



2017 Rush to Gold Bridge

Entry and Event Information

Aug 4th to Aug 6th, 2017

Important Note about these Supplementary Regulations

...ESPECIALLY if you usually skim, or worse, don't read these.

We're excited to bring you another "Rush to Gold Bridge" event in 2017, but do want you to read through the attached document carefully. It highlights a number of important details you should know about. This is a mixed gravel and tarmac event, with limited route book details and you could get lost! Reading this document before entering ensures you know exactly what you're getting into.

What is the "Rush to Gold Bridge"?

The Rush to Gold Bridge Classic Car Adventure is our mixed surface, August, 3-day driving event, organized by Classic Car Adventures. The Rush to GB is a budget-minded driving adventure through the backroads and highways of British Columbia for 1979 and earlier touring and sports cars. This un-scored, non-competitive event explores approximately 1000 kilometres of driving over three days. A paid entry on the Rush to Gold Bridge includes two nights accommodation, an event package and some give-away items for a car of two people. The 2017 event is limited to an initial entry of just 20 vehicles, though we could extend the entry if interest is presented.

The 2017 "Route-Book"

The route for the 2017 Rush to GB Adventure will remain secret until entrants receive their "route-book" at registration. Instructions for this year's event will be a combination of Google Maps instructions, photocopies of relevant map sections and GPS destination points (where available). Entrants are expected to arrive with good humour, a willingness to explore and a sense of humour when a road is found to not exist, or a locked gate is encountered. You will not need any special rally equipment or rally knowledge. **The event consists of paved and gravel roads through mountainous terrain, with driving scheduled through daylight hours.**

A Quick Note on Gold Bridge

Gold Bridge BC was the destination for the first (2012) "Rush to ___" event. While the destinations have changed for each subsequent event, the name stuck. Please note we will not be going to Gold Bridge BC in 2017, unless you find yourself really, really, really lost!

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Vehicle Acceptance

The Rush to Gold Bridge Adventure is open to sport, touring and classic cars from 1989 and earlier. Sorry, no motorcycles on this event. We have been known to accept a truck or two, and even a couple of 'retro cars' made after 1989. If you think you've got a unique vehicle that should qualify, simply send us an entry form or contact us, we'll see if we think it fits with the group.

2017 Route Details, Notes about Gravel & Tarmac Routes

The 2017 Rush to Gold Bridge is designed primarily as a "gravel adventure" event. Rather than look for a route of primarily gravel roads, we've tried to find a unique adventure road or unique destination that is accessed via a gravel road. Wherever possible an equal-length tarmac option is provided.

Guests traveling the tarmac-only route will drive more kilometres, but about the same travel time, as those trying the gravel sections. Please note the event in 2017 includes a 37km out-and-back gravel section, for which there is no equivalent tarmac option. The tarmac alternative is to simply head to the overnight stop, arriving an hour or two early. Tarmac-only guests can relax a little, head to the waterfront, or even warm up a seat at the bar while waiting for the gravel-adventure part of the group.

We're often asked about quality of the gravel roads before guests wish to enter. For the routes we've chosen, we've done our best to research gravel options that should be relatively smooth and certainly passable by classic cars. **We have not pre-driven the route** and thus could be surprised. We have, however, relied on thorough research and local knowledge to find the best options possible. Our track record is pretty good in this regard, and there is always the tarmac option should we find a route to be too rough. We aim for standard, oft traveled, gravel roads. You will encounter washboard bumps, dust and other obstacles typical with BC's gravel roads.

For the Gravel adventurers day one will have two options. Option one is 250km long and includes about 90km of gravel. The second option is 350km long, and includes about 160km of gravel. Day two has two route options we'll choose from. Option one is 326km, with about 54km of gravel. Option two is 223km, but includes 70km of gravel which has been reported as rough in some years. We'll gather local knowledge at our overnight stop to select between the two routes. Day three is fully paved, at approximately 300km.

For the Tarmac set, day one is planned for 280km. Guests taking the tarmac route should expect to arrive at our overnight stop 1 to 2 hours before the gravel route group. Day two for the tarmac route is roughly 384 kilometres, and both groups should arrive at about the same time to the overnight hotel. Day three is the same tarmac route for both groups, and consists of approximately 300km travel.

Start and Finish Locations

This year the Rush to Gold Bridge will start in Coombs BC, or Qualicum Beach BC, with our confirmed location to be determined once the snow disappears and we can explore some roads. Our finish location will be Courtenay BC, allowing those of you who want to continue via the Sunshine Coast to take a 3pm ferry, while those heading to Vancouver via Horseshoe Bay or Tsawwassen can aim for a 5pm ferry.

