



2016 Hagerty Spring Thaw

Entry and Event Information

April 29th to May 1st, 2016

Important Note about these Supplementary Regulations

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

2016 is our eighth year of the Spring Thaw Classic Car Adventure, and we've got some significant changes in store for this year. While this paragraph highlights one of the changes, this 'supp regs' document explains **all of the changes** in detail. Over the past 7 events we've explored the best roads BC has to offer, with Vancouver in mind as the "home base". We have, of course, found it necessary to repeat some of those roads and thus we (as organizers) are getting a touch tired of the 'Kamloops Corridor'. So, for 2016 we're branching out and stretching our legs a little. Details are in the supp regs below. But we highly suggest you read them, thus avoiding standing in Hope wondering where we are...or finding you need to share a hotel room with four other entrants!

What is the "Hagerty Spring Thaw"?

The Hagerty Spring Thaw Classic Car Adventure is our April, 3-day driving event, organized by Classic Car Adventures. The Spring Thaw 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 1360 kilometres of driving over three days. A paid entry on the Hagerty Spring Thaw includes two nights accommodation, a selection of meals, an event package and give-away items for a car of two people. The event is generously supported by [Hagerty Collector Car Insurance](#), RWM & Co., Liqui-Moly Lubricants, POR-15 and Wilkinson's Automobilia. The 2016 event is limited to an initial entry of just 50 vehicles, though we anticipate opening the entry by end of January to a final count of 75 guest cars.

The route for the 2016 Adventure will remain secret until entrants receive their route-book at registration. Instructions will be detailed and clear, with easy to understand directions. You will not need any special rally equipment or rally knowledge. The event consists of 100% paved roads through mountainous terrain, with driving scheduled through daylight hours.

Vehicle Acceptance

The Hagerty Spring Thaw Adventure is open to sport, touring and classic cars from 1979 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 1979. 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. As with all our events, the Delorean rule is still in effect. That is, if you own a DMC-12 and are willing to let Dave experience it for a short period, your entry is automatically accepted. The Delorean rule is open to interpretation for other awesome vehicles you think we should consider. In previous events the Delorean rule has been used to enter plenty of vehicles, examples include a '50s International, a Magnum P.I. Ferrari 308, and more than a handful of Porsche 911s and many more.

Driving Distances

The 2016 Hagerty Spring Thaw has been designed around the idea that we want to explore "new roads". We've created a tentative route (subject to testing) which explores roads never been used for the Hagerty Spring Thaw. A significant portion of roads which have never be used for *any* CCA event. It should be a blast, for both first-year and eight-year entrants a-like. In order to get us out to these fantastic new roads, we've adjusted the start and finish locations, and extended our day one driving distance. We'll be opening registration on Thursday night, to allow for a "Full Day" of driving on day one. The following chart highlights the differences between a "traditional" Spring Thaw, and the 2016 plans:

	2009 - 2015 Spring Thaw	2016 Spring Thaw
Day One	300-375 km	520 km
Day Two	500-600 km	580 km
Day Three	300-350 km	300 km

Start and Finish Locations

This year the Hagerty Spring Thaw will start in Vernon BC, from the Village Green Hotel. Your entry form has an option to add a Thursday Night Room and dinner, should you wish to take advantage of our group rates. At the time of supp-reg printing, we're still negotiating our contracts, but we expect these options to be \$108 (CAD tax in) for the room, and \$26-30 CAD per person for the dinner.

Our Finish location is currently planned as Osoyoos BC, with our usual timing of group arrival between 1:00pm and 2:00pm, with all awards and presentations completed by 3:00pm. The organizers do realize this poses a challenge for some entrants (those of you not in Vancouver) to make it home for work on Monday/ But we apologize by simply stating "you can have new roads, or we can have you home for dinner...but not both!" We've opted to go with new roads for 2016.

Important Note: The above start and finish locations are accurate at the time of Supp Regs printing. Start and Finish locations are subject to change, but will be finalized on January 11th. The start of finish locations listed on the entry from will be considered our final, and correct, selection.

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Event Schedule

Wednesday December 9th, 2016

- Supp. regs posted.

Friday January 11th, 2016

- Entry forms posted, entry opens.
- Fifty (50) entries accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. An additional 25 spaces will be made available, pending hotel and meal space availability.

