

# **RACRMC Newsletter No 2**

# Welcome to the February newsletter

Even though the Championship season hasn't started yet the first two months of the year have been very busy.

We had the Championship awards night when 119 people came to Casa hotel in Chesterfield to receive the awards from the Clubs three Championships and dance the night away to the early hours.

Rally 2 has now got a title sponsor see the release later for more details.

Regulations have been published for the Roger Albert Clark Rally which currently stands of having 163 entries plus 2 foreign places available plus 23 reserve entries for the 165 places available.

Championship Decals are currently at the printers and will be sent to members who have already registered before their first events.

If you are intending on registering for any of the Championships and would like the door squares and screen headers before the first round then please let us know.

On the **Fuchs Lubricants RACRMC Historic Asphalt Championship** the entries close on Friday for the first round the Bovington Stages.

The second round at Clacton opens at the 23<sup>rd</sup> February and regulations are available

# http://corbeauseatsrally.co.uk/

The third round the Mini Epynt Stages has had to come forward a week and will now run on the 26<sup>th</sup> May

On the **Fuchs Lubricants British Historic Rally Championship** and Rally North Wales there are only a few entries still available so if you intend to compete please get your entry in as soon as possible so you don't miss out.























Bulletin 2 on Vehicle Suspensions has now been published at the request of Motorsport Uk and is attached.

I would also like to remind all competitors that the BHRC is also a championship that comes under the protocols with regards to anti-doping procedures for 2019. Details about are attached to the newsletter.

We both look forward to seeing you all out during the year at some point.

Colin & Nicola 21 February 2019

# Club Championships running in 2019 with events and dates



Regulations and application forms will be live on the web site from Wednesday 9th January

Round	Date	Event
1	30 March	Rally North Wales
2	27 April	Pirelli Carlisle Rally
3	8 June	ATL Carlisle Stages
4	23 June	Red Kite Stages
5	28 July	Harry Flatters
6	17 August	Ulster Rally
7	27-28 September	Trackrod Historic Cup



























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1	2-3 March	Bovington Stages
2	28 April	Clacton Rally
3	26 May	Mini Epynt Stages
4	28 July	Harry Flatters, Epynt
5	17 August	Ulster Rally
6	11-12 October	Jersey Rally



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2	27 April	Pirelli Carlisle Rally
3	8 June	Carlisle Stages
4	31 August	Woodpecker Rally



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Roger Albert Clark Clubmans Rally













#### News from the FUCHS LUBRICANTS Motorsport UK British Historic Rally Championship

Press release - 25 January 2019

#### 2019 BHRC event information revealed

More details on the events in the the 2019 FUCHS LUBRICANTS Motorsport UK British Historic Rally Championship have been announced for a seven-event calendar covering both gravel and asphalt events.

Five top quality gravel events, covering Wales, Kielder and Yorkshire along with the closed-road challenge of the Ulster Rally and the asphalt roads of the Epynt ranges on the Harry Flatters Rally make up the nicely-spaced calendar.

The full schedule is:

#### Saturday March 30: Rally North Wales (gravel)

All 2WD cars will run at the head of the field in reverse order, followed by 4WD cars over classic stages in the Dyfi region. The rally will be based in Dolgellau with scrutineering on Friday afternoon. Organised by Wolverhampton and South Staffs Car Club: <a href="https://www.rallynorthwales.co.uk">www.rallynorthwales.co.uk</a>

#### Saturday April 27: Pirelli Rally (gravel)

All 2WD cars will run first over all single-use stages, taking in four long and flowing stages in the central block of Kielder forest. The format will be similar to the 2018 event, with scrutineering and documentation at H&H Auctions in Carlisle on Friday afternoon. The 2WD event will start at 7.30am on Saturday, with the first car due back at the finish at H&H by around 1pm. Organised by Cumberland Sporting Car Club: <a href="https://www.pirelliinternationalrally.co.uk">www.pirelliinternationalrally.co.uk</a>

#### Saturday June 8: Carlisle Stages (gravel)

All 2WD cars will run at the head of the field in reverse order, followed by 4WD cars over stages in the Kershope and Newcastleton forest complexes. The rally will again be based at H&H Auctions in Carlisle, with scrutineering and documentation on Friday afternoon.

