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ISSUE 11

Attention CSCC drivers! Rule Change Meeting Nov. 4 at 6:45pm @ Stark Street Pizza

It's that time of year again when we meet to vote on the proposed rule changes submitted by ICSCC member clubs.

The following 3 pages are the rules that we will be voting on. Please review them ahead of time, as we will have a limited amount of time to review and discuss during the meeting.

The rule change meeting will be Saturday, November 4th at 6:45pm, which is right before our club's General Meeting. Please plan on attending, however if you are unable to attend and would like to submit a proxy vote, please let me know and I will send you an absentee ballot.

Date: Saturday, November 4th Time: 6:45pm - 7:30pm

Location: Stark Street Pizza, 9234 SE Stark St, Portland, OR 97216

Thank you, Brian > thebuckstopshere@cascadesportscarclub.org <

ALSO, The November 4 Meeting will be your <u>ONLY</u> opportunity to vote <u>IN PERSON</u> for the following Trophies and Awards. Please attend the General meeting and encourage other Drivers to attend, also.

- DRIVER OF THE YEAR,
- WILLIAM DUNNICK MEMORIAL TROPHY,
- DAVE DeHAVEN MEMORIAL NOVICE OF THE YEAR AWARD,
- and the CRASH AND BURN AWARD.
- Nominations for these awards need to be sent to Brett McKown ASAP.

See page 5 for more information.

Brett McKown >trackdayhpde@cascadesportscarclub.org <

BALLOTS have been sent via "Election Buddy" to all current Cascade Members to elect the 2024 CSCC Board of Directors. Please vote! Voting ENDS at 12:00am Nov 1, 2023

On Nov. 4th, we will also be voting on proposed Bylaw changes to the CSCC Bylaws. Please see page 6 of this Newsletter and be informed. Thank you.

Robert Paxman

>rpaxman111@gmail.com<





STEWARD'S CORNER

The following three pages are the Proposed Rule Changes for the ICSCC . These can be found in the October '23 Memo #8. They have been "copied and literally pasted together here" ~your Editor, Cathy

A great season of championship road racing has been completed. Thanks to everyone for their participation! Rule change proposals are below.

YES	NO	Item #	Page	Club	Section/Jurisdiction	Proposal
		402.	14	Stewards	Race Administration	Conference Race Steward. The Race Steward shall be elected by the ICSCC Executive Board and shall preside over the Contest Board, to assure a consistent interpretation of the ICSCC Competition Regulations during a racing season. The Race Steward shall serve for one year. The Race Steward shall personally attend all major Conference events, but may not be an active competitor. All actions of the Race Steward are subject to the approval of the Executive Board. If the position of Race Steward goes unfilled, former race stewards my serve as Race Steward on a per event basis and may participate as active competitors. Race Stewards participating as active competitors should recuse themselves from matters involving their race group when practicable.
		402.A.5.	14	Stewards	Responsibilities of the Race Steward	To give advice and encouragement based on his/her own experience in and knowledge of motor racing, provided it is understood that it is not done in any official capacity. information only and does not constitute a ruling.
		402.A.9.	15	Stewards	Responsibilities of the Race Steward	As time permits, the Race Steward shall should visually inspect at least one car at random during each Championship event.
		403.B.	16	Stewards	Assitant Race Steward	Either the Race Steward or the Steward's representative shall be present at the race course at all times during a racing event, including the hours that registration and technical inspection are open when the track is hot.

	703.F.	28	Stewards	Scheduling of Events	Special and/or feature races shall not be scheduled in a manner that interrupts the
				A	continuity of the ICSCC championship race program within a race weekend. Special
					races equal to or shorter than championship races may fill the slot vacated by a group
					that has been combined. Additional Special or feature races and special races of
					greater length than championship races shall be the first or lastrace of the day after
					all championship/novice races are completed, unless approved by the E Board. Special
					races may be held on any day of the race weekend. With the exception of ICSCC
					Novice
					races, any non-Championship race shall be considered a special race. Championship
					races shall not be shortened to facilitate special races. Lap times from Special Races
					(i.e Sprint Races) where all competitors from all Championship race groups are able to
					enter, may count as an additional qualifying time at the Member Club's discretion.
					The Race Announcement must make this clear to the driver's and under no
					circumstances will a Special Race be the only qualifying session for the Championship
					race. Rule 714 shall apply, "Cars may be weighed following any timed qualifying
					session, provided that all cars in the class that participated in the session are
5					weighed." (Fall 2016)



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Ĩ	707.	28	Stewards	Races	All cars will be called to an area designated pre-grid (false grid) for the purpose of
					placing each car in its proper starting position. If the cars are unduly delayed in being
					called to the grid, drivers shall be given adequate warning as to when the race will
1					begin. All cars must be on pre-grid by the 5 minute warning. Any car failing to arrive at
1					pre-grid before the 5 minute warning shall lose its grid position and be placed at the
					back of the grid, 2023 ICSCC Competition Regulations 29 unless said car competed in
1					the race immediately preceding. In the case of a grid designated to execute a split
					start, the car will be placed at the back of the starting group containing cars with the
					same or similar classes. A car competing in back-to-back races will be allowed to grid
					in its qualified grid position any time up to the 1 minute warning, after which time it
					must be placed at the back of the grid. The 5-minute warning cannot be given earlier
1					than 5 minutes before the scheduled race start unless stated in the Race Event
1					Supplemental Regulations and published in the race schedule. No engines may be
					running on pre-grid between the 5 minute warning and the 1 minute warning, except
1					for practice and qualifying. At the 1 minute warning the pregrid area must be cleared
1					of all support personnel. Any race car being worked on after the 1 minute warning will
					lose its grid position and be released at the back of the grid. At the 1 minute warning,
					all cars must start with their on- board starter (auxiliary power sources OK) on pre-
					grid. Cars failing to start on their on-board starters or otherwise unready as the grid is
1					cleared will be held in the pre-grid area until the field has cleared the pre-grid area.
1					These car(s) may then be push started, if necessary, and allowed to join the back of
					the field on the pace lap, provided said rejoining can be done safely. If the grid is past
1					the point where rejoining can be done safely, once the race has commenced and the
					grid is cleared the pit exit point, a push start will be allowed, if necessary, and the
					vehicle will start from the rear of the grid. If the race does not commence after the
					first pace lap, the vehicle may be allowed to join the back of the field on the
					subsequent pace lap(s), provided said rejoining can be done safely. A car started at
					the back of the grid shall remain at the back of the grid during the pace lap(s) and
					shall not resume its original grid position. A car losing its grid position while on the
					opening pace lap (laps) may only re-enter at the back of the grid and may not regain
					its original grid position. In the event a car loses its grid position on the opening pace
					lap(s), the grid line (left or right) will advance forward assuming the open position.



