

CHAMPIONSHIP REGULATIONS 2008

Silverstone Tyres BTRDA Rally Series

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RECENT BTRDA RALLY CHAMPIONS

2007	Gold Star Champions	Will Nicholls	Nick Broom
2007	Silver Star Champions	Graham Middleton	James Young
2007	1400 Champions	Clive Wheeler	Ken Bartram
2006	Gold Star Champions	Shaun Gardener	Ben Innes
2006	Silver Star Champions	Paul Barrett	Dermot Colgan
2006	1400 Champions	Neil Weaver	Nick Thornton
2005	Gold Star Champions	Roger Chilman	Andrew Sankey
2005	Silver Star Champions	James Belton	Eurig Evans
2005	1400 Champions	George Thomas	Graham Hopewell
2004	Gold Star Champions	Graham Middleton	John Morgan
2004	Silver Star Champions	Philip Squires	Michael Squires
2004	1400 Champions	Ian Evans	Justin Brooks
2003	Gold Star Champions	Andy Burton	Rob Morgan
2003	Silver Star Champions	Jon Ballinger	Simon Sparey
2003	1400 Champions	Shaun Woffinden	Howard Pridmore
2002	Gold Star Champions	John Perrott	Paul Spooner
2002	Silver Star Champions	Jon Ballinger	Andy Salisbury
2002	1400 Champions	Rupert Hopcraft	Susan Hopcraft
2001	Gold Star Champions	Vince Wetton	Joff Haigh
2001	Silver Star Champions	Phil Collins	Cliff Simmons
2001	1400 Champions	Paul Griffiths	Shaun O'Gorman
2000	Gold Star Champions	Martin Meadows	Ian Oakey
2000	Silver Star Champions	Andy Burton	Rob Morgan

FOREWORD from RICHIE HOLFELD – Chairman, BTRDA Rallies Committee

We congratulate and are pleased to recognise the 2007 season Championship winning competitors in the six principal categories, including Will NICHOLLS and Nick BROOM who won the SILVERSTONE TYRES Gold Star® Championship. Graham MIDDLETON won the two wheel drive SILVERSTONE TYRES Silver Star® Drivers title with James YOUNG as the champion Co-Driver, and Clive WHEELER and Ken BARTRAM took the TESCO 99 OCTANE 1400 Championship. The HOLFELD PUMPS Team Challenge was won by the 'East of Eden' Team comprising Glyn JARMAN, Steve FRENCH and Dale GLOVER. The BTRDA Production Cup - Mitsubishi Motors Trophy was won by Tristan PYE and the MSA English Rally Championship Drivers title went to Tristan PYE with Andy MORGAN as the Champion Co-driver.

We sincerely thank the Championship Primary Sponsors SILVERSTONE COMPETITION TYRES, GREENERGY TESCO 99 OCTANE and HOLFELD PUMPS Fluid Handling Specialists, and acknowledge the Support Sponsors, MINTEX, RALLYUSEDPARTS, 710 OIL and COMPETITION CAR INSURANCE.

In 2008 the BTRDA Series format for geographical and cost considerations has been reduced to nine Forest Events with the six best scores to count. The MSA English Rally Championship will take place over seven events on a Class based points system. Congratulations to the PLAINS RALLY, which was selected as the Best Event of the 2007 season.

In an effort to encourage and thank the BTRDA Registered Marshals, their special day held in August was attended by fifteen Marshals who were treated to Rally Car rides, luncheon and informal discussions to enhance these volunteers contribution on behalf of our event organisers and competitors

After the unprecedented recognition and success achieved to date by the '1400 Championship' which the BTRDA introduced in 2001, the Rallies Committee is immensely proud to have again come up with a new innovation and concept to find the next generation of Rally Crews. 'Rally First' has been launched for 2008 and will be introduced to the Series at the North Humberside Rally with a seven event Championship. The emphasis is on a specification restricted standard car, low cost feeder formula, which will appeal to both new and existing competitors wishing to enjoy motorsport excitement on loose surface events, where budget is a factor.

For the 2008 season we initiate some class changes and introduce two Historic Classes. We include a new Loyalty Incentive Scheme to the Series whereby Bonus Awards will be extended to registered competitors starting more than six events, based on performance and results. All competitors are advised to examine the Championship Regulations concerning decals, as Championship points will be awarded in accordance with the regulations and this will be strictly enforced.

