# **The Wishbone Alley Gazette**

September, 2013

Rainier Auto Sports Club

## Rally News

\* Jerry did the Alcan course survey with 4 people (and 2 spare tires). The result was a lot of pictures taken from the backseats. Like critter-on-the-road pictures?

The combination of rather worn tires and brand new gravel resulted in 3 flats on one section. Jerry had plugs to take care of that, but it made for a late dinner. Traffic will grind the sharp points off the gravel by rally time, August 14>26, 2014.

One dinner included a pleasant conversation with someone who remembered the rally coming through in 1984.

\* Carrying on the low-turnout year, the August Friday Niter had 11 entrants. Hopeful news: 5 were Novices.

## Club News

August 12 meeting notes, by MN: 12 members listened to President Crippen read the July minutes as posted to Charles's iPhone. Treasurer Cristy said RASC has \$6431.20 in the bank account.

Rally: Nothing new about Eric's creation of the October 11 Friday Niter. Ed Rachner asked if the Raindrop should go with the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in April? He's exploring finish locations in the Centralia area. Ron Sorem said he's getting some 2014 dates for his calendar. Alcan staff meeting 4-5PM at La Veloce on August 18.

T-shirts came up once again. No mention of getting caps. While the servers scurried around on very busy night, finding a new meeting site was discussed. It was so noisy that this reporter didn't catch all the discussion.

Upcoming: Oregon's "Rally against Parkinson's" has run into a snag when Portland Raceway doesn't have an opening for the traditional rally laps. Pacific Forest Rally (October 4) is enticing volunteers with free lodging, four-to-a-room.

Meeting adjourned at 8:04.

### Trivia

- \* Eric Horst spent the summer building a cabin in Whatcom County.
- \* Members report that the Monte Cristo Loop is a decent drive. Paved nearly to Barlow Pass from Arlington. Too many campers to be used for a TSD rally.

## For Sale

\*2001 BMW 330ix. Silver, black interior. automatic transmission, 17" wheels. Cheap at \$2400 (price reduced!) because of a bad head gasket and much labor involved in the fix. (Shipping to Seattle from Henderson, NV for less than \$600) Jerry Hines, 206-227-6343

\* <u>Free!</u> Timeshare at Wapato Point (Lake Chelan). Pay the closing costs and get 4 weeks a year. See Jerry for details. 206-227-6343



\* For Sale: PIAA LP 570 High Intensity <u>Led</u> <u>Driving Lamp</u> Kit (2 lamps) -7 inch LED Long Range driving lights. Reflector- LEDs project off of an ingenious computer-designed multisurface reflector offering more and better illumination than halogen lamps with the

durability and low power draw of LED lighting. Kit includes two lamps mounting brackets complete wiring harness and detailed installation instructions. Bulb Type: 5-watt LED bulbs 6000K Description: Polycarbonate and cast aluminum housing with polycarbonate lens.

RASC club price \$200 cash.

ALSO: New in box <u>Hella 192</u> Driving lamp. Super Oscar size, discontinued. \$50? ronsorem @ gmail .com

\*For Sale: <u>BMW limited slip rear diff</u>, 3.91 ratio. Fits E36 (325I, 328I,M3). \$250. Ed Rachner 206-499-8271

- \* Semi-worn **rally tires**. Suitable for RX, not a full stage. Mixed brands, price is negotiable. 15" is the "standard size". Ed Rachner 206-499-8271
- \* For Sale: Some of you know her as Rocket. She's a **2002** Subaru WRX. She's won most every TSD rally in the NW and she is for sale. After near 13 years of single ownership she has become a bit much for a daily driver. I am going o shift to something with better gas mileage and less years. She has many TSD add-ons and would a great fit as a turnkey TSD car for someone willing to spend a bit more time with her than I can with my current travel schedule. The Good- lots of tweaks, spares. The Bad: Leakdown test on cylinder 3 shows a need for a valve job; slightly noisy bearing in the transmission (reported by Smart Service)

Crack in the windscreen. Interested? Let's talk. Jeff McMillen: Jeff@somepants.com

### **RASC Calendar**

No further word on scheduling Mt. Hood stage event. August forest fires in that area!

## NW Stage Rallys -

Oct 4-5 - Pacific Forest Rally, B.C.

Oct ? - Mt. Hood, OR (Date depends on hunting season.)

Nov 1/2 - Rocky Mountain, Invermere, B.C.

Dec 7-8 - Big White, B.C.

#### Oregon TSD -

Sept 6 - Friday Night Series, Milwaukie Sept ???- Rally Against Parkinson's, Oct 4 - Friday Night Series, Milwaukie

TSD- Washington, British Columbia Sept 13 - NWRC Friday Niter by PSRC Oct 11 - NWRC Friday Niter by RASC Nov 16/17 - Totem, B.C **Painier Auto Sports Club** will meet this coming Monday, September 9 at 7:30 PM at Café Veloce (Totem Lake shopping center). Best way I can think of to get there via north on I-405, take the "NE 124th" exit, then keep right under NE 124th and Straight at the signal. This puts you on Totem Lake Blvd, not whatever the frontage road is next to I-405. Then right first poss, with the Café on your right at that point.

Monthly meetings are usually the second Monday of each month. Past Members, visitors, and spectators are welcomed.

Agenda: Eric will share tasks/joy in preparation for the October Friday Niter. Brave members who've tested potential meeting sites will give their reports.

### 2013 Board Members:

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