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## CHAMPIONSHIP NEWSLETTER No. 1 – 2022

Welcome to the 2022 MRF Tyres BTRDA Rally Series and Motorsport UK English Rally Championship, supported by Seacon UK – we're looking forward to some 'Serious Fun' with a full calendar of events spread across the year.

The purpose of this Newsletter is to explain a few bits and pieces in advance of your first event. We hope you find it helpful but, if you have any questions about the BTRDA Rally Series, please contact us.

You should have received your BTRDA membership card, or if you have recently registered, it will be with you shortly. Don't worry if it hasn't arrived in time for the Malcolm Wilson Rally (12<sup>th</sup> March) as we will have access to the Membership database to confirm your membership.

For those competitors who have not yet registered for 2022, then you should do so via the on-line BTRDA membership registration system [www.btrdamembership.com](http://www.btrdamembership.com) or print off a Registration form from the championship website and send it to Paul Price, the Membership Secretary.

The membership card carries your BTRDA Club membership number and your BTRDA Championship registration number (drivers start with a 7 and co-drivers with a 2). Your registration also includes eligibility for the Motorsport UK 2022 English Rally Championship, in association with Seacon UK.

The 2022 MRF Tyres BTRDA Rally Series calendar includes 8 very popular one-day forest events. Your final championship results will be based on your **best 6 scores**.

1	Malcolm Wilson Rally	12 <sup>th</sup> March	Cockermouth/Lake District
2	Rallynuts Stages	9 <sup>th</sup> April	Royal Welsh Showground
3	Border Counties Rally	14 <sup>th</sup> May	Jedburgh/Tweed Valley
4	Kielder Forest Rally	18 <sup>th</sup> June	Hexham/Northumberland
5	Nicky Grist Stages	9 <sup>th</sup> July	Builth Wells/Mid Wales
6	Woodpecker Stages	3 <sup>rd</sup> September	Ludlow/Shropshire
7	Trackrod Forest Stages	24 <sup>th</sup> September	Filey/Yorkshire Forests
8	Cambrian Rally	29 <sup>th</sup> October	Llandudno/North Wales

### CHAMPIONSHIP SPONSORS AND SUPPORTERS

We are pleased to confirm our 2021 sponsors are continuing with us in 2022. **JORDAN ROAD SURFACING** are supporting the Historic Cup, and **Fuchs Lubricants (UK)** will be supporting the Bronze Star for up to 1400 cars whilst **Mintex, Kielder, Carless Racing Fuels** and **Shepherd Compello** will again be providing invaluable support.

Our headline sponsor, **MRF TYRES**, have some exciting deals exclusive to our championship contenders.

**Kielder** will be offering a great prize on each round of the championship, details of which class will win on each round will be announced soon.

#### Jordan Road Surfacing BTRDA Historic Cup

The first driver on each of the eight rounds of the BTRDA Rally Series will receive **£250**, the second **£150** and third **£100**, and the overall BTRDA Historic Champion will be presented with the prestigious AC de Monaco Trophy at the end-of-year BTRDA awards ceremony.

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### BTRDA Junior R2 1600 Cup

Running within the **2022 MRF Tyres BTRDA Rally Series**, the BTRDA is delighted to continue the initiative for Junior drivers, i.e. those under 25 years old on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2022.

The top three drivers in normally-aspirated R2 1600s will benefit from **cash awards on each round – 1st £150, 2nd £125 and 3rd £75**

### Vital Equipment Fuel Prize

Premier competition fuel suppliers Vital Equipment Ltd and Carless Racing Fuels are continuing their initiative to support Britain's most popular national rally series. On every round of the 2022 MRF Tyres BTRDA Rally Series two competitors each receive **25 litres of Carless Racing Fuel** plus the overall Junior Champion will receive a fuel package for 2023 if they compete in the BTRDA Rally Series.

One award will go to the highest placed BTRDA Junior R2 1600 Cup, the other award will go to the following classes

Malcolm Wilson Stages	H1/H2	Rallynuts Stages	1400C
Border Counties	B10	Kielder Stages	1400S
Nicky Grist Stages	H3	Woodpecker Stages	B11
Trackrod Forest Rally	B12	Cambrian Rally	B13

### Mintex / Questmead Bonus Scheme

In addition to the end of season cash award for the leading Junior Driver, Questmead and Mintex will support a bonus scheme on all rounds of the MRF Tyres BTRDA Rally Series.

The 'Best Improvement on 'start position' in the BTRDA Bronze Star Championship.

The 'Best Improvement on 'start position' in the BTRDA Gold Star and Silver Star Championships.

Each driver will receive a voucher for a free set of competition brake pads from Questmead Ltd.

Steve or Alan Brown from Questmead can be found in the Service Area at most events but to **claim your reward, please contact them in advance on 01706 363939.**

We are grateful to all our sponsors and we look forward to working with them during the forthcoming year.

