

## 2023 Rallye Glenwood Springs

here was an element of time travel baked into this year's Rallye Glenwood Springs. When planning the route, Rallyemaster Kemal Ouwerkerk took great pains to include roads and landmarks that existed during the Rallye's formative years and when this year's featured car, the MG TD, was *the* performance sports car to have.

These included sections of the original Highway 82, the old secondary roads between Glenwood and Aspen, and a run through Aspen itself. The tour of Aspen included a lap of the 1951 Aspen Sports Car Race circuit, and an approximation of



the course from the 1954 book *The Red Car*, which, coincidentally, includes some sections of the 1953 Aspen Sports Car Race as well.

Of special note was the stop by the entrance to Aspen Motorsports Park, which dates back to the early 60's and was formed after the State of Colorado enacted the ban on racing on public streets during the mid-1950's.

Aspen Motorsports Park pays homage to Aspen's reputation as "the cradle of sports car racing in the Rocky Mountains," when the city first held street racing in the early 1950s. "It was great to run on the roads the Rallye has called home since 1951," Kemal said. "While it was extremely fun and challenging to include as much of that history as possible in this year's event, so as to give it that 1953 feel, I could not have done it without thinking of the people who wrote those early events and were instrumental in giving us this legacy, most notably Hazel Hopkins (Marble)."

"It's also worth noting that much of the information regarding the Aspen Sports Car Races has been lost to time. The clubs mostly no longer exist and most of the members at the time have passed. Many of those records were simply not kept. I want to give a very special shout out to Anna Scott of the Aspen Historical Society, whose intimate knowledge of their archives and determination to find and make available that information, produced the needed data to reconstruct the actual 1951 course so it could be included in the years Rallye and enable us all to take a lap of the course."



Starting from Denver, this year's tour featured material originally written for 2022. Page seven of the 2022 tour was lost during collation and packaging last year, but reappeared in the 2023 tour written by guest tourmeister Lady Paige Seven. A lot of creativity went into incorporating the material from page seven, but co-authors Jeanne Kerr and Oriana Meldrum managed to do so. In fact, more than 70 cars ran the tour to help Lady Paige Seven correct history. In doing so, they toured Golden, traveled up the canyon

to Central City, toured the town on foot and reviewed the historical markers, and then continued on through Georgetown. There were Wild West, history and "time travel" portals to be discovered along the way. After lunch, the tour continued down toward Leadville, then through the incredibly beautiful drive back up to Mintern before following I-70 into Glenwood Springs. There were minor mistakes in the instructions, but everyone arrived safe and sound, and seemed to have had a pretty good day. Tiebreakers included a mathematical puzzle authored by Keith Kerr, who apparently knows something about math.





This year's Funkhana featured "the Unknown Comic" competition (*my name for it -Ed.*), with drivers negotiating the course while wearing paper shopping bags over their heads, relying solely on their trusted co-drivers for accurate directions in negotiating the course. A cheeky Brexiteer elected to return his car to the show field while still wearing his bag. No one was injured, and the bag was recycled.



The car show featured an array of tasty motors, including the 1948 TC owned by Phillip Coombs. This magnificent car was originally owned by Phil Hill, who drove it to victory in the very first sports car race he entered, in July, 1949. From there, Hill went on to drive Jaguars and Ferraris, eventually winning the World Sportscar Championship for Ferrari at Le Mans in 1958. As a Formula One driver for Ferrari from 1958 through 1962, Hill won the 1961 F1 Driver's Championship, clinching the Constructor's Championship for Ferrari along the way. Despite his outstanding abilities, Hill was never comfortable with the dangers associated with motorsport. He retired in 1967 after winning for Chaparral in the BOAC 500 at Brands Hatch.



"It was exciting to have the Phil Hill TC at the show this year," Glenwood Committee Chair Keith Kerr said. "What an honor to have a car with that kind of provenance." Not surprisingly, the car won the Kumpf Award for Outstanding MG.

Overall, the weekend's events went on without a hitch, with the exception of the awards ceremony, which was canceled due to the threat of severe weather in Denver on Sunday afternoon.



# 2023 Barker Award Recipients



Bill Barker: Media Personality, Sports Car Enthusiast, and Master of Ceremonies for the Rallye Glenwood Springs.

And The Barker Award for Best Overall Performance in the 2023 Rallye Glenwood Springs goes to:

#### **Mike and Cooper Akin**

Congratulations to Mike and Cooper for their first place results in the Rallye (Computer Class) and in the Funkhana (Pre-1980 Class).



Due to the threat of severe weather in Denver on Sunday, the organizers elected to cancel the awards ceremony. Regrettably, we don't have a photo of Mike and Cooper receiving their award.

Thank You Checkpoint Workers!