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		708.A.	29	Stewards	Gridding Procedures	All classes except Novice will be gridded with positions determined by <a 1="" 8"="" all="" and="" be="" behind="" bodywork.<="" cooler.="" engine="" fitted="" href="the-example: the-example: the</th></tr><tr><td>л</td><td></td><td>911.</td><td>36</td><td>Stewards</td><td>Course Impound</td><td>Course impound. Each competitor in Conference Championship events shall remain at the race course with his/her automobile for a minimum of one hour after his/her race or may leave only with special permission of the Race Steward. Cars and drivers involved in accidents or body contact must remain at the track until results are finalized or with permission from the Race Steward.</td></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td>1110.D.</td><td>47</td><td>Stewards</td><td>Lights and Electrical
System</td><td>Circuit Breakers. All cars, except those exempt herein and by the SCCA GCR, shall be equipped with a functional master circuit breaker (master switch) which cuts all electrical circuits except fire extinguishing and life support systems. It shall be located so as to be both easily visible and easily accessible from the exterior of the car if the car were overturned. Master electrical switches shall only have one motion to turn off (i.e. turn left but not push and turn left to turn switch off). The off position shall be clearly indicated at the switch location.</td></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td>1317.B.11.(b)</td><td>78</td><td>IRDC</td><td>PRO3- Cooling</td><td>Wire Mesh screens with a minimum opening of 3/16" may="" must="" oil="" protect="" radiator="" screens="" td="" the="" to="">
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5		1317.B.16.(b)	80	IRDC	PRO3- Suspension & Steering	Shock absorbers may be replaced provided they attach to the original mounting points. The number and type of shock absorbers shall be the same as stock. The interchange of gas and hydraulic shock absorbers is permitted. Remote reservoir shock absorbers are prohibited. External adjustments of shock control shall be limited to two (2). No shock absorber may be capable of adjustment while the car is in motion. MacPherson struts may use substitute struts, and/or may use alternate inserts. Spring ride height location may be altered from stock. Remote reservoir struts and/or inserts are prohibited. Springs of any origin may be used, provided they are of the same number and type as originally fitted, and that they shall be installed in the original locations using the original system of attachment. The joining of two or more coil springs by any means is prohibited. Devices to limit droop are permitted as long as it is the only service they provide. Helper springs shall be permitted so long as their sole purpose is to maintain contact between the spring and spring perch under droop. Spring rate shall be limited to 15 lbs/in. Tender springs are prohibited. Spacers, including threaded units with adjustable spring seats, may be used with coil springs. Coil-over threaded body/struts are permitted. Minimum ride heights shall be 5" measured from the flat of the rocker panel, not including the pinch weld, jack points, or suspension mounting hardware.
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CSCC DRIVER ANNUAL AWARDS Nominations

Your nominations will help form the ballot for the <u>in-person</u> voting that takes place at the November General Meeting, <u>Stark Street Pizza</u>, Saturday, November 4, at 7:30 PM. Please join us for this important meeting.

It is time again for Cascade members that are current ICSCC licensed drivers to nominate their peers for the club's perpetual trophies that are awarded yearly at the holiday social (formerly the banquet). These nominees will be on the ballot for voting to take place at the November General Meeting.

CSCC/ICSCC drivers are to nominate their peers for the following trophies. Please email me you nominations and why you think they should receive the trophy for which you're nominating them.

- 1. ANNUAL DRIVER OF THE YEAR AWARD -- To be awarded to a current Cascade driver that best fits the following criteria:
- (a) Current membership and licensing with Cascade Sports Car Club.
- (b) Sportsmanship on and off the track.
- (c) Driving ability and performance.
- (d) Loyalty and dedication to Cascade Sports Car Club
- 2. WILLIAM DUNNICK MEMORIAL TROPHY -- To be awarded to the CSCC driver showing the most improved performance during the past racing season.
- 3. DAVID DEHAVEN MEMORIAL NOVICE OF THE YEAR AWARD -- This award is presented to the first year Novice who has gained recognition through his or her driving abilities, sportsmanship on and off the track, and overall club participation.
- 4. CRASH AND BURN AWARD -- This award is awarded to the CSCC licensed driver who has had an unfortunate incident on track but walked away uninjured except for maybe a bruised ego.

Once again, your nominations will help form the ballot for the <u>in-person</u> voting that takes place at the November General Meeting, Stark Street Pizza, Saturday, November 4, at 7:30 PM.

- Brett McKown

UPCOMING GEARGRINDERS RALLY EVENTS

Ghouls Gambol, Oct. 28. Registration closes Oct. 25 **CSCC 2023 Oregon Trailblazer Rally** Nov. 18.

Registration closes Nov. 15.



PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGES presented October 7, to be voted on Nov. 4, 2023 at General Metting

Current ByLaws

Free Membership Qualifications

New and existing members (except ICSCC completion license holders), if you work at least five (5) full days (8 hrs + per day) at any of the following events, you are eligible to receive a free Cascade Sports Car

Club membership for the following year.

Eligible CSCC events include:

Rose City Opener club race (Friday, Saturday, or Sunday)

Chicane Challenge club race (Friday, Saturday, or Sunday)

The Dash club race (Friday, Saturday, or Sunday)

Any Saturday Series Rally (Rally-Master counts as 5 days per event)

Mountains to the Sea Rally (Rally-Master counts as 10 days. Precheck counts as 1 day).

Ghouls Gambol rally (Rally-Master counts as 5 days)

Cascade Enduro (October Saturday)

PROPOSED re-wording of above By-Law (Oct 7, 2023)

Each year, individuals who volunteer to CSCC a minimum of 45 hours are eligible to receive a free Cascade Sports Car Club membership for the following year. Hours volunteered at any Cascade club race, driver training, Rally event, or Cascade Only supported race (i.e., SVRA) are eligible. Additionally, hours volunteered by the board of directors, committee chairs and their assistants shall also be considered eligible; however, only those hours which directly relate to their duties or obligations shall be counted.

