

THE SEARCH FOR TERRESTRIAL INTELLIGENCE

August 2, 2025

FINAL SCORES

BEGINNER

SCORE / PLACE	CAR	Driver	Navigator	Passenger
550 / 1	16	Alex Salazar	Karen Chu	Nick Salazar/Izzy Salazar

NOVICE

SCORE / PLACE	CAR	Driver	Navigator	Passenger
550 / 1	14	Eckhard Schulz	Rob Browning	
530 / 2	11	Joe Battiato	Cheryl Battiato	

SENIOR

SCORE / PLACE	CAR	Driver	Navigator	Passenger
780 / 1	6	Larry Scholnick	Jeanne English	Theo Scholnick
765 / 2	3	Maria Powell	Heather Mellows	
760 / 3	10	Trisha	Roy R	Wei-Hwa
560 / 4	12	Gary Sturm	Jon Beauchamp	

EXPERT

SCORE / PLACE	CAR	Driver	Navigator	Passenger
825 / 1	9	Matt Poppe		
815 / 2*	13	Rich Berlin	Brian Andersen	
815 / 3*	15	Sandra Pomeroy	John Mirassou	Edward Mirassou/Marlene Mirassou
765 / 4	2	Ed Ruben	Bob Hirsch	

* scored by tie breaker

MASTER EXPERT

SCORE / PLACE	CAR	Driver	Navigator	Passenger
905 / 1	8	Jerry Sotirhos	Marilyn Sotirhos	Frank Hays/Daniel Sotirhos
880 / 2	1	Gary Johnson	Joe Friesen	Ken Johnson
790 / 3	4	Rich Slusher	Curtis Ardourel	
685 / 4	5	Dave Graubart	Cris Wendt	

Note: Unclaimed awards will be available at the start desk at the next rallye

RALLYEMASTER NOTES

Thanks to everyone for participating in this rallye and testing out the new GPS Coursemarker technology. We discovered a few bumps around alert volumes and auto-lock timeouts that couldn't be disabled, but overall were glad that 100% of teams were able to use it and reached the finish.

For any rallyemasters who might be interested in making use of GPS Coursemarkers for future rallyes, please feel free to get in touch (info@TheRallyeClub.org) and we'd be happy to work with you to get set up!

SCORING / EVALUATION NOTES

Unintended Gimmick: A stolen street sign resulted in a last-minute change of RI 33 to “L at Stop” which created an unintended order of precedence gimmick that at least one car identified since it could be completed at (N) Avalon and Edith even though SUPP 65’s “R 1st Intersection” couldn’t be completed here.

Eleven cars executed the “on course” from the physical CM at the first CP by taking a deep breath and saying, “Ah, it is fun to be traveling in the wagon.”

Two cars got “Recycle Center” (the hanging RI 17 that couldn’t be completed at Centre)

Three teams caught the weight limit sign at Loreto

Three teams got the HOPE/HObE onto gimmick

No one got Clark perfect by unfurling all the stacked-up SUPPs+RI

Favorite Gimmicks from Evaluations

Onto “San”; Moonbeam; Astronomical Objects; Chocolate at the CP; Don’t take chances/Avalon and N Avalon; 3 tons weight limit; Recycle Center; 1969 next to Z; phone use for CMs

Least Favorite Gimmicks from Evaluations

Skip Church – define Skip; U at Speed bump; Silvia (the end of Clark); Starlite; Number next to Zodiac; Summit at CM 4265 FT

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Ric Goldman and Kat King

SEE YOU IN OCTOBER...

... for TRC’s next in-person rallye, planned for **October 4, 2025**, starting in Mountain View
Keep your eyes on [the TRC Calendar](#) for details and any updates to timing

Emil, Mary Jo, and Kit Rodolfa
Rallyemasters