



# GIMMICK RALLY

## General Instructions

### The Big Picture:

- Follow your route instructions carefully and accurately. You should not get lost if you follow your instructions carefully.
- **Use the first 7.3 miles to read through the directions** and local information and maps provided to help plan your day. Do not begin look for answers until **Mile 7.3**.
- Helper notes are listed to give you added general information.
- Some of the road signs are small or difficult to see; the segment mileages should help you know when to look for turns.
- Mileages were recorded as accurately as possible, but don't worry if your odometer is off by a few tenths, the route instructions should be very clear even without exact mileages.
- Mileage will not count for your score; you will not be asked for your total mileage.
- Time does not count, except you must turn in your answer sheet by 4:30 PM. Please obey all speed limit signs and do not rush, enjoy the scenery! If you are going slowly and have cars behind you, please be courteous and pull over so the local folks can pass you. **Use your blinkers or flashers. Please watch carefully for cyclists and walkers. Pull over as much as possible; please don't stop in the middle of the road to look at clues! Check your mirrors before re-entering traffic.**
- There are food and restroom stops available at multiple locations on the route. There are many scenic and unique points of interest along the way; please read your maps and helper notes for information.
- Many roads are narrow and winding, please be patient, cautious and safe.

### The Gimmick:

- Your "mission", if you choose, is to correctly identify all the photographs. You may write on the photo pages, but you must record your final answers on the answer sheet for scoring. Turn in **ONLY** the answer sheet. Be sure your names and car number are on it.
- You must follow the route instructions to find all the answers. GPS and the internet will not be all that helpful. 😊
- Photos, signs and clues may be found on the right or left side of the road. One photo will be found inside the General Store in Old Mission.
- If you stop, go off the route for any reason or get lost, just backtrack and resume where you left off. You can follow the segment mileages for the rest of the rally.

### **Michigan Hospitality:**

- A Mission Peninsula map is included, which has information about many points of interest, eateries and wineries.
- The Quilt Barn Trail flyer is included; you will enjoy reading about the quilts and finding them along the route.
- The General Store in Old Mission is a recommended stop. It is totally unique, and the answer to one of the **photo clues** may be found inside. They have delicious homemade food, including traditional Upper Michigan pasties (Cornish meat pies).  
RESTROOM.
- The Mission Point Lighthouse is a recommended stop; get out, stretch your legs and walk around the grounds. Lovely views, historic information and log cabin, and tour the lighthouse. Very rustic restrooms.
- The Peninsula Market is surprisingly charming inside, great deli and lunch specials, and nice RESTROOMS (located in the back).
- Wineries: You will pass by eight wineries (each one on the peninsula) and one brewpub. Each has a unique character and scenic vista.
- Local residents are very welcoming, several of them know you will be slowing to look at photos located near their homes and may be there to wave. Marcy at the General Store is excited to meet us all.

### **The End!**

- When you arrive back at GTR, park and walk in the main entrance to turn in your answer sheet at the Gimmick Rally table BEFORE 4:30PM. You will turn in ONLY the answer sheet, not your photo pages. Please write legibly, we cannot give credit for vague or unreadable answers. Ties will be broken by counting the most correct answers to the Tie-Breaker questions.
- The Answers and the results will be posted Friday morning near Hospitality.
- Trophies will be awarded on Friday night at the Autocross Banquet. Enjoy the rally!

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