This October 23, 2023 publication date of Proposed By-Law changes shall serve as notice to the membership. Voting on this change will take place at the November 4, 2023 General Meeting.



Hello everyone! (From Rick Bostrom)

It is time to announce the 2023 ICSCC Awards Banquet! It will be occurring at the same venue as last year - The Olympia Hotel at Capitol Lake on Saturday, November 11th - and we have a lot to celebrate this year. There were some great championship battles, strong attendance, and lots of noteworthy racing

action. This is a great opportunity to close out 2023 celebrating and bench racing with your Conference racing friends. I hope you decide to join us as it won't be the same without you!

You can sign up on MSR just like you would for a race and it also includes info for those who want to book a hotel room under our group rate and party safely into the night! Here is the link: ICSCC 2023 Banquet

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CASCADE SPORTS CAR CLUB CALENDAR







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GENERAL MEETING: Cascade will hold all general membership club meetings on the **FIRST SATURDAY** of the month at <u>STARK STREET PIZZA</u> beginning at **7:30 P.M.** If the date falls on a Portland race weekend, the meeting will be at the track and the time may change from 7:30pm. **PLEASE** check the CSCC website and Facebook for confirmation of the time. Everyone is welcome!

BOARD MEETINGS: Cascade Board will hold their monthly Board meeting via ZOOM at 7pm on the Thursday nine days before the Saturday General Meeting. There is always the chance this meeting may change. PLEASE check the website and Facebook for any changes in the time or location. Anyone is welcome to request a Zoom invitation or place something on the agenda. Please contact the President, Brian Anderson, before the meeting day for both.

2023 CASCADE RACE SCHEDULE

Rose City Opener <u>RESULTS</u>
Drivers: Chicane Challenge <u>RESULTS</u>
The Dash <u>RESULTS</u> August 12/13
<u>48th Annual Enduro</u> October 14
Volunteers 48th Annual Enduro 10/14

HPDE/TRACK DAY SCHEDULE

2024 Promises to be ANOTHER Great Year. Invite friends and family to try HPDE

SPECIAL EVENTS

ICSCC BANQUET Nov. 11
Olympia, WA

Cascade Sports Car Club Year-End Banquet

Tyee Yacht Club

2929 NE Marine Dr Portland, OR 97211 December 16, 2023

More Details soon.

VOLUNTEERS, If you worked 5 full days at Cascade Race events this year, your DELICIOUS dinner is *FREE*.

Please join us so we can thank you.

GEARGRINDERS 2023 RALLY SCHEDULE

Feb 18 Rally School results

March 18 – <u>Results</u> June 10 – <u>Rally Results</u>
April 15 – <u>Rally Results</u>
May 13 – <u>Rally Results</u>
Aug 19 – <u>Rally Results</u>

SPECIAL EVENTS

Sept 9 – <u>Mountains to the Sea Rally Results</u> October 28 – <u>Ghouls Gambol</u> November 18 — Oregon Trailblazer



CASCADE SPORTS CAR CLUB Board of Director Meeting October 2023

(Board met September 28, 2023 7pm via zoom)

Broad Members present: Brian Anderson, Bob Peters (intermittently), Steve Powell, Linda Blackburn, Robert Paxman, Cody Garvin. Howard Hamilton and Chris Lounsbury absent.

Guests: Jamie Anderson, Gail Fetterman, Julie Powell, Chris Heinrich, Mike Smith, Brett McKown and Cathy Peters (intermittently).

Minutes of the last meeting were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: We have money (Intermittently!! Ha Ha. We missed your presence, when the computer zoom allowed, we were happy to have you both there but that darn internet.)

Marketing: Kristen Moore will be the one in control of our Volunteer Fair at the start of the year. PIR has not given us a date yet. The Charity brought in a good amount this year. Our committee did wonderful as we were all so new to setting it up. We approved \$7,182 each to Soldiers on Singletrack and Ranger Road. The Board approved unanimously. This leaves us with approximately \$5,174 to use for starting next year's event.

We will get the checks to the proper people. Also, I asked for Board approval for 4 dinners to the CSCC Social in December. This is for the Soldiers on Singletrack and they will be presented with a large format check, thank you Jamie! I did not include Ranger Road for the Social because they are from the Seattle area and all over the USA even though many are now members of the club.

Enduro: Chris said there are 25 cars for the 2 Hour and 20 for each of the 4 and 8 Hour. He will be getting the lunches and dinners as he sees fit. Chris is asking for help to do this part.

Gail is working on the National Anthems. Sound is Cathy Fraiser and possibly Helga Brunner.

Contest Board: Brian will set the zoom meeting for the rule changes when he has this from ICSCC.

Voting: The Board approved a maximum for Jamie to set up a voting process for the Board of Directors that would cost less than \$100. (We think)

Worker Drawing, year-end awards: Gail will work out the \$1600 breakdown of the year end awards for the workers that the Board unanimously approved. These will be handed out at the morning meeting.

Meeting adjourned 8:30 pm. Respectfully submitted, Linda Blackburn, Secretary for Cascade Sports Car Club.





General Meeting October 7, 2023 Meeting started 7:31 pm.

Steve Powell, VP, opened the meeting. No new people or guests to acknowledge. Minutes accepted and approved for Ausgust as published in Auspuff

Treasurer: Bob Peters reportWe are all caught up on PIR and other bills. Will likely show a loss this year, half of which is attributable to prepayment of estimated taxes for expected 2023 revenue. Discussion by BoD to purchase a \$25K CD. The Board will revisit in early December. (Chase Bank currently has a g month CD for 5%). We DO still have money for purchase and installation of a cover for our vehicles at PIR.

Auspuff: Cathy Peters Due to so many readers reporting Auspuff ending up in Spam folders, we will return to sending the Auspuff out as a LINK. Editor will send readers a link to the CSCC website where all editions of the Auspuff are available.

Activities/Banquet: Kim McFarland

Yearend Social/Awards presentation at Tyee Yacht Club, December 16th. No Hos Hawaiian BBQ caterering. RSVP will be through MSR soon.

