



2026 Rally of the Voyageurs
May 9, 2026
Supplementary Regulations
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The OPRC Series is supported by Novus Auto Group

The Kitchener Waterloo Rally Club presents the 2026 Rally of the Voyageurs.

We will be using the same quarry road as Black Bear and formally GCFR but not using the Loom Lake / Crystal Lake portion. Recce will be on Saturday morning and the rally in the afternoon. There will be four passes of the road in each direction - in and out twice, service, then in and out twice again. There will be approximately 70km of stages. For this year only there will be live streaming of the rally via Bose Media and to facilitate that we will be using RallySafe. The use of RallySafe is being sponsored so there is no charge to the competitors. We will also be using [Sportity](#) for some communications, the password is ROV2026

The road we have is fun. twisty and technical, smooth and (hopefully) firmly packed.

1. Name of the Event

“2026 Rally of the Voyageurs”

2. Jurisdiction

The rally will be held under the 2026 General Competition Rules and Regulations of the Canadian Association of RallySport (CARS), (GCR's and NRR's) and the current rally regulations of RallySport Ontario (RSO). These publications are available online ([CARS](#)) ([RSO](#)), and from the CARS and RSO offices, whose addresses are listed below, and will be available for scrutiny at rally headquarters.

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3. Event Officials/ Officiels de L'événement

Coordinator/ Routemaster	Martin Loveridge martin.loveridge.rally@gmail.com 519 485 2131
Clerk of the Course	Dave Cote
Safety Officer	Ian LaLonde
Chief Control Marshall	Damian Pissarouk volunteers@kwrc.on.ca
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4. Status

The Voyageurs Rally is the second event in the 2026 Ontario Performance Rally Championship (OPRC) and the second event in the 2026 Eastern Canadian Rally Championship (ECRC).

5. Event Description

This is a performance rally consisting of 8 stages, to be run over closed roads, linked by transit sections with liberal time allowances. All competitive driving will be confined to gravel stages.

The Official Route Book will be distances and tulips (CARS GCRs and NRRs 2024 per section 13.3 for general format). Descriptive stage notes will not be offered at this year's event. Optional open recce will be permitted for each stage as per the provided schedule.

Total length of the route will be approximately 100 kilometers, including about 70 kilometers of stage (70%).

Distances and number of stages are subject to change.

The entire route is contained within the following:

Latitude: 44.68542 to 44.69423 Longitude: -78.38178 To -78.41453

6. Rally Headquarters

Rally Headquarters and all rally functions will be held at the Cavendish Community Centre 32 Community Complex Drive, County Road 507, Catchacoma Ontario [44.72773,-78.33649](#)

This will be the location for registration, technical inspection, rally start and finish, all service and refueling, and the finish podium. The official notice board will be located inside the Rally Headquarters. Unlicensed cars, if any, will service at the Hwy 507 end of the stage.

7.0 Schedule

What / Where	Date	Time
Opening Date for Entries <i>Ouverture d'inscription</i>	Saturday April 4 <i>samedi 4 avril</i>	7:00
Early Entry Deadline <i>Date limite d'inscription anticipée</i>	Wednesday April 29 <i>mercredi 29 avril</i>	23:59
Seeded Draw	Thursday April 30 <i>jeudi 30 avril</i> by/par Video	20:00
Start Order Posted <i>Publication de l'ordre de départ provisoire</i>	Thursday April 30 <i>jeudi 30 avril</i>	22:00
End of accepted entries <i>Fin d'inscription</i>	Tuesday May 5 <i>mardi 5 mai</i>	12:00
Volunteer Meeting <i>Réunion des bénévoles</i>	Wednesday May 6 <i>mercredi 6 mai</i> By / par video	19:00
Competitor Meeting – Mandatory for Novice Crews <i>Réunion des concurrents – Obligatoire pour les équipages novices</i>	Wednesday May 6 <i>mercredi 6 mai</i> By / par video	20:00
Registration (competitors, service crews, and volunteers) <i>Enregistrement (équipes, équipes de service, bénévoles)</i>	Friday May 8 <i>vendredi 8 mai</i>	16:00-21:00
Service Park Opens <i>Ouverture du parc de services</i>		16:00
Technical Inspection <i>Inspection technique</i>		17:30 - 21:00