Organised by Roger Albert Clark Rally Motor Club: www.racrmc.org

#### **Sunday June 23: Red Kite Stages (gravel)**

All 2WD cars will run at the head of the field, followed by 4WD cars over stages in the famous forests of South Wales, from a rally HQ in Resolven. There will be six stages covering 44/45 stage miles and central servicing. Some stages will feature single usage. The first car will start at around 9am and finish at 2.30pm. Scrutineering will be on Saturday afternoon with limited availability on Sunday morning.

Organised by Amman and District Motor Club: www.redkitestages.co.uk

# **Sunday July 28: Harry Flatters Rally (asphalt)**

The Harry Flatters Rally will again be based on the challenging asphalt roads of the Epynt ranges in Mid-Wales. After documentation on Saturday, the rally will run throughout Sunday, covering around 70 stage miles. More details to be confirmed.



















Organised by Brecon Motor Club: www.breconmotorclub.co.uk

## Saturday August 17: Ulster Rally (asphalt)

The popular event will cover around 80 stage miles, with three stages repeated three times. The recce will either be the weekend before the rally or on the Friday. A shakedown stage and scrutineering will also be on Friday before the rally on Saturday.

Organised by the Northern Ireland Motor Club: www.ulsterrally.com

#### Fri/Sat September 27/28: Trackrod Historic Cup (gravel)

The historic section of the Trackrod Rally will again feature stages in the darkness of Friday night before more stages in the classic Yorkshire forests on Saturday. More details to be confirmed. Organised by Trackrod Motor Cub: www.rallyyorkshire.co.uk

For information on FUCHS LUBRICANTS, visit: www.fuchs.com/uk



#### The Roger Albert Clark Rally

Press release: Thursday 10 January 2019

# 2019 Roger Albert Clark Rally route unveiled

The wraps have come off the route for the 2019 Roger Albert Clark Rally, with full details of the 32 special stages planned over five days of rallying when the 13th edition of the rally runs from 21 to 25 November 2019.

With 300 gravel special stage miles across Wales, Northumberland and Southern Scotland, the 2019 Roger Albert Clark Rally will be the longest and toughest UK special stage rally for more than two decades.

Competitor reaction to the biennial event has been unprecedented since the entry deposit system was opened in late September and a total of 173 deposits have now been placed for a maximum field of 150 cars. However, the organisers expect that all the current reserves will gain a place in a final field of around 130-140 starters.























The event start will be based at Brightwells in Leominster, where documentation will be held on Wednesday and Thursday before the opening leg of the rally on Thursday evening. After a full day of classic gravel stages in Wales, a transport section will take the rally cars to Carlisle on Friday evening. The rally will then be based in Carlisle until the finish on Monday afternoon.

Rally manager Colin Heppenstall said: "I'm very pleased to unveil the detailed route, more than 10 months ahead of the rally. The response from competitors has been overwhelming and I certainly expect a record number of starters. We are now starting the marshal recruitment process and we are keen to hear from any marshals who would like to be involved for one day or more."

The provisional route (subject to change) is:

