

# **Far North Winter Classic 2025**

# Supplementary Regulations



### 1. Announcement

Highland Car Club Ltd will organise the Far North Winter Classic on **24/25th January 2025**, under a Clubman Historic Road Rally Permit and, for cars not qualifying within Historic Regulations, a Clubman Targa Rally Permit. The event will Start at Rally HQ, **Morangie Hotel**, **Morangie Road**, **Tain IV19 1PY** this will not be the location of the final control

### 2. Jurisdiction

The event will be held under the National Competition Rules of Motorsport UK (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA), and these Supplementary Regulations, the Motor vehicles (Competition and Trials) (Scotland) Regulations 1976 and any written bulletins the organiser issues for the event.

### 3. Authorisation

Motorsport UK Clubman Permits have been issued.

- Permit No 200850 Historic Road Rally Permit
- Permit No 200822 Targa Road Rally Permit
- Scottish Government / RSAC Route Authorisation No. TBA

### 4. Championships & Challenges

The event is a scoring round of;

• Highland Car Club, Ian C Smith championship (Members only)

### 5. Classes & Eligibility

The event is open to any vehicle that complies with either **Chapter 13 – App 15** of the 2025 National Competition Rules (NCR). But please note the following:

<u>Targa Permit</u> - Chapter 13 – App 15 to Chapter 13 – App 15.45 Please read Chapter 13 – App 15.45 first. Note, engines may only have a maximum of 4 Cylinders and a maximum of Two Chokes. Fuel Injection is only permitted if originally fitted as standard, retaining the original plenum chamber.

<u>Historic Permit</u> - Chapter 13 – App 15.13 & Chapter 13 – App 15.69 - Application has been made to Motorsport UK for a dispensation to apply for discretionary waivers for Historic Road Rally Cars complying with Chapter 13 – App 15.63 in respect of Chapter 13 – App 15.13 as appropriate. Requests will be on a case-by-case basis according to class and specification.

The organisers will submit applications to Motorsport UK for consideration in respect of individual cars giving make, model, registration number and reason for request.

**Commercial and Pick up Type Vehicles –** Entries for vehicles such as Land Rovers, Willys Jeeps and the like may be accepted provided they are of a variant classified by Motorsport UK as being a private car. If unsure of the compliance Motorsport UK will be consulted. Commercial vehicles such as vans and pickups are <u>not</u> permitted See **Chapter 13 – App 15.45** Tyres

Only E marked Road pattern tyres will be permitted. This will include snow and winter tyres marked M+S. Gravel tyres whether designed for road use or forest stages are specifically excluded. Tyres with the wording "For Competition use only" are not permitted. Studded tyres are not permitted.

If in doubt email an image of the tyre you intend to use to pnmacinnes@gmail.com

# Launch Control

Launch control is not permitted. If fitted as standard it must be disabled.

# Classes

Competitors may enter as Novice or Master. – Novices will compete for their own award but may win overall or in any section.

Novices will be given sight of the route on marked maps on request at signing on.

**Novice Definition** – Any Crew where <u>the Co-Driver</u> has competed on no more than 5 Road Rallies of any format in the 3 years prior to November 2023. January 2025

Masters will be given <u>no</u> opportunity for checking the route

There will be 6 Classes as follows:

- Class 1 Novice Crews in any vehicle.
- Class 2 Targa Cars 1600cc or under
- Class 3 Targa Cars between 1601cc and 2000cc

# Class 4 Targa Cars 2001cc and over

- <u>Note 1</u> Entries from Targa Cars with engines not of a type originally fitted to the car or from the family of engines for the model. will not be permitted.
- <u>Note 2</u> Historic Rally Cars in the following classes are categorised in the relevant periods. A car will be dated by the specification presented and not necessarily by the date of build or registration
- Class 5 a) Historic Category 1 Cars of a specification valid before 1/1/1968 and compliant with Chapter 13 – App 15.4 - Chapter 13 – App 15.19, Chapter 13 – App 15.22, Chapter 13 – App 15.26, Chapter 13 – App 15.38 and Chapter 13 – App 15.68

b) Historic Category 2 Cars of a specification valid between 1/1/1968 and 31/12/1974 and compliant with Chapter 13 – App 15.3 to Chapter 13 – App 15.38 inclusive – see also Chapter 13 – App 15.68

