

# 2024 Hagerty Maple Mille

# **Supplementary Regulations**

Entry, Vehicle, and Event Information September 20th to 22nd, 2023

## **Vehicle Acceptance & Preparation**

#### Introduction

The Hagerty Maple Mille Adventure is open to sport, touring and classic cars from 1979 and earlier. Sorry, no motorcycles on this event. All vehicles attending the Hagerty Maple Mille 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 backcountry and winding roads, keeping in mind that short jaunts around town may not fully prepare your vehicle for long hours of remote highways.

#### The Delorean Rule

Vehicles made after 1979 are considered on a case-by-case basis, under a rule we call "The Delorean Rule". If you think your post-1979 car fits within the spirit of our events, simply enter as per normal and ensure we have some photos and background story on the car. In previous events the Delorean rule has been used to enter plenty of vehicles, including a '50s International, an 80's Ferrari 308, a beautiful 80's Mercedes, more than a handful of Porsche 911s, a Noble GT, a Ford Zepher with an amazing family story, an original Audi Quattro, the list goes on...There are quite a few wonderful cars which don't meet the 1979 or earlier rule! The Delorean rule does have one additional requirement: If you enter a vehicle under the Delorean rule, you must be wiling to let CCA's Dave drive the car at some point. Originally intended to one day give him a chance at driving a childhood dream car (the Delorean), it's become quite fun to experience other vehicles of distinction.

#### **Phantom Registrations**

Traditionally we receive entries into the Hagerty Maple Mille with either a "To Be Announced", or "If the restoration is finished", under the vehicle listing. These entries are often "Phantom Registrations", where the entrant is attempting to hold a spot while they figure out if they are able to make the event or not. We've seen an increasing number of these guests bow out of the event in the closing month, causing significant extra work on the organizing team and stress for the wait-list guests. We now require "TBA" or "Under Restoration" guests to submit their plans for vehicle acquisition or completion, confirming for the organizers that their attendance intentions are serious. It is the entrant's responsibility to provide regular updates as to the progress, otherwise the spot could be forfeited.

#### **Driving Styles**

Driving on CCA events is done at "your own pace", and not a parade of cars bumper to bumper. At the same time, it's not a race. There are no prizes for arriving first anywhere. The 'Performance Awards' handed out by Ontario Police is not an award you want to arrive at dinner with! We find the group tends to travel in groups of 3-5 cars, enjoying the roads and sights together throughout the day.

#### **Vehicle Preparation**

First year entrants *must* read the <u>CCA Vehicle Preparation Document</u>. It contains details about the vehicle preparation we expect, spare parts you must carry, and our reasons why they are required.

For returning guests, here is a quick reminder on the basics:

## 1) A Vehicle Inspection Form is required to be completed for your entry vehicle.

- 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 (before the event) 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 the 30 days before our event start.
- The inspection form can be found here: CCA Vehicle Inspection Form

#### 2) At registration the organizing team will check 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).
- Fire Extinguisher.

The above items *must* be removed from the vehicle and carried to the registration desk. This assures your team that they are located in an easy to access spot, not buried as the first packed item in the trunk. What good is a fire extinguisher, if you can't get to it?

#### 3) Vehicles Spares Kit:

Based on our experience running over years of events, we've created a vehicle spares list which every entrant in the Hagerty Maple Mille 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 the 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 sweep crews have been told to shake your hand, exclaim "Good Luck!" and motor on to the next entrant's failure.

Thus, your level of "adventure" is self-chosen.

The vehicle spares kit consists of:

- Emergency electric fuel pump, spare fuel lines and wiring so you can emergency-connect it.
- Points and condenser, Ignition coil.
- Timing information sheet. The timing information sheet should have the following details: Static timing, maximum advance, where the timing marks are located. You can find these details in your factory repair manual, a Haynes manual, or by asking your engine builder.
- Spare nuts & bolts fitting your vehicle (a sandwich-sized Tupperware container).
- Tow Strap, Tool Kit, Fire Extinguisher.
- Spare Tire.
- Snacks and Water for the crew. Water for the radiator if you have one.

## **Event Schedule \*Subject to change**

#### Thursday July 25th, 2024

- Entry forms posted, entry opens
- Forty (40) cars accepted via our all-new, online entry system.
- Additional spots will be made available as hotel space allows.

#### Monday July 29th, 2024

Entry list posted

**Note:** Dave is traveling, but he will update the entry list earlier if he can!

#### Thursday September 19th, 2024 - Hagerty Garage+Social Burlington, Ont

• Early Registration open on Thursday Evening. Hours to be confirmed

7:15pm Group dinner plans to be determined. See Thursday night section

#### Friday September 20th, 2024 - Location TBD

8:15-9:00am Registration open for those who missed Thursday evening. We're working on a unique location nearby, but

will use Hagerty G+S as our backup location.