Saturday May 9

What	Time
Sunrise <i>Lever du soleil</i>	5:53
Competitor registration - by appointment only <i>Inscription des compétiteurs – sur rendez-vous uniquement</i>	07:00- 08:00
Technical Inspection – By Appointment Only <i>Inspection Technique – sur rendez-vous uniquement</i>	07:00 -10:00
Recce <i>Reconnaissance</i>	07:30-10:30
Introduction of Officials & Competitor Meeting. Mandatory for All Teams <i>Introduction des officiels/ réunion des concurrents. Obligatoire pour toutes les équipes.</i>	11:20
First Car Out for MTC 1 <i>Premiere voiture depart</i>	12:01
First Car Finish MTC 2 <i>Premiere voiture fin</i>	17:00
Podium and Awards <i>Podium et Prix</i>	18:00
Dinner <i>dîner</i>	17:00-19:00
Service Park Closed <i>L'aire de service ferme</i>	20:30
Sunset <i>Coucher de soleil</i>	20:26

All events are at Headquarters unless specified otherwise. The organizers reserve the right to make changes in the location or schedule if necessary.

8. Entries

Entries will be accepted until Tuesday, May 5 at 12:00; the maximum number of entries accepted will be 20. Entries beyond this number will be held in order of receipt. Entries shall be completed using [THIS FORM](#). Further required forms and waivers will be forwarded after registration is received. Entries open at 07h00 on Saturday April 4.

9. Entry Fees and Registration

Early entry fees received prior to April 29 at 23:59 are \$650.00 (via credit card \$685.00)

Entry fees received from April 30 to May 5 at 12:00 \$750.00. (via credit card \$785.00)

Payments can be made at the time of registration by e-transfer to treasurer@kwrc.on.ca or by credit card using [MotorSportReg](#). MotorSportReg is only used for payment by credit card, not registration.

All other registration requests and questions can be emailed to the Registrar, Christina Thomlinson at registrar@kwrc.on.ca

Entry Fee Includes:

- Entry to Rally
- Competitor's Official Route Book consisting of distances and traditional tulip drawings. This Route book will be considered "Official" for competition or inquiry purposes.
- CARS Event Insurance covering \$5,000,000 General Liability coverage [\$135]
- RallySport Ontario Levy [\$50]
RallySport Ontario Road Damage Fund [\$85]
- RallySport Ontario Timing Equipment Levy [\$20]
- Use of RallySafe

NOTE: No paperwork will be received or signed at registration on the rally weekend, therefore, ALL documentation (including, but not limited to, entry form, waivers, self- declaration (for car), emergency forms) MUST be completed and submitted electronically (online or emailed) by 23:59 May 6. Failure to submit all paperwork by this time will result in the automatic withdrawal for incomplete entry registration. **There will be an MNRF waiver that will be distributed and needs to be signed and returned to registration by each driver and codriver.**

10. Withdrawals and Refunds

In accordance with CARS GCR's and NRR's 4.10:

An entry may be withdrawn:

- without penalty up to 48 hours before the start of registration;
- with up to 25% of the entry fee in penalty, less than 48 hours before the start of registration (percentage at the Organizer's discretion); and
- with up to 100% of the entry fee in penalty after the opening of registration (percentage at the Organizer's discretion).

The withdrawal shall be made to the organizer or registrar by email or by telephone.

Refunds will be processed the week after the event and all credit card payments may be subject to a 5% fee.

11. Start Order

Starting order will be determined in accordance with the CARS CGR&R 21.2.15 (using the CARS speed factors and seed list). The start order draw is open via a video link and will take place at 20:00 on Thursday April 30.