E-Board: Chris Heinrich

ICSCC End of Year Banquet will be Nov. 11 in Olympia at the <u>Olympia hotel at Capitol Lake.</u>
The 2024 Schedule is looking gooe at this points with no back-to-back races yet appearing. Things could change

Contest Board: Brian Anderson

Nothing really to report. As per the Memo #8, Rule changes submitted were mostly from Stewards and 2 from IRDC regarding Pro3 class. See Current Memo #8. It is unknown when these proposed rules will be voted on.

Enduro Chairman: Chris Heinrich

The 2023 Enduro is in a week. Low count. NEED MORE ENTRIES. We will NOT have Adam, Dave Reihl, or Scott Goodrich for setup and teardown of Track. Need Volunteers for that and for Tech Friday/Saturday. Registration opens Friday night at 6-8. (no Friday night Drags)

Race Chairman: Michael Mustang Smith

Our 2024 race dates have been submitted to PIR. Not confirmed yet. We are working well with PIR. Still unable to meet with "carport quy" about the cover for our vehicles.

Driver Training: Brett McKown

No report on DT/HPDE. Brett would like to look into CSCC owning a flatbed trailer to use for track recon for HPDE events, possibly putting wooden benches on the bed for comfort. Club might find other uses. Discussion of storage, cost, other feasabilities. Brett will revisit this with BoD.

Membership: Steve and Julie Powell

No new members to introduce; no guests, either. Great Raffle, as usual.

Board of Directors elections. Ballots go out mid-October to current CSCC members via MSR. We have seven nominees. Jamie Anderson has found an app that will process our election. Thank you Jamie. New Board will be selected at the November meeting and announced at the December Social.

Gary Bockman Membership of the Year ballot will also go out mid October. If there are any additional nominees, Steve needs them by Oct. 12/13! All ballots will go out via email to current/paid members hopefully on or about October 15th.

STILL ROUNDING UP PERPETUAL TROPHIES FROM PAST WINNERS. IF YOU HAVE ONE, CALL STEVE!



General Meeting, September 9, 2023 Meeting started 7:35 pm.

Marketing: Linda Blackburn

Worker Fair is on again for 2024. Kristen Moore (ORSCCA) is heading this up. Still need to confirm date.

The Club Charity group raised \$13365.00 from the Dash. This was from race car and exotic car rides, dunk tank, shirt sales, and various donations. BOD decided/allocated \$7182.00 each to Soldiers on Singletrack and Ranger Road. Charity will hold over approximately \$4700.00 for next year.

Cathy Peters volunteered to help the Charity Committee with the 2024 Dash.

Volunteer Coordinator: Gail Fetterman

BOD resolved to provide \$1600.00 for a year-end worker drawing. Drawing will be held at the Enduro morning meeting. Winners do not need to be present to win. Money comes from the "Worker Fund". ALL workers names will be in the drawing for the "big cash prize" first, you will not be eligible to win again so if our name is drawn a second time, a redraw will occur.

At present, only 59 workers registered for Enduro. Register by Monday, 9th at noon on MSR to insure a sandwich will be provided for you. (You can register later than that, but you will be hungry).

Meals for Enduro: Sandwiches for lunch, Pizza for dinner. Get your eclipse glasses!

Website: Jamie Anderson

Not present, but will work with Auspuff editor to create Links for newsletter moving forward.

Gear Grinders: Victoria Saager

Ghouls Gambol Rally is coming up. October 28th. Cars and drivers can dress up (costumes) with a chance to win fabulous prizes. Invite a friend to rally and get a \$10.00 discount for you and the entrant.

Yearend rally awards will be handed out to the respective winners. The winners will also be announced and congratulated at the December Yearend Social.

Points Keeper: Jamie Anderson Keep sending in your hours!

Old Business:

Discussion on "Free membership for workers" qualifications. Chris Heinrich has a clear, concisely worded proposal for our Bylaws. <u>Current ByLaws at CSCC website under "about" tab.</u>

Proposed:

"Each year, individuals who volunteer to CSCC a minimum of 45 hours are eligible to receive a free Cascade Sports Car Club membership for the following year. Hours volunteered at any Cascade club race, driver training, Rally event, or Cascade-Only supported race (i.e., SVRA) are eligible. Additionally, hours volunteered by the board of directors, committee chairs and their assistants shall also be considered eligible; however, only those hours which directly relate to their duties or obligations shall be counted."

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New business/ongoing business:

Still working on the equipment cover project.

ICSCC Awards Banquet is November 11th in Olympia, WA at the <u>Olympia Hotel at Capitol Lake</u>. Hopefully we will be hearing more about that from Conference soon.... Here is that info, post meeting ICSCC Banquet MSR

The Swap Meet Golf Cart Drivers collected \$5000 to donate to the Community Transitional School in 2023. Dave and Julie Reihl presented the check recently. *Thank you drivers!!*



Cascade Sports Car Club's
57th anniversary of a
Halloween tradition

GHOULS GAMBOL RALLY

Oct. 28, 2023

Cascade Geargrinders Haunt
Spirit of Halloweentown

The Ghouls Gambol Rally is a fun drive on scenic country roads, through autumn-colored countryside. This easy time-speed-distance road rally takes about three hours to complete, including a mid-rally break. Expect treats and maybe a trick or two, for it is a fun Halloween outing after all. Prizes for top rally finishers and best decorated cars.

Online registration required: http://msreq.com/CSCCGG23

Entry fee:

\$20 per car for CSCC members \$30 per car for non-members

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

Start location: Dealers Supply, 2345 NW Nicolai St, Portland

End location: Spirit of Halloweentown,

St. Helens, Oregon

Schedule: October 28

Decorated rally car judging at Dealers Supply: 9:30 am to 10 am

First car starts rally: 10:01 am

First car arrives at Spirit of Halloweentown: ~1:30 pm

Decorated rally car show: ~2 pm

Results announced: after all cars finish

Awards presented: Ghouls Gambol prizes and Saturday Rally Series awards at

Spirit of Halloweentown, St. Helens



More info: rally@cascadesportscarclub.org

Www.cascadegeargrinders.org

Who says you don't have a ghost of a chance? You'll laugh. You'll cry. You'll howl at the moon!