Thursday April 28th, 2016

- Early Registration open on Thursday Evening. Hours to be confirmed.
- Optional somewhat-organized pre-event drinks and dinner for guests who are staying in Vernon BC. (Location: Village Green Hotel, subject to change)

Friday April 29th, 2016

8:30-9:00am	Registration and Tech Open for those who missed Thursday evening.
9:00am	All-Participants Meeting & Event Introductions (Mandatory Attendance)
9:30am	Depart Start
6:30pm	Estimated hotel arrival, with 1hr lunch/fuel stop during the day
7:45pm	Group Meeting for hosted dinner

Saturday April 30th, 2016

8:45am	All-Participants Meeting (Mandatory Attendance)
9:00am	Depart Start
6:00pm	Estimated hotel arrival, with 1hr lunch/fuel stop during the day
7:15pm	Group Meeting for hosted dinner

Sunday April 31th, 2016

8:45am	All-Participants Meeting (Mandatory Attendance)
9:00am	Depart Start
1:30pm	Arrive at Finish location, Lunch available (Location TBD)
3:00pm	Departure

Vehicle Preparation

All vehicles attending the Hagerty Spring Thaw 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. With seven years of events under our belt, we've recognized a need for better vehicle preparation, and **thus we have new preparation requirements for 2016**. Please read the new [CCA Vehicle Preparation Document](#) for full details. The basics, however, are below.

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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) 2016 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 Hagerty Spring Thaw* 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 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. 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!

For 2016 we’re modifying our approach to sweep. RWM & Co have offered to provide two “roving sweep vehicles”. The first vehicle will endeavour to leave the start of each day in the first-half of our group. The second vehicle will endeavour to leave the hotel in the second half of the group. Each vehicle will come equipped with axle stands, a garage jack, a selection of tools and a very knowledgeable classic-car restoration specialist from RWM & Co.’s restoration shop. Following the very end of the group will be the Hagerty Collector Car Insurance sweep SUV, which has four-seats to take you to an area of cell-phone reception should a tow be required. All three sweep vehicles follow the designated route, and do their best to ensure they haven’t passed entrants as they stop for fuel, food or photographs. While full details of the sweep policies are included in our [CCA Vehicle Preparation Document](#), the following four points are considered accepted by all guests upon completion of your entry form:

- Sweep is NOT a white-glove mechanic service. Guests 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 three sweep vehicles 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 guests arrive for dinner each night in a timely fashion.
- Guests who are travelling significantly slower than the posted speed limit may be passed by our final sweep. This is done with guests 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 Spring Thaw 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 Hagerty Spring Thaw Adventure is one hotel room, per car, for both Friday April 29th, 2016 and Saturday April 30th, 2016. The organizers will cover your room fee and taxes, and rooms are provided either with two queen 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.

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

If you've made it this far in the supp regs, congratulations! We're almost done, we promise. The 2016 Hagerty Spring Thaw includes a selection of meals with your entry. Typically this means dinner for Friday and Saturday evenings, but does change occasionally with our chosen routes. When included, meals are included for two participants per vehicle. Since we're a company offering driving tours, you probably won't be surprised to hear that we do a cash bar with our dinners. Dinners are always provided on site at the hotel, within a short walking distance (less then 1km) or transportation will be provided. Please ensure you indicate any dietary restrictions or allergies on your entry form, we've got a great track record of accommodating requests...when we know about them ahead of time.

Registration Procedure

Simply download the event entry form, fill it out using your favourite PDF program (or a pen) and mail it to the CCA office with a cheque for the total amount. Entries are accepted via standard post, courier, greyhound courier or by visiting the CCA Headquarters. Entries will be considered on a "first come, first served" basis, to a max of 75 entrants. Guests who wish to drive their entry up to the CCA office are advised that we can accept your entry, and one other. Multiple entries (more then 2) delivered in person by one individual will be "delayed" upon our desk for a few days.

Entry Fees

Base Entry Fee:	\$ 525.00 CAD	(estimated, confirmed January 11th)
GST (tax):	\$ 26.25 CAD	GST# 82583 6240 RT0001
Total Entry Fee:	\$ 551.25 CAD	

U.S. Dollar entry fee will be calculated on January 11th, when entrees are opened.

Optional Thursday Night Room Add-On: \$ 108.00 CAD (estimated, confirmed January 11th)

Optional Thursday Night DinnerAdd-On: \$ 26-30 CAD pp (estimated, confirmed January 11th)

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 three 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

Waiting List

Entries for the Hagerty Spring Thaw typically open before our final contracts for hotel space and meals have been signed, therefore we open the entry list to an initial 50 spots...so we can guarantee everyone fits! We're always working with properties who can handle 75 cars, so the moment our contracts are signed, and space guaranteed, we open the entry list to a further 25 cars. 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. We've even managed to fill a spot hours before the event began!

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:

Cancellations before March 15th

Cancellations before March 15th will result in a full refund.

Cancellations between March 16th and April 1st

Cancellations on or after March 16th, but before April 1st will result in a \$130 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 April 1st

Cancellations after April 1st, 2016 will result in a refund of \$130.

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