12. Descriptive Stage Notes

The Rally of the Voyageurs will not be offering organizer-written descriptive stage notes.

13. Eligibility & Documentation

13.1 Crew

Eligibility is as per CARS GCR 11, Eligibility of Crew.

- A completed CARS Registration Form / Waiver must be signed by the Driver, Co- driver and Entrant by 23:59 Tuesday May 5. All applicable documents must be self declared (CARS GCR&R 11.2.1) and must be valid on the day of the event.
- Rally licenses must be obtained prior to the rally.
- Competitors licensed by foreign ASNs; Rally America (RA), American Rally Association (ARA) or National Auto Sport Association Rally Sport (NASA) may compete in CARS sanctioned events using their licenses and their sanctioning body's competitor eligibility regulations. NASA, ARA or RA license holders must also have a CARS entry permit, which is available through the CARS office..

13.2. Vehicles

Eligibility is as per CARS GCR 12, Vehicles and Equipment. Vehicles registered in the United States are acceptable provided the driver is competing on a CARS entry permit and that it meets the requirements of current RA / NASA / ARA Rally Regulations. These vehicles shall be classified according to CARS vehicle class regulations. Refer to NRR 12.4.7 for complete details

14. Service Park and Refueling

There will be a Service Park located at Rally HQ used for all services. The Service Park will open at 1600 hrs on Friday, May 8, and close at 2000 hrs on Saturday May 9. For the appropriate trailer parking area see Figure 1. Please check in with the Service Area Manager at the event.

NOTE: A tarp at least as large as the vehicle is required under the vehicle while the vehicle is parked in the service area. A \$50 penalty will be levied on each team not complying in this regard. Please remove all belongings and garbage after the event.

All Service Crews must have at least one fire extinguisher with a minimum UL rating of 40BC or two fire extinguishers with a minimum UL rating of 20BC each in their respective service area. The fire extinguisher(s) shall be easily accessible and in an area visible to anyone within the team's respective service spot. If requested by an official, evidence must be produced that fire extinguishers have been purchased or recharged within the preceding two years. – See CARS GCRs and NRRs 18.1.9. The Organizer may assess a \$50 fine for failure to meet these requirements.

There will be a designated refueling zone at the exit of the Service Park. When the refueling zone is open, refueling must occur within it. The refueling zone will be open during the rally as identified in the Official Route Book or on the notice board.

14.1 Off-site service for unlicensed and/or uninsured cars

An exception to the above will be allowed for unlicensed and/or uninsured cars.

Such cars will be allowed to service at the staging area located at the intersection of Hwy 507 and the quarry road. Due to space limitations in this area, this exemption will be allowed for a maximum of two entries.. Entries requesting this exemption must comply with all other relevant aspects of the supplementary regulations. Unlicensed cars can not complete the transits and so will not be eligible for points in the OPRC series.

15. Technical Inspection

Technical Inspection will be done on Friday May 8 from 17:30 to 21:00 and Saturday May 9 from 07:00 to 10:00 with the scrutineering teams visiting each competitor's service area. Each competitor will be provided with a checklist upon registration and must have all required items left with the vehicle before going out on Recce.

In the event of inclement weather, a central location at the Rally HQ will be setup and Technical inspection will be on a first come first served basis. Time for Technical Inspection may also be adjusted in this case.

Technical Inspection will be available on **Saturday morning by appointment only**. Competitors must present their vehicle log books during technical inspection. Log books will not be available at the event. Competitors whose vehicles have not been issued a log book, may contact the chief scrutineer (Section 3) prior to the posting of the start order for instructions.

16. Vehicle

Tracking

RallySafe is being used at this event for tracking and scoring. If you don't have a RallySafe installation kit you will need one.

Teams are required to fit their vehicles with a fitting kit available directly from RallySafe Australia.