As an Environmental friendly Statement to the public and for Health & Safety considerations to Service Crews, the Event Organisers will endeavour to provide refuelling zones and competitors are encouraged to use and support these official facilities if provided.

The BTRDA Rallies Committee has been restructured and members tasks are being reorganised with new allocations of accountability and responsibilities for 2008. Principal changes include, liaison with the event organisers through Norman ROBERTSON, a new panel of four Series and Championship Co-ordinators managed and directed by Steve GREGG, whereby Jon BALLINGER, Graham HOPEWELL and Norman ROBERTSON will individually attend events. The introduction and evolution of 'Rally First' and the refocusing of the MSA English Rally Championship will be handled by Howard WILCOCK. The important role of liaison and establishing meaningful contact with competitors on selected events will be designated to Joanne OAKLEY, reporting back with crews comments and suggestions to the Committee for deliberation.

Finally, the BTRDA Rally Series and Championships are in good shape for next season and we appeal to new and prospective competitors to consider our competitor friendly and cost effective events. Please register and relish the prospects for 2008. Good Luck!

2008 CHAMPIONSHIP - EVENT CONTACTS AND LOCATIONS

9 February	GET CONNECTED WYEDEAN FOREST RALLY	<i>Chepstow/Forest of Dean</i>
Lilian Turley, Heathmount, Woodside, Bream, Nr. Lydney. GLOS. GL15 6ND. Email: lilianturley@bntinternet.com		Tel: 01594 810161
1 March	MALCOLM WILSON RALLY	<i>Cockermouth/Lake District</i>
Ian & Lois Wright, 14 Monkswell Drive, Bolton le Sands, Carnforth, Lancashire. LA5 8JZ Email: wright516@btinternet.com		Tel: 01524 824626
29 March	NORTH HUMBERSIDE FOREST RALLY	<i>Whitby/North Yorkshire</i>
Amanda Smith, 159 Church Street, Whitby, North Yorkshire. YO22 4AS Email: entries@NorthHumbersideForestRally.org.uk		Tel: 01947 821862
26 April	CARBASE SOMERSET STAGES	<i>Minehead/North Somerset</i>
Cathie Leverton, 80 Herne Rise, Ilminster, Somerset. TA19 0HL Email: entries@somersetstagesrally.com		Tel: 0870 744 9160
14 June	THE DUKERIES RALLY	<i>Southwell/Sherwood Forest</i>
Alan Rotherham, 5 Moor View Road, Staveley, Chesterfield, Derbyshire. S43 3UE Email: entries@dukeries-rally.co.uk		Tel: 01246 472002
5 July	QUINTON STAGES RALLY	<i>Llandovery / Mid Wales</i>
Graham Townshend, 61 Old Station Road, Bromsgrove, Worcs B60 2AE Email: QStages.Entries@qmc.org.uk		Tel: 01527 875674
30 August	WOODPECKER STAGES	<i>Ludlow/Shropshire</i>
To be confirmed Email: woodpeckerentry@aol.com		Tel:
20 September	PLAINS RALLY	<i>Welshpool/West Wales</i>
Dan Harrison, 24 The Strand, Stocks Park, Horwich, Lancs. BL6 6DB Email: entries@plainsrally.co.uk		Tel: 01204 696224
1 November	CAMBRIAN RALLY	<i>Llandudno/North Wales</i>
Rosy Davies, 6 Rhodfa Wen, Llysfaen LL29 8LF Email: redhead238@hotmail.co.uk		Tel 01492 516998
1 December	CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS PRESENTATION	
Moor Hall Hotel, Sutton Coldfield, West Midlands		

For all the latest Championship information and results visit www.btrdarally.com

THE 2008 SILVERSTONE TYRES BTRDA RALLY SERIES - GENERAL REGULATIONS

1. BTRDA Ltd. will organise and promote the 2008 Silverstone Tyres BTRDA Rally Series incorporating the BTRDA Gold Star[®] Rally Championship, the BTRDA Silver Star[®] Championship, the BTRDA 1400 Championship and Holfeld Pumps Team Challenge. The Championships will be run in accordance with the General Regulations of the Motor Sports Association (MSA) and these regulations. Permit No 2008/5350 has been issued by the MSA.

