



The Gold Digger Rally

Round 5 of the Yokohama Tire BC Rally Championship

Presented by Specialty Subaru
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October 25-26, 2003



The 2003 Gold Digger Rally will be a two day time-speed-distance (TSD) event, round 5 of the Yokohama Tire BC Rally Championship. The rally follows the 2003 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 straight-forward instructions, and will be approximately 475 km in length with roads about 60% gravel and 40% paved. Maximum distance between gas stops is 315 km (185 miles). Overall and class winners in the Gold Digger Rally are eligible for awards under the 2003 WCRA-Yokohama Tires contingency program.

Required equipment: 1 reflective warning triangle, 5BC fire extinguisher (10BC recommended), basic first aid kit, soft top vehicles require a roll bar.

Recommended equipment: map light, driving lights, tow rope, clipboard, and a pen.

The rally will be divided into a number of legs, each leg ending with a meal stop or overnight rest stop. Each leg 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.

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Exceptions to Scoring: A competitor coming upon an accident is required to stop and render aid if necessary (e.g. in case of injury.) In such cases, the competitor should record the mileage in the section, and the time when they stopped as well as the time they restarted, and give a written declaration of this to a rally official or the event steward. Scoring adjustments will be made in such cases, and the crew should not try to regain the lost time until they reach a sufficiently long break (e.g. gas stop.) Declarations of time lost will also be considered for organizers' errors which make official time unattainable and other discretionary safety concerns. In the case where a competitor is stuck, but not injured or in any danger, they should wave rally traffic past and await the assistance of the sweep truck. For more information see Appendix C of the BC Regional Rally Regulations.

Awards & Prizes: 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, 1973, as per the date stated on the vehicle registration. Navigation equipment must conform to Calculator class.

The organizers reserve the right to upgrade entries to the next class if less than 2 vehicles are entered, for the purposes of event awards only. However, championship scoring is still by the class you enter.

Yokohama Tire Contingency Award Program: To participate in this program, vehicles must carry the Yokohama windshield banner decal, which will be provided at registration, and completely cover or remove any decals of other tire companies.

- The overall event winner will receive a gift certificate for 4 Yokohama tires
- First in each class will receive a gift certificate for 2 Yokohama tires

Miscellaneous: 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 or john@rallybc.com
- Steward:** Ken Kwong

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Event Schedule

Wednesday, October 15, 2003 (midnight)

Close of early entries

Saturday October 25, 2003

12:00 pm	Late registration & Technical Inspection opens
14:00	Late registration & Technical Inspection closes
14:30	Drivers' meeting
15:01	First car out
21:00	End of day one, Best Western Nicola Inn, Merritt

Sunday October 26, 2003

08:30 am	Drivers' meeting in the restaurant, Best Western Nicola Inn
09:00 am	First car out
12:30 pm	End of day two, (location TBA) Hope, lunch and awards. Provisional scores will be posted as they become available

Directions to the start location at Rolly's Restaurant

888 Fraser Ave, Hope, B.C. (604) 869-7448

Take Hwy# 1 East to exit #170 (Hope City Centre)

Bear left at first traffic light, Go straight through the 2nd set of lights,

Turn Right at Hudson Bay Street and the restaurant will be on the left side.

Fees & Costs:

Entry Fee: \$65 (\$40 US) for entries received before October 15, 2003
\$75 (\$50 US) for late entries
Any discounts for club members are included in rates above.

Send entries and payment to:

Gold Digger Rally
418 Fader St
New Westminster, BC V3L 3T1

Please make cheques payable to "**West Coast Rally Association**"

Accommodation:

Best Western Nicola Inn
4025 Walters St. at Voght St. Merritt, BC
www.nicolainn.com
1-800-663-2830 (toll free), 250-378-4253 (direct)
Room rate \$65 + tax for single, mention "Gold Digger Rally"

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Entry Form

Driver**Navigator**

Name _____

Name _____

Address _____

Address _____

City/Prov _____

City/Prov _____

Postal Code _____

Postal Code _____

Tel _____

Tel _____

e-mail: _____

e-mail: _____

Vehicle: Make _____ Model _____ Year _____

Colour: _____ License: _____ Province: _____

I am the registered owner of the above vehicle and authorize the use of it in this rally:

Name: _____ Signature: _____

*Please print***Class** (circle which applies): Novice Paper Calculator Unlimited Historic

If you have a preferred starting position state the number _____

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