



Rallysport Ontario (RSO)

CARS regional sanctioning body for all rally activities within the Ontario Region

2022 Regional Director Report

The CARS AGM held virtually for 2021 had good representation from our region clubs and members. The member clubs voted me in for a two year term. The regional Rally Director role is up for election at this year's AGM (2023).

Region Rally Activity

It's a welcome change to write a report that doesn't center around cancellations or postponements. Rallying in all aspects in the Ontario region is back to business with rejuvenated energy and optimism for growth.

Ontario region is host to 8 CARS affiliated clubs for 2022 many of which hosted a number of TSD events, Rally cross, Rally sprints, regional and National performance rally events this season.

The Ontario Road Rally Championship consisted of 8 events this year hosted by TAC, KWRC, and PMSC. In addition to the championship events, KWRC continues to host its ever popular SNATR 6 event nav rally series.

Collectively KWRC, PMSC, MCO, and MLRC hosted 24 successful Rally cross events this season. Rally cross competition is a known breeding ground for Rally sprint and Performance Rally competitors so the efforts of these clubs to consistently host well organized and well attended events bodes well for the future of the sport. The region's Rally Sprint series may have customers enough to come out of hibernation in the coming years.

The Ontario Performance Rally Championship rounds rebounded some this season seeing 6 events populate the calendar, MLRC organizing the sole stand alone round of the championship The Black Bear Rally. The championship supported by Clarington Hyundai, Ontario Motor Sales, and Enercare Home Services/Martin Air Heating, welcomed teams from Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, and the US.

The penultimate round of the 2022 CRC hosted by MLRC, The 51st edition of the Lincoln Electric Rally of the Tall Pines did not disappoint, although entries were lower than anticipated with a few late withdrawals the event boasted incredible battles throughout the field one of which decided by less than 2 seconds at the end.

The commitment to press on in the face of uncertainty for a drawn out period of time as we have truly demonstrates the tenacity of the sport and all of the individuals involved. Last year in reference to the region's continuous efforts to get events to its competitors "This resolve bodes well for the sport in the region and when restrictions permit we can optimistically look forward to a strong return to rally competition in all disciplines." Couldn't have been more true. Thank you for getting us here! I sincerely hope to be able to continue to represent the region in a truly creative and optimistic time for Rally.

Respectfully Submitted

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