The Championships are open to fully paid-up members of the BTRDA[®]. Acceptance for the Championships will be acknowledged by the issue of a registration card which must be produced at documentation on each event. Championship registration will close after round six.

2. The Championships will consist of nine qualifying events and a competitor's best six scores will count. If through 'force majeure' any of the qualifying rounds cannot take place, the BTRDA reserve the right to either include another event on the same date or to alter the number of scores to count. On all Championship events, cars up to and including 1400cc will run as a seeded group in advance of the main field.
3. The allocation of Championship points will be based on the final results of the Championship events. Championship points will be awarded after each event and published in Championship Bulletins and / or on the Championship web site. These interim Championship points will become final 7 days after the publication of the Championship Bulletin. The end of year Championship points will become final 7 days after the publication of the final Championship Bulletin.
4. Any ties will be decided in favour of the competitor with the greatest number of maximum scores within their best six scores. In the event of a further tie the greatest number of second highest scores shall decide and so on. Should this fail to resolve the tie then reference will be made to the competitor's best score on their 7th event and finally their 8th event. If this fails to resolve the tie then joint awards will be presented.
5. Competitors must display the Championship decals as specified by BTRDA[®] on any qualifying event. Once a competitor has registered for the Championship it is not possible to de-register. Even if Championship decals are removed, either member of the crew may still be counted as a BTRDA[®] registered competitor for the allocation points, even though they may not be awarded any individual points.
6. Any vehicles used by registered contenders may be subject to random eligibility and capacity checks throughout the year. These checks will be carried out by the Championship Scrutineers and/or members of the MSA Technical Commission who shall be considered Judges of Fact in matters of eligibility. In the event of a car being found ineligible for any reason, then the penalties specified in MSA Regulations [C (d 41)] shall apply. The competitor will be responsible for any costs they incur as a result of eligibility checking, whether found eligible or otherwise.
7. Championship registration does not guarantee an entry on events. It is the responsibility of competitors to enter events in sufficient time. BTRDA Ltd cannot enter into any correspondence or discussion about event entries or event seeding. However Championship events have agreed to favourably consider all entries from BTRDA registered competitors.
8. Any query concerning these regulations or the running of the Championship must be referred to the BTRDA Rallies Committee via the Championship Co-ordinators. Any subsequent protest must be referred in writing to the BTRDA Panel of Stewards via the BTRDA Ltd Secretary within the time limits set out in the MSA Year Book. The BTRDA Panel of Stewards comprises any three from Mike Sones, Mike Stephens, Neil Mackay, Simon Harris and Terry Moore.
9. In the event of a variance between these Championship Regulations and the BTRDA General Championship Rules, these Championship Regulations take precedence. The Championship organisers reserve the right to grant waivers to disabled competitors.

BTRDA GOLD STAR[®] CHAMPIONSHIP & BTRDA SILVER STAR[®] CHAMPIONSHIP

1. The **Silverstone Tyres BTRDA Gold Star[®] Championship** is open to all Drivers and Co-Drivers competing in vehicles with an engine capacity over 1400cc that comply with MSA Regulations H262 to H266. Competitors intending to enter a vehicle in accordance with H267 are reminded that they must first obtain authorisation from the MSA.

The **Silverstone Tyres BTRDA Silver Star[®] Championship** is open to those vehicles listed above which have no more than 2 driven wheels.

Permitted Fuels: Competitors are permitted to use only fuel that conforms to the definitions of Pump Fuels in the 2008 MSA Yearbook or fuel that complies with FIA Appendix J, Article 252, Art 9. No other fuels are permitted. Competitors are encouraged to fit a FIA fuel sampling point

2. The Championships will be divided into vehicle classes as follows
Class N3 Current and former FIA Group N cars over 1400cc up to and including 2000cc
Class N4 Current and former FIA Group N cars over 2000cc and FIA Super 2000 cars.
All other vehicles that comply with the 2008 MSA Technical Regulations for Stage Rallies
Class B10 Over 1400cc up to and including 1600cc
Class B11 Over 1600cc up to and including 2000cc
Class B12 Over 2000cc two wheel drive
Class B13 Over 2000cc four wheel drive (including all Land Rover models and derivatives) that do not qualify for Class WR1.
The engine capacities stated are after multiplying the actual capacity by the forced induction equivalency factor of 1.7. This does not apply to Diesel engines.
Class WR1 Any 4 wheel drive car based on a current or former World Rally Car and any 4 wheel drive car with an actual engine capacity over 2,400cc.

