

The Gold Digger Rally

July 24-25, 2004

Presented by

Specialty Subaru

Hosted by the West Coast Rally Association
Round 4 of the BC Rally Championship

The Gold Digger Rally is an all night time-speed-distance (TSD) event, part of the BC Rally Championship following the 2004 BC TSD Rally Regulations, which are available from Rally Pacific Motorsports, Paul Westwick (604) 682-3296, or on-line at http://www.rallybc.com/html/regional_rules.htm. The rally runs on straightforward instructions, and will be approximately **342** km in length with roads about **77% gravel** and 22% paved (and 1% paved with really big potholes). Maximum distance between gas stops is **291** km (180 miles).

Required equipment: 1 reflective warning triangle, 5BC fire extinguisher (10BC recommended), basic first aid kit, soft top vehicles require a roll bar.
Recommended equipment: **St John Ambulance Vehicle First Aid kit**, map light, driving lights (strongly recommended), clipboard, and a pen. **No loose gas cans are permitted, jerry can refueling by advance coordination only.**

Each leg of the rally will end with a gas or rest stop, and is divided into Transit stages and Regularity stages. Transit stages give a stage time, which is adequate for completing the stage well within posted speed limits. Your time will not be recorded in Transit stages. Regularity stages list specific average speeds, which are below posted speed limits, and which you must maintain in each part of the stage. Timing controls will be in Regularity stages only, and will not be placed within 200 meters of stop signs or busy intersections. Procedure when approaching a control is simply to drive straight past without stopping. The control official will record your time. For double-checking the results, you may wish to note the time and mileage at each control but this is not required. Your timing in these stages determines your score.

There is a one second penalty free zone each side of perfect time. A penalty of one point per second early or late is assessed at each control *after the one-second penalty free zone is exceeded*. At the finish scores will be totaled and the lowest score wins. The maximum penalty at each control is 300 points (5 minutes). The maximum penalty during each regularity (TSD) section is 600 points (10 minutes). Control officials will remain in place at least 5 minutes until any remaining cars are beyond 5 minutes late. Ties will be broken by the most zero scores, then the most 1 second penalties, etc.

Exceptions to Scoring: a competitor coming upon an accident is required to stop and render aid if possible. In such cases, the competitor should record the time and mileage in the stage. If stopping as a result of an accident, calculate the time lost and give a written declaration of this to a rally official or the event steward. Unless it is determined that the incident did not occur as declared, the declaration will be accepted and the remainder of the leg scored as if delayed by the time lost. Hence, lost time must not be made up until the next end of the leg. Declarations of time lost will also be considered for organizers' errors that make official time unattainable and other discretionary safety concerns.

Prizes will be awarded for overall position and according to the following classes:

- Novice:** Neither team member having entered more than 3 TSD rallies before the current year and equipment limited to Calculator Class.
- Paper:** No calculators, rally tables or accessory odometers.
- Calculator:** Accessory odometers, non-programmable calculating devices that are not driven by a wheel.
- Unlimited:** Unlimited equipment.
- Historic:** Vehicles manufactured before December 31, 1974, as per the date stated on the vehicle registration. Navigation equipment must conform to Calculator class.
- Historic Equipped** Vehicles manufactured before December 31, 1974, as per the date stated on the vehicle registration. Navigation equipment is unlimited. Results scored as Unlimited in the Championship

The organizers reserve the right to upgrade entries to the next class for the purpose of event awards, if less than 2 vehicles are entered. The vehicle owner's written permission is required for use of the vehicle on the rally and it must be attached to the entry form.

Officials of the Event

- Rally Master:** John McLaren, (604) 521-4762 john@rallybc.com.
Steward: Bill Westhead, (604) 258-2758 bill@rallybc.com

Schedule

Saturday July 24

Directions to start location: From Vancouver, head North on Highway 99 to Pemberton. Approximately 40km north of Whistler, turn left at the traffic signal by the Petro-Canada onto Portage Road. Follow the road and turn left 0.8km later through a roundabout onto Birch Road. Just after the double RRX, turn left onto Frontier St and into the big parking lot.
Registration will be in front of the Greyhound Bus Station.

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- 9:00 pm Late registration —Greyhound Stn, 1440 Portage Rd, Pemberton
9:00 pm on Technical Inspection & Scrutineering
10:30 pm Drivers' Meeting
11:01 pm First car out

Sunday July 25

- 08:00 am Finish & Results – Pemberton Hotel, 1453 Portage Rd, Pemberton