Class 6 a) Historic Category 3 Cars of a specification valid between 1/1/1975 and 31/12/1981 compliant with their FIA Group 1 or 3 homologation papers or be a series production car and comply with Chapter 13 – App 15.3 to Chapter 13 – App 15.38 inclusive (see also Chapter 13 – App 15.68)

b) Historic Category 4(a) Road Rally Cars. Cars of a specification valid between 1 January 1982 and 31 December1985, or Historic Category 4(b) Road Rally Cars. Cars of a specification valid between 1 January 1986 and 31 December 1990, compliant with their FIA Group A or N homologation Papers, or be a Series Production Car, and comply with Chapter 13 – App 15.3 to Chapter 13 – App 15.38 inclusive (see also Chapter 13 – App 15.68).

Cars homologated in FIA Group A are permitted provided they are in standard production specification, the only modifications permitted (see **Chapter 13 – App 15.64**.) are to dampers, springs, and brake friction material. Individual cars will only be accepted after receiving ASN approval. (**Chapter 13 – App 15.70**.)

c) Historic Road Rally Cars fully compliant with the current FIA Appendix K. Cars must have been issued with a valid FIA Historic Technical Passport or Historic Regularity Passport be in compliance with the document and the current FIA Appendix K at all times.

# 6. Entries

Supplementary Regulations will be issued on 22nd November 2024

# The entries open 8th December 2024 and close on 17th January 2025

Refunds for withdrawn entries after the closing date will be at the discretion of the organisers.

#### The entry fee is £185 per car and crew of two members.

#### Non-members are required to join the Club

The entry fee includes two snack lunches and two meals at the Finish.

All entries must be made on the official electronic entry form and be accompanied by the appropriate fee. Payment by BACS.

Cars will be identified by Rally Plates and numbers that will be supplied by the organisers. They must be affixed as detailed in the Final Instructions.

The Maximum number of entries is 60+5 Reserves. Entries will be accepted in order of receipt.

Teams of three competing crews may compete for a team award.

Team entries must be submitted no later than 18th January 2025 (£10 per team).

#### ENTRY FORM on-Line HERE Payment by BACS only (Link goes live 8th Dec 2024 @ 1900)

The Entries Secretary to whom any queries should be forwarded to is; Lucy Munro. E mail: fnwc.entries@gmail.com

### 7. Crew eligibility

The event is open to members of the Highland Car Club Ltd and Saltire Rally Club Ltd . Membership of the Highland Car Club Ltd can be obtained <u>HERE</u>

Motorsport UK RS Clubman Licences are required as a minimum for both Driver & Co-Driver. The RS Clubman Licence is Free and can be applied for <u>HERE</u>

### 8. Scrutineering

Pre-Event Scrutineering will be at **Wilson Contracting, 1 Balnagore, Fearn IV20 1RP** -W3W /// those.makeover.budgeted GR 21 / 822780 from 11.00 – 16.00 on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> Jan 2025.

- All competitors must present their vehicle at Scrutineering. All cars will be scrutineered.
- MOT Certification and VED may be checked on-line
- All tyres must be road legal and E Marked Road pattern tyres (see tyres section below)
- A Warning Triangle MUST be carried.
- A small Motorsport UK approved environmental spill kit must be carried in the vehicle.
- Noise checks will be undertaken at scrutineering and at other times during the event.
- The Scrutineer will issue a voucher if the car is passed which should be displayed within the vehicle for the duration of the event
- Local competitors are encouraged to scrutineer as early as possible

### 9. Trailer Parking

 Trailer parking will be available at the scrutineering venue within the yard of Wilson Contracting.. <u>The unloading, parking and storage of trailers at the hotel is strictly</u> <u>forbidden</u>

#### 10. Documentation

- Pre event documentation and signing on will be by electronic means.
- Competitors Rally Packs will be issued at Scrutineering at Wilson Contracting from 11.00am on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January
- The first car will leave the start at Morangie Hotel, Morangie Road, Tain at 17:02 and thereafter at 2-minute intervals.

#### 11. Route/Route Information

The event will follow a route of around 165 Miles through Easter Ross and Sutherland. The competitive part of the event will consist of up to 4 regularities and up to 16 timed tests on private land.

Passage controls and code boards may be used as route checks.

Quiet Zones will be defined and listed in Final Instructions. Competitors will be expected to drive with care in these zones, without auxiliary lights, and in the highest practicable gear. A more detailed interpretation will be given in Final Instructions

#### **Route Information**

All Classes will be provided with a Route Card with the Final Instructions which will enable the route to be marked. The Final Instructions including the route will be issued by Wednesday 22nd Jan 2025. It is the responsibility of competitors to mark the route on their own maps or copy of the official Map.

