

Rally Against Leukemia 2021 Presented by RockAuto.com GTA Road Rally
Saturday September 11, 2021
NER/SCCA Road Rally Championship Series

Welcome to Rally Against Leukemia 2021 presented by RockAuto.com GTA Road Rally. The object of this rally is to visit the locations revealed by the clues on the Question and Answer sheet and answer the questions with the information found at the locations. To begin, you should locate each of the places described in the clues on the map. The next step is to determine the shortest possible route from the start to the finish, which encompasses all of the sites. **Answer the questions in any order you choose.** **You are required to visit each site to obtain the answer and to note your mileage. The use of GPS, Smart Phones, Internet connected devices or similar is not allowed for determining the shortest route between questions, nor to find the answer to a question**

The entry with the lowest score, which is comprised of mileage, incorrect or omitted answers, and penalties, will be the winner – see Scoring, Item 10 later in this document.

Prior to receiving your Question & Answer sheet and map, you will complete an odometer check. This is done in order to normalize all of the entrants' odometers. As every car follows the same route, a correction factor can be calculated to a standard. This makes the odometers for all cars mathematically equal.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. Number of team members per vehicle cannot exceed the number of seat belts available in the vehicle. Entrance fee is based on two team members per vehicle. Because this is a charity event, an additional donation per team member in excess of 2 is recommended
2. Prior to starting odometer check, you should complete an official entry form, and sign appropriate release and waiver of liability forms (available at event registration table). Contestants that are not SCCA members will be required to complete an SCCA Weekend membership form.
3. Other materials you will receive include the following:
 - A. General Instruction Sheet (this form).
 - B. Odometer Check Sheet
 - C. Question and Answer Sheet (The questions are listed in no particular order)
 - D. Official Map (Greater Springfield, MA. Printed from PDF)

All the information you need in order to figure out the locations to visit is on the official map.

4. NOTE: If the name of a town appears in the clues, or elsewhere, in caps (i.e., PALMER), it refers to the whole township. If it appears with only the first letter capitalized, (i.e., Palmer), it refers to the City, Town, or Locality itself. If it appears capitalized and in bold type (i.e., **SPRINGFIELD**), it refers to the county.
5. You will probably spend at least the first 60 to 90 minutes for registration, the odometer check, and planning the route you will use to run the rally.
6. You may use any road you wish in your attempt to log the shortest distance on your odometer. Please respect private roadways. None of the clues will be located on one.

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8. Use of GPS, computers and other Internet connectable devices (PDAs, Smartphones, Tablets, etc.) to answer questions OR to plot the shortest route between questions IS NOT allowed.
9. All answers must be entered on the Question and Answer Sheet in the spaces provided. **IMPORTANT** – You must enter your odometer mileage (to the nearest 1/10th of a mile) at each of your stops. A space is provided for this in the left margin before each clue. Each omission will result in a 2-point penalty. NOTE – Neatness will be considered in the event of ties.

10. Scoring:

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| A. Each mile traveled: | 1 point |
| B. Each 1 minutes late at finish (see final clue for time this starts to accrue): | 1 points |
| C. Arriving after 4:00 p.m.: | 100 points |
| D. Failure to answer a question correctly: | 30 points per
numbered clue |

(For multiple part questions, the 30 points will be spread over the parts. Thus a question with 3 parts is worth 10 points per part)

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| E. Failure to enter mileage in spaces provided on Question and Answer Sheet: | 2 points per
omission |
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The questions are written so that the correct answer should complete the sentence or answer the question posed. For most clues, there is a space provided for each word of the answer. If you find the correct location to visit, the answer will fit naturally on the answer sheet. You do not need to “make the answer fit” by trying to guess the meaning of the question/answer. Below is an example:

At Lake Hammonasset, _____ recreation permit is required to use this area. **The answer, Water Authority** fits in the spaces provided and answered the question perfectly. You may find answers that could be correct but do not fit in the spaces. Those answers are **not** correct. If you visit the right location and find the right sign/marker/information, the answer will fit. However, if there is **one long line** for the answer, the answer may not require specific wording. If there is a problem with a large number of contestants’ answers on a particular question, we will attempt to find a remedy that is fair to all. If you wish to discuss a question, please locate/contact Jon Lamkins or Kelli Lamkins, 2021 Rally Masters. (cell phone 860-620-4839)

11. Glossary: Terms used within the questions.

Along: Usually used in conjunction with a road designation (ex. Along State Route 5), answer is located on either side of referenced road, however, it may not be visible from the road.

