

FOREWORD

Last year's Castrol "75" National Rally was acclaimed by competitors and the press as being the best single day forest stage rally of the year. We promise that this year's event will be even better with the stage mileage increased to 100 miles of forests and the road mileage a nominal 85.

Thanks to the support of the townspeople of Aberystwyth we are able to base this very compact event on Aberystwyth and to use the very fine facilities of the town for both the start and the finish.

Unfortunately, due to the increase in the Forestry Commission charges, and much to our regret, we have been forced to raise our entry fee. The simple economic fact is that 100 miles of forest stages now costs £27 per car. However, we think that with an award system which guarantees a minimum cash prize of £30 to 18 crews, with 100 miles of superb Welsh forests together with the whole rally put together by an organising team determined to give competitors the type of rally they like, that you will fully agree we are giving value for money.

Last year we were able to accept 180 crews and 30 reserves and many disappointed crews were turned away. We suggest that you send off your entry this year as soon as possible because in the final analysis of which entries to accept, date of receipt is taken into account.

Finally, although only five names appear below, there are many hundreds of enthusiasts throughout Wales and England without whose help and co-operation it would be impossible to promote this event. On your behalf we extend to them our most sincere thanks.

David Cozens

Philip Lloyd

Dave Stephenson

Peter Donnelly

Miss Christine Smith.

Wolverhampton and South Staffs Car Club Ltd.
ABERYSTWYTH CASTROL "75" NATIONAL RALLY
Additional Supplementary Regulations

1.The Wolverhampton Et South Staffs Car Club Ltd. will promote a National British Rally on Saturday, 20th September, 1975, sponsored by Castrol Ltd. The event is a qualifying round of the Castrol Autosport Special Stage Championship and of the Welsh Association Special Stage Rally Championship.

2.JURISDICTION.

The event will be governed by the General Competition Rules, Standing Supplementary Regulations of the R.A.C., incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the F.I.A., these A.S.R.'s and any written instructions the promoting club may issue for the event.

3.PERMIT — AUTHORISATION.

R.A.C. Permit No.

D.O.E. Authorisation No.

4.ELIGIBILITY.

The event is open to all competitors holding an R.A.C. licence valid for the event. Intending competitors are reminded that when an entry is made in the name of a commercial firm or sponsor, that firm or sponsor must hold an Entrants licence available from the R.A.C. and that this licence must be produced when other licences are examined.

Navigators are reminded that they must hold either National or International Rally Drivers licence or a Rally Navigator/Passenger licence.

5.START AND FINISH.

The event will start from and finish at Meirion Motors — Park Avenue — Aberystwyth M.R. 135/587812. Rally Headquarters will be at the Belle Vue Royal Hotel, Marine Terrace, Aberystwyth. Total mileage will be approximately 200 miles on public roads and private roads and there will be a compulsory halt after approximately 80 miles. The event will contain several special stages on private property with a mileage of approximately 100 miles. These stages, which will be timed to an accuracy of less than one minute, will be timed by R.A.C. approved timekeepers.

Cars will start at one minute intervals, from 08.30 hours and the first car will finish at approximately 17.30 hours.

6 ROUTE

The route will be defined by six figure map references.

Map Nos. 124, 135, 1:50,000 Series will be required.

7 CLASSES.

The event will consist of eight classes as follows: —

Class 1..... All groups excluding group 1 up to 1000 c.c.

Class 2All groups excluding group 1 1001 to 1300 c.c.

Class 3..... All groups excluding group 1 1301 to 1650 c.c.

Class 4..... All groups excluding group 1 1651 and over

Class 5.....Group 1 up to 1000 c.c.

Class 6.....Group 1 1001 — 1300 c.c.

Class 7.....Group 1 1301 — 1650 c.c.

Class 8Group 1 1651 c.c. and over.

The minimum number of cars in each class will be 8 and the organisers reserve the right to merge classes as they deem fit.

0 AWARDS.

GENERAL CLASSIFICATION

Awards will be presented as follows:-

1st Driver £150 and the James L. Martin Challenge Trophy.

1st Navigator the E. L. Bouts Challenge Trophy.

2nd Driver £100. 3rd Driver £70.

4th Driver £60.

5th Driver £55.

6th Driver £50.

7th Driver £45.

8th Driver £40.

9th Driver £35.

10th Driver £30.

CLASS AWARDS

1st in each class: £30.

Winners of general classification awards will not be eligible for class awards.