November 2023

2023 Rally Series Winners and CSCC Rally Champions

The 2023 Saturday Road Rally Series included six rallies, March through August. To be eligible to win a Series Award, a competitor had to run at least half of the rallies. For those who ran all six Series rallies, their best five finishes counted.

Saturday Rally Series Winners



Drivers – EquippedNavigators - Equipped1st – Bob Morseburg1st – Cheri Eddy2nd – Robert Paxman2nd – Chris Lane

Drivers – UnequippedNavigators – Unequipped1st – Cody Garvin1st – Sabrina Garvin2nd – David Gattman2nd – JoAnn Gattman3rd – Torm Kelsey-Green3rd – Kasey Klaus

Drivers – NoviceNavigators – Novice1st – Joel Bristol1st – Aksel Bristol2nd – Cassie Lloyd2nd – Jacob Lloyd3rd – Michael Knight3rd – Cheryl Knight

The 2023 CSCC Rally Championship included the Saturday Road Rally Series plus the Mountains to the Sea Rally. To be eligible, the competitor must be a Cascade member.



CSCC Rally Champions

Equipped Unequipped

Driver: Bob Morseburg Driver: Cody Garvin

Navigator: Cheri Eddy Navigator: Sabrina Garvin

Series awards are presented at the Ghouls Gambol Rally on Oct. 28. CSCC Rally Championship trophies are presented at the club annual awards event.

Rally Season Points: http://www.cascadegeargrinders.com/files/CSCC 2023 Rally Season Standings.pdf

November 18 - Oregon Trailblazer Rally

And now for something completely different. The Oregon Trailblazer Rally is a thought-provoking diversion on scenic country roads.

This tricky TSD rally is designed to challenge driving and navigational skills. Expect tricks and traps.

The rally route is mostly paved, with some gravel.

The entry fee is \$20 per car for CSCC members, \$30 per car for non-members.

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

Register by Nov. 16: http:://msreg.com/CSCCOTB23



The first Oregon Trailblazer Rally was May 13-14, 1961. As a charter member of the newly formed Northwest Rally Council, Oregon Trailblazer was Cascade's rally in NWRC's inaugural season. It continued to be offered on NWRC's schedule for many years.



2023 Year-to-Date CSCC Volunteer Hours

Please note that hours shown are for club members' volunteer hours reported for 2023 as of 9/23/2023.

If you earned hours that are not noted below, please send an email to pointskeeper@cascadesportscarclub.org.

CLICK HERE to become a Cascade Sports Car Club member!

Blackburn	Linda	359	Paxman	Robert	53
Saager	Victoria	279	Tomlinson	Susan	53
Saager	Monte	277	Goodrich	Scott	45
Anderson	Jamie	200	Humes	Jerry	37
Fetterman	Gail	160	Dunning	Dave	33
Peters	Bob	159	Quimby	Catherine	33
Smith	Mike	136	Yablokov	Aleks	32
McKown	Brett	135	Bienerth	Bret	30
Kuzma McFarland	Kimberly	124	Clark	Garrett	30
Kelsey-Green	Torm	116	Plavcan	Matt	30
Peters	Cathy	98	Woolsey	Mike	30
Powell	Julie	93	Lounsbury	Chris	21
Riehl	Julie	91	Matschek	Charles	20
Riehl	David	90	Lundin	Patrik	19
Jacobsen	Rob	89	Cox	Jeffrey	18
Van Alstyne	Mitch	86	Lombardi	Mike	18
Klaus	Kasey	85	Lombardi	Therese	18
Anderson	Ashlee	84	Savona	John	17
Anderson	Brian	80	Pixley	Emily	14
Garvin	Cody	79	Mansur	Bud	11
Powell	Steven	79	Ball	Keith	10
Klaus	Robert	69	Komurka	Paul	10
Czmowski	Jim	66	Lounsbury	Wendy	10
Thorn	Susan	65	Reetz	Shane	10
Tomlinson	Jeff	64	Becker	Daryl	9
Garvin	Sabrina	62	Turner	Steve	8
Hamilton	Howard	61	Stanley	Tim	5
Gattman	David	56	Serna	Addie	4
Gattman	JoAnn	56	Burgesser	Margie	3
Heinrich	Chris	56	LeBlanc	Darrell	3
Killam	Ken	56			

2023 CASCADE FESTIVAL OF ENDURANCE POST RACE

Cascade's 48th Annual Festival of Endurance is now in the books! A huge thank you to all the drivers, crews, volunteers, and fans for attending this year's event. While overall turnout was down and attrition was high, the race at the front was close! The changing weather conditions from dry to wet tested the teams and drivers but they persevered through to the end.

In the end, the 8 hour podium was the #197 func_motorsport BMW E46 driven by Bryce Scott, Corey Peters, and Matt Lowell taking home the overall win and class win in E1. A strong second overall and first in E2 was Jonathan Perichon, Daniel Yanisse, and Gregory Liefooghe in their #90 BMW E46. Rounding out the podium and first in ES were first timers to Cascade's enduro, the Screaming Chicken Racing #200 Corvette driven by Steve Heino, Craig Lowe, and Scott Borduin. The top three overall were all on 200 treadwear tires which proved to be a good choice with the changing weather conditions.

FULL RESULTS OF ALL THREE RACES ARE PUBLISHED HERE IN THE AUSPUFF

While the enduro makes for a long day, the tradition of this race is pretty special. It was great to see so many volunteers this Saturday and so many in the turns. I even went out to one turn and witnessed the long-standing tradition of an enduro cookout! Some traditions just keep going!

Thank you, Retro Racing, Skyline Scaffold, and ACI for their support of this race again and again. They have been the GOLD sponsors of this event for a lot of years!! Also thank you Casabella Granite for again supporting the event. Thank you to everyone who came out to help with the event. Jamie Anderson, Gail Fetterman, Julie Powell, Ashlee Anderson, and Bret Bienerth were a great help to me throughout the day and especially for helping with lunches and dinner. Thank you, Steve Powell, for the end of day help and Bob Peters for coming up to help also. Thank you to ALL the Specialties (Emergency/Safety, Flags and Communication, Race Control, Pace Car, Starter, Registration, Timing/Scoring, Driver Services, Tech, Pre-Grid (Pit Marshals), Course Marshall, Sound, and everyone else I may have missed). It takes so many people to hold an event like this and we couldn't do it without everyone working together and pitching in. GREAT JOB AND THANK YOU!

