



And they're off! Targa Newfoundland 2024 hits the road

St. John's, NL, Sept. 14, 2024 ... Targa Newfoundland roared to a start with the wave of the flag at the ceremonial start this morning at St. John's City Hall.

Drivers and co-drivers from across Canada, the United States, and as far away as Germany are competing on 16 teams this year. They include competitors from four states - Florida, Georgia, Massachusetts, and New Jersey – and five provinces - British Columbia, Ontario, New Brunswick, PEI, and across Newfoundland and Labrador.

Over the next six days, teams will race from eastern to central Newfoundland and back again covering about 2000 km (1240 miles). The rally starts along the Atlantic shore with teams challenging the twisty roads through the communities of Witless Bay and Bay Bulls.

“We’re so excited to be back in Witless Bay and Bay Bulls for the first time in over 20 years,” says Robert Giannou, founder of Targa Newfoundland. “These beautiful communities were part of the inaugural rally back in 2002.”

Targa Newfoundland, the only internationally recognized targa rally in North America, runs until Sept. 19 in communities across eastern and north central Newfoundland.

[2024 Route Map and Road Closures - Targa Newfoundland \(targanfld.com\)](https://targanfld.com)

Saturday, Sept. 14 – Southern Shore

Witless Bay, Bay Bulls

Sunday, Sept. 15 – Placentia Bay – Southwest Avalon Peninsula, Gander

Cape Shore, St. Bride's, Cape St. Mary's, Long Harbour, Gander

Monday, Sept. 16 – Notre Dame Bay – North Central Newfoundland

Glenwood, Bobby's Cove, Pleasantview, Point Leamington, Leading Tickles, Glovers Harbour, Appleton

Tuesday, Sept. 17 – Bonavista Bay – Eastport Peninsula

Eastport, Happy Adventure, Salvage, Burnside, Port Blandford

Wednesday, Sept. 18 – Trinity Bay – Random Island

Weybridge, Hickman's Harbour, Lower Lance Cove and Petley

Thursday, Sept. 19 – Conception Bay Central

Conception Harbour, Colliers, Marysvale, Turks Gut, Georgetown, Brigus

Spectators guide

Be a smart spectator. Think Safety.

- Stand at least 15 metres from the road,
- Never stand on the outside of a turn,
- Choose high ground,
- Never stand behind red tape,
- Always stand, do not sit down to watch, AND
- Tell others how to stay safe.

Car shows for food banks

During the week-long rally, Targa will be collecting food bank donations for the **Community Food Sharing Association** at evening car shows at **Hickman Chevrolet dealerships** in St. John's (Sept. 14), Gander (Sept. 15 and 16) and Clarenville (Sept. 17 and 18) as well as lunch stops in other communities throughout the week. People attending are encouraged to bring non-perishable food donations.

Car Show Locations and Dates

- **Hickman Chevrolet - St. John's**
 - 85 Kenmount Road
 - Saturday, Sept. 14
 - 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- **Hickman Chevrolet Buick GMC - Gander**
 - 201 Airport Boulevard
 - Sunday, Sept. 15 and Monday, Sept. 16
 - 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- **Hickman Chevrolet Buick GMC - Clarenville**
 - 16 Shoal Harbour Drive
 - Tuesday, Sept. 17 and Wednesday, Sept. 18
 - 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Targa Newfoundland

Owned and operated by Newfoundland International Motorsports Limited, Targa Newfoundland is one of only three internationally recognized Targa motorsports events in the world. Since 2002, Targa Newfoundland, the ultimate tarmac rally in North America, has attracted professional and amateur racers from around the world. This year's event runs Sept. 12-19, 2024. Competitors will cover over 2000 km (about 1240 miles) across the island of Newfoundland including about two dozen towns and outports.

Visit the Targa website for details on the stages:

[2024 Targa Stages* - Targa Newfoundland \(targanfld.com\)](#)

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