OTHER AWARDS

1st Lady Driver £20 and the Express Et Star Ladies Rose Bowl.

1st Lady Driver's Navigator — an award.

To the best performance by an all W. & S.S.C.C. Crew £30 and the S. W. Fletcher trophy for the driver and the Ron Moore trophy for the navigator.

To the best performance by a member of Aberystwyth & D.M.C. £30. (In order to qualify for the above two awards, competitors must have been fully paid up members of the respective club since 1st July, 1975. Membership cards will be examined at the start).

To the best performance by a competitor competing in his first National status rally £30.

KLEBER AWARDS

To the three highest placed drivers using Kleber tyres.

£25 £20 £15 respectively.

(Competitors eligible for these awards must sign at the service van before the start of the rally).

All trophies remain the property of the club and must be returned when requested.

9. ENTRIES.

The maximum of entries for the event is 180.

The organisers reserve the right to cancel the event if less than 100 entries are received. The entry list will open with the publication of these A.S.R.'s and will close finally (GCR 75) on Sunday the 31st August. The receipt of entry forms will be acknowledged but no entries will be accepted before the closing date and, should the number of completed entry forms received by the closing date exceed 180, the organisers reserve the right to select at their discretion 180 starters plus 30 reserves. All entries must be made on the official form and, accompanied by the entry fee of £35, should be sent to the Entries Secretary at the address below:

Miss C. Smith, (Tel. Home—Sedgley 4046)

73A Gospel End Street,
Sedgley, Dudley, Worcs.

Entrants in the Castrol-Autosport Special Stage Championship and in the Welsh Association Special Stage Rally Championship will be required to indicate this on the entry form.

In order to ensure as far as possible that the full 180 cars start the event, the following conditions will apply:

Entries withdrawn up to and including Saturday, 13th September, will have their entry fee refunded, less £3.00 to cover administrative costs. Entries withdrawn up to and including Tuesday, 16th September, will

have their entry fee refunded less £6.00 to cover costs. Entries withdrawn thereafter or competitors who fail to start, will forfeit the whole of the entry fee at the discretion of the organisers. These conditions will also apply to reserves. Reserves who pass the scrutineer and sign on at the start but who are unable to start because of insufficient vacant places will have their entry fee refunded and in addition will receive an ex-gratia payment of £6.00 to cover out-of-pocket expenses.

10. OFFICIALS.

R.A.C. Steward.....To be announced.
Club Stewards.....Ross Giles and Martin Clark
Secretary of the Meeting.....Cozens, Flat 11 West Lodge, 76
Tettenhall Road, Wolverhampton. Tel. Wolverhampton 20716 (home).
Clerk of the Course.....Dave Stephenson
Chief Marshal.....Phillip Lloyd (Tel. Home— Knowle 6357 Work-021 327
6561/4).
Results ManagerPeter Donnelly
R.A.C. TimekeeperKen Dudley
R.A.C. Scrutineer.....Geoff Ward

11. RESULTS.

Provisional results will be publicised at the Kings Hall, Aberystwyth as soon as possible after the event. Protests must be made in accordance with S.S.R. P.47(a).

Printed results sheets will be available to all competitors at the Kings Hall, Aberystwyth. S.S.R. P.46 will therefore apply.

12. INSTRUCTIONS.

One hour before their starting time entrants will be supplied with a road book and route cards. Details of the special stages will be contained in the road book. These documents will contain all information to enable competitors to comply with S.S.R. S.36.

13. PENALTIES.

All S.S.R.'s of the R.A.C. will apply as written with the following amendments:

S66(i).....Over 1 hour late at Main Controls — Exclusion.
S66(ii) For every second taken on any special stage — 1 mark (Competitors taking less than the target time for a stage will be penalised with the target time).

- S66(iii)..... Maximum penalty on any one stage — 1800 marks
- S66(iv)..... Failure to attempt a special stage — 1800 marks
- S66(v)...Failure to comply with any requirement of the road book or these regulations for which no other penalty is specified — 1800 marks
- S66(vi).....Smoking on Forestry Commission Land — Exclusion
- S66(vii).....Causing unnecessary obstruction on an access road to a special stage — Exclusion
- S66(viii).... Failure to wear a crash helmet on a special stage — Exclusion
- S66(xi)..... Traversing a special stage in reverse direction — Exclusion
- S66(x).....Penalty for leaving a Main Control late — 60 marks per min.
- S66(xi) Servicing observed in a No Service Area — Exclusion
- S66(xii).....Failure to report at a passage control — 1000 marks
- S66(xiii).....Possessing or refusing to allow search for pace notes — Exclusion
- S67.....To be classified as a finisher a competitor must report to all Main Controls within 60 minutes of scheduled time and attempt at least half of the special stages.
- S68 Ties will be decided by reference to times on the first stage and if this does not resolve the tie, by reference to the time on the second stage, and so on.

