

CR-14 JCNA Rally Committee Report - 2013 Annual General Meeting Report

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There were thirteen (13) rallies in 2012, which is a significant increase over 2011. Two of the Florida clubs and the South Carolina club held rallies to help increase that number, and thanks go to them. Nine (9) rallies were scored on www.jcna.com in 2011, all of which were time speed distance events. In 2010, there were a total of fifteen (15) rallies, twelve (12) rallies were held in 2009, and fifteen (15) rallies were held in 2008. There has been one class T2 rally held, and eight additional rallies are scheduled on the 2013 JCNA calendar, as of this writing.

The scoring system was updated earlier this year by Pascal Gademer, but still has the issue with respect to the resolution of ties in individual events, and in the JCNA standings, so online standings are inaccurate if there is any tie in an individual event. If two entries have the same exact score in an event, the first one entered into the scoring system gets the higher place in the event standings. Due to the higher likelihood of ties in the JCNA standings, the standings are very likely to be inaccurate as shown online. Pascal Gademer and I communicated in November, 2012, about this and he has indicated he will try to make it work. These scoring rules for ties are now the same as for Concours, which was hoped to make the programming easier.

Changes approved to the Rally Program Manual at the AGM in Arizona were incorporated into manual and the changes were posted on www.jcna.com. All chapters were updated to revise how effective dates are portrayed. The prior method was to show that each section was applicable to a specific competition year, and the revision is to show an effective date for any section update. This will reduce the number of updated sections required to be posted each year while clarifying the effectivity of the documents that make up the Rally Program Manual.

Changes to the scoring and awarding of event points and JCNA Rally Championship points in the event of ties was incorporated into the year end standings for 2012.

For this year's AGM, changes to remove the restrictions on GPS and related devices are being proposed. Approval of these program manual requests is recommended.

A proposal from the JC of Houston to add Do It Yourself (DIY) checkpoints was made directly to the JCNA Secretary and is posted on www.jcna.com as of this writing. While there is no objection to DIY checkpoints, a definition of a 'Do It Yourself checkpoint' is needed for the Glossary, and DIY checkpoints need to be referenced in para. 5.1.3, as well.

Respectfully submitted,
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