Historic Classes

Class H2 For all cars registered and homologated before 1.1.75.

Class H3 For all cars registered and homologated between 1.1.75 and 31.12.81.

All cars in classes H1 and H2 must comply with the appropriate requirements of MSA regulation H283 to H312

3. To be eligible for the Group N classes, cars must be currently on the list of FIA homologated cars in Group N, or added to it during the period of the Championship, or formerly listed and still in compliance with their homologation papers. In addition to complying with MSA Technical and Safety Regulations, cars in Group N may only be modified in the manner described in the 2008 FIA Yearbook. Modifications published in the monthly official FIA Motor Sports Bulletin may be incorporated at the date given. Valid homologation papers must be carried in the car and be available for inspection by Championship or Event Scrutineers.
4. All cars in Class N4 will be eligible for the **BTRDA Production Cup**. In addition there will be a **Clubman Production Cup** for earlier model N4 cars. Eligible vehicles include:-
 - Subaru Imprezas up to and including FIA homologation No N 5480. This is often described as the Classic shaped Impreza which ran from 1993 to 2000. (Before N8's)
 - Mitsubishi Evo's up to and including FIA homologation No N 5585. (Before Evo 7)
 - Any other car that has previously been homologated in Group N4 and still comply with its homologation papers.
5. Competitors must display the Championship decals as specified which will be provided. These include a championship sponsors panel and a screen strip or forward facing decal. Image to follow.

Locations **A** and **B** are mandatory requirements.

A – Sponsors Panel on front leading edge of door.

B - The Championship screen strip. If you have a non-conflicting screen strip, i.e. not a tyre company, then the screen strip **MUST** be fitted to the **FRONT LEADING EDGE** of the **BONNET** as shown.

C – Championship door squares.

6. Each registered driver/co-driver will score points according to the position they gain in each qualifying event. Points will be awarded as follows:-
- a) *Overall Gold Star® and Silver Star® Drivers & Co-drivers Championships:*
30 points to the highest placed registered driver/co-driver, 28 points to the second placed registered driver/co-driver, 27 points to the third and so on down to 2 points to the twenty eighth placed driver/co-driver and every subsequent driver/co-driver who finish the event. 1 point will be awarded to every non-finisher.
- (b) *Class Awards:*
20 points to the highest placed registered driver/co-driver in each BTRDA class, 18 points to the second placed driver/co-driver, 17 points to the third and so on down to 2 points to the eighteenth placed driver/co-driver and every subsequent driver/co-driver who finish the event. 1 point will be awarded to every non-finisher.

SILVERSTONE TYRES GOLD STAR® CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS

DRIVERS

- Champion ♦ **£500** Gold Star® Trophy and an award
- Second Overall ♦ **£250** John Foden Trophy and an award
- Third Overall ♦ **£150** Nick Ford Trophy and an award

CO-DRIVERS

- Champion ♦ Phil Short Trophy and an award
- Second Overall ♦ Arnold Pownell Trophy and an award
- Third Overall ♦ Wendy Smith Memorial Trophy and an award

SILVER STAR® CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS

DRIVERS

- Champion ♦ **£500** Silver Star Trophy and an award
- Second Overall ♦ **£250** Graham Lepley Trophy and an award
- Third Overall ♦ **£150** BTRDA Challenge Trophy and an award

CO-DRIVERS

- Champion ♦ Holt Brothers Trophy and an award
- Second Overall ♦ Lyn Jenkins Trophy and an award
- Third Overall ♦ Senior Vice Presidents Trophy and an award

BTRDA PRODUCTION CUP for all Group N4 cars

- Champion Driver ♦ **£250** Mitsubishi Motors Cup plus Engraved Goblet
- Champion Co-Driver ♦ Engraved Goblet

CLUBMAN PRODUCTION CUP

- Champion Driver ♦ **£250** and Trophy
- Champion Co-Driver ♦ Engraved Goblet

CLASS AWARDS – N3, N4, B10, B11, H2, H3, B12, B13.

