

Dougie Hughes Memorial Clare Stages Rally 2019

Final Instructions (Part 1)

2019 M. Fitzgibbon Contractors Ltd Dougie Hughes Memorial Clare Stages Rally

Dear Competitor,

Thank you for your entry to the 2019 M. Fitzgibbon Contractors Ltd Dougie Hughes Memorial Clare Stages Rally. The entry list is now published on Rally.ie and on our dedicated Rally Facebook page, Clare Stages Rally 2019. There are a limited number of entries still available. We will update our entry list again on Thursday.

Withdrawals

If you intend to withdraw, please contact Margaret McCloskey 087 2808159 or email cmc13@eircom.net ASAP.

Free Entries

We are giving away 6 free entries on Thursday 12 September. The draw will take place on Facebook Live at 8.30p.m. If you wish to be entered in to the draw, payment can be made online (Iban: IE90bofi90421037050212 Bic: bofiie2d). Ensure you put your name as reference if payment is being made online or contact Margaret 087 2808159 and ensure payment is in our account before Thursday September 12th.

Rally HQ is Hotel Woodstock, Shanaway Road, Lahinch Road, Ennis **V95 TR25**

Rally Office is located in the Doonbeg Suite.

Rally Office will be open at 8.30a.m Saturday September 14th. Both driver and co-driver must produce current competition licences at recce sign on. Please ensure that the driver has current IRDS/BRDS in time for Recce Sign on Saturday morning and that it is listed on the Motorsport Ireland database. Remember no IRDS means no start

Scrutiny will take place at Autobody Garage in the Ennis Mart Complex from 14.00 hrs to 19.00 hrs on Saturday September 14th. No **scrutiny on Sunday morning**.

Paper scrutiny will take place in Rally Office (Doonbeg Suite in Hotel Woodstock) from 14.30 hrs to 20.00 hrs Saturday evening September 14th. Please note that paper scrutiny will close at 20.00 sharp.

Competitors must have their cars in Parc Ferme 20minutes after passing mechanical scrutiny.

Parc Ferme and Trailer Park is in the Ennis Mart Complex **V95 APF2**. Service will take place after SS3 & SS6 in Ennis Mart Complex.

The Management of Hotel Woodstock have asked us that absolutely no rally cars or service barges come to Hotel on Saturday as parking is very limited. Please bring your car to service/scrutiny. Marshals will be on duty in service/scrutiny all day from 8.00a.m.

All tyre trucks, merchandising trucks, parts trucks, hans and helmet hire will only be in the service/scrutiny area. Ennis Mart Complex is an ideal area for service/parc ferme and we would ask that you respect it and leave it clean and tidy. Please dispose of your rubbish in the bins provided. Competitors and Service crews are required to have all items belonging to them, including trailers, removed from the Service Area Complex by 8pm on Sunday September 15th as the Mart Complex will be locked at this time and will not reopen until Monday morning.

All competition cars must use a large non-porous service mat. Penalty for non use of mat or for littering service area as per appendix 29, article 9:1:12 and 16 is 2 minutes.

Service Area/Park Safety

In Motorsport Ireland's ongoing safety improvement plan and to ensure safety in all areas of our sport they now request the following to be in place for all service parks & areas where competition vehicles are been serviced. This requirement is mandatory and will be observed by the MI Officials.

No Smoking Signage to be displayed at the entrance point to the service park/area Smoking is Forbidden in the Service area

- **Service Barges to be equipped with the following:**
- **1 X 6kg ABC Dry Powder Fire Extinguisher (for each car serviced) , 1 X 6 Litre AFFF(Foam)Fire Extinguisher (for each car serviced)**

Extinguishers must be placed in a visible area, and have ease of access to

- **Fire Extinguisher Board to be in place over the extinguishers**
- **Hot work is only undertaken by competent persons**
- **Service area manager undertakes checks on no smoking policy, signage and extinguishers**

RECCE

Pacenote making will take place on Saturday September 14th from 9.00a.m to 17.00p.m. **Competitors please note when you are doing recce that the road from location 5 to location 12 on SS1/4/7 is part of a 10klm walking trail and is extremely popular with locals including children and tourists alike. Please slow down in this area as there would normally be very little traffic here. Please take extreme caution entering SS1/4/7 as there is a series of bends on approach to the entrance.**

Competitors can also expect a lot of tourist traffic and cyclists on these roads so please respect other road users and travel with caution. RECCE stickers will be provided and must be placed on **the outside** of your windscreen, top left hand corner. Please do not put your RECCE sticker on your sun visor. Please ensure your competition number is on your RECCE sticker. Please have your road book ready for marshals located in the vicinity of the start and finish of the stages, to sign. **Please respect the residents and other road users during RECCE, as we depend on their co-operation to allow us rally.**

Drivers briefing will take place on Sunday morning September 15th at 8.00a.m in the Liscannor Suite at Hotel Woodstock. It is mandatory that all crews attend and a random role call will take place. First car is away from Parc Ferme on Sunday morning September 15th at 9.40a.m.

As Hotel Woodstock is located in a very residential area, we are asking service crews not to block up entrances or to park in local housing estates to load rally cars on Sunday evening.

Final control will be located at the rear of Hotel Woodstock.

Official Changes:

Conor Duffy is replaced by Vinnie Boyd licence number 16759 as navigator for 001

Reseeding forms will be available at RECCE sign on and must be returned by 15.00hrs on September 14th fully completed with all relevant notes attached, if they were not listed on your original entry form. No exceptions.

Time and Distance Schedule will be available on our facebook page and rally.ie

I hope you all have a safe and enjoyable weekend's motorsport in Clare.

Gerry O'Brien

Clerk of the Course

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