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Checkpoint 1	Checkpoint 2	Checkpoint 3	Checkpoint 4
Kingsley and Jean Meldrum	Scott and Nancy Story	John and Ritsuko Fraioli	Dick and Judy Fritz
Ben & Cindy Hass	Jim Goodwin		Joe and Cathy Gunderson
Steve Jackson	Lora Swenson		Steve Gardner
Nancy	Nancy Miller		Pete Perea
	Rhonda Kramer		

#### 2023 RALLYE GLENWOOD SPRINGS EVENT RESULTS

### The Tour – June 9

Tour Master: Lady Paige Seven with assistance from Oriana Meldrum and Jeanne Kerr

#### **Modern Class:**

- 1. Dan King / Jeanette Joyce (3 points off a perfect score)
- 2. Rob Stevenson / Teri Stevenson
- 3. Darren Haines / Hilary Freeman

#### **MG Class:**

- 1. Dorothy Stone / Neil White
- 2. Alan Magnuson / Laura Magnuson
- 3. Chuck McNeal / Terry McNeal

#### Vintage Class:

- 1. Henry Morrison / Chris Morrison
- 2. Eric Bergstrom / Melanie Bergstrom
- 3-way tie went to the team of David Magargal / Kathy Magargal using Tie Breaker quesons. (The teams of Hulng / Hulng and Blaney / Blaney were in that as well)

## Rallye – June 10

Rallye Master: Kemal Ouwerkerk

#### **Computer Class**

Car No.	Score	Team	
10	559	Akin/Akin	
2	602	Dinsmore/Gall	
4	723	Fichialos/Wardle	

#### **Experienced Class**

Car No.	Score	Team
9	342	Akin/Shoemaker
17	613	Bollendonk/Follett (Bollendonk)
13	631	White/Stone

#### **Intermediate Class**

Car No.	Score	Team
11	543	Britt/Britt
56	687	Biallis/Biallis
5	782	Bergstrom/Bergstrom

#### Novice/Seat of the Pants

Score	Team
723	Nelson/Waterhouse-Nelson
862	Haines/Freeman
883	Simpson/Bowers
	862

#### Vintage Class

Car No.	Score	Team
48	482	Lynge/Swindell
42	669	Blaney/Blaney
31	796	Magargal/Magargal

#### FUNKHANA - June 11

Funkhana Master: Neil White

#### PRE-1980 Class

1. Conner and Mike Akin	1978 MGB	1:23.50
2. Lisa and Mike Blaney	1957 Triumph TR3	1:41.97
3. Evan Gull and Bill Dinsmore	1973 Triumph TR6	2:08.12

#### POST-1980 Class

1.	Inna J. and C. Dolan	1994 Miata	1:34.72
2.	Jesse Shapiro and Rick Watson	2013 MX-5	1:42.72
3.	Nicky and Lou Britt	2017 BMW i3	3:45.43

#### 2023 RALLYE GLENWOOD SPRINGS OFFICIAL CAR SHOW RESULTS - June 11

CLASS	FIRST PLACE	SECOND PLACE	THIRD PLACE
FEATURED	JACK KAHLER 1952 MGTD		
PREMIER	CAR 206 TED AX 1965 MGB	CAR 203 CURTISS AND ANNE ALLEN 1967 MGB	
MG T SERIES/ OTHER MG	CAR 304 PHILLIP COOMBS 1948 MGTC	CAR 305 BILL BOLLENDONK 1937 MGTA	
MGA	CAR 406 KEN COLBERT 1959 MGA	CAR 403 MIKE AND LYNNE HOLM 1962 MGA 1600 MK II	
MGB/C CHROME BUMPER	CAR 504 ASHTON ELLIS 1964 MGB	CAR 507 CHUCK HASSLER 1968 MGC	CAR 501 ALAN AND LAURA MAGNUSON 1973 MGB
MGB RUBBER BUMPER	CAR 612 JOHN FRAIOLI 1977 MGB	CAR 611 CHERYL AKIN 1979 MGB	CAR 601 BETSY BOWERS 1979 MGB
MGB/C GT	CAR 703 LARRY FRAKES 1967 MGB GT	CAR 701 JAY FICHIALOS 1969 MGB GT	CAR 702 CHUCK MCNEIL 1970 MGB-GT
OTHER BRITISH	CAR 816 BRIAN FAWCETT 1998 MINI	CAR 808 ORIANA MELDRUM 1964 MORGAN 4	CAR 806 RUSS HULTING 1970 JAGUAR E-TYPE
EUROPEAN	CAR 902 ERIC BERGSTROM 1959 VW BUS	CAR 901 HENRY PLATTS 1969 MERCEDES 280 SL	
ASIAN	CAR 1003 SCOTT ITH 1971 DATSUN 510	CAR 1001 GREG PEEK 1994 MAZDA MIATA	
AMERICAN	CAR 1102 BRENNAN SULLIVAN 2018 BUICK REGAL 2X		
SPRIDGETS	CAR 1204 THOMAS JONES- MOORE 1974 MG MIDGET	CAR 1203 STEVE KAMINSKI 1979 MG MIDGET	

DIAMOND IN THE ROUGH: CAR 301 BILL PANOS, 1939 MGTA