Event Schedule *Subject to change

Tuesday March 28th, 2017

- Supp. regs posted.

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- Entry forms posted, entry opens.
- Twenty (20) accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Entry forms accepted via email, with payment required within 14 days to secure your spot.

Thursday August 3rd, 2017

- Early Registration open on Thursday Evening. Hours and location to be confirmed.
- Optional somewhat-organized pre-event drinks and dinner for guests who are staying in Port Alberni BC.
(Location: TBD)

Friday Aug 4th, 2017

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| 10:00-10:30am | Registration open for those who missed Thursday evening. |
| 10:45am | All-Participants Meeting & Event Introductions (<i>Mandatory Attendance</i>) |
| 11:00am | Depart Start |
| 6:30pm | Estimated hotel arrival, allowing for 2 hours in lunch, sightseeing & fuel stops during the day |
| 7:30pm | Group Meeting for pre-dinner drinks (& dinner) |

Saturday Aug 5th, 2017

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| 9:45am | All-Participants Meeting (<i>Mandatory Attendance</i>) |
| 10:00am | Depart Start |
| 5:30pm | Estimated hotel arrival, allowing for 2 hours in lunch, sightseeing & fuel stops during the day |
| 7:00pm | Group Meeting for pre-dinner drinks (& dinner) |

Sunday Aug 6th, 2017

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| 8:45am | All-Participants Meeting (<i>Mandatory Attendance</i>) |
| 9:00am | Depart Start |
| 1:00pm | Arrive at Finish location in Courtenay BC, Lunch available (Location TBD) |
| 3:00pm | Departure |

Vehicle Preparation

All vehicles attending the Rush to Gold Bridge are expected to meet legal roadworthiness standards at an absolute minimum. Generally guests should ensure their vehicles are ready for a long weekend of driving through mountains and winding roads, keeping in mind that short jaunts around town may not fully prepare your vehicle for long hours of mountain highways. Please read the new [CCA Vehicle Preparation Document](#) for full details. The basics, however, are as follows:

1) A Vehicle Inspection Form will need to be completed for your entry vehicle.

- The form can be filled out by home mechanics, competent enthusiasts or a professional.
- At minimum the car will need to be on four axle stands with the wheels off to complete the inspection.

- Vehicles which “fail” the inspection form, for any reason, are not necessarily barred from entry...it simply means you need to discuss with the CCA organizing team your specific vehicle and issues.
- Inspection forms are valid for 30 days from completion, to ensure we’ve got a current and accurate check. Thus, you will need to plan ahead for completing the form sometime in April.
- The inspection form can be found here: [CCA Vehicle Inspection Form](#)

2) At registration the organizing team will check your vehicle for the following mandatory items:

- Minimum one (1) roadside warning triangle. Triangle must have reflective sides 30cm or larger per side. LED light-up triangles (without reflectors) are no longer acceptable. You can purchase correct warning triangles from the following sources (linked to the products):

[Amazon](#)

[NAPA](#)

Lordco (order Grote #71422, a set of 3 Triangles)

- Proof of current insurance and driver’s licenses.
- Vehicle inspection form (if not previously submitted).

3) 2017 Vehicles Spares Kit - New Requirement:

Based on our experiences over the past 7 years, we’ve now created a vehicle spares list which *every entrant in the Rush to Gold Bridge* is expected to carry. For most vehicles the following kit will fit into a small package. While we consider these items to be ‘mandatory’, we do realize some of you are going to choose not to carry them, or share the kit amongst multiple vehicles (example: three MGA’s conspire to carry one fuel pump, one ignition coil and one set of points amongst the three). Rather than police and inspect each entrant’s kit, we’re simply going to state the following:

If you have a failure at the side of the road, where a mandatory spares item (which you aren’t carrying with you) would have you up and running, our organizers, volunteers, and other entrants reserve the right shake your hand, exclaim “Good Luck!” and motor on.

Thus, your level of “adventure” is self-chosen. We encourage you to choose wisely! Full details of our spares kit requirement, and why we’ve chosen to go this direction, are included in our [CCA Vehicle Preparation Document](#).