#### **Thursday November 21**

18.00 Event start: Leominster

19.05 SS1 Radnor 1 20.15 SS2 Radnor 2

22.15 End of leg: Leominster

#### **Friday November 22**

07.31 Restart: Leominster

09.30 SS3 Cefn 1

10.10 SS4 Gwibedog 1

10.25 Service: Epynt

Epynt 1 11.01 SS5

11.30 SS6 Halfway 1

11.45 Service: Epynt

12.25 SS7 Cefn 2

13.00 SS8 Gwibedog 2

13.20 Service: Epynt

13.55 SS9 Epynt 2

14.20 SS10 Halfway 2

14.30 End of leg: Epynt

#### **Saturday November 23**

08.00 Restart: Carlisle

09.05 SS11 Kershope 1

09.50 SS12 Ash Park

10.45 Service: Carlisle

12.05 SS13 Kershope 2

13.40 Service: Carlisle

15.10 SS14 Clintburn

15.40 SS15 Chirdonhead

16.10 Service: Kielder

17.55 SS16 Harwood

19.30 SS17 Pundershaw

20.35 SS18 Paddaburn























22.10 End of leg: Carlisle

#### **Sunday November 24**

08.00 Restart: Carlisle 09.05 SS19 Greskine 1

09.40 SS20 Ae 1

10.35 Service: Lockerbie

12.10 SS21 Greskine 2

12.50 SS22 Ae 2

13.45 Service: Lockerbie

14.55 SS23 Twiglees 1

15.25 SS24 Castle O'er 1

16.15 SS25 Craik

17.50 SS26 Twiglees 2

18.20 SS27 Castle O'er 2

19.45 End of leg: Carlisle

#### **Monday November 25**

07.00 Restart: Carlisle

08.00 SS28 Newcastleton

08.55 SS29 Falstone 1

09.35 Service: Kielder

10.15 SS30 Bewshaugh 1

10.45 Service: Kielder

11.25 SS31 Falstone 2

12.05 Service: Kielder

12.35 SS32 Bewshaugh 2 15.00 Event finish: Carlisle/Brampton

More details about the event can be found at the website: www.racrmc.org

#### The Roger Albert Clark Rally

Press release: Wednesday 16 January 2019

# **Acclaim for 2019 Roger Albert Clark Rally route**

The unveiling of the route for the 2019 Roger Albert Clark Rally at Autosport International (10-13) January) met with widespread approval from competitors, fans and officials alike.

Rally manager Colin Heppenstall, from the Roger Albert Clark Rally Motor Club, took the wraps off a five-day, 32-stage, 300-stage mile route for the 13th edition of the rally on 21 to 25 November 2019. The route has created a real buzz across the rallying fraternity and the RACRMC stand at the NEC was a hive of activity as the team dealt with a constant stream of visitors.

Heppenstall said: "We've had far and away the biggest ever response to this scale of event. We took























more entry deposits during the show and now have a total of 175 deposits. But I still expect that all those currently on the reserve list will get a place on the final entry list."

As well as an unprecedented response from across UK rallying, Heppenstall also reported strong interest from outside the UK. Of the 20 places reserved for non-UK crews, 19 are now taken by crews from the USA, Australia, Germany, Sweden, France and Belgium.

More detailed route information has also been announced and the provision al route will include 12 special stages that are more than 10 miles long. Kershope, which opens Saturday's action and Bewshaugh, the final stage of the rally on Monday, will both be more than 17 miles long. The 32nd stage of the rally will deliver a typical Roger Albert Clark Rally sting-in-the-tail.

The stage mileages for the individual legs currently stand at: Wales (Thursday and Friday), 52 miles; Northumberland (Saturday), 106 miles; Scotland (Sunday), 77 miles and Central Kielder (Monday), 66 miles.

Details of the four individual support events being planned for November will be announced in due course.

More details about the event can be found at the website: www.racrmc.org

#### The Roger Albert Clark Rally

Press release: Thursday 24 January 2019

#### Marshals recruitment for the Roger Albert Clark Rally

A drive to recruit marshals for the 2019 Roger Albert Clark Rally is underway ahead of Britain's longest special stage rally (November 21-25).

The event organisers are aiming to recruit a wide range of volunteers for a diverse range of roles as the rally covers 32 special stages across five days in Wales, Northumberland, Southern Scotland and Kielder.

Volunteers are needed for stage starts and finishes, in-stage, passage controls, service areas, radio crews and more. In particular, volunteers are needed for the Welsh leg of the rally on Thursday/Friday 21/22 November.

Rally manager Colin Heppenstall, from the Roger Albert Clark Rally Motor Club, said: "We've always enjoyed tremendous support from the marshalling fraternity and I know that will continue for the 2019 rally. But we are always keen to hear from people who would like to be involved in the event for a day or more, or even just a few hours. We are incredibly grateful that so many enthusiasts come out and make this rally possible."

