BIRR & DISTRICT MOTOR CLUB LTD

ABBEYLEIX MANOR HOTEL STAGES RALLY 2015

REGULATIONS

Sunday 22nd February 2015

Round 1

TRITON SHOWERS NATIONAL RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP & TOP PART WEST COAST RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP & LOUGHRANSIGNS.COM MIDLANDS EAST RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP

Rally HQ: Abbeyleix Manor Hotel, Abbeyleix Co Laois. (057) 8730111

ORGANISED AND PROMOTED BY BIRR & DISTRICT MOTOR CLUB LTD

www.birrmotorclub.com

ORGANISATION

1) The Birr Stages Rally is promoted and organised by Birr & District Motor Club Ltd (hereinafter called the promoters.)

2) The Rally is a qualifying round of the following championships:

Triton Showers National Rally Championship,

Top Part West Coast Rally Championship,

Loughransigns.com Midlands East Rally Championship

3) The Rally will take place over a route of approx. 120 stage kilometres

4) These regulations have been submitted to and approved by Motorsport Ireland and the necessary permit for holding of the competition has been granted . MI Permit Number 15\023

Article 1.

The Competition will be held under the International Sporting Code of the F.I.A, the General Competition Rules of Motorsport Ireland and Appendices 25,29 and 31 of the Motorsport Ireland Year book and these supplementary Regulations. All Competitors who forward completed Entry Forms agree to be bound by these rules.

Article 2.

(A) The Supplementary Regulations for the Rally are stated by Motorsport Ireland Regulations and Definitions 2015 Year Book. Copies of the book can be obtained From Motorsport Ireland, Competitions Department, 34 Dawson Street, Dublin 2.
(B) Final Instructions will form an integral part of the Supplementary Regulations.

Article 3.

(A) Entries open on the 11th of January 2015.

(B) All completed entry forms must be sent to the Entries Secretary with the appropriate fee:

Entries Secretary: Clodagh Henehan Woodlands, Barrymore, Athlone, Co Roscommon.

Clodagh Henehan Tel: (087) 9117707 or (090) 6490397 NO CALLS AFTER 9.30pm

Entry Fee €499, including Personal Accident Insurance and Standard IRDS Insurance. Junior & Historics Entry Fee €260 including Personal Accident Insurance and Standard IRDS Insurance and Fire Extinguisher Levy.

• All cheques to be made out to: Birr & District Motor Club.

Cheques may only be post dated to the 11th February 2015

(C) All drivers must produce a letter of acceptance from one of the IRDS/BRDS Insurance Schemes.

(**D**) The Club reserves the right to refuse an entry without assigning a reason Closing Date for entries is on Wednesday 11^{th} February 2015.

Article 4.

(A) Pace notes will be available for sale from Third Parties. The club has no involvement with their preparation or sale and **accepts no responsibility** for their accuracy or otherwise.

(**B**) Entries are confined to 141. Should more than 141 fully paid up entries be received, entries will be allocated as follows:

(a) Priorities in **Triton Showers National Rally Championship**, **Top Part West Coast Rally Championship** and **Loughransigns.com Midlands East Rally Championship**, as per Championship

Regulations.

(b) Ten at organisers discretion.

(c) The remainder will be drawn on a ballot.

TIMETABLE (Subject to Change)

Entries Open: 11th January.

Entries Close: Wednesday 11th February.

Final Instructions Posted: Monday 16th February Entry List Published: Friday 13th February.

Saturday 21st February

08:15am to 11:30am Recce Sign-On in the Abbeyleix Manor Hotel
08:30am to 16:00pm Recce, maximum 3 runs per stage
(Penalty of exclusion for exceeding this number)
14:00pm to 19:30pm Mechanical scrutiny
15.00pm to 20:00pm Paper Scrutiny in the Abbeyleix Manor Hotel.

Sunday 22nd February

8.00am Competitors Safety Briefing in the Abbeyleix Manor Hotel. (Compulsory for all crews)
9.00am First Car Away
16:49pm First Car Finishes
Full Provisional Results no later than 19.00pm.
Final Results half hour later if no queries.
Prizegiving will take place no later than 30 Minutes after final results.

Entries:

Closing Date: Wednesday 11th February **Amount :** Main Field €499, Juniors & Historics €260, including Personal Accident Insurance and IRDS at Standard Rate and Fire Extinguisher Levy.

LIST OF OFFICIALS

Clerk of the Course:	Bill Ryan
Deputy Clerk of the Course:	Robert Nolan
Assistant Clerk of the Course:	Mick Boland
Motorsport Ireland Stewards:	Brendan Flynn & Pat O'Dowd
Motorsport Ireland Safety Officer:	Jakes Kelly
Club Safety Officer:	John Tynan
Club Steward:	Dermot Kelleher
Event Secretary:	Clodagh Henehan
Chief Medical Officer:	Dr Padraig Conneally
Chief Marshall:	Eoin Longworth
Deputy Chief Marshall	Ger Brophy
Chief Scrutineer:	Richie Tallon
Radio Controller:	Mary Fitzgerald
Press Officer:	Ronan Shanahan
Results Officer:	Ian O'Brien
Results Provider	Angus Sealy
Competitor Liaison Officer:	TBA
Car Accountability:	Paddy Quigley & Richard Friday
Sweeper Car	Eoghan & Iarla McCarthy
Equipment Officer:	Mick Culleton
Chief Rescue Officer:	Frank Henehan
Road Closed:	Niall Kearney
Chief Time Keeper:	Eamon McGee
Service Area Manager	Connie Delaney
Rally 2 Co-Ordinator	Ray Fitzpatrick
Emergency Services Liaison Officer	Sean Henehan

