

Fleetwood Mac 'n' Cheese Rallye Results - October, 3, 2026

*He got in the car
When they were done packing
The rallyeists were all out on their way
The RM's car mishap was tragic
How was he going to get his car fixed on that day*

*The first team arrived
And they didn't find him
But the CP staff just said to stay
And somehow with some luck and speedy driving
The only loss was not getting results that day
(Sung to the tune of 'The Way,' Fastball)*

Fellow Rallyeists:

Thank you for your patience. Normally we have the results and a proper post-mortem roast of the Rallyemaster (when required by law) but as you may have heard, I had a catastrophic tire failure as the Cuesta Park Curb claimed my tire as tribute. Thank goodness for Eric being nearby enough to rescue me, wait around for the tow truck to show up, for America's Tire to not only have a replacement in stock but able to install it that same day so I wouldn't have to Uber my way back down there from Hayward on Monday, but also for everyone for being patient with me for having to bail and get my car before they closed at 5, and leaving without results.

So in record time (late or early, you be the judge) are the final results from Fleetwood Mac & Cheese (1st and 2nd place winners in each class win awards):

Beginner

Car	Score	Team
9	880	Philip and Claire Koch
8	879	Chris and Dianne Wong, w/ Zachary, Anna, and Evan Wong
3	760	Brenda D Lacey, Ruthie Rensel-Smith
7	DNF	Peter Shyvers, Connie Shyvers

Senior

Car	Score	Team
2	940	Wei-Hua Huang, Trisha Huang, Jeff Chen
6	920	Rachel Congress, Ted Tanabe

Expert

Car	Score	Team
4	810	Brian Andersen, Rich Berlin

Master Expert (decided by 1st tiebreaker)

Car	Score	Team
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5 930 (TB) Emil Rodolfa, Kit Rodolfa
1 930 (TB) Dave Graubart, Cris Wendt

Since the Finish Box was in my car while it was in the tire repair shop, we were unable to make the finish line plaques (which is a pity, considering they contained Government Cheese) but will be available at a future Rallye to be picked up for the 1st and 2nd place winners.

Some notes:

Firstly: We had two successful protests which changed the correct answers in the Critique (and scoresheets were rescored appropriately):

16. C was incorrect because part B instructed you to make a RT at T, but Gorgonzola was in effect from RI 15, and so you couldn't go left. It no longer qualified as a T. The correct answer is A.

19. C was incorrect because while Silver Springs and the CS at Skylake could be done at the same place, the C Sharp in part A came in to play with a higher order of priority, so the right answer is A.

36. The RM somehow did the math wrong and 36 is not evenly divisible by 8, so everyone who showed me a selfie with 35 (nobody fell for the one back at RI 7) got credit. This was a tiebreaker, however, and not worth extra points.

Secondly: Welcome back to Teams 3, 7, 8, and 9, who haven't been Rallyeing in quite some time, and I hope you enjoyed the ride enough to come back again for upcoming Rallyes.

Thirdly: I am duly impressed that 5 out of the 9 teams correctly executed the secret version of 'Go Your Own Way' for 40 points, and only one team got lost on the Reprise 24 series.

Fourth: Affidavit: We awarded credit to the team that put "City of Sunnyvale" even though it wasn't on the Critique list, since it was right on the Columbia Park sign in very small print.

Some of the best quotes of the rallye I overheard (besides people singing along with various lyrics):

- "We kept going around in circles and seeing teams going the opposite direction and wondering if we were doing something wrong."
- "We ran into the same Amazon delivery truck three times." 'You too?'
- "What? Government is an official cheese?!" 'Yeah, according to Ronald Reagan...'

Government cheese holds a rent free space in my head because very very young Jeff remembers his grandfather pulling a giant block of brown wrapped cheese from the freezer that

was emblazoned, 'Government Cheese, not for resale' and slicing off a giant chunk to send home with us. We had a lot of grilled cheese and ham sandwiches that week...

Fastest finish: 2:31pm Slowest finish: 4:16pm, according to Swiss

Most Unusual Cheeses (several teams outdid themselves)

- P'tit Basque
- Pant Ys Gawn
- Saanen
- Machago
- Fromager D'Affanois

Most Unique Monster

- Vecna

Least Unique Monster (named by four teams)

- Frankenstein (and yes, we know Frankenstein is not the monster...)

—Jeff 'I'll see you at the checkpoint, promise' Young, Rallyemaster

PS. What's with the Werewolf? I've managed to sneak a Werewolf passenger into each of the four Rallye's I've written. Tune in this time next year for .. Werewolves... in... Space!

PPS. As mentioned in the critique, I'm happy to take on a partner for the next Rallye I write, so if you ever wanted to get revenge on the other Rallyemasters, or have an idea but don't know how to get started, drop me an email!