February, 2013 **Rainier Auto Sports Club**

Rally News

* The NorthWest Rally Council (NWRC) met on January 19.

The big business at hand was to schedule rallies. No takers for March or November Friday Niters. Lacking a volunteer club for June and July, President John Humphrey will put those together, expecting the clubs to man the controls.

There won't be a Chuckanut (Bellingham) rally, and Night on Bald Mountain (ORCA) is taking the year off.

The treasurer reported \$2200 in the bank, after paying \$400 to make arrangements with the IRS. Insurance is \$159 for Friday Niters, \$183 for a 101>200 mile rally, \$191 for a 201>300 mile rally, and \$199 for a 300+ mile rally. Longer rallies are negotiated.

The members voted to do away with the \$5 discount for NWRC clubs' member at the Friday Niters. Entry fee remains at \$20.

The least controversial vote (3 to 1) was not to sanction an event that conflicted with a Friday Niter. RASC was the lone "nay". That means finding insurance if the RM chooses a conflicting date. (?)

* Jerry says that the 2014 Alcan (August 19-26) entry list is filling fast. Last look was 15 cars (including a TR4!), 48 motorcycles.

* Friday Night rallies analysis. Comparing Friday Niter attendance between the NWRC, Portland, and Santa Monica Sports Car Clubs:

2010	NWRC	CSCC	SMSCC
March	18	20	20
April	23	17	15
May	17	19	13
June	22	22	15
July	24	20	15
Aug	14	18	15
Sept	23	15	12
Oct	25	14	10
<i>Tot</i>	<i>166</i>	<i>145</i>	<i>115</i>

2012	NWRC	CSCC	SMSCC
March	15	14	7
April	23	18	14
May	18	18	8
June	12	11	8
July	13	11	9
Aug	13	15	7
Sept	10	17	8
Oct	10	10	8
<i>Tot</i>	<i>114</i>	<i>114</i>	<i>69</i>

No numbers for 2011. While sunny Santa Monica runs all 12 months, Cascade SCC ended in October. These are apples-to-apples comparison.

Due to different class structures, no comparison is printable.- MN

* The Nor'Wester committee met for a 2012 debrief and to formulate plans for 2017. They are looking at a short Friday, long Saturday, and short Sunday.

Club News

*Dues remain \$30 for family, \$25 for individual membership. No increase since 2006! Treasurer Cristy would like everyone paid up by the end of February.

Trivia

* The new Alfa Elite is now available. Updates include an organic LED display, a front panel light for night operation, and integral sunshade. \$900 with driver's readout. <http://www.rally.cc/>

* On January 11, Roy Ward wrote: "When I got home today, there was an official truck in our driveway to the apartment complex. A van owned by one of the tenants leaks oil, and it runs down the driveway to the storm drain. Oops. No-no. So the EPA is here, and they are ordering the van impounded, and the city of Bothell is having to get a slurper truck and clean the oil out of the storm drain. I have an idea the owner of the van is in for a BIG bill for this. The day of the beater car is coming to an end."

For Sale

* For Sale: Interior of 2002 Impreza Outback Wagon. In light and dark grey, complete with door cards, front and rear seats. \$225 OBO. Ed Rachner--206-499-8271.

* 2001 BMW 330ix. Silver, black interior. automatic transmission, 17" wheels. Cheap at \$2900 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: LP 570 High Intensity Led Driving Lamp Kit



Need longer range? Step up to the PIAA 570 seven-inch LED Long Range driving lights. Reflector-facing LEDs project off of an ingenious computer-designed multi-surface reflector offering more and better illumination than halogen lamps with the durability and low power draw of LED lighting. Kit includes two lamps mounting brackets complete wiring harness and detailed installation instructions. Bulb Type: 5 watt LED bulbs 6000K
Description: Polycarbonate and cast aluminum housing with polycarbonate lens.

RASC club price \$220 cash....

ALSO: New in box Hella 192 Driving lamp. Super Oscar size, discontinued. \$50? ! ronsorem @ gmail .com

*PIAA fog lights (2). Spread isn't good, not much good at either end of a car. Typical fog "band of light". Smallish at 6-3/8 x 3" tall, 3" deep. Much used at some point in their long life. \$40. Mark Nolte: mnolte@blarg.net



RASC Calendar - I drew the line at the Southwest NASA & CRS stage rallies. You won't find autocrosses here. The TT events in Nevada (and elsewhere) are outside the scope, as is the Bonneville speed event. You can find FIA & WRC elsewhere. The NW is blessed with both the Dirtfish and Primitive rally schools.