CLASSES

Class 1 Group N up to 1600 cc (Previously N1 & N2); R1 (up to 1390 cc - VR1A); R1 (1390 to 1600 cc - VR1B) Class 2 Group A up to 1600 cc (Previously A5 & A6); R2 (1390 to 1600 cc - VR2B); Kit cars up to 1600 cc; Group N 1601 to 2000 cc (Previously N3) Class 3 Group A 1601 to 2000 cc (Previously A7); R2 (1600 to 2000 cc - VR2C); R3 (atmospheric 1600 to 2000 cc -VR3C); R3 (Turbo up to 1620 cc nominal - VR3T); R3 (Diesel up to 2000 cc nominal – VR3D); Super 1600 cars. Class 4 Group N over 2000 cc (N4 FIA Appendix J 254) Class 5 Group R4 (Appendix J 260); Group R5; S2000 Rally (2.0 Atmospheric) Class 6 All cars homologated in FIA R-GT Class 7 Group A over 2000 cc (Previously A8); WRC (1.6T); WRC (2.0T); S2000 Rally 1.6T 30 mm Restrictor (also known as Regional Rally Car - RRC) Class 9 Modified cars up to 1450 cc, 2 wheel drive Class 10 Modified cars 1451 to 1650 cc, not more than 2 valves per cylinder, 2 wheel drive Class 11F Modified FWD cars 1451 to 1650 cc, more than 2 valves per cylinder Class 11R Modified RWD cars 1451 to 1650 cc, more than 2 valves per cylinder Class 12 Modified cars 1651 to 2100 cc, not more than 2 valves per cylinder, 2 wheel drive Class 13 Modified cars 1651 to 2100 cc, more than 2 valves per cylinder, 2 wheel drive Class 14 Modified cars 2101 to 3500 cc, 2 wheel drive. (Max 2 valves per cylinder over 3000 cc) Class 15 Four-wheel drive cars whose homologation has expired. See notes 3 & 5 Class 16 Juniors (see Article 21) Class 18 Historics - See Articles 17-19, Appendix 29.1 Class 19 Historics - Appendix K Class 20 Modified 4 Wheel Drive Cars (4WD) See note 16 on classes For further details on requirements for cars in classes 1 - 7 refer to www.fia.com Appendix J articles 252 - 261

(Article 260 refers to cars in Group R)

AWARDS

Overalls 1st 2nd & 3rd overall – 2 trophies per crew. **Classes** 1st 2nd & 3rd 2 trophies per crew.

John Finnegan Memorial Trophy – Highest Finishing BADMC Co Driver in the Overall Results.

Other Awards (for those who have not already won an award) Please note your eligibility on your entry form.

Best Galway, Clare, Limerick & Kerry Crew.

Best Ladies Crew.

Biofuel Award.

1st. 2nd & 3rd Birr & District Motor Club Crews.

Best Co Laois Crew. Note to be eligible for this award Both Crew Members must reside in County Laois.

Other awards at Club's discretion.

The onus is on competitors to ensure that they are entered for the appropriate awards. All Trophies not Collected/Claimed by April 7th 2015 will be forfeited.

10. Rally 2 (Restart after Retirement)

10.1: General

10.1.1 The rally will operate Rally 2 in accordance with Art 13, Appendix 29 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook (as published on MI Website)

10.1.2 A crew retiring from the rally between Parc Ferme Out and Arrival Control SS3, may restart the rally from Service Out Control after 3 stages, or Service Out Control after 6 stages.

Cars retiring from the rally on Special Stages 3, 4 & 5 or the following road sections, may only restart from Service Out Control after 6 stages.

No restart will be permitted for crews retiring on Special Stages 6, 7, 8 & 9. A restart will not be permitted where a crew has been excluded for non-compliance with eligibility requirements, traffic violations or a decision of the COC/R2C (Rally 2 Co-ordinator).

On retirement the crew must hand in their time cards to Car Accountability or the marshal/timekeeper at the next available location/Time Control.

Crews must retain the duplicate copy of the time card, to present to R2C as proof of stages completed.

10.1.3 Competitors must register for Rally 2 if they wish to restart from Service Out Control after 3 stages or from Service Out Control after 6 stages by contacting the R2C prior to a time that will be specified in Final Instructions.

Service Vehicles will not be permitted to access the Stage or any closed road between runs. The organisers will, where possible, endeavour to remove any car to the nearest location where it can exit the stage.

The transport of the car from that location is the responsibility of the competitor. The car must return by direct route to the Service Area.

10.1.4 Competitors availing of Rally 2 must present themselves at Service Out Control after 3 stages or Service Out Control after 6 stages, with their car, for re-scrutiny. Due time is 10 minutes before their original due time at that Control, and 15 Minutes maximum lateness will apply.

10.1.5 The R2C, once satisfied that the crew meets the conditions for a restart, will issue new time cards which will have a restart time and restart Control Number. The restart position within the field shall be at the discretion of the COC/R2C.

10.1.6 The organisers reserve the right to disallow restart on safety grounds or if the restart would interfere with the running of the rally.

10.2 Penalties:

10.2.1 Penalties will be applied as per Article 13.5, Appendix 29 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook (as published on MI Website)

10.3 Award Eligibility:

10.3.1 In order to be classified as a finisher the crew must complete a minimum of 5 special stages, which must include the final loop of stages and the finish control.

10.3.2 Crews completing the rally under Rally 2 regulations **will** be eligible to score points in Championships.