

## Badger Burrow 2020 Scoreboard

Car #	Driver	Navigator	Class	Place	Total
3	Beau Brandt	Amanda Kubly	1st timer	1st	245.5
27	Rance Meierdirk	Brittney May	1st Timer	2nd	472.6
4	Chris Gano	Tony Yarbrough	1st Timer	3rd	487.0
12	Summer Stahl	Nate Smith	1st Timer	4th	525.3
7	Donald Holmen	Bryan Holmen	1st Timer	5th	594.4
9	John Hanson	Rebecca Anger	1st Timer	6th	734.3
19	Mat Davidsaver	Kody Sutton	1st Timer	7th	773.8
14	Rafal Rogowski	Matt Zajac	1st Timer	8th	1186.9
18	Jean Andrews	Curt Andrews	1st Timer	9th	1475.9
11	Andrew Temple	Hanna Temple	1st timer	10th	1694.5
21	Barbara Temple	David Temple	1st timer	11th	2571.6
29	John Jensen	Tom Jensen	1st Timer	12th	2820.0
17	Timothy N Marx	Kyle Marx	Calculating	1st	325.4
2	Julie Bowman	Denison Bowman	Calculating	2nd	886.7
20	Gary Starr	Sharon Starr	Computer	1st	29.8
10	Jeff Whalin	Fred Glenn	Computer	2nd	287.9
8	Max Zadra	Connor Williams	SOP	1st	167.1
6	Lee Thorson	Sue Thorson	SOP	2nd	221.2
22	Jacob Berman	Zach Mazza	SOP	3rd	294.4
24	Greg Fredericksen	Mark Frederiksen	SOP	4th	364.7
1	Harold Tellefsen	Kaytee Marsala	SOP	5th	369.8
15	Phil Bates	Beth Bates	SOP	6th	402.4
26	Michael Neuman	Debbie Neuman	SOP	7th	521.7
5	Charlie Kennedy	April Kennedy	SOP	8th	521.7
25	Eric Stahl	Angela Stahl	SOP	9th	560.1
13	Steve Rashbaum	Susan Shire	SOP	10th	590.7
28	Don Navis	Lynne Navis	SOP	11th	754.0

## Badger Burrow Rallye - Organizing in the Time of COVID Jay Johannes, Milwaukee Region

Milwaukee Region hosted 26 contestants for the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Badger Burrow Rallye on August 8, 2020. This was an event unlike any I have organized in my 46 years of Rallyemastering and rather than write about the wonderful scenery and fantastic weather (perfect on both counts), I'm going to focus on how the pandemic affected this event and what we had to do to pull it off.

We were supposed to run on May 2. The course was fully laid out and pre-checked. Trophies were done as well as all the printed material. About 2 weeks until R day, we saw the handwriting on the wall and made the decision to pull the plug. Fast forward 3 months. We have been in quarantine most of this time, and the situation does not seem to be getting better. However, people are tired of isolating, so bars and restaurants are re-opening. 10 days later there is a huge spike in cases. It just isn't safe.

However, we really want the event to happen so we regroup and ask what can be done to have a safe yet still fun event. The basic first step has already happened. Rich Biretta's competitor app has revolutionized the sport and eliminated the need for control crews. In addition to the other obvious benefits, the app gets rid of a major source of interaction between workers and contestants.

The first thing we did was get rid of the finish location. There was no way to practice social distancing in a crowded restaurant, and we weren't even sure anything would be open. So, we rewrote the last leg to take them back to the start location and finished in the parking lot. We required everyone to wear masks in the parking lot, and I'm happy to say everyone did this with a (hidden) smile. We also provided sanitizer and gloves were available.

Next, we looked at registration. There is always a crowd around the table at the start. We started by requiring online registration at motorsportsreg. This allowed us to pre-fill out the registration forms. We also placed a copy of the waiver in each packet with car number and names already printed in. When someone arrived at registration, we handed them an envelope with everything in it and asked that they return the signed registration and waivers. It was easy to sort this and see that everyone had signed. The added benefit was that everyone signed in the proper place. Usually someone signs the waiver in the wrong spot and we need to do gymnastics to recover and make sure everyone has signed. The one job we can't delegate is checking everyone's app to make sure it is loaded and running properly. Jim Crittenden took this on, and did an outstanding job. I considered replacing the driver's meeting with an info sheet, but decided in person was more effective. Everyone gave each other space, so I should have had a megaphone. Instead I relied on my loud voice.

We made a few changes out on the course. We got rid of the long lunch break and added a third 25 minute break to replace it. All the breaks were changed to reference multiple gas and food locations. This worked and the cars were mostly scattered during the breaks into small groups. We told people that they could just leave at the end and we would mail trophies, but

almost everyone hung around. We announced scores and had results available on tablets so people could see them. Trophies were presented and folks went home happy.

Normally we would have scores ready as the last car arrived, but there was an issue with one car that was running on a wifi only tablet. This caused a number of problems. Usually we end in a restaurant where wifi is available. We were forced to ask the contestant to walk across the lot to Panera Bread to use their wifi and upload their scores. That should be straightforward, but we had changed the timing on two legs and the contestant turned off the wifi and left before everything could update. Thus we were forced to find and manually make changes. This took about an hour all told. Not a situation I like, and in the future I will find a way of dealing with this. The easiest solution for the committee is to require live connections for everyone, but if we allow end point uploads in the future, we need to make sure that internet is available at scoring.

We did update the timing on two legs. One was grossly off and not an issue for anyone, The second one was a small error of 15 seconds and caused a problem. There was one more scored control between that point and the next CZT location (car zero time where everyone leaves at a fixed time). People saw the 15 second error and many tried to compensate on that next control. There was no way to fairly score the next leg consistently, so I did an administrative discard.

Overall, I think everyone had a good time. 26 cars actually ran. We had a few cancellations from cars from Illinois because Chicago had a mandatory 14 day quarantine for anyone visiting Wisconsin. The weather was spectacular, and the foliage and roads were much better than we would have seen in early May. Lots of happy people and compliments. It was nice to be able to get out and do something social and still be able to be safe from the virus.