

Geargrinders News

May 2026

May 9 Mountains to the Sea Rally

Join us for the star of Cascade's road rally program, the season's only all-day time-speed-distance rally – the 61st anniversary running of Mountains to the Sea.

About the Rally

Rallymasters Monte and Victoria Saager offer a route from Portland to the Coast that showcases beautiful scenery and fun-to-drive rally roads.

The rally route is easy to follow, with no uninstructed turns. Just a beautiful drive on less-traveled roads.



The rally journeys north into southwest Washington, follows the Columbia River west, then crosses back to Oregon at Longview/Rainier. The route then travels over the Coast Range to Seaside.



The event is about 180 miles long and takes about seven hours to complete, including transits and breaks.

Schedule

May 8, Friday
Rally Q&A Zoom meeting 7 pm

May 9, Saturday
First team starts 10:01 am
First team finishes approx. 5 pm
Prizes awarded soon after all teams finish

For updates: [Mountains to the Sea Event Page](#)

Registration

Entry team requires a street-legal vehicle, licensed and insured driver, navigator, and a smart device (cell phone or tablet) running the Competitor Richta GPS Checkpoints app. The app is free.

Entry fee is \$25 per team for CSCC members
\$35 per team for non-members

Register by **midnight May 6:**
<https://msreg.com/CSCCM2C26>

See who is entered: [2026 M2C Entry List](#)

April Saturday Rally Results

You couldn't ask for a better day for a road rally. Skies were blue with fluffy white clouds. Twisty roads that traveled through forested hillsides were lined with moss-covered trees, glowing in the Spring sunlight. Mount St. Helens was visible from several vantage points along the route.

Sixteen teams entered the April 18 Saturday Series Rally, including two teams new to Cascade rally.

Rallymasters Russ and Katy Kraushaar titled this rally *I.S.F.W.Y.T.I.S.S.F.* in memory of rally legend Bob Wakehouse. (What does the title stand for? It stands for whatever you think it should stand for.)



About the rally

The rally was about 100 miles from the start at Dealers Supply in northwest Portland to the end at Papa Pete's Pizza in Ridgefield, Washington. It took about three and a half hours to complete the event. The odometer calibration transit ended at Daybreak Park on the East Fork of the Lewis River north of Battle Ground.

There were a couple of stops along the course, first at the always scenic Cedar Creek Grist Mill. Although the break was short – just 10 minutes – the Grist Mill operator (who knew we were coming) opened up the mill to any rallyists who wanted a quick tour.

A longer break – about 20 minutes – at the Paradise Market gas station / convenience store just off I-5 west of La Center gave folks a chance to catch their breath on this busy and challenging event.

Challenges

The April rally included four main road traps (two based on ONTO and two on Protection). Another four traps offered a deviation where there was no intersection (where one of the two route possibilities was a dead end). One trap was an OR instruction where the half of the OR to be executed was based on which half was *referenced* first.

The rally included nine instructions containing ITIS (if there is such) which means the instruction can be skipped if it cannot be executed prior to the next numbered route instruction. In this rally, not all the ITIS instructions were skipped; a couple were on course and should have been executed.

In addition to the OR instruction mentioned above, there were two more OR instructions required to support the two routes that resulted from a tricky triangle protection trap. You are looking for an S first OPP and this is it! If you go straight and then just keep on going, then you have missed the back-facing stop sign on the road



Cedar Creek Grist Mill, Photo courtesy Brandon Harer



leaving the triangle. This triangle is actually three separate intersections. After you take the straight, the on course route immediately follows the main road to the left on the far side of the triangle. Then continues straight (the same way you would have gone if you didn't have the S first OPP). Off course teams who went straight past the back-facing stop sign took a different route, using the OR instructions, to rejoin the on course route a few instructions later.

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And that's not all! The locations at which to execute three instructions containing speed changes were determined by a stated distance API (after previous instruction). Sounds easy enough, but sometimes it wasn't so clear. For example, when an API followed an ITIS instruction, did you execute the ITIS or skip it? Where does the API mileage start? Oh, what fun!