### 12. Maps

OS 1:50,000 Landranger Maps 16,17&21 (Latest editions) can be used to mark the route. OR

The official unique single sheet map for the event will be supplied by Nicolson Digital Ltd, 3 Frazer Street Largs, Ayrshire, KA30 9HP Contact Robin Nicolson on 01475 689242 or 07968 900097

These can only be purchased on the entry form at a cost of £20 (including P&P).

### 13. Awards

- a) Neil MacInnes Memorial Trophy; presented to the entry with the lowest overall penalties. (Winner of this award does not win awards listed as b or c)
- b) An award will be presented to the Targa Entry with the lowest total penalties
- c) An award will be presented to the Historic Entry with the lowest total penalties
- d) An award will be presented to the entry with the lowest total test penalties.
- e) An award will be presented to the entry with the least regularity penalties.
- f) An Award will be presented to the winner of each Class
- g) The Novice Award (Novice may win Overall or any other award on performance)
- h) The Far North Team award; for the highest placed team of three.
- j) Scrutineers Award (judged from all entries). For the Scrutineer's favourite vehicle.
- k) Spirit of the Event Award presented to the person deemed to meet the "Spirit of the Event"

# 14. Officials

Stewards	ТВС			
Entries Secretary	Lucy Munro		FNWC.entries@gmail.com	
Clerk of the Course	Peter MacInnes	07736 546303	pnmacinnes <u>@gmail.com</u>	
Deputy Clerk of Course	Fraser Hughes	07817 017860		
Timekeeper	Graham Couser	07704 357703	saltiresecretary@gmail.com	
Results Officer	Raymond Mann	07925 872939	rca.mann@btinternet.com	
Results Collection	David Fraser / Susan MacRae	07803 927776	davidfraser.hcc@gmail.com	
Competitor Liaison	Fiona Munro	07841 619177		
Safeguarding Officer	Fiona Munro	07841 619177		
Chief Scrutineer	lan Afek	07703 436023		
Environmental Scrutineer	lan Afek	07703 436023		
Route, Regularity & Test Co-ordinators: Peter MacInnes / Fraser Hughes / David Fraser				

#### 15. Timetable of events at a glance

	Date	Time	
Supplementary Regulations Published	22/11/24	19.00	
Entries open	08/12/24	19.00	
Entries Close	17/01/25	22.00	
Final Instructions and Route Information issued	22/01/25	20.00	
Documentation opens (rally pack pick up @ Scrutineering)	24/01/25	11.00	
Scrutineering Opens	24/01/25	11.00	
Scrutineering Closes	24/01/25	16.00	
Competitor Breifing	24/01/25	16.20	
First car Starts – MTC1 – Morangie Hotel	24/01/25	17.02	

# 16. Penalties

Competitors will start at two-minute intervals, unless otherwise instructed by an official.

Penalties will be as Chapter 13 - App 7 except as modified below.

Penalties on Special Tests:	
a) Time to complete the test	Test Minimum +1 second per second over.
<ul> <li>b) Striking a cone during a test</li> </ul>	10 seconds.
<ul><li>c) Failing to stop astride a stop line</li></ul>	10 seconds.
d) Ignoring a stop astride line	Test Maximum.
<ul> <li>e) Failing to stop within a Stop Box</li> </ul>	10 seconds.
f) Jump Start	10 seconds.
g) Not completing a test by the correct route	e other than in (h or i) Test Maximum.
<ul> <li>h) Starting but not completing a test</li> </ul>	Test Maximum.
<li>j) Not attempting a test</li>	Test Maximum.

- k) The wrong test penalty will be applied as follows; If you make a mistake on a test and pass the wrong side of a cone, or the wrong way round a cone, you can retrace your steps, and this will not be counted as a wrong test. Once you have passed two consecutive cones incorrectly you will automatically incur the penalty for not performing a test correctly.
- I) Additional penalties may be applied as per test diagrams

# Test Maximum

Each test will be assigned a Test Maximum. Where the penalty is declared as Test Maximum this time will be applied. Test Maximums will be shown in the competitor's information.

