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# 2001 SUSQUEHANNOCK TRAIL ProRally SUPPLEMENTAL REGULATIONS

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## 1. HISTORY

The Susquehannock Trail ProRally (STPR) was first conducted by the Finger Lakes Region, SCCA in May 1977, with the assistance of members of other sports car clubs in the Rochester, NY area. Members of these clubs (Triumph Touring Club, Corvair Owners Club, MG Car Club and others) had experience with previous performance events such as the Snowblower and Lunar Lunge which ran out of Rochester as early as 1965 and were part of the M.O.N.Y. series (Michigan, Ohio and New York), the forerunner of the ProRally series.

## 2. CONCEPT

STPR is designed with a high stage/transit ratio and, thanks to the outstanding cooperation of the PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR), some of the best and most demanding roads in the country. Featured again will be the famous WATER CROSSING, with which, along with three more daylight stages, we will to whet (wet?) appetites for the night stages. STPR has three spectator locations to show the auto sport of the Millenium to maximum advantage in all its exciting aspects to the public and press.

## 3. SANCTION

- 3.1. The 2001 Susquehannock Trail ProRally is organized and conducted by Finger Lakes Region, SCCA, under ProRally sanction number 2001-NEDIV-NPR-02. Results count toward the 2001 SCCA ProRally Series, and the North American Rally Cup Series.
- 3.2. Following the ProRally Rules for Organizers (RFO), STPR will be conducted under the current National ProRally Rules (NPRR), and these Supplemental Regulations. Each participant shall be deemed familiar with both, and shall be bound by them.
- 3.3. Any case not foreseen in these Regulations shall be decided upon by the Organizers and/or the Claims Committee, using the spirit of these Regulations and the NPRR.

## 4. AWARDS

- 4.1. Trophy and money distribution to drivers and co-drivers will be awarded according to the number of cars starting. Last years Cash awards totaled well over \$3000. Either the Driver or Co-Driver must be present at the Awards to receive any cash award.
- 4.2. CONTINGENCY AWARDS  
Details on contingency awards will be posted at Registration or are available from the SCCA office in Englewood, CO. Compliance forms will be included in each competitor's registration packet.
- 4.3. JOHN WOOLF/GRANT WHITTAKER SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD  
To honor the memory of these special friends of the STPR, an award for Outstanding Sportsmanship will be presented at the Awards Ceremony. A form has been included in competitor and service packets to nominate your choice. Please give this Award your special consideration.

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## 6. HEADQUARTERS

- 6.1. Refer to the map on page **Error! Bookmark not defined.** for the locations of points specified.
- 6.2. Rally Headquarters and Press Headquarters will be in the Penn Wells Hotel, 62 Main St., phone (717) 724-2111. Press and VIP Registration will be at Registration on Friday. Registration for both workers and competitors will be conducted at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Walnut St. entrance (See the map for directions and where to park and where not to PARK.) DO NOT DRIVE OR PARK ON WALNUT ST, you will be towed!
- 6.3. The Official Notice Board will be at Registration on Friday, at the Start at The Green on Saturday from 9:30 a.m. until 6 p.m.. A separate additional Official Notice Board will be located in the Pavilion at the Germania Service area from 6 p.m. Saturday until 1 a.m. Sunday. The Official Notice Board will be in the Lobby of the Arcadia Theatre from 7:30 a.m. Sunday morning.

- 6.4. PARKING: Limited parking is available for competitors and their crews in the parking lot BEHIND the Court House beginning at 5:00 p.m. on Friday.

## 7. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (TENTATIVE check official notice board)

### Friday, June 1, 2001

9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.	Registration for competitors and service crews at St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Noon to 2:30 p.m.	Special Olympics Rally registration at the Church
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Scrutineering for all cars (Fairgrounds)
	<b>10:00 – 3:00 will be scheduled time as established at registration.</b>
6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.	Rally for the Special Olympics
3:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.	Practice Stage (NOT a spectator location)
3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.	Welcome Party at the Fire Department Annex
9:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.	<b>NOTE: the Building is Non Smoking. Party open to registered participants ONLY. Wristbands required</b>

### Saturday, June 2, 2001

8:00 a.m.	Mandatory Steward's briefing for first time National Competitors at the Episcopal Church (2nd Floor)
9:00 a.m.	Start of Parc Expose around the Green
10:00 a.m.	Close of Parc Expose (all cars must be in place)
10:31 a.m.	Daylight Section of STPR begins from Green
2:20 p.m.	1st Car reaches MTC IN at the Green
4:31 p.m.	Evening Section of STPR begins from the Green
8:51 p.m.	1st Car starts from Germania