- First Driver in Class ♦ **£100** plus an Engraved Goblet
- First Co-Driver in Class ♦ Engraved Goblet
- Second Driver in Class ♦ Engraved Goblet
- Second Co-Driver in Class ♦ Engraved Goblet
- Third Driver in Class* ♦ Engraved Goblet
- Third Co-Driver in Class* ♦ Engraved Goblet

* Subject to minimum of 6 registered contenders

To qualify for these awards a competitor must have started at least four qualifying events

Competitors who win Overall Championship Awards are not eligible for Class Awards

Class WR1 are eligible for overall awards only.

On each round of the Championship, BTRDA goblets will be presented to the highest placed BTRDA Gold Star® and BTRDA Silver Star® registered crews.

BTRDA® 1400 CHAMPIONSHIP

1. The BTRDA 1400 Championship is open to all Drivers and Co-Drivers competing in vehicles with an engine capacity up to and including 1400 cc complying with MSA Regulations H262 to H266.
2. The BTRDA 1400 Championship will be divided into three vehicle classes:-

Class 1.4L - Cars up to and including 1400cc with limited modifications. These include all current and former FIA Group N1 cars, cars that comply with a recognised 'One Make Challenge' technical specification plus vehicles conforming to the MSA Endurance Road Rally regulations that also comply with the MSA requirements for Stage Rallies.

Class 1.4C - Cars up to and including 1400cc with a maximum of 8 valves, plus all cars up to and including 1,000cc. Class 1.4C cars must not be fitted with remote reservoir suspension.

Class 1.4S - All other non homologated cars up to and including 1400cc and all current and former FIA Group A5 cars.

NB: See also **BTRDA Rally First** - Classes RF1.0 and RF1.4 (Page 11)

To be eligible for Group N or Group A, cars must be currently on the list of FIA homologated cars in Group N, or added to it during the period of the Championship, or formerly listed and still in compliance with their homologation papers. In addition to complying with MSA Technical and Safety Regulations, Group N or Group A cars may only be modified in the manner described in the 2008 FIA Yearbook. Modifications published in the monthly official FIA Motor Sports Bulletin may be incorporated at the date given.

Recognised 'One Make Challenge' cars (list available from Championship Co-ordinator) which are not homologated but which comply with their latest published Challenge technical regulations are eligible for Class 1.4L.

Valid homologation papers and / or One Make Challenge technical regulations must be carried within the car and be available for inspection by Championship or Event Scrutineers.

3. All cars (except recognised One Make Challenge cars) must comply with the following requirements.
 - ◆ No electronics are allowed in transmissions / differentials / suspension or brake parts (except ABS if originally fitted).
 - ◆ Wheels must be contained within the external profiles. Cars complying with FIA Group A may however run Kit homologated body parts.
 - ◆ A maximum of 5 forward gears of standard H pattern change unless originally fitted with 6 gears as standard. No sequential gear change kits allowed.
 - ◆ Vehicles originally manufactured or built with shells in material other than steel are limited to engines with no more than two valves per cylinder. No engines derived from motorcycles are permitted.
 - ◆ Extended wheel arches, boot lids, tailgates, bonnets, side and rear windows, and front and rear bumpers may be made of composite materials. All other panels must be made of the original manufacturers material. Bodywork should be presented at pre-event scrutineering in good condition.
 - ◆ If in the opinion of the Series Scrutineer and Championship Co-ordinators a car is not within the spirit of the rules it may be deemed ineligible to score Class or Championship points for that round.
4. On all events, cars contesting the BTRDA 1400 Championship are required to only use tyres selected from the Silverstone Tyres range. (This applies to gravel tyres only)
Service and Sport, on behalf of Silverstone Tyres will be providing a complete tyre support service on each event. Competitors are encouraged to contact Service and Sport to discuss their requirements. An information sheet listing the tyres / prices is available from Service and Sport. Email: jfreeman@serviceandsport.com or james@serviceandsport.com Tel: 01704 898940 or from the Championship Co-ordinators. Cars with 10" or 12" diameter wheels are exempt from this requirement but Service and Sport will assist in finding suitable tyres.

5. Competitors must display Championship decals which will be provided. These include a championship sponsors panel and a screen strip or forward facing decal. Image to follow.

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B - The Championship screen strip. If you have a non-conflicting screen strip, i.e. not a tyre company, then the screen strip **MUST** be fitted to the **FRONT LEADING EDGE** of the **BONNET** as shown.