14.SCRUTINEERING AND SIGNING ON.

Details of scrutineering will be given in the final instructions but will take place between 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. on Friday the 19th September, and from 7 a.m. on Saturday the 20th September. At scrutineering vehicles will be examined for compliance with tyre and vehicle safety regulations and requirements as well as for class eligibility. Each entrant will be assumed to have full knowledge of the car and its eligibility for the class entered. Homologation forms must be provided for group 1 cars. All cars must be fitted with a substantial roll cage and carry a fire extinguisher of at least 1 kg. capacity. Crash helmets will also be examined for compliance with current regulations (Refer S.S.R. Q.14).

Competitors must have been scrutineered and have signed on at least one hour before their scheduled start time otherwise they will be deemed to have retired and their number will be allocated to the first available reserve.

15.IDENTIFICATION.

Competitors will be supplied with rally plates to be affixed to the front and rear of the car. In addition, competitors must display regulation size numbers, black on a white background, on both sides of the car. Competitors may be required to carry advertising decals issued by the organisers on behalf of the sponsors. Regulation size numbers will be on

sale at the start and must be affixed before scrutineering except in the case of reserves.

16.ORDER OF STARTING.

This will be at the organisers discretion, based upon competitors previous results as stated on the entry form. Once the entry list has been published, no communication will be entered into concerning it. In the event of entries being withdrawn, reserves will be notified as soon as possible, and the organisers reserve the right to re-seed as necessary.

17.CONTROLS.

There will be Main Time Controls, at which 1 hour's penalty free lateness is allowed. Competitors will not be allowed to book out of Main Time Controls before their due time of departure. Secret checks will be established in accordance with S.S.R. S.34. All lateness must be absorbed at the lunch halt.

18.SPECIAL STAGES.

At the start of special stages, cars will be set off at one minute intervals, a countdown will be given. A flying finish will be used at the end of special stages, timing will be to the second using split-action chronometers. Marshals check sheets will be referred to in the event of any dispute arising about any competitors times. Delay allowance will only be granted at the discretion of the organisers in the event of a stage being closed temporarily during the course of the rally or through unforeseen circumstances. Stages will be arrowed and the route on a special stage is mandatory.

19.PACE NOTES.

The possession of pace notes by any competitor during the course of the rally whether or not they relate to stages being used in the rally is not allowed. The organisers will establish checks at certain controls and a proportion of competitors and competing cars will be searched.

The penalty for being found in possession of pace notes or refusing the search to be made is Exclusion. At these checks, the organisers request co-operation of all competitors in order to reduce any delay.

20.SERVICING.

Certain areas will be deemed "No Service Areas".

Servicing is defined as work being carried out on the car by any person other than the crew, or the use of any parts or tools not carried in the in

the competing car. There will be special areas at strategic points, defined as "Service Areas" and some of these will only be accessible to competitors and to service cars bearing a service plate. Service packs containing details of all service areas will be on sale, price £1.50, and will be available either at the start or from the entries secretary during the week prior to the event.

21.NOISE CONTROLS.

Noise Controls will be manned by Judges of Fact who will have the authority to exclude on first or subsequent report any competitor considered to be making an excessive noise.

22.INSURANCE.

As many insurance policies no longer give cover for competition, Messrs C. T. Bowring (London) Ltd., subject to an acceptable proposal, will give third party and passenger liability cover for the event, at a cost of £7. Entrants not already enrolled in the scheme and wishing to avail themselves of this offer must apply with their entry for a proposal form and should note that this must be returned fully completed to the Secretary of the Meeting not less than 21 days before the event, i.e. 30th August, 1975.

All correspondence regarding this cover must be undertaken with the club, as the brokers cannot deal with individual applicants either by letter or telephone. Entrants should note that A.N.C. letters of acceptance are no longer valid. A new proposal form must be completed to obtain an R.D.S. reference number.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT ALL ENTRANTS WISHING TO EFFECT THIS INSURANCE COVER SHOULD COMPLY STRICTLY WITH THE TIME-TABLE INDICATED.