9:15am All-Participants Meeting & Event Introductions (*Mandatory Attendance*)

9:45am Depart Start

5:30pm Estimated hotel arrival, allowing for 2.0 hrs in lunch, butter tart & fuel stops during the day

7:15pm Group Meeting for hosted dinner

#### Saturday September 21st, 2024

8:45am All-Participants Meeting (Mandatory Attendance)

9:00am Depart Start

6:00pm Estimated hotel arrival, allowing 2hrs for lunch & fuel stops during the day

6:45pm Group Meeting in lobby for transport to dinner.

Please see important notes about dinner transportation in the Saturday night section.

### Sunday September 23rd, 2024 - Fogorig Brewing, Campbellford, Ont.

8:30am All-Participants Meeting (Mandatory Attendance)

8:45am Depart Start

1:15pm Arrive at Finish location, lunch provided. Fogorig Brewing, Campbellford Ont.

3:00pm Departure

#### **Accommodation**

Included with your entry to the Hagerty Maple Mille Adventure is one hotel room per car for both Friday September 20th, and Saturday September 21st, 2024. 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 and double queen 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. Please note we don't guarantee dining venues are "minor friendly." Where possible we will accommodate, and advise accordingly.

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 mini-bar snacks!

## **Thursday Plans**

A tradition of Classic Car Adventures' events is the Thursday night "unofficial" party. What began as a gathering of out-of-town folks, has grown into a pre-event dinner for all entrants, if they wish to join. This year we'll be hosted in part by Hagerty, at their Garage+Social facility in Burlington. Details for the event, and what it includes will be sent out to entrants in mid August. We're still working on the final details, and whether we'll do an appetizer evening or a dinner!

Thursday night hotel options in the Burlington area are somewhat limited, due to a sporting tournament. The event has secured 30 rooms at the Hampton Inn Burlington, at an eye-watering rate of \$229 plus tax (\$269.12). This hotel is the closest to Hagerty G+S, and features a coin-car wash across the parking lot! A room in the block can be booked with your application, on a first-come, first match (king/queen, etc) basis.

More affordable rooms are available at the Motel 6 Burlington, Homewood Suites Burlington, and Sandman Oakville...but we were unable to secure a room block at any of these properties. In the words of Jennifer Aniston; "It's okay to treat yourself once in awhile." Okay, sure, she was referring to eating Mexican food and not silly hotel prices...but it's a great quote, especially when you want new VW beetle parts!

## **Friday**

Final registration will be open in the morning for guests arriving day-of. Our all-participants meeting, which we call the "drivers meeting" for historical reasons, begins at 9:15am. This meeting is mandatory attendance for all participants, as it allows us to introduce everyone and make sure any final details are communicated. Once the meeting is over, we immediately depart the hotel parking lot to begin our driving day.

We anticipate arriving at our Friday hotel between 5pm and 6:15pm, and the 'unofficial' parking lot party isn't to be missed! Stories of the day are shared, vehicle checks completed, and it's a great time to find help for that minor mechanical issue you need to deal with. The cash-bar for dinner will open at 6:45pm, and we'd like you seated by 7:15pm for dinner announcements. Dinner on Friday evening is (currently) planned as a plated affair, and entrants will receive a menu selection survey closer to the event.

# **Saturday**

The drivers' meeting will be hosted at 8:45am, with a planned departure at 9. Our route today is a mix of everything Ontario has to offer, which should be quite a bit of fun. Our anticipated arrival at the hotel is between 5:30 and 6pm, but there will be options to shorten the route. Guests need to be ready to depart for dinner, in the Lobby, at 6:45pm.

Our dinner Saturday night will be off-site, 2.5km from our hotel. One of the delays in getting the registration out is that we are *still* waiting for a reply from the bus transportation company about transport to dinner. In the event that the event can secure transport to dinner, we'll load onto one or two waves of school or coach buses to dinner (and back). In the event that dinner transport cannot be provided, we'll ask that guests either walk (est: 30min), drive your vehicle (one of you selected as designated driver), or utilize the local cab company. Please note there is only one in town, and they have just 2 vans that I'm aware of. In the event that we cannot secure bus transportation, we will make every effort to pre-book cab slots to be used by the group.

## **Sunday**

Sunday's overall driving time is shorter, but includes some of the best roads of the event. With a departure at 9am we anticipate you'll arrive at lunch between 12:30 and 1pm. For this year's finish we'll be heading to Fogorig Brewing, in Campbellford Ontario, where owner Derek is already planning our finish lunch.