- Emergency electric fuel pump, spare fuel lines and wiring so you can emergency-connect it
- Points, condenser & a timing information sheet. The timing information sheet should have the following details: Static timing, maximum advance, where the timing marks are located. With this information a tonne of our entrants and volunteers could get your engine running without difficulty or engine damage.
- Ignition coil
- Spare nuts & bolts fitting your vehicle (a sandwich-sized tupperware container full isn’t *too heavy* and might just save your day).
- Tow Strap, Tool Kit, Fire Extinguisher
- Spare Tire
- Snacks and Water for the crew. Water for the radiator if you have one.

Sweep and Vehicle Assistance

Our events are modelled after a time where motorists were somewhat self sufficient, and knew a little bit more about their vehicles than just “it has bluetooth and a coffee maker!” As such, driver’s and co-drivers are expected to be the

warning lights, eyes and ears for problems with their vehicle. It is advisable that you know in which end of the vehicle the engine can be found, and how to check basic items such as fluid levels and what to do if it won't start in the morning. Entrants should be prepared to handle minor problems on the roadside, or at least be friendly enough to convince others to render assistance when needed!

The Rush to Gold Bridge typically runs without a sweep team, expecting that entrants are going to stop and help each other out. Whenever possible we certainly take on a sweep crew, and if you'd like to volunteer let us know! Entrants should, however, be expecting that no sweep services are offered on this event.

Decals and Event Graphics

Each entrant will be issued two Rush to GB numbered decals - one for each side of the car. We use a high quality, removable vinyl to ensure they'll come off your car with the least amount of fuss. Anyone with a quality paint-job should have no issues, especially since Dave painted one of his cars in the garage and the decals didn't harm that job one bit! Event decals are required, and must be mounted in a way in which they are clearly visible.

Accommodation

Included with your entry to the Rush to Gold Bridge Adventure is one hotel room, per car, for both Friday Aug 4th, 2017 and Saturday Aug 5th, 2017 . The organizers will cover your room fee and taxes, and rooms are provided either with two double beds, or a single queen bed. Single king beds will be provided wherever possible. Additional rooms, upgrades and special requests will be accommodated as possible, with all additional charges being the responsibility of the entrant in question. Should you wish to travel with a four-legged companion, or perhaps your child, please be sure to indicate it on your entry form. Where possible we will accommodate, and advise accordingly.

Please note: The Rush to Gold Bridge travels to significantly more remote locations than our typical CCA event. We book clean accommodations that won't leave you scratching the next day...but they can be a little "rustic". Expect motel-6 level quality, run by an entrepreneurial family living in the middle of nowhere. Don't be surprised by the 70's decor!

A credit card for each car will be required upon check-in at your hotel. Your credit card, and thus you, are responsible for your damage deposit, incidentals and your co-driver who just raided the mini-bar. Unfortunately the organizers cannot provide damage deposit coverage for any participants, we're worried enough about our own co-drivers and their love for hollywood movies.

Meals

Meals for the 2017 Rush To Gold Bridge are not included with your entry fee, though the organizers will book dinner reservations so that we have tables and facilities in which to dine together.

Registration Procedure

Simply download the event entry form, fill it out using your favourite PDF program (or a pen) and e-mail it to us using the button provided. This emailed form will hold a space for you on the 2017 Hagerty Silver Summit.

You will then need to mail your entry form, along with payment, to the CCA office. Payment needs to arrive within two weeks of your email-registration, to confirm your spot.

Entry Fees

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| Base Entry Fee: | \$ 450.00 CAD |
| GST (tax): | \$ 22.50 CAD GST# 82583 6240 RT0001 |
| Total Entry Fee: | \$ 472.50 CAD |

Electronic Payments

Would you like to save the stamp, or more likely the hassle of heading to the post office? We're accepting interac e-transfers for your 2017 Rush to Gold Bridge Entry. Simply email the amount to info@classiccaradventures.com

Payment Plan

In an effort to help those entries with tight car-project budgets, we've planned for a small number of entries to be made in payments via two post-dated cheques. If you would like to pay for your entry via our payment plan, simply contact the office before mailing your entry. Payment plan enquiries can be made by calling Dave Hord at 604 849 0076, or emailing info@classiccaradventures.com

Cancellation Policy

Since we're handling your room bookings, we do find ourselves bound by unique cancellation schedules. Please ensure you've read the following carefully before entering:

Cancellations before June 1st

Cancellations before June 1st will result in a full refund.

Cancellations between June 1st and July 15th

Cancellations on or after June 1st, but before July 15th will result in a \$150 refund unless we can fill your space with another entry. In this case we will refund your full entry, as well as make another participant very happy!

Cancellations after July 15th

Cancellations after July 15th, 2017 will result in no refund, unless we are able to fill your entry.

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