<https://shop.statusas.com/shop/rallysafe/fitting-kits/rallysafe-permanent-installation-kit-everything-you-need/> Please note: it will take about 2 weeks to receive your kit. You must have the kit installed before the event begins.

It's possible there will be a couple of loaner units available – contact [Bruce Leonard](#). Club member Jim Stevens has offered to help subsidize the cost of a RallySafe installation kit for competitors who don't have one. Contact [Martin Loveridge](#) for more details.

Teams not familiar with RallySafe operations are advised to watch the training videos at:

<https://youtu.be/iDWseIQE42U> - Rally Safe Briefing video

<https://youtu.be/tMHMg0E7XUk> - RallySafe Introduction - RallyWest (Canada)

<https://youtu.be/j4SvIecZvIo> - RallySafe Temporary Installation

17. Optional Reconnaissance

A reconnaissance of all stage roads will be provided on Saturday, May 9, 2026 from 07:30 to 10:30 as per the schedule provided. All competitors will be allowed to participate. Recce will be open, meaning you can drive the road as many times as you wish in the designated time. Remember that the road is open during recce and there will be two way traffic, possibly large trucks hauling stone from the quarry.

The maximum speed on recce is 60km/hr. Make sure you stay on your side of the road and please drive respectfully. Participants driving in a manner that brings disrepute to the event and the sport can be assessed fines and penalties up to exclusion from the event. You are allowed to use your rally car for recce as long as it has passed scrutineering. Fines and penalties are increased if you have a recce offence when using your rally car.

There will be no formal recce meeting on Saturday May 9, however, please check the notice board at headquarters before heading out to recce (or Sportivity) Recce participants must register their reconnaissance vehicles before being allowed to participate. Vehicle identification numbers must be placed on the vehicles in the designated area.

The route book you receive at registration will be the basis for your recce. Since recce is open and times are flexible, and there is only one road, that should be all you need.

The timed recce is intended to allow teams to create their own stage/pace notes. Under no circumstances is this to be considered practice. A maximum of one vehicle per team is permitted, however two or more teams may carpool in a single vehicle if they wish.

Street legal, non-competing, unobtrusive vehicles are preferred. Tires suitable for the conditions are recommended. During the reconnaissance, competitors must comply with the traffic laws of Ontario, CARS requirements and these regulations including bulletins. Sliding of the vehicle, failure to remain in the proper lane, aggressive driving, and speeding, driving in the opposite direction to rally traffic or backing up on a stage road are not permitted. Please be respectful of the safety and rights of local traffic and of the image of the rally.

The speed limit may be enforced by radar marshals that will be monitoring both stage and transits in various locations throughout the day. Radar detection equipment is illegal in Ontario, and its use during recce is not permitted.

Failure of a competitor to obey the speed limit or the rules defined above will result in a fine being levied and may also result in the exclusion of the competitor from the event as follows:

First Offence*:

- \$100 fine.
- Meeting with the event organizers who will review the infraction. Organizers could impose exclusion and forfeiture of entry fees.

Second Offence*:

- \$250 fine.
- A meeting with the event organizer and who will review the infraction. Organizers could impose exclusion and forfeiture of entry fees.

All Fines are doubled if the infractions occur while using a performance vehicle intended for use in a rally.

Competitors are also reminded that practicing of the route **within 60 days** of the event is specifically prohibited under CARS GCRs and NRRs 17.8.1 except for the official reconnaissance. Unauthorized practicing may result in additional penalties per CARS GCRs and NRRs 7.4.

The above does not apply to competitors who are officially helping set up the rally.

18. Timing and Safety Rules

Timing of the rally will be by RallySafe. In the event of a failure of the system manual timing may be used.

Use of Safety Warning Devices is described in CARS GCR&C 17.9. Remember, safety is paramount, and stages are hot until stopped by a red cross or the organizers.

