

MIDNIGHT RALLY October 30/31, 2004

Round 5 of the <u>2004 BC TSD Rally Championship</u> and Round 3 of the 2004 Island Rally Series

Presented by the Island Rallysport Club

The 2004 Midnight Rally is a one evening time-speed-distance (TSD) event, round 5 of the BC TSD Rally Championship and round 3 of the Island Rally Series. Midnight is organized by the Island Rallysport Club; and sanctioned by Rally Pacific Motorsports and Canadian Association of Rallysport. Interesting and challenging roads in the rugged central Vancouver Island area are used.

The 2004 BC TSD Rally Regulations will apply. These regulations are available from Rally Pacific Motorsports on-line at http://www.rallybc.com/html/regional_rules.htm or from the registrar of this event.

The rally starts in Courtenay, BC and finishes in Nanaimo, BC. It runs on straight forward instructions listed in a route book given to competitors prior to the scheduled departure time of the first car; and is approximately 400 km in length using roads about 60% gravel and 40% pavement. Maximum distance between gas stops is less than 250 km (156 miles). Distances and average speeds are given in metric and imperial units.

Definition: A competitor, for the purposes of these Supplementary Regulations, is two people, a driver and a navigator, and an eligible vehicle licenced and insured for driving on public roads. A competitor is also known as a crew.

REQUIRED EQUIPMENT:

- one self-supporting reflective warning triangle (min 30 cm per side)
- one 5 BC fire extinguisher
- basic first aid kit
- open cars require a roll bar

RECOMMENDED EQUIPMENT:

- map light
- clip board, pen, accurate digital timepiece
- driving lights (strongly recommended)

Note: if auxiliary driving lights are mounted, it must be possible to turn them off with one switch leaving only the standard low beams operating.

FORMAT OF THE RALLY and TIMING/SCORING

The rally is divided into a number of legs, each leg ending with a gas stop. Each leg is further divided into Transit sections and Regularity sections.

Transit sections are used to direct competitors to and between Regularity sections. Times given are adequate for completing the Transit sections well within the posted speed limits. THERE ARE NO TIMING CONTROLS WITHIN TRANSIT SECTIONS.

<u>TIMING CONTROLS ARE WITHIN REGULARITY SECTIONS ONLY.</u> The route book gives average speeds, which are below posted speed limits, and which must be maintained throughout each part of each Regularity section. Procedure when approaching a timing control is simply to drive straight past without stopping. The control official will record the time of passing to the nearest second. Timing controls will not be placed within 200 meters of stop signs or controlled intersections.

Times recorded to the nearest second at these controls determine the score. There is a one second penalty free interval 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 interval is exceeded. For double checking results, competitors may wish to note their time and mileage at each control but this is not required. At the finish, scores are totaled and the lowest score wins.

The maximum penalty at each control is 300 points (5 minutes early or late). The maximum penalty during each Regularity section is 600 points (10 minutes). Control officials remain in place at least 5 minutes after the scheduled arrival time of the last car. Ties are 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 necessary (in case of injury for example). In such cases, the competitor should record the distance travelled into the section and the times of stopping and restarting. This information is to be given as a written declaration to a rally official or the event Steward. Scoring adjustments will be made in such cases, and the competitor should not try to regain the time lost until a sufficiently long break (such as a gas stop) is available. Declarations of time lost will also be considered for organizer errors which make official time unattainable; and other discretionary safety concerns.

<u>AWARDS AND PRIZES:</u> Prizes are awarded for first, second and third overall positions; and for the first placing crew in each of the following classes:

Novice Neither crew member having entered more than 3 TSD rallies before the

current year; navigation 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, 1973, as per the date

stated on the vehicle registration; navigation equipment limited to

Calculator Class.

For the purposes of event awards, the organizers reserve the right to reclassify an entry if there is only one vehicle entered in a class. However, scoring for the BC TSD Rally Championship is by the class entered.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Written permission of the owner of each vehicle entered is required for use of the vehicle in this rally.

In the case where a competitor is stranded, but not injured or in any danger, rally traffic should be waved past; and the crew should wait for assistance from the sweep vehicle. For more information, see Appendix C of the BC TSD Rally Regulations.

OFFICIALS OF THE EVENT:

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START LOCATION: Courtenay, BC - Whitespot Restaurant 2299 Cliffe Avenue (250) 338-8474 (250) 338-8304Fax unit168@whitespot.ca

FINISH LOCATION: Nanaimo, BC – MGM Restaurant 240 Nicol Street (250) 753-3535

EVENT SCHEDULE:

Wednesday October 20, 2004 (midnight) Close of early entries

Saturday October 30, 2004

13:01	Late registration and technical inspection opens
15:00	Late registration and technical inspection closes
15:30	Drivers meeting
16:00	First car out

Sunday October 31, 2004

02:00 First car in at finish

Note to Competitors and Volunteers: Change from daylight savings to standard time occurs at 2:00 am October 31. Although rally time will not be affected by the change, the time the first ferry leaves Duke Point for Tsawwassen will be 515 am Pacific Standard Time.

ENTRY FEE:

\$Cdn75.00 (\$US60.00) for entries received before October 21, 2004 \$Cdn90.00 (\$US70.00) regular entry fee

A discount of \$Cdn15.00 (\$US10.00) is offered to members of an RPM affiliated club. Island Rallysport Club Memberships (\$40.00 per year) may be purchased from the Registrar prior to or at registration. A Membership Application form may be found at www.rallybc.com (membership/IRC application link at the bottom of the RallyBC home page).

Send entries and payment to Gil Stuart, Registrar IRC Midnight Rally 1306 Ivor Road Nanaimo, BC V9X 1P7

Please make cheques payable to "Island Rallysport Club"

ACCOMMODATIONS near start and finish locations:

Courtenay – Travelodge: 2605 Cliffe Avenue 1-800-795-9486

Nanaimo- Harbourview Days Inn: 809 Island Hwy S 1-877-754-8171

Harbour Light Motel: 200 Nicol Street 1-800-605-8012