Chris Heinrich Enduro Race Chair







2 HOURS OF THE CASCADES Sorted on Laps

Race s	tarted a	t 12:00	:33					
Pos	No.	Laps	Name	Co Driver	Make	Color	Sponsor	Best Ti
ME0								
1	39	89	Eric Krause	Wikstrom, Curt	Porsche	White/Red		1:14.19
2	42	87	R G Wellington		BMW	White/Red	IRC183 Racing / Racer on Rails	1:18.44
3	200	87	Steve Heino	Borduin, Scott, Lowe, Craig	Chevrolet	Maroon	Modern Classics Auto Service	1:17.98
4	16	85	Jeffery Remfert	McIntire, Chris	Mazda	Black	Retro Racing Team/AES Tuning	1:17.48
5	1	82	Christopher Woods	Bradshaw, Austin	BMW	silver, black,	AMW	1:16.92
6	28	76	James "Gator" Hudsc	Wall, Kevin	Subaru	Blue	Subaru of Bend	1:21.71
Not class	ified							
DNF	23	15	Greg Anthony		BMW	Red White Black	Prime Roofing / AR Motorsports	1:13.73
DNS	361		Grant Gilmore		BMW	M3	AMW Roofing	
ME1								
1	197	87	Corey Peters	Scott, Bryce	BMW	Yellow	KD Motorsports	1:19.30
2	36	86	Gamaliel Aguilar-Gam	Asselin, Simon, Thompson, Scott	BMW	Silver	Racer on Rails	1:18.78
3	147	86	Colton Edwards	Morris, William	BMW	White/Red/Blue		1:20.20
4	169	85	Brett McKown	Brassfield, Jason, Smith, E Michael	BMW	Silver	PC Racing / Bloising Saddles Rac	1:20.26
5	10	68	John Hill	Spada, Ernie, Ferrick, Tim	Mitjet	Grey/Orange		1:20.7
Not class	ified							
DNS	199		Jay St Claire	Bristow, Pete, Williams, Scott	Volkswagen	Blue	St Speed Inc.	
ME2								
1	128	88	Daniel Yanisse	Liefooghe, Gregory	BMW	Grey		1:17.67
2	90	88	Jonathan Perichon	Yanisse, Daniel	BMW	Red yellow whit		1:18.26
3	321	79	Mark Saiget	Don Wentz, Greg Maythaler	BMW	purple		1:24.64
4	12	70	Chris Luna	McAffer, Jeff, Dummer, Isaiah	BMW	White		1:21.3
Not class	ified							
DNS	27		Steve Lovejoy		Datsun	Slime Lime	Terry Miller Racing	
DNS	172		Xiaoxi 'Cathy' Zhang	Singh, Manvinder	Mini	Grey		
ME3								
III U			Eric Weller	Anson Pfaff		Blue/Red		1:24.1

Margin of Victory	Avg. Speed	Best Lap Tm	Best Speed	Best Lap by	
1 Lap	85.678	1:13.737	93.494	23 - Greg Anthony	
Chief of Timing & Sco	oring: Linda Blackburn				Orbits

Race Steward: Roldan de Guzman Race Chairman: Chris Heinrich

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4 Hours of the Cascades Portland International Raceway 1.915 miles

4 Hour Race 10/14/2023 12:00

Race started at 12:00:33

Pos	No.	Laps	Name	Co Driver	Make	Color	Sponsor	Best Tm
2	19	80	Brian Anderson		Mazda	Red	Maximum Effort Racing	1:24.830
3	136	79	Joe Blair	Hajari, 'MJ'	Mazda	Wht/Blu	Blairco Heating/Miatacage.com	1:25.982
4	301	79	Stuart Welker		Mazda	Blue		1:26.354
Not class	ified							
DNF	24	38	Blaine Weller		Mazda		Bunny Boys Racing	1:25.719
DNF	02	10	Todd Etchieson	Berner, Bill	Mazda	Blue		1:30.291
MSR								
1	03	85	Graham Morin	Overdiek, Terry	SAKER	Blk/Rd	Saker Pacific Racing	1:18.138

Margin of Victory	Avg. Speed	Best Lap Tm	Best Speed	Best Lap by	
1 Lap	85.678	1:13.737	93.494	23 - Greg Anthony	
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4 Hours of the Cascades Portland International Raceway 1.915 miles 4 Hour Race 10/14/2023 12:00 Race started at 12:00:33 Pos No. Laps Name Co Driver Make Color Sponsor Best Tm E0 Chris Woods BMW Silver/Black 168 Austin Bradshaw, Grant Gilmore 1:16.847 2 16 167 McIntire, Chris, Achepohl, Adam Mazda Black Retro Racing Team/AES Tun Jefferv Remfert 1:17.488 James "Gator" Hudsc Overdiek, Terry, Wall, Kevin, Wall, Bonnie Subaru Blue Subaru of Bend 3 28 149 1:20.486 E1 BMW KD Motorsports 197 176 Corey Peters Lowell, Matt. Scott, Bryce Yellow 1:18.932 Gamaliel Aguilar-Gam BMW Silver Racer on Rails 2 36 172 Asselin, Simon, Thompson, Scott 1:18.666 Colton Edwards Will Morris BMW Rd/Wht/Blu 147 169 3 1:20.203 **Brett McKown** Ball, Keith, Brassfield, Jason, Smith, E Michael BMW Silver PC Racing / Bloising Saddle 169 167 1:20.266 John Hill Mitjet 68 Spada, Ernie, Ferrick, Tim Grey/Orange 10 1:20.754 E2 BMW 90 176 Jonathan Perichon Yanisse, Daniel, Liefooghe, Gregory Red yellow whit 1:18.261 321 Zimmerman, Kurt, Meythaler, Greg, Wentz, Don, Mitchel BMW 2 162 Mark Saiget purple 1:23.515 Chris Luna McAffer, Jeff, Dummer, Isaiah BMW White 12 154 3 1:21.313 128 88 Daniel Yanisse Liefooghe, Gregory BMW Grey 1:17.675 E3 136 162 Joe Blair Kyle Keenan, MJ Hajari Miata White/Blue 1:24.734 301 Stuart Welker Brian Anderson Mazda Blue 2 154 1:25.536 **Eric Weller** Arscott, John, Pfaff, Anson Blue/Red 153 111 Mazda Canyon Park Dental 1:24.100 3 Blaine Weller Pullen, Ben, Hardee, Davis Mazda 24 86 **Bunny Boys Racing** 1:25.718 175 76 Sam Brown Parker, Jon Mazda Silver and blac 1:29.144 ES 200 Maroon 173 Steve Heino Borduin, Scott, Lowe, Craig Chevrolet Modern Classics Auto Servi 1:16.684 **ESR**