Please note both GCR&R 15.10 (Route Obstruction / Loss of Stage Security) and 15.13 (Interruption of a Special Stage

19. Re-Starting the Rally

Restarts will be allowed following the [OPRC Rules and Regulations](#) section 4. Conditions for a Restart as OPRC RR section 4.2 must be met without exception. Upon a restart, a stage slow time plus a five-minute penalty will be assessed as per OPRC RR 4.3.

20. Awards

A complete list of awards will be posted on the Official Notice Board prior to the opening of Registration. Trophies are awarded to drivers and co-drivers for

- First, second and third in 4WD regardless of class.
- First, second and third in 2WD regardless of class.
- First place 4WD prepared.
- First place 2WD prepared.
- First novice driver
- First seed 6 driver

Awards will be presented when the results are declared final following the podium.

20.1 OPRC Sponsorship

There is currently no prize money available.

21. Accommodations

The Bobcaygeon website www.visitbobcaygeon.com/ provides several area accommodations.

22. Miscellaneous

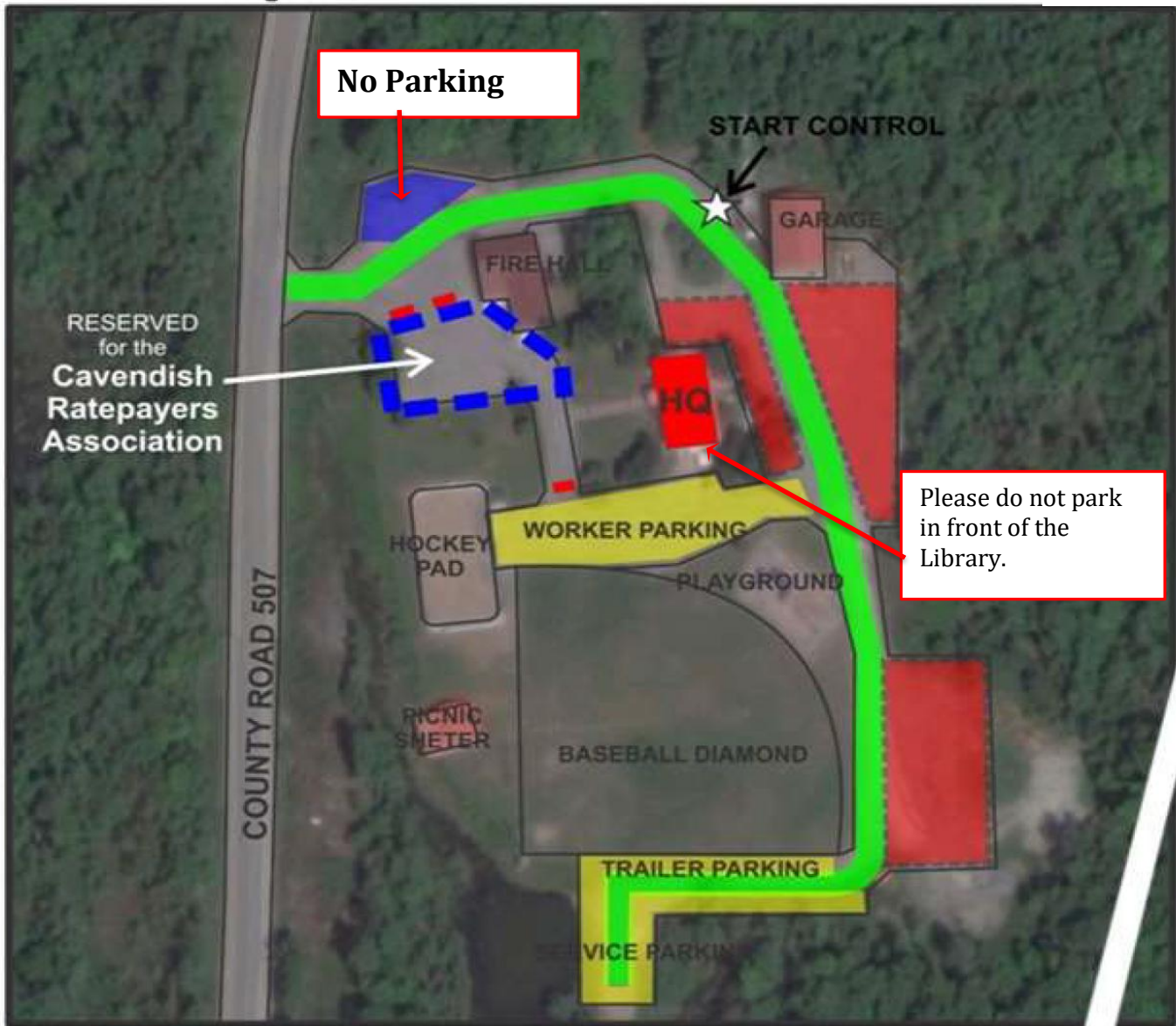
KWRC is committed to providing an environment in which all individuals are treated with respect and dignity. Harassment and Violence have no place in rallying and will not be tolerated. KWRC promises to promote a safe and welcoming environment for everyone involved in our sport. This applies to all event officials, event volunteers, Competitors and crew and any third party which may be associated with the event.