### Sunday, June 3, 2001

1:20 a.m.	1st car finishes STPR. Begin vehicle Impound
1:30 a.m. until	Pizza Party and unofficial results, Fire Dep't. Annex
	<b>NOTE: the Building is Non Smoking. Party open to registered participants ONLY. Wristbands required</b>
7:30 a.m.	Posting of Provisional Scores at the Arcadia Theater
8:00 a.m.	Deadline for filing Scoring Inquiries & Claims
8:30 a.m.	Awards Presentation at the Arcadia Theater
9:30 a.m.	Brunch in the Penn-Wells Hotel Dining Room

## 8. ENTRIES

- 8.1. Entry fees include one Service Crew Kit, Sunday Brunch for two competitors and free entrance to the Welcome and After event parties for all registered team members. One additional Service Vehicle may be registered for \$25.00 and extra Brunch tickets are available for \$12.00 each.
- 8.2. WITHDRAWALS: Entries withdrawn before May 12 will have the entry fee refunded less a \$50 administrative fee. May 13 to May 23 the Administrative charge will be \$100.00. Withdrawals from May 24 to May 30 will receive only \$100 and after that there will be NO REFUNDS. Notification of withdrawal must be made to the Registrar or Chairman by Fax, US Mail, or e-mail. Refunds will be sent AFTER June 11.

## 9. REGISTRATION

- 9.1. The Entrant shall provide the Registrar with a copy (photocopy or original) of the following documents: SCCA Membership, Driver's License, ProRally or FIA License

(ClubRally License if only running ClubRally) for both the driver and co-driver; proof of Vehicle Insurance (declarations page); Vehicle Registration; a letter of permission to use the rally vehicle if not registered to either the driver or co-driver. You will find registration significantly faster if all forms are completed and copies of the above documents are sent to the registrar by May 25.

- 9.2. All participants in this event MUST register, sign a waiver, and wear the wristband the entire weekend. The wristband is required for entrance to service areas and parties.

## **10. SCRUTINEERING**

- 10.1. Scrutineering will be at the Tioga County Fairgrounds off Route 6/660 about 6 miles east of Wellsboro. It will conform to the provisions of Article 9 of the NPRR. Route Instructions to the Fairgrounds are in Section 22 of the Supps provided at registration.
- 10.2. Competitors are required to present their Vehicle Log Books at Scrutineering. Log Books will NOT be issued at the event except by prior appointment with the Chief Scrutineer at (315) 986-3481.
- 10.3. Contingency compliance will be checked, and the form signed.
- 10.4. STPR sponsor logos will be provided at registration and must be placed on the entered vehicle, in the space provided by the NPRRs (Art. 8.8. and Art.8.8.A). Competitors choosing to place the logos in other than the required locations are required to pay a Sponsorship Fee equal to the entry fee, before being allowed to start STPR.
- 10.5. To enable rapid extraction at the water crossing, should it be necessary, special attention will be given to the front tow hook of the rally vehicle. It must be easy to see, readily accessible and of the correct size (Art. 10.1.N.) Its location must be clearly indicated high on the bumper or hood with a bright color marker. It is highly recommended that the front tow hook be at least 12" above the ground and extend as far forward as the front edge of the bumper/bodywork. Competitors should prepare the car for the water crossing, to prevent water ingestion or electrical problems. A slower crossing may prevent you from having a fast end to the rally.
- 10.6. Be sure you are READY to pass when you arrive at Scrutineering, with all required stickers in their proper location, and in compliance with the NPRR requirements. Having passed scrutineering at another event will carry no weight.

## **11. PENNSYLVANIA LAW ON AUTOMOTIVE LIGHTS**

Pennsylvania law restricts lighting to standard headlights (high/low beams) plus a maximum of two (2) fog lights (not high power driving lights) on public highways.

## **12. PARC EXPOSE**

- 12.1. The entrance to the Parc Expose is at the corner of Central Avenue and Pearl Street. (see map) It is identified by Gate and Clock signs denoting entry into Parc Expose Check-in. Instructions for parking will be given by marshals. Grid locations (in order of a.m. start) will be assigned and posted on the Notice Board. For the first Parc Expose Check-in, cars may enter no earlier than 9:00 a.m., and are required to check in by 10:00 a.m. For the p.m. Parc Expose the cars will enter via an MTC and are required to be parked in the same space assigned to them for the a.m..
- 12.2. Drivers and co-drivers are requested to be present (in driving suits and ready to go) to show their cars and discuss our sport with spectators and the press.

- 12.3. Servicing of any kind may be performed in the Parc Expose, but no service vehicles will be allowed. For the a.m. Park Expose, all servicing must be stopped at 10:15 a.m., although spectators and press will still be allowed to view the cars.