We are always looking for additional supporters, so if anyone wishes to be associated with us in 2022 and beyond please contact Neil Cross, Rally Committee Chair [trec1.nec@btinternet.com](mailto:trec1.nec@btinternet.com)

### Decals – First Issue & Replacement

Championship decals will be posted out to all drivers who are registered for 2022, up to the 6<sup>th</sup> March so you should receive them in time to put them on before the first event. These decals (1 x screen strip and 2 x sponsor panels - 375mm x 265mm; one for each side of the car) must be displayed on the rally car to qualify for Championship points. Those not registered by 6<sup>th</sup> March can collect them from the BTRDA gazebo at the Malcolm Wilson Rally. Replacement decals are available, but a small charge may be made to cover admin. costs.

### Championship Running Order

We have asked all our events to run classes 1400C, 1400S, RF1.4, RF2.0 and H1/2 at the front of the field in reverse seeded order, followed by all other classes seeded in order of anticipated performance. Look out for individual Event regulations for details of how each event will be structured.

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### Championship Eligibility Pre And Post Event Scrutineering

It is an important part of any Championship to ensure competing cars meet their eligibility requirements as set down in the Championship regulations and the Motorsport UK Yearbook (Blue Book). At the end of every event cars will be selected for post-event Scrutineering by the Championship Eligibility Scrutineers. You should not be concerned if you are asked to attend such checks as we would much prefer to confirm your car is correct than find a problem. If you have any doubts about eligibility, please contact the Championship Eligibility Scrutineers. For any FIA homologated cars, especially classes NR4, N3 or R2, please remember to carry an original set (not a copy) of the relevant homologation forms in the car at all times. By not carrying them or having incorrect ones, you risk not scoring any championship points on that event. Simple, but often forgotten.

### On Event Fuel / Re-Fuel

Vital Equipment will be the recommended fuel supplier to the BTRDA Rally Series and will be at all the events. We strongly emphasise the convenience, safety and organisational benefits that using the Vital Equipment re-fuel facility brings to all competitors. **To order your fuel please use the on-line order facility listed in the Competitor Section of the BTRDA Rally Series website.** [www.vitalequipment.co.uk/btrda-fuel-order-form-30-w.asp](http://www.vitalequipment.co.uk/btrda-fuel-order-form-30-w.asp) Tel: 01981 241169.

### Special Stage Review

Once again Special Stage Review will be out on the stages and in the Service Parks on every event again this year bringing all the action to our screens across several media platforms, for more details follow them on Twitter or check out their Facebook page

### Championship Team

Ian Arden continues as the Championship Co-ordinator and will be out on each round of the MRF Tyres BTRDA Rally Series, supported by other members of the BTRDA Rally Committee.

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## Motorsport UK 2022 ENGLISH RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP, in association with Seacon UK

For the **Motorsport UK 2022 English Rally Championship, in association with Seacon UK** we have reverted back to an all-gravel surface format which is open to **all** cars that comply with the Motorsport UK Safety and Technical Regulations. The 2022 Championship will include a selection of the best one day 'English' forest events. A total of six events make up the Championship with the final round being the Grizedale Stages in the Lake District in December. The best five scores will count.

### Motorsport UK 2022 English Rally Championship - Calendar

1	Malcolm Wilson Stages	12 <sup>th</sup> March	Cockermouth/Lake District
2	Kielder Forest Rally	18 <sup>th</sup> June	Hexham/Kielder Forest
3	Woodpecker Stages	3 <sup>rd</sup> September	Ludlow/Shropshire
4	Trackrod Forest Stages	24 <sup>th</sup> September	Filey/North Yorkshire
5	Wyedean Stages	15 <sup>th</sup> October	Mitcheldean/Forest of Dean
6	Grizedale Stages	2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Ambleside/Lake District

The Championship will be split into 7 championship classes with the scoring system reflecting achievement against other competitors in the same class as in previous years. The class structure has changed as follows:

### Classes

<b>Class E7</b>	All WRC with a sequential gearbox, RRC, R5 and S2000 cars & all derivatives
<b>Class E6</b>	Over 2000cc 4WD cars not eligible for class E7
<b>Class E5</b>	Over 2000cc 2WD cars including all FIA R3T cars
<b>Class E4</b>	Over 1600cc up to 2000cc plus Historic category 3 cars with multi cam engines over 1600cc, category 4a cars over 1600cc and 4b cars up to 1600cc and FIA Rally4 specification cars.
<b>Class E3</b>	Cars over 1400cc up to 1600cc plus current & former FIA Group N3 cars and all FIA R2 cars.
<b>Class E2</b>	Cars up to 1400cc not eligible for Class E1, plus Historic category 1 & 2, category 3 with single cam engines and category 4a up to 1600cc
<b>Class E1</b>	All BTRDA Rally First cars.

*All forced induction engines (except Diesel engines) are subject to an additional capacity coefficient of 1.7:1 (except when FIA Appendix J, Art 260 applies).*

Remember: **The Motorsport UK 2022 English Rally Championship, in association with Seacon UK registration is all part of the 2022 MRF Tyres BTRDA Rally Series and BTRDA membership package.** More information about the Motorsport UK 2022 English Rally Championship, in association with Seacon UK can be found at [www.englishrally.co.uk](http://www.englishrally.co.uk)

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