

# West Coast Rallying...

## Island Rally Update



Living on the West Coast, you never know what to expect... our foot of snow has been replaced with a foot of rain... literally! The temperature has gone from -12 to +12 in less than a week. The rivers have swelled and consumed the road in numerous places. The forecast? More rain. Excellent.

Why am I talking about the weather? Because I was just thinking how fitting a name "Storm the Island" really is for our rally of the year in BC! By the time you are reading this, the event will be concluded and through the magic of extended deadlines, the results should be somewhere below.

But as I write this a week before the event, I look ahead:

I see more than 20 rallyists, some from as far away as Prince George, Washington, and even California, in their cars winding

along the very darkened highway towards Long Beach with a waterfall cascading onto their windshields from a rock cliff above, the drivers trying to see past their hoods for the fog, and wondering why they haven't installed better driving lights on their cars...

I see faithful and devoted checkpoint workers sitting in their vehicles, with the heater fan whirling to keep the windows defogged, in some dark, secluded, gravel pullout for what seems like forever, wondering if they are in the right spot and questioning whether they have been given enough time to arrive at their next checkpoint because it's 85 kms away...

I see a very nervous rallymaster, wondering if his first organizing attempt will be a success or a failure... it is there a mistake

in the routebook? ...are the speeds ok? Maybe 72 CAS is too fast for a dark, wet, foggy, twisty road on the edge of a cliff... nah.

But above all I see everyone gathered together at the end of the rally, wearing the usual warm, smiling faces, expressing the camaraderie that this sport is built upon, and of course telling the stories (oh, the stories!), and I look forward to the satisfaction of having organized my first rally!

And the weather? I'm absolutely positive that it will be just perfect.

Storm the Island Rally 2005- Island Series Championship Round 1:

Results: see below

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## The Competitor's Review:

Storm the Island took place on January 29th, 2005. It was a paved TSD rally that started in Port Alberni and ended in Parksville. The route took us through the Alberni Valley and out to the West Coast, as well as around Great Central and Cameron Lakes. It was a six and a half hour event and contained 22 entries. Driver Chris Mah and Navigator Michelle Toffler from Victoria took first place for the Equipped class and were first Overall. Vancouverite James Downing and Lee McNabb from Port Alberni took first for the SOP class, and Colin Graham from Cumberland and Campbell River's Richard Michael from Port Alberni took first for the Unlimited class. It ended up to be an excellent event that got a terrific turnout of teams- the most on Vancouver Island in years! Lots of thanks to Brian Carriere for organizing the event and all the rest of the crew that helped out.

Kevin Marcan

## THE EVENT RESULTS:



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Storm the Island Overall Standings									
Overall Position	Class Position	Overall Score	Driver Name	Navigator Name	Car Make	Car Colour	Class Entered	Assigned Car #	
1	1	41	Chris Mah	Michelle Toffler	1991 Eagle Teton TSD	Red	E	4	
2	2	40	Stephen Bar	Chris Pezaro	2002 Subaru Impreza WRX	Blue	E	8	
3	3	32	Colin Graham	Richard Michael	1998 Toyota Corolla GT-S	Red	U	2	
4	3	39	David Vandermere	Kevin Marcan	1999 Honda Civic	Blue	E	10	
5	4	43	Ulf Stuart	Anne Lang	1987 Volvo 1200T	Blue	E	3	
6	2	106	Oliver Wallace	Miller Dumouchel	2004 Subaru WRX STi	White	U	1	
7	5	116	Ken Fink	Andrew Morrison	1998 VW Jetta	Blue	E	5	
8	1	217	James Downing	Lee McNabb	2004 Toyota Matrix	Silver	S	16	
9	2	286	Mike Roche	Gary Connaught	1995 Jeep YJ	Green	S	12	
10	3	405	Mike Doughty	Sean Parker	2004 Toyota Corolla	Grey	S	20	
11	4	433	Shane Lewiston	Kathryn Maxwell	1998 Subaru GL	White	S	7	
12	5	674	Melvin Hargrave	Chris Adams	2005 Subaru Impreza Outback Sport	Green	S	22	
13	3	766	Eric Lyden	Bruce Arthur	2004 Subaru Forester XT	Silver	U	11	
14	6	828	Anthony Gallant	Dave Nelson	1992 VW GTI BV	Red	S	18	
15	7	864	Shane Lewiston	Cole Nelson	1987 Jeep TJ	Blue	S	19	
16	4	886	John Giesler	Patrice Adie	1990 Ford Festiva	White	E	9	
17	8	1027	Gord Spryall	Ned Kapustin	1994 Toyota Corolla	Silver	S	21	
18	9	1062	Mark Speed	Andy Speed	2002 Mazda Protege S	Yellow	S	13	
19	10	1263	Car Stevens	Sarahanna Stevens	1998 Jeep YJ	Blue	S	23	
20	7	1262	Ted Brynes	Anne Yall	1994 Audi Quattro	Blue	E	6	
21	11	1362	Damon Proulx	Jay Hickman	1996 Oldsmobile Delta88	Red	S	15	
22	--	DNF	Mark Sachse	Ryan Pariser	1997 Honda Civic Hatch	Black	S	17	
--	--	DNF	Cyrus Macdonald	Ben Sonnenfeldt	1972 Oldsmobile	Black	S	14	

Congratulations to all those that made it out not just to the finish!