Although there were many challenges, none were very hurtful to your score. If executed incorrectly, most of these challenges resulted in few penalty points.

Congratulate the winners



First Equipped – **Bob Morseburg and Cheri Eddy**



Third Equipped – **Rick and Martha Morrison** (first Cascade rally)



Second Equipped – **Robert Paxman and Kathy Sacry**



First SOP – **Marcus Gattman and Brandon Harer**

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(no photo)

Second SOP – **David and JoAnn Gattman**



Third SOP – **Torm Kelsey-Green and Kasey Klaus**



First Novice – **Maury and Tffany Crites**

(no photo)

Second Novice – **Don and Vicki Atwood**



Third Novice – **Jim and John Ellington** (first Cascade rally)



Cedar Creek Grist Mill operator opens, offers tours to April Rally participants

Mountains to the Sea registration closes **May 6**.

Don't miss this scenic all-day TSD rally:

<https://msreg.com/CSCCM2C26>

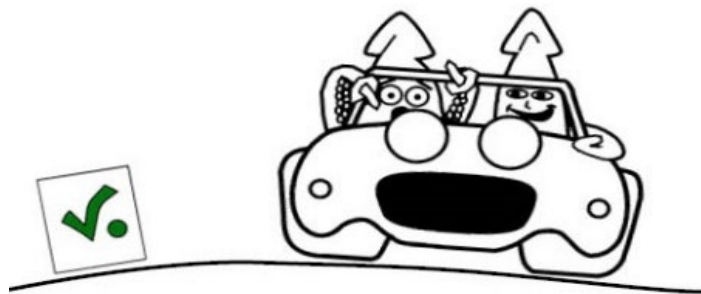


Cascade Sports Car Club's
2026 Saturday Rally Series

I.S.F.W.Y.T.I.S.S.F.

April 18, 2026

Rallymasters: Russ and Katy Kraushaar



Car #	Team	Class	Vehicle	Score
Equipped: (GPS and Unlimited)				
20	Bob Morseburg / Cheri Eddy	GPS	2007 Honda Civic (Bronze)	32
14	Robert Paxman / Kathy Sacry	GPS	2006 Nissan SpecV (Yellow n black)	171
12	Rick Morrison / Martha Morrison	GPS	2001 Porsche 911 Carrera Cabriolet (Grey)	446
SOP: (stock)				
6	Marcus Gattman / Brandon Harer	SOP	2018 Subaru WRX (WR Blue)	45
1	David Gattman / JoAnn Gattman	SOP	2021 Subaru Crosstrek (White)	151
13	Torm Kelsey-Green / Kasey Klaus	SOP	2006 Dodge Magnum (Slate Green)	172
7	Lee Nielsen / Marc Nielsen	SOP	2000 Audi TT (Silver)	267
4	Bill Ferber / Des Wellsmore	SOP	2025 Subaru Outback XT (Blue Sparkle)	291
8	John Sattenspiel / Bryn Griffiths-Sattenspiel	SOP	2023 Mazda MX-5 (Zircon Sand)	316
9	Russ Sherrell / Kate Sherrell	SOP	2003 Porsche 911 (Black)	DNS
10	Andrew Brewer / Kathryn Iverson	SOP	2018 Cadillac ATS 3.6 AWD (satin steel)	DNS
11	Bill Kayser / Bjorn Freeman-Benson	SOP	2024 Audi RS5 (Black)	DNS
Novice: (stock)				
2	Maury Crites / Tiffany Crites	NOV	2012 Porsche Cayenne S (Black)	384
3	Don Atwood / Vicki Atwood	NOV	2023 Tesla (Grey)	419
5	Jim Ellington / John Ellington	NOV	0 Chevrolet Corvette (Yellow)	436
21	Court Winia / Jordyn Winia	NOV	2005 Ford Excursion (Silver)	DNS

DNS = Did not start

[Series Points Standings](#)