C – Championship door squares.

6. Each registered driver/co-driver will score points according to the position they gain in each qualifying event. Points will be awarded as follows: -

(a) *Overall BTRDA 1400 Drivers & Co-Drivers Championships:*

30 points to the highest placed registered driver/co-driver, 28 points to the second placed registered driver/co-driver, 27 points to the third and so on down to 2 points to the twenty eighth placed driver/co-driver and every subsequent driver/co-driver who finishes the event. 1 point will be awarded to every non-finisher.

(b) *Class awards:*

20 points to the highest placed registered driver/co-driver in each Championship class, 18 points to the second placed driver/co-driver, 17 points to the third and so on down to 2 points to the eighteenth placed driver/co-driver and every subsequent driver/co-driver who finishes the event. 1 point will be awarded to every non-finisher.

BTRDA 1400 CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS

DRIVERS

Champion	◆ £500 plus Eddie Hughes Memorial Cup and an Award
Second Overall	◆ £250 plus Engraved Goblet
Third Overall	◆ £100 plus Engraved Goblet

CO-DRIVERS

Champion	◆ Engraved Goblet
Second Overall	◆ Engraved Goblet
Third Overall	◆ Engraved Goblet

CLASS AWARDS

First Driver in Class 1.4L	◆ £100 plus Engraved Goblet
First Co-Driver in Class 1.4L	◆ Engraved Goblet
First Driver in Class 1.4C	◆ £100 plus Engraved Goblet
First Co-Driver in Class 1.4C	◆ Engraved Goblet
First Driver in Class 1.4S	◆ £100 plus Engraved Goblet
First Co-Driver in Class 1.4S	◆ Engraved Goblet
Second Driver in Class	◆ Engraved Goblet
Second Co-Driver in Class	◆ Engraved Goblet
Third Driver in Class*	◆ Engraved Goblet
Third Co-Driver in Class*	◆ Engraved Goblet

* Subject to minimum of 6 registered contenders

The Overall Champion of the BTRDA1400 Championship is not eligible for Class Awards
To qualify for these awards a competitor must have started at least four qualifying events

On each round of the BTRDA 1400 Championship BTRDA goblets will be presented
to the highest placed Championship registered crew.

OVERALL CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS

HOLFELD PUMPS TEAM CHALLENGE – It is FREE to enter

This Challenge is open to all drivers who register for the 2008 Silverstone Tyres BTRDA Rally Series. Teams will be eligible to score points on any of the 9 BTRDA Championship events with the best team score from 6 events counting towards the final classification.

- Teams will consist of 3 drivers.
- Teams must have one driver from the BTRDA 1400 Championship and can only include one four wheel drive car.
- A driver cannot be in more than one team.

Teams must register with the BTRDA Championship Co-ordinators before points can be scored. The team classification on an event will be based on the total number of finishers; e.g. on an event with 94 finishers a crew coming 3rd overall would be awarded 92 marks and crew finishing 81st would get 14 marks. The total team marks will be added up and the team with the highest score will receive 30 points, the second team 28 points, the third team 27 points, down to 1 point for the 29th placed team.

Teams entered under a trade or commercial name will be accepted but there will be a fee of £100.

COMPETITION CAR INSURANCE HARD LUCK AWARD

A £500 award will be given to the competitor who suffers the greatest 'Hard Luck' during the course of the Championship season. To qualify for this award, competitors must provide a written report to the Championship Co-ordinators describing the circumstances why they should be considered for the Hard Luck Award. Competitors may submit multiply entries during the year and the award is open to both Drivers and Co-drivers individually or jointly. The report need not necessarily relate to incidents during an event but must be related to taking part in the Championship, i.e. preparation, travelling to or from events. Humour (or sadness) in the story will be welcomed. It is the competitor's responsibility to provide the reports with a closing date for receipt of any claims being 6 days after the final event of the Championship. The decision of the BTRDA Rallies Committee is final.

LADY DRIVER & CO-DRIVER AWARDS

Lady drivers / co-drivers will be eligible for points whether accompanied by a male or female driver / co-driver.

Points will be awarded on a 'comparison of performance' basis. 20 points will be allocated to the highest scorer, 18 points to the second highest scorer, 17 points to the third highest scorer and so on down to 2 points to the eighteenth placed scorer and every subsequent finisher in this category.