- a) It is requested that Competitors and Service Crews refrain from using two-way radios near event radio cars as this may interfere with official rally communications.
- b) Competitors and Service Crews are reminded that consumption of alcohol or marijuana or marijuana products is not permitted until the event is complete, the competitor DNFs or checks into Parc Fermé at the Finish. (CARS GCRs and NRRs 5.11).
- c) Do not bring alcohol into the Community Centre from an outside source, as this is in violation of LCBO and AGCO regulations.
- d) No fires of any kind are permitted. This includes bonfires, charcoal BBQ's, candles and lanterns.
- d) Event Officials, CARS Officials, Stage Captains, Control Marshals and other event marshals shall be considered Judges of Fact. As per the GCRs 6.3 facts, other than those listed, shall be:
 - Early arrival in a Control Zone
 - Reversing in a Control Zone
 - Servicing in a Control Zone
 - Servicing in non-designated Service Areas
 - Failure to properly wear safety harness, driving suit, helmet or head and neck restraint while traversing a stage
 - Having open windows during stages without appropriate nets
 - Speed during reconnaissance.
 - Practicing or testing on any published stage or gravel road in the vicinity of the event.
- e) Any inquiries regarding publicity and promotion for the rally should be addressed to the event Coordinator.
- f) Check out all the current information on the rally at the web site at: <https://rallyofthevoyageurs.ca> or [Sportity](#) – password ROV2026

[Link to the Seeded Draw Meeting](#) – Thursday. April 30, 20:00

[Link to the Novice Competitors Meeting](#) Wed. May 6, 20:00

Headquarters






No Parking

START CONTROL

RESERVED
for the
**Cavendish
Ratepayers
Association**

Please do not park
in front of the
Library.

	Service Area		Emergency Access Lane Keep clear at all times.
	Parking		

23. Directions to Rally HQ

Cavendish Community Hall
32 Community Complex Dr.
Buckhorn, ON K0L 1J0
[44.72773, -78.33649](https://www.google.com/maps/place/44.72773,-78.33649)

From the West

- a) Take Highway 36 east from Bobcaygeon to Highway 507 northbound for 14km to the Cavendish Community centre south of Catchacoma
- b) Take Television road north from Peterborough to Hwy 23 north to Hwy 507 north for 14km to the Cavendish Community Centre south of Catchacoma

From the South

- a) From Toronto, take the 401 Eastbound to highway 115 north to Peterborough
- b) From Peterborough, take highway 23/29/36, turn right on Hwy. 507 northbound to the community center on your right.

From the North

- a) Take highway 118 to Glamorgan Rd south, turn left onto Hwy. 503 eastbound to Hwy. 507 southbound to the community centre on your left.
- b) Take highway 118 to Hwy 503 southbound, turn left onto highway 507 southbound to the community centre on your left.