### Scheduled Time Sections:

a) Not reporting at a Main Time Control	Exclusion
b) Arriving at a Regularity Finish or Intermediate TC early (per second)	Actual time early
c) Arriving at a Regularity Finish or Intermediate TC late (per second)	Actual time late
d) Failure to visit a Passage Control	60 seconds
e) Wrong Direction of approach at a Passage Control	60 seconds
f) Failure to visit any type of Regularity Time Control	300 seconds per
control or approaching from wrong direction.	
g) Stopping within sight of an Intermediate or Regularity Finish Control	300 seconds

#### other than when required to do so to comply with Road Traffic Laws h) In Transport / Neutral Sections penalties will be applied for early arrival.

j) In Transport / Neutral Sections penalties will be applied for failing to record proof of visiting a route check

j) No penalties will be applied for late arrival other than maximum lateness.

### 17. Trip Meters and other electronic devices

It is strictly forbidden to use any ancillary device that is capable of measuring and/or displaying any data other than distance or time. Devices capable of showing average speed will not be permitted unless that function is suitably disabled. Electronic Speed Tables will not be permitted. *The use of GPS devices including apps on mobile phones, i-pads and other similar electronic devices is not permitted unless it is clearly shown that no average speed facility is available. Penalties for contravention of this are 300 seconds on the first offence and exclusion on the second offence.* 

#### 18. Mobile Phones

Mobile phones may be carried for the purpose of emergency calls only.

## 19. Timing

Timing will be by ASN approved ECM Rally Timers or similar. In the case of short dead-end tests, other time pieces may be used.

## 20. Data Protection

Prospective entrants and competitors are advised that information supplied on the entry form will be held on a computer and used for the administration of the event. Details may be passed to other event organisers for the purpose of the circulation of event regulations. If you do not wish your details to be circulated, please indicate this on the entry form.

# 21. Judges of Fact

All Officials, Driving Standards Observers and any other persons specifically named as such in these S.R.s, Final Instructions, or on the official Notice Board are deemed to be Judges of Fact in respect of their duties as specified in such Instructions or Notices, and in respect of compliance with the relevant parts of The National Competition Rules.

Driving Standards Observers (DSO) may be appointed by the Clerk of the Course. DSOs may not necessarily be identified as such, and competitors will not be required to stop by a DSO, unless he or she is also acting in another capacity, e.g. a control of some kind.

# 22. Results

Provisional results will be published as soon as possible after the finish accordance with the provisions of **Chapter 3 – App 6**.

Any protest must be submitted in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 2 - App 9

Any appeal must be lodged in accordance with **Chapter 2 – App 4** 

# Any queries must be submitted on the Results Query Sheet and passed to the Competitor Liaison Officer. No other form of query will be accepted.

### 23. Competitors under the age of 18

Any Competitor under the age of 18 must:

- A) Have their entry "countersigned" by a parent or guardian.
- B) Have a Parent or Guardian complete the Parental Consent Form on the online entry.

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u>. If there is no Parental or Guardian consent in accordance with the above, then those under 18 years of age cannot be permitted to take part in the event.

#### 24. Insurance

All vehicles must be insured for use on the public highway. The insurer's name must be stated on the Entry Form.

It is the competitor's responsibility to ensure appropriate insurances are in place.

# The Club is endeavouring to supply an insurance company to provide competitors with the Third Party cover necessary to meet RTA requirements, on the road sections of the event.

Further details will be published when they become available.

#### 25. Motorsport UK Liability Insurance

It should be noted that the scheme imposes an excess of  $\pounds$ **450**, for which the relevant competitor against whom a successful claim is made may be liable.

#### 26. Damage Declaration

Competitors at the conclusion of their Competition must sign a declaration to the effect that they have not been involved in any incident that may have caused damage to persons or property, or alternatively give details of any such incident. Non-compliance will be penalised in accordance with **Chapter 13 – App 5.57** and may be reported to the Motorsport UK for further disciplinary action.

Competitors who retire from the event will be required to submit a declaration to the Secretary of the Meeting within 72 hours of the event. Failure to return a declaration may result in a fine of up to £100. Chapter 13 – App 5.58

#### 27. Vehicle Specification

The ASN 2025 Competition Rules can be accessed on their website, at https://www.motorsportuk.org/the-sport/trialncr/ Competitors should ensure their vehicles comply with the regulations

### 28. Accommodation

Morangie Hotel, Morangie Road, Tain IV19 1PY 01862 892281

Discounted rates are available by contacting the Hotel directly.

Other accommodation in the town is also available.