UNDER 25 DRIVER & CO-DRIVER AWARDS

These awards are open to all registered drivers & co-drivers who were born on or after 1st January 1983.

Points will be awarded on a 'comparison of performance' basis. 20 points will be allocated to the highest scorer, 18 points to the second highest scorer, 17 points to the third highest scorer and so on down to 2 points to the eighteenth placed scorer and every subsequent finisher in this category.

JUNIOR DRIVER AWARD

This award is open to all registered drivers who were born on or after 1st January 1987.

Points will be awarded on a 'comparison of performance' basis. 20 points will be allocated to the highest scorer, 18 points to the second highest scorer, 17 points to the third highest scorer and so on down to 2 points to the eighteenth placed scorer and every subsequent finisher in this category.

SENIOR DRIVER & CO-DRIVER AWARDS

These awards are open to all registered drivers and co-drivers who were born before 1st January 1963.

Points will be awarded on a 'comparison of performance' basis. 20 points will be allocated to the highest scorer, 18 points to the second highest scorer, 17 points to the third highest scorer and so on down to 2 points to the eighteenth placed scorer and every subsequent finisher in this category.

OVERALL CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS

HOLFELD PUMPS TEAM CHALLENGE

Winning Team of 3 Cars	♦	£750
Second Team of 3 Cars	♦	£450
Third Team of 3 Cars	♦	£300

COMPETITION CAR INSURANCE HARD LUCK AWARD

Best Hard Luck Story	♦	£500
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LADIES AWARD

First Driver	♦	Ladies Silver Garter and an award
First Co-Driver	♦	Liz Crellin Trophy and an award

UNDER 25 AWARD

First Driver	♦	£250 (Sponsored by Mintex) Chris Lord Trophy and an award
Second Driver	♦	Engraved Goblet
First Co-Driver	♦	Mike Broad Trophy and an award

JUNIOR AWARD

First Driver	♦	£250 (Sponsored by Mintex) Bill Gwynne International Rally School Trophy and an award
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SENIOR AWARDS

First Driver		Autosport Trophy and an award
First Co-Driver	♦	Stephen Bye Trophy and an award

SPECIAL AWARDS

Rally Man of the Championship	♦	Phil Price Rally School Trophy and an award
Special BTRDA Award	♦	Richie Holfeld "Maximum Attack" Trophy and an award
Special "Most Entertainment" Award	♦	Mickey Dee Trophy
Best driver in their first full season in the Championship	♦	Ian Butcher Trophy and an award

To qualify for the individual awards a competitor must have started at least four qualifying events

Best Event in the Championship	♦	Bill Turner Trophy
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MINTEX BONUS SCHEME

In addition to the end of season cash awards for the leading Junior and Under 25 drivers, Questmead and Mintex will support a bonus scheme on all rounds of the Championship.

- The 'Best Improvement on Start Number' in the Gold / Silver Star Championships
- The 'Best Improvement on Start Number' in the BTRDA 1400 Championship

Each driver will receive a voucher for a free set of competition brake pads from Questmead Ltd. Alan Brown of Questmead will be attending all of the Championship events. For information and advice on the Mintex product range contact Alan at Questmead, Pioneer House, Regent Street, Rochdale. OL12 0HQ. Tel: 01706 860088. Fax: 01706 861223. E-mail: sales@questmead.co.uk

710/SILKOLENE AWARD

The 710/Silkolene Award will be presented to the driver of the best **self-prepared** car throughout the season, as judged by the Championship Eligibility Scrutineer. The prize will be 710/Silkolene product support (to a retail value of £300) plus the Drivers Championship fee for 2009.

BTRDA RALLY FIRST



BTRDA[®] will organise and promote the 2008 **BTRDA RALLY FIRST** Challenge. It will be run in accordance with the General Regulations of the Motor Sports Association (MSA) and these regulations. It is open to competitors holding a minimum of a National B Competition Licence.

Acceptance for BTRDA Rally First will be acknowledged by the issue of a Registration Card which must be produced at documentation on each event. Registrations will close after round 4. Bulletins containing details of points allocations and news about BTRDA Rally First will be sent to registered competitors at intervals throughout the year.

CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS

BTRDA Rally First will run on seven of the one day National B forest events that form part of the Silverstone Tyres BTRDA Rally Series, with the **best 5 scores to count**.

Date	Event	Host Town	Stages include:-
29 th March	North Humberside	Whitby	Langdale, Cropton
26 th April	Somerset Stages	Minehead	Croydon, Portlock
14 th June	Dukeries	Southwell	Sherwood, Clipstone
5 th July	Quinton	Llandoverly	Crychan, Halfway
30 th August	Woodpecker	Ludlow	Haye Park, Radnor
20 th September	Plains	Welshpool	Dyfi, Gartheniog
1 st November	Cambrian	Llandudno	Penmachno Clocaenog

All BTRDA Rally First crews will have **entry fees reduced by £50** on each event thanks to the support of the event organisers. However BTRDA Rally First registration does not guarantee an entry on events and it is the responsibility of competitors to enter events in sufficient time. BTRDA[®] cannot enter into any correspondence or discussion about event entries or event seeding.

VEHICLES

BTRDA Rally First is open to new and existing two-wheel drive vehicles up to 1400cc that comply with both the MSA Technical Regulations for Stage Rallies and the **BTRDA Rally First Technical Regulations**. Copies are available from the Championship Co-ordinator and on www.btrdarally.com

Key Points of the BTRDA Rally First Technical Regulations are:-

Body Shell: No significant alteration to manufacturer's original shell but strengthening and guarding is permitted.

Engine: Must be essentially a standard production engine for that make and model of car, including the induction / engine management system. The exhaust system beyond the manifold is free but must include a catalytic converter.

Gearbox / Differential: Standard gearboxes and differentials must be used with original gears/ ratios.

Suspension: The manufacturer's system must be maintained. Components can be up-rated but must use the same mounting locations, which may be reinforced. Simple mechanically adjustable shock absorbers are permitted.

Wheels and Tyres: The wheel / tyre combination must fit in the standard wheel arch. The maximum wheel dimension is 15.0 inch diameter and 6.5 inch rim width.

CLASSES

Class RF1.0 Cars up to and including 1000cc including cars complying with the current Formula 1000 regulations

Class RF1.4 Cars over 1000cc up to and including 1400cc

All vehicles may be subject to random capacity and eligibility checks throughout the year. These checks will be carried out by the Championship Scrutineers and/or members of the MSA Technical Commission who shall be considered Judges of Fact in matters of eligibility. In the event of a car being found ineligible then the penalties specified in the MSA Regulations [C (d 41)] shall apply. A competitor will be responsible for any costs they incur as a result of eligibility checking, whether found eligible or otherwise.

SCORING

Each registered driver/co-driver will score points according to the position they gain in each qualifying event. Points will be awarded as follows: -

(a) Overall BTRDA Rally First Drivers & Co-Drivers

30 points to the highest placed registered driver/co-driver, 28 points to the second placed registered driver/co-driver, 27 points to the third and so on down to 2 points to the twenty eighth placed driver / co-driver and every subsequent driver/co-driver who finishes the event. 1 point will be awarded to every non-finisher.

(b) Class awards:

20 points to the highest placed registered driver/co-driver in each class, 18 points to the second placed driver/co-driver, 17 points to the third and so on down to 2 points to the eighteenth placed driver / co-driver and every subsequent driver/co-driver who finishes the event. 1 point will be awarded to every non-finisher

Any ties will be decided in favour of the competitor with the greatest number of maximum scores within their best five scores. In the event of a further tie the greatest number of second highest scores shall decide and so on. Should this fail to resolve the tie then reference will be made to a competitor's best score on their 6th event and then finally their 7th event. If this fails to resolve the tie then joint awards will be presented.

The allocation of points will be based on the final results of the qualifying events. Points will be awarded after each event and published with a Bulletin and / or on the BTRDA Rally Championship web site. These interim points will become final 7 days after the publication of the Bulletin. The end of year BTRDA Rally First points will become final 7 days after the publication of the final Bulletin.

Once a competitor has registered for BTRDA Rally First it is not possible to de-register. Even if decals are removed, either member of the crew may still be counted as a registered competitor for the allocation of points, even though they may not be awarded any individual points.

BTRDA RALLY FIRST AWARDS

DRIVERS

Champion

- ◆ £250 plus BTRDA Rally First Trