

Picture This Rally 2 Continues Rainy Day Tradition

The threat of rain did not dampen the spirits of the 15 hardy IMC members who attended this years version of the "Picture This" rally. A Sunday rally, the PT2 started at the McDonald's in Broad Ripple.

Once again, there was no route instructions, each car could plan their own drive. The instruction sheets had a picture of the landmark that was to be found with some general clues to help identify it, along with several specific questions to be answered about the site and area. There were a total of twelve locations to be found. Rally Master Melissa Forbes conducted the driver's meeting, went over the rules, and then handed out the instruction sheets. The drivers and navigators then headed for their cars, grabbed their maps, phone books and other supplies, and started planning their routes. When the driver and navigator had decided on their route, a mileage check was done by the Rally Master and off the cars went.

Sites visited included Monument Circle, the AIM Tuning garage, the Butler Planetarium, Eagle Creek Park and the Indiana State Museum.

Although the day started dark and threatening, the rain managed to hold off all afternoon and just started when the last of the drivers arrived for the post-event dinner. The final destination was back to Melissa's house where the scores were tabulated, food devoured and prizes awarded. First place went to Ben and Nancy Hermann (Ben seems to take this rallying stuff seriously, he finished 2nd in the PTB rally!). There was a tie for 2nd place between Jan and Bill Quick and Chuck and Teresa Wills.

Everyone seemed to have a really good time, but some did experience some traffic problems due to a non-Miata accident close to the Indianapolis Zoo. The ingenuity of our club members was put to the test, but they all found an alternate route around the traffic tie-up and made their way to the party location.

Next year's event promises to be even better, as there were several excellent places that the rally master wanted to have on the route, but were excluded for construction reasons. This annual sightseeing/scavenger hunt is quickly becoming a club favorite.



Rally Master Melissa Forbes assures everyone they can't get lost. Everyone laughs.



We found it! We found the plaque!



Left: Happy 1st place winners, Ben and Nancy Hermann.



Right: 2nd place winners Jan and Bill Quick.



Far right: Sharing 2nd place, Chuck and Teresa Wills.