### **13. THE ROUTE**

- 13.1. The Rally Route will be approximately 300 miles long, with 144 miles of competitive stages on roads consisting of gravel and other unpaved surfaces; sometimes rutted, some stone. Surfaces can be dusty if dry, muddy if wet. The roads vary from wide and sweeping to narrow and tight. Maximum distance between fuel halts is about 60 miles.
- 13.2. The non-competitive (transit) portions of Road Sections are Restricted Light Zones (RLZ's). Use of other lighting will be grounds for penalties. (See Page 8 Penalties).
- 13.3. To ensure that the organizers can account for all vehicles at all times, inform a Control if you plan to withdraw at the end of a stage or during a transit. Failure to do so can cause delays in the event, while you are being located, to assure that you have not crashed and are injured. Such failure may be deemed Unsportsmanlike behavior and treated as such.
- 13.4. The Organizers reserve the right to cancel or amend any portion of the Rally or time schedule before, or during the Event.
- 13.5. Competitors are responsible for reading and heeding all official notices posted. Except in an emergency, route change instructions will be in writing; however, Official Notice Boards may be set up at any control or at any emergency situation. Instructions thereon shall have the same force as these Regulations, and/or the Route Book, when signed under the authority of the Chairman or designee. Every competitor shall be deemed properly informed of any and all instructions so issued.

### **14. TESTING**

- 14.1. Testing, defined as the running at speed (over 35 MPH) by a competing vehicle on any venue such as secondary roads, quarries or similar surfaces, within 50 miles of Wellsboro, except at locations and times specified and supervised by the organizers, is prohibited. (See Page 8)
- 14.2. The Organizers have provided a Friday afternoon Practice Stage for all entered vehicles. There is a \$20.00 donation for use of the Practice Stage, with a donation going to the Morris Fire Department who provide ambulance coverage for the event. Instructions to reach the stage are in Section 22 of these Regulations. All persons riding in vehicles on this stage must sign a waiver at the start, be properly harnessed in and wear a safety helmet. The practice stage will be run like a normal stage, with cars using scorecards and stopping at the finish control for times.
- 14.3. Participation in the Practice Stage and/or the Rally for the Special Olympics will not be considered as a violation of NPRR 13.6, or of Sec. 14.1.
- 14.4. Competitors may come and go to the practice stage any time while it is open, providing they have passed Scrutineering (car must have Sticker).
- 14.5. Due to complaints from area residents in previous years, a radar gun will be used to check for speeders on the Practice stage transits. Any penalties will be applied to the STPR scoring – so be forewarned.

### **15. THE ROUTE BOOK**

Route Books will be issued at Registration. Timing books will be issued at MTC 1 OUT.

## 16. TIMING DISPUTES

- 16.1. If a control issues a time that the competitor believes to be in error, the competitor will point out the problem to the control worker and request a correction. If the dispute cannot be solved immediately, the worker will, on request, initial the time and note the nature of the dispute in the Control Log. The competitor will then submit a written scoring inquiry to scoring.

## 17. SERVICE CREWS AND SERVICING

- 17.1. Service Kits will be issued to each Service Crew upon registration. Kits include a Running Schedule, route map, condensed Supplemental Regulations (with Odometer Calibration Run and Practice Stage), and Service Route Instructions, Service Area locations and contact information for emergency services. Selection of service spaces for Germania Service Area will be first-come first-served, during Registration.
- 17.2. There is a limit of two service vehicles per competing vehicle. Each service vehicle and its personnel must be registered. All service crew participants, including minors, must sign a waiver at Registration. Proof of insurance (declarations page) for all service vehicles is required at registration.
- 17.3. There will be food available for purchase in the pavilion at the Germania Service area throughout the evening.
- 17.4. The Service Route is designed so that a single crew can reach all Service points before its competition vehicle.
- 17.5. Service crews may walk into a spectator area to view competing vehicles, provided no servicing is done. They must park well off the road and obey marshals' instructions. Walking into a stage from a start or finish control is NOT permitted.
- 17.6. Trailers are not permitted on the Service Route or in Service Areas, except when picking up a disabled competitor vehicle. (See Page 8) Trailers are permitted within the Wellsboro borough limits at any time.
- 17.7. Service vehicles are required to follow the service route and stop at Observation Controls to be checked for speeding. Failure to stop could result in the maximum time penalty for the team.
- 17.8. We recommend that service crews use either jack stands with solid platforms, or auxiliary pads of sturdy material (i.e. ½" minimum thickness CDX plywood), that amply accommodate the foot print of their jack stands, when servicing on grassy surfaces.
- 17.9. At each Service area, there will be an Official with radio communication, who is responsible for managing the area and will help crews locate missing vehicles.