Margin of Victory	Avg. Speed	Best Lap Tm	Best Speed	Best Lap by				
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SAKER

Porsche

Blk/Rd

White/Red

Overdiek, Terry, Carrick, Michael

Wikstrom, Curt, Aylward, J

Race Steward: Roldan de Guzman

Graham Morin

Eric Krause

Race Chairman: Chris Heinrich

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E0									
1	28	E0	285	James "Gator" Hudson	Overdiek, Terry, Wall, Kevin, Wall, Bonnie	Subaru	Blue	Subaru of Bend	1:20.1
2	16	E0	167	Jeffery Remfert	McIntire, Chris, Achepohl, Adam	Mazda	Black	Retro Racing Team/AE	1:17.5
E1									
1	197	E1	324	Corey Peters	Lowell, Matt, Scott, Bryce	BMW	Yellow	KD Motorsports	1:18.9
2	22	E1	304	Ron Craig	Golden, Hugh, Craig, Kevin	BMW	Silver	Specialty Auto Care	1:19.0
3	169	E1	268	Brett McKown	Ball, Brassfield, Smith	BMW	Silver	PC Racing / Bloising S	1:19.9
4	36	E1	253	Gamaliel Aguilar-Gamez,	Groeneveld, Dirk, Asselin, Simon, Thompson, Scott	BMW	Silver	Racer on Rails	1:18.0
5	10	E1	69	John Hill	Spada, Ernie, Ferrick, Tim	Mitjet	Grey/Oran		1:20.7
E2									
1	90	E2	323	Jonathan Perichon	Yanisse, Daniel, Liefooghe, Gregory	BMW	Red yellov		1:17.72
2	321	E2	298	Mark Saiget	Zimmerman, Meythaler, Wentz, Mitchell	BMW	purple		1:23.5
3	128	E2	88	Daniel Yanisse	Perichon, Jonathan, Liefooghe, Gregory	BMW	Grey		1:17.6
Not clas	sified								
DQ	12	E2	224	Chris Luna	Pratt, Jake, McAffer, Jeff, Dummer, Isaiah	BMW	White		1:21.3
E3									
1	301	E3	244	Brian Anderson	Welker, Stuart	Mazda	Blue		1:25.3
2	153	E3	112	Eric Weller	McAyeal, Randy, Arscott, John, Pfaff, Anson	Mazda	Blue/Red	Canyon Park Dental	1:24.1
3	24	E3	86	Blaine Weller	Pullen, Ben, Hardee, Davis, Pfaff, Anson	Mazda		Bunny Boys Racing	1:25.7
ES									
1	200	ES	316	Steve Heino	Borduin, Scott, Lowe, Craig	Chevrolet	Maroon	Modern Classics Auto	1:16.3
ESR									
1	03	ESR	310	Graham Morin	Overdiek, Terry, Carrick, Michael	SAKER	Blk/Rd	Saker Pacific Racing	1:17.4
EU									

Announcements

Car 12 DQed per Race Steward for avoidable contact

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Margin of Victory	Avg. Speed	Best Lap Tm	Best Speed	Best Lap by	
1 Lap	77.468	1:14.201	92.910	39 - Eric Krause	-
Chief of Timing & So	oring: Linda Blackburn				Orbits

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RaceChairman: Chris Heinrich

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2023 NORTHWEST MINI ENDURO CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES STANDINGS

DRIVER/CLASS	RD 1 PIR	RD 2 PR	RD 3 PIR	RD 4 PR	RD 5 QRP	RD 6 PIR	RD7 RIDGE	RD8 PIR (2 HC	RD8 PIR	TOTAL TOP 6 FINISHES
MSR								,	,	
Knut Grimsrud Lee Storgaard Graham Morin Terry Overdiek Tom Forsyth Soner Terek Cem Aykan Tamer Ozkaraoglu Steven Knepper Donn Snyder	13 13 6	5 10 13 6	13 13	13 13 10 9	13 13	13 13	12 12	12 12	12 12	77 77 24 24 21 19 13 12 10 6
ME0										
Eric Krause Jeffrey Remfert R.G. Wellington James Hudson Curt Wikstrom Chris McIntire Jesse Webb Scott Borduin Todd Clarke Craig Lowe Igor Levine Austin Bradshaw Christopher Woods Michael McAleenan Jay St. Claire Greg Anthony Jerold Lowe Chris Luscher Terry Overdiek Tyler Clarke Michael Conatore Grant Gilmore Rocky Crocker Matthew Geddes	13 10	9 6 5 10 9 12	13 10 9 10	10 13 9 10	7 12	12 6 9 12	12 6 10 8 12 8	12 8 10 6 12 8 9 7 7	12 8 10 6 12 8 9 7 7	71 55 53 50 36 35 22 18 18 18 15 14 14 12 11 10 9 9 8 8 8 6 6
ME1										
Colton Edwards William Morris Jack Curtis Bill Ecker	8 8 10 13	6 6 2 9	12 9	12 12 4 10	9 9 7 11	10 10 13	13 13 8	9	9	62 62 54 52