## **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.

Should the unthinkable happen, and your vehicle is unable to continue on the event, each entrant is protected by the Hagerty Roadside Assistance package (regardless of your insurance carrier). The event roadside assistance package includes towing mileage designed to get you and your vehicle to a town with mechanical services. The towing mileage provided is limited, and aimed at simply getting your vehicle to a safer location than standing on the side of the road. The Hagerty towing service is provided as an emergency too, and is not for getting your car home, to your preferred mechanic or a major city centre...unless those options fall within the mileage limit outlined in the route book.

Littlecar Repair Company, an air-cooled VW specialist shop, is once again providing sweep services for the Hagerty Maple Mille. Sweep will depart each morning 10 minutes after the driver's meeting concludes. Entrants who choose to pack their car, grab a coffee or otherwise delay their departure after the driver's meeting may find themselves traveling behind the sweep crew. Please ensure your vehicle is started, warmed up, and packed before the participants meeting begins.

The following details regarding our sweep services are important to understand:

- Sweep is NOT a white-glove mechanic service. Entrants are expected to begin diagnosis and repairs themselves upon discovering a problem. Should you not be mechanically inclined, we expect you to be friendly enough to make new friends by flagging fellow entrants down for assistance. If you require the help of our 'roving sweep' experts, we believe you should be rolling up your sleeves and getting greasy alongside them...even if it's just to hold the hood up, or cool our expert using your route book as a fan.
- Our sweep vehicle will stop for a total of 30min at each roadside issue. If your problem cannot be assessed within 30min (or repairs look like they'll take hours), Hagerty Roadside Assistance will be called.
- Entrants will be required to shorten their route if requested by our sweep teams. (ie: Go directly to the hotel via highway X, or "skip this next loop and travel ahead on the route via \_\_\_). This is simply done in an effort to have all entrants arrive for dinner each night in a timely fashion.
- Entrants who are travelling significantly slower than the posted speed limit may be passed by our sweep. This is done with entrants who (for example) choose to have many stops for photographs, or perhaps because they chose to enter a 36hp Beetle into an event traveling through mountains. Sweep will always stop to discuss the need for sweep to "continue moving on" before passing the entrant.

## **Decals and Event Graphics**

Each entrant will be issued two Maple Mille 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. Instructions are available at registration for our method of laying down the decals in a manner which minimizes the chances of paint damage. Use of event decals is mandatory, and they must be mounted in a way in which they are clearly visible. The decals are designed to be removed following the event. Keeping them on the car for an extended period of time may allow moisture to sit between the decal and the paint.

## **Registration Procedure**

As of 2024, we use an online entry system. Simply follow the link from the Hagerty Maple Mille registration page, fill out your entry form and hit submit. Payment can be made by one of three methods:

- Mail a cheque to the CCA Ontario office
- e-transfer to info@classiccaradventures.com
- Paypal (though additional fees may apply)

Payment for your entry must be received within 14 days to confirm your entry.

## **Entry Fees**

When we started the Maple Mille, back in 2015, our hotel budget was \$119 a night, preferably \$99 if we could get a deal. Hotel prices, especially after Covid, have increasingly become the challenge to the event, and the reason for our delay in opening registration. This year's event has a hotel rate of \$350 (plus tax) for one of your evenings. Every effort has been made by your organizing team to keep our costs reasonable and 'in-check'. We've managed to keep the 2024 entry fee within \$120 of the 2023 event, without diminishing the experience.

2024 Entry Fee: \$ 1,395.00, plus HST (\$1,576.35 CAD)

Optional Thursday Night Room Add-On: \$229.00, plus HST (\$269.12 CAD)

## **Waiting List**

Traditionally the entry list for our events fill quickly. We strongly encourage you to enter, even if it looks as though things are "filling up". Classic cars, and especially classic car projects, have a habit of not meeting scheduling expectations. Each year we end up with some last minute cancellations, and a chance to fill them with a lucky late entry. In some years we've gone twenty-plus cars deep on the waiting list, with each of those wait-list guests getting a spot into the event. We've even managed to fill a spot hours before the event began!

# **Registration Forms**

The all-new online registration link will be posted on the CCA website. A PDF backup (which can be emailed) will also be posted for anyone having technical issues with the new online form. Payment via cheque or e-transfer received within 14 days, will secure your 2024 application.

# **Cancellation Policy**

Since we're handling your room and meal bookings, we do find ourselves bound by unique cancellation schedules. Please ensure you've read the following carefully before entering, as the date structure has changed for 2024:

#### **Cancellations before August 19th**

Cancellations before August 19th will result in a full refund.

## Cancellations between August 20th and September 8th

Cancellations on or after August 20th, but before Sept 8th will result in a \$130 refund unless we can fill your space with another entry.

## **Cancellations after September 8th**

Cancellations after September 8th 2024 will result in no refund, unless we are able to fill your entry.

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