Any prospective volunteers are asked to contact Joy Hewson via joyhewson@googlemail.com



















More details about the event can be found at the website: www.racrmc.org

#### The Roger Albert Clark Rally

Press release: Wednesday 6 February 2019

#### 2019 Roger Albert Clark Rally tops 180

The organisers of the 2019 Roger Albert Clark Rally have now received 184 entry deposits as interest in the event continues unabated.

To cope with demand, the entry total has been extended to 160 cars as well as 10 reserves for the five-day, 32-stage, 300-stage mile challenge, which will run from 21 to 25 November 2019.

Recent additions to the deposit list include another five crews from Belgium and two more from France as well as 2016 Silver Fern Rally winner Meirion Evans. The revised 160 capacity includes 25 places for non-UK crews, all of which are now taken.

Event regulations and entry forms are due to be released during February, and this will be the catalyst for the next instalment of the entry fee. To retain their place on the entry list, crews will be required to lodge a further payment of £500 by 30 April 2019. If that payment is not made, they will move to the reserve list.

Rally manager Colin Heppenstall, from the Roger Albert Clark Rally Motor Club, said: "The response continues to eclipse anything we have experienced before in the previous 12 Roger Albert Clark Rallies. However, we are realistic about the number of cars that will actually start the rally and we know we will lose some crews, for all sorts of reasons, when the next deposit payment is due.

"April 30 is the next important date as we are asking for a further £500 from crews. We currently have 24 crews on the reserve list and I am confident we will have space for all of them, and probably some more."

More details about the event can be found at the website: www.racrmc.org

























# **Carlisle** Stages Rally

#### **News from the ATL Carlisle Stages**

Press release: 5 February 2019

#### 2019 ATL Carlisle Stages is unveiled

The wraps have come off the 2019 ATL Carlisle Stages (Saturday 8 June), which brings together the FUCHS LUBRICANTS Motorsport UK British Historic Rally Championship and the Motoscope Northern Historic Rally Championship.

As well as catering for the two historic championships, the ATL Carlisle Stages will be an ideal event for those competing in modern cars, both two-wheel-drive and four-wheel-drive. All two-wheel-drive cars, both historic and modern, will run at the head of the field, with the two-wheel drive field running in reverse order to give the older and less powerful cars the very best road conditions.

In addition, the event is a perfect warm-up rally for the Roger Albert Clark Rally as the November rally will use stages in the same forest complex. The date also offers Scottish crews a rare chance to tackle these border stages.

Building on the success of the previous six editions of the Carlisle Stages, the Roger Albert Clark Rally Motor Club will run a compact event based at H&H Auctions in Carlisle, next to junction 43 of the M6. The rally will use 45 miles of top quality stages in the Kershope and Newcastleton complexes, with some single-usage and some double-usage of the forest tracks. None of the stages have been used since the 2018 Carlisle Stages.

Clerk of the Course Nicola Heppenstall said: "We are delighted to confirm that ATL is continuing its support for this event, which gives the Carlisle tourist sector a timely early summer boost. We are expecting a strong historic entry but we are also keen to encourage entries from modern cars, both two- and four-wheel-drive. Everyone is assured a warm welcome and quality special stages."

Managing Director at ATL, Jon Ward, said: "We are looking forward to working with RACRMC and sponsoring this fantastic event for a second year running. We have a main depot in Carlisle, take an active interest in the area and recognise this is a highly regarded event in motor sport supporting local businesses and attracting many visitors to Carlisle.























"With over a million feet of warehouse space, approximately 100 commercial vehicles and 150 trailers, ATL stores and delivers products for a wide range of customers across the UK," Jon explains.

"We provide mission-critical warehousing and logistics solutions and many of our customers are key players in the automotive industry so it's an area very close to our heart. In addition, we have many employees who are big motor sport fans so it's a great fit."

The ATL Carlisle Stages will be organised by the Roger Albert Clark Rally Motor Club. Event regulations are due to be published in April.















