

Monte Carlo Rally

Rallymasters: Bob & Karen Townsend

The weather for the Saturday May 10 rally turned nice just long enough to hold a short fast rally. Starting in Urbana for a change, the route went south through Champaign and Douglas counties, and was just under 80 miles in length. The ending point was the Philo Tavern.

First time ralliists Daniel Chen and Sarah Sumner in a new Mazda RX-8 started the event with a first leg score of 11 points, which put them briefly in first place. All except one of the cars found all of the checkpoints. The Grables after a good start, got off course, but were not able to find their way back on course. Russ Bedford and Joe Siedenburg continued their winning ways, and came in with some very good scores. Novices Emanuel Martin and Rob Umland took first place in the Novice class, and Mike Blackwelder and Jim Hamilton were the winners in the Seat of Pants class with only 65 points.

Navigational Class		Legs	1	2	3	4	5	6	total
1. Russ Bedford-Joe Siedenburg	Cadillac CTS-V	25	2	5	0	1	1		34

Seat of Pants Class

1. Mike Blackwelder-Jim Hamilton	Ford Mustang	15	5	8	1	16	20		65
2. John Li-Jerry White	Mazda Miata	36	34	50	21	8	83		232
3. Sandy Grable-Brian Grable	Ford Explorer	22	46	14	200	200	200		682

Novice Class

1. Emanuel Martin-Rob Umland	Subaru Legacy	45	45	200	13	11	128		422
2. Daniel Chen-Sarah Sumner	Mazda RX-8	11	198	200	134	49	145		732