Matt Dawson	5	8	10	9	8	9	7			51
Chris Johnson		2	9	8		7	4			30
Dan Gavrila		13		7			10			30
Corey Peters								12	12	24
Bryce Scott		40			40			12	12	24
Hank Moore		10			12	•				22
Ron Tanemura	6	4				8	3	10	10	21
Simon Asselin Scott Thompson								10 10	10 10	20 20
Jason Brassfield								8	8	16
Mike Smith								8	8	16
Tim Ferrick								7	7	14
Tom Pittsenbarger	9	5						,	,	14
Ernie Spada		Ü						7	7	14
Jay St.Claire								6	6	12
Curt Wikstrom				10						10
Thad Berger							9			9
Timothy Connall						6	2			8
Gopi Dandamudi	7									7
David Glubrecht		7								7
Ben Shinmori						5	2			7
Jalen Vick				7						7
Ian Anderson							6			6
Gama Aguilar-Gamez							6			6
John Hill			6			•				6
Peter Jones						6	E			6
Mark Andrews L. Robert George						5	5			5 5
J. David Orem				5		3				5
Mat Hennessy	4			3						4
Major Lewis						4				4
Jake Geiger		3				****				3
Shaun Northrop		2								2
Anthony Rossano		2								2
Tom Van Veen							2			2
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Dirk Groeneveld	10	13		13		13	12			61
Matthew King	7	10	4.0	9	13		5 7			44
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Jeff McAffer	8	6	6 8			6		8 6	8	36 26
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Joshua Voigt	7				13				10	20
Jack Houlihan			9		10					19
John Houlihan			9		10					19
Will Kellogg				10			9			19
Greg Meythaler								9	9	18
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RED = DROPPED RACE

PURPLE = OUT OF ORDER BECAUSE DID NOT DO ENOUGH RACES TO QUALIFY FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP



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From: License Director, Bill Ecker ICSCC Memo 8/23

As the Conference Sprint Championship season comes to a close, and the NWMECS is nearly over, here is a look back at the state of the Conference Licensing program for 2023. This year I tried to refine and clarify the critical purposes of the Novice and Observation licensing program by centering the goals of the process around three main standards:

Situational Awareness- during all sessions on track, demonstrate an understanding of what is happening all around you, acknowledge flags & workers

Exercise Good Judgment- passing or being passed, deciding when an opening is an opening, etc., Good Sportsmanship- particularly late in the season, avoid inserting yourself in a championship battle, seek and provide feedback to your co-competitors, own your driving

I try to impress upon the new drivers that a perfect race weekend results from no one even knowing they were there. No incidents, no disputes, and no missed flags!

During a discussion with some wizened paddock hounds, I was given the sage nugget, "your driving on track is how you talk to the other drivers. Figure out the message you want to send". I think that's a golden piece of thinking; a driver new to Conference should be sending the message that 'hey I am a clean, fair, safe driver and I want to come race alongside you', and hopefully that is what guides progress through the novice and observation process. I think by and large Conference drivers do a fantastic job self-enforcing expectations and standards. Thank you for your continued mentoring, coaching, and engagement.

By the numbers, 2023 had 13 Novice drivers promoted into a Senior License and 24 additional drivers who participated in at least one Conference race under a novice license. About a quarter of those were SCCA license holders getting Conference race experience towards a full SCCA competition license (FC). There are several in the group very close to promotion who we probably will see next year. My perception was that the participation was a bit lower than the last couple of years, but adding 13 drivers is about 1.5 per race weekend, so not bad on balance.

A third group of note are the Observation license drivers. This year we had another 13 drivers convert from Observation to Full license. This is an encouraging development and I have been working to refine that process.

Conference has made an effort to offer a path to a full Competition (Gold or Silver) license to drivers with (documented, sufficient) experience in wheel -to-wheel road course racing from other non-sanctioned entities. Think Lemons, Lucky Dog, and so on. Many of those drivers have great skills, good cars, are great folks, and are looking to add sprint racing to their opportunities. To get started in Conference, they can apply for an "observation" license by providing a resume and references. They then register and participate in our regular sprint and Mini-Enduro races 'under observation'.

The Observation licenses attend the morning novice briefing and then check in again at the end of the day. Once they demonstrate skill, judgment, and sportsmanship that seems to be a good fit for Conference, they take the same written test as all drivers looking to advance to a Senior license. In part this is to verify knowledge of the rules (and flags in particular), but it is also a great opportunity to generate conversations around the unique elements of Conference race procedures.



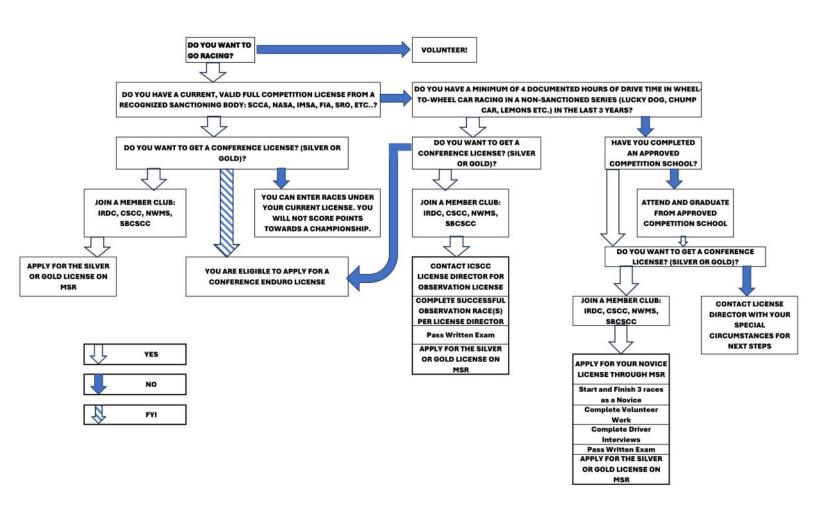
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While we are still ironing out the administrative side of things, broadly speaking this year we have made a much more concerted effort to engage and support Observation drivers. We have seen how often one new driver will bring another after a positive experience. I hear that there is a contingent of ST cars on the rise and a resurgence in EIP Porsche 944 cars coming as a direct result.

There is a challenging matrix of possible entry points and hoped-for outcomes when new drivers appear at a Conference event. Behind the scenes several of us are working very hard to create and provide a clear path forward so the process isn't overwhelming or frustrating. One solution we have looked at is an interactive flow chart like the one attached. We are being responsive and adapting to the new environment to engage and include as many eligible drivers as we can.

No discussion can be complete without mentioning the incredible dedication, enthusiasm, and responsiveness of the entire team who coordinates licenses, registration and tech; Jamie and Ashley Anderson, Linda Bostrom and Linda Blackburn. President Rick and Stewards Greco, de Guzman, and Delamare all continued to provide great counsel, feedback and teamwork to make the 2023 season happen. Thanks to you all for trusting me for another year and we'll see you again for 2024!



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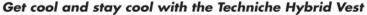
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