Many thanks to Ron Sorem (ronsorem@gmail.com) for compiling a whole West Coast listing -MN

Other/ Classic enthusiast events

Apr 6/10 - Copperstate 1000, Arizona
April 20 - Tulip Rallye, gimmick, Burlington, WA
April 26/28 - Spring Thaw, (classic), Hope, B.C.
May 4/11 - One Lap of America, Indiana
May 31/6/2 - Cascade Classic (classic), Olympia, WA
June 22/30 - Great Race "Down the Mississippi", St. Paul to Mobile
July 25/28 Monte Shelton (classic), Portland, OR
Aug 9/11 - "Rush to Gold bridge, (classic), B.C.
Sept 14-21 - Targa Newfoundland, St. Johns, Canada
Sept 20/23 - Fall Freeze, (classic,) B.C.

HAM events-

March 9 - Mike and Key annual flea market, Puyallup, \$8
June 22-23- Field Day, everywhere

NW Stage Rallies -

May 3-5 - Oregon Trail, Portland, OR
June 8/9 -Idaho Rally, Boise, ID
June 21/23 - Olympus Int'l, Shelton, WA
July 20/21 - Mendocino Rally, Williams, CA
Oct 4-5 - Pacific Forest Rally, B.C.
Oct ? - Mt. Hood, OR
Nov 1/ 2 - Rocky Mountain, Invermere, B.C.
Dec 7-8 - Big White, B.C.

Oregon TSD - The Friday Nighters are usually the 1st Friday of each month. Conflict with Oregon Trail stage rally bumps the May version out a week. The Friday night rallies will start at the Milwaukie Lowe's at 13631 SE Johnson Rd Milwaukie, OR. This is across the street from the old K-mart.

March 1- Friday Night Series, Milwaukie
April 5 - Friday Night Series, Milwaukie
May 10 - Friday Night Series, Milwaukie
June 7 - Friday Night Series, Milwaukie
July 5 - Friday Night Series, Milwaukie
Aug 2 -Rally School
Aug 3 - Mountains to the Sea
Aug 9 - Friday Night Series, Milwaukie
Sept 6 - Friday Night Series, Milwaukie
Oct 4 - Friday Night Series, Milwaukie

TSD- Washington, British Columbia

Feb 16-17 - Thunderbird, Merritt>Kamloops>Merritt
March 23 - Trail of the Gnu - Alberta
April 12 - NWRC Friday Niter by PSRC
April 14 -Raindrop by RASC
May 10 - NWRC Friday Niter by ORCA
June 1-2 - No Alibi- by RASC
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Sept 13 - NWRC Friday Niter by PSRC
Oct 11 - NWRC Friday Niter by RASC
Nov 16-17 - Totem, B.C.

Here is the **ORG RallyCross 2013** season schedule

April 7 English gravel pit, Vancouver, WA
May 12 English gravel pit, Vancouver, WA
June 16 English gravel pit, Vancouver, WA
July 27-28 Chehalis, WA
Aug 11 English gravel pit, Vancouver, WA
Sept 28-29 Astoria, OR
Nov 10 TBD

Hillclimbs, usually sanctioned by NHA

(The editor knows nothing about these)

May 18 - Knox Mountain, Kelowna, B.C.
July 27 - Hoopa, "California coast"
June 30 - Pikes Peak (National), Colorado Springs, CO
June 22 - Freezeout, Emmett, ID
Aug 31 -Bogus Basin, Boise, ID
Sept 7 - Pioneer, Polaris, MT
June 8 - Cascade Lakes, Ashland, OR
July 6 - Larison Rock, Oakridge, OR
Aug 17 - Bible Creek, Willamina, OR
Sept 21 - Maryhill (NHA), Goldendale, WA
Oct 5 - Maryhill Loops (SOVREN), Goldendale, WA

Rainier Auto Sports Club will meet this coming Monday, February 11 at 7:30 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 poss, 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: Rolling out plans for Raindrop. maybe No Alibi. The NWRC meeting had both Troy Jorgenson and Steve Richards representing RASC. Thunderbird in a week. Treasurer will collect Dues (\$30 family, \$25 individual).

2013 Board Members:

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