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2026 CSCC April Saturday Rally - Leg Scores

Car #	Team	Class	4	5	6	7	9	10	11	12	Total
20	Bob Morseburg / Cheri Eddy	GPS	10	10	2	1	2	1	2	4	32
6	Marcus Gattman / Brandon Harer	SOP	0	12	5	0	0	8	14	6	45
1	David Gattman / JoAnn Gattman	SOP	0	60	5	5	60	9	6	6	151
14	Robert Paxman / Kathy Sacry	GPS	1	60	11	60	9	6	14	10	171
13	Torm Kelsey-Green / Kasey Klaus	SOP	4	26	25	50	6	2	34	25	172
7	Lee Nielsen / Marc Nielsen	SOP	4	60	60	60	7	4	60	12	267
4	Bill Ferber / Des Wellsmore	SOP	7	27	60	31	60	17	32	57	291
8	John Sattenspiel / Bryn Griffiths-Sattenspiel	SOP	12	60	60	20	23	21	60	60	316
2	Maury Crites / Tiffany Crites	NOV	51	60	60	60	34	29	60	30	384
3	Don Atwood / Vicki Atwood	NOV	60	60	60	23	60	40	60	56	419
5	Jim Ellington / John Ellington	NOV	16	60	60	60	60	60	60	60	436
12	Rick Morrison / Martha Morrison	GPS	60	60	57	60	60	29	60	60	446
9	Russ Sherrell / Kate Sherrell	SOP									DNS
10	Andrew Brewer / Kathryn Iverson	SOP									DNS
11	Bill Kayser / Bjorn Freeman-Benson	SOP									DNS
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CASCADE GEARGRINDERS

2026 Road Rally Schedule

as of 1/13/26

Register: MotorsportReg.com

Cascade Sports Car Club's Road Rally Program (aka Cascade Geargrinders) organizes time-speed-distance road rallies in and around Portland, Oregon.

What is TSD road rally? A scenic drive on country roads. A game that takes you places. A fun and affordable autosport competition for beginners and experienced rally teams.

Saturday Road Rally Series

Feb. 21

Rally School – Start the season with a virtual review of time-speed-distance road rally rules and procedures on Friday evening. Then run a practice road rally on Saturday morning to test your driving skills and navigational knowledge.

March 21

Saturday Series rallies are beginner friendly TSD road rallies, starting and ending in the Portland area. Rallies take three to four hours to complete. First car starts at 10:01 a.m.

April 18

June 20

July 18

August 15

Sept. 26

Entry fee: \$25 per team for CSCC members, \$35 per team for non-members

Save with a Series Pass. \$150. Includes entry in Rally School and all 6 Saturday Series rallies. Register just once to enter all 7 events. Run the same car number with the same start time each rally. Available to CSCC members only. CSCC membership is [available online](#).



Play the game that takes you places

Special Events

May 9

Mountains to the Sea – 61st anniversary of Cascade's classic rally. Full-day tour-style time-speed-distance road rally, offering a scenic route that is fun to drive, starting in Portland and ending at the Pacific Ocean (location to be announced).

Entry fee: \$60 per team for CSCC members, \$85 per team for non-members

Oct. 31

Ghouls Gambol – This daytime Halloween-themed rally explores autumn colors around Portland's foothills. Optional decorated car show. Caution: May include tricks and treats.

Entry fee: \$25 per team for CSCC members, \$35 per team for non-members

Save more with a Season Ticket. \$210 for 9-event Season Ticket. Includes all benefits and events in the Series Pass, plus entry in Mountains to the Sea and Ghouls Gambol. Available to members only. CSCC membership is [available online](#).

- Register online: MotorsportReg.com.
- Entry team consists of a street-legal vehicle, a licensed insured driver, a navigator, and a smart device (e.g., cell phone or tablet) running [Competitor Richta GPS Checkpoints app](#) (app is free).
- Rallies are conducted in accordance with the current [Road Rally Rules](#).



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