Vicinity: Answer is located within a drivable radius (as determined by the rally organizers) from the referenced location

Near: Answer is located within a walkable radius (as determined by the rally organizers) from the referenced location

Off: Usually used in conjunction with a road designation (ex. Off State Route 4), to get to the answer you will need to take a road, path, walkway, or trail, that may or may not exist on the map, which intersects with referenced road designation

12. Since rally event day is also the 20th anniversary of the 9-11 tragedy, you may encounter traffic and/or crowds associated with memorial services. We've tried to locate our questions away from potential memorial locations, but at least one question has the potential for this to occur.

13. Due to the current COVID-19 situation, there will be no formal awards ceremony after the event. Teams will hand in their Q&A sheet when they complete the event. Sheets will be scored and preliminary results emailed to all teams for review. Final results will be emailed and Award Certificates will be mailed to recipients. The event is held in conjunction with NER/SCCA Road Racing so you are welcome to stay at the track and watch the action.

2021 COVID-19 General Instructions Addendum

In light of the current COVID-19 situation, every attempt will be made to minimize the risks of exposure to the virus.

Ultimately, it is your responsibility to assess the risk to you and to make the decision on whether or not to participate. If you are feeling unwell or are experiencing symptoms such as fever, cough, or shortness of breath please stay home. If you have been in contact with someone who has been experiencing these symptoms in the last two weeks, please stay home.

While on site please take the health and safety of your fellow participants, volunteers and staff into consideration and practice social distancing, wear a mask, and wash your hands and/or use hand sanitizer frequently.

Contestants must provide their own masks and hand sanitizer

All contestants are required to wear face masks in the registration and finish areas. Contestants are recommended to wear face mask when searching for question answers in questions areas. This is to protect both contestants and citizens in that area. Contestants must supply their own face masks.

This event is subject to State and local COVID-19 regulations and guidelines.

Massachusetts Guidelines: <https://www.mass.gov/covid-19-updates-and-information>

One last thing:

You may be disqualified for:

- A. Obtaining an answer to a question without going to the site.**
- B. Unsportsmanlike conduct, such as backing up, to reduce mileage. This is an individual team/car contest; the sharing of information between cars and/or following each other is considered unsportsmanlike.**
- C. In-motion traffic violations.**
- D. Using alcoholic beverages during the rally.**
- E. Using GPS, electronic maps, navigation software, computers, Smartphones or similar devices to determine the shortest distance between locations and/or question answers.**

Above all else:

Please enjoy yourselves and the sights of Central Massachusetts!

Directions to the Start/Finish (Palmer Motorsports Park, 58 West Ware Road, Palmer, MA 01069)

Shortest route from west:

1. Exit 8 off Mass Pike
2. Left on Rt 32 N
3. After 1.2 mile, right on Old Warren Rd
4. At end of road, left on Rt 67 N
5. After 1 mile, left on Ware Rd
6. Entrance is ~ 1 mile on right

Shortest route from east:

1. Exit 9 off Mass Pike (Rt.20/I-84)
2. Follow Rt 20W past Sturbridge Center
3. At Rt148 junction, right on Rt 148N
4. After 2 miles, left onto Warren Rd
5. At T, right on Southbridge Rd to Warren
6. After car wash, right under RR bridge
7. Left onto Rt 67 S
8. After 3 miles, right on Ware Rd
9. Entrance is ~ 1 mile on right

Shortest route from north:

1. Follow Rt 9 to Ware
2. In Ware center, turn onto South St
3. South St becomes Old Warren Rd
4. After 2 miles, entrance is on left

Shortest route from south:

1. From Hartford, take I-84N or I-91N
- 2a. For I-84: same route as from east
- 2b. For I-91: same route as from west

Navigation Notes