## 18. CAR RECOVERY / TRACKER / SWEEP

- 18.1. Tracker teams follow closely behind the final competing vehicle. Their primary purpose is to discover what assistance is required by disabled vehicles/teams and to pass this information to Net Control and Sweep. They are unable to take passengers.
- 18.2. If you are disabled, you may be passed by Tracker, even if you are not time barred. If you are over maximum lateness, you may be asked to surrender your time card. Tracker is not a course closing vehicle, and will pull over if you are able to get back in the rally.
- 18.3. Closely following Tracker will be 4x4 Sweep teams who will attempt to move your disabled vehicle. If a stage will be run again you will only be moved if you are blocking the course. When the stage is closed after its final use, Sweep will attempt to move your car to the end of the stage where your service crew or a wrecker can be

dispatched to meet you. Sweep may help a competitor get going if they can, but it is a course closing vehicle for that stage and if you allow them to continue past you, you are out of the event.

- 18.4. Emergency Instructions for rally teams are summarized on a sheet in the back of the Route Book for your convenience. Red Crosses have been enhanced with reflective material to make them easier to locate in the dark

## **19. CAR IN STREAM EMERGENCY**

This procedure is designed to protect the fine streams that flow throughout the forest, from any environmental harm. This rule will be strictly enforced and severe penalties invoked for any non-compliance by the car in the stream or the team to whom it was reported. If you crash during the event and your car ends up in a stream, you must do the following.

- 19.1. Show the Red Cross to the next car and report to them "Car In Stream". (sanction exception)
- 19.2. If you have no injuries tell them to proceed to the stage finish to report "Car in Stream" at xx.xx miles.
- 19.3. If you do have injuries that require medical attention, then the first car must remain with you as per the normal Red Cross rules.
- 19.4. The next car then will report to stage finish that there are both injuries and "Car in Stream".

## **20. SCORING AND PENALTIES**

- 20.1. Stage timing and posting of provisional scores will be to the hundredth minute, with final results expressed in hours, minutes and seconds. Crews will give countdowns at Stage Starts in seconds.
- 20.2. Cars will be re-seeded for the restart from Wellsboro for the evening sections based on the competitor's stage times for the first two stages run. No further re-seeding will take place. The Event Steward will adjust the seeding as necessary for safety.

The following additional penalties will be assessed:

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| 20.2.1. Each RLZ infraction other than speed       | 1 minute         |
| 20.2.2. Each violation of Section 17.6 (trailers). | 2 minutes        |
| 20.2.3. Violation of Sec. 14.1 or NPRR 13.6        | Disqualification |
| 20.2.4. Shortcutting the route at spectator areas  | 2 minutes        |
- 20.3. Ties in stage times shall be broken for the purpose of the re-seed, at the discretion of the Event Steward. Ties at the end of the event will be broken by comparing scores of the last competitive stage, with the lowest score being declared the winner. Should the tie persist, the second-last stage will be compared, etc.
  - 20.4. Informational scores will be posted at the Start line at The Green at 3:30 p.m.; at the Germania Service Area pavilion during the night, and at the After Rally party. Provisional results will be posted at the Arcadia Theatre at 7:30 a.m. Sunday. It is expected that all scoring inquiries will be submitted at the After Rally party

## **21. CLAIMS**

- 21.1. Pre-claim Inquiry forms are in the Route Book, and will be available at Headquarters at the completion of the Rally and adjacent to the scoreboard when provisional scores are posted. All inquiries will be investigated, and their disposition posted.
- 21.2. Claim forms will be available from the Event Steward at the Final MTC IN.

## **22. IMPOUND AND TEAR-DOWN**

- 22.1. All finishing vehicles are required to remain in the Impound area until released by the Chief Scrutineer or his designee, or referred for additional inspection as directed.
- 22.2. Selected vehicles may be subject to tear-down at a time and place to be announced.

## **23. CONTESTANT EVALUATION REPORTS**

Contestant Evaluation Report Forms are bound in the Route Book. At least one per team must be completed and submitted to a Rally representative at the Arcadia Theater between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. Sunday for each team to pick up two Awards Brunch Tickets. The form to indicate suggested changes to the Route Book may be submitted at the same time.

## **24. MISCELLANEOUS**

- 24.1. The Odometer Calibration Run, which is not part of the Rally Route, is issued at registration, along with instructions to the Fairgrounds and the Practice Stage. The format is identical to that in the Route Book, and may be used by Competitors and Service Crews.
- 24.2. The first 5 Wait List Teams will complete Scrutineering, and be assigned parking slots in the first Parc Ferme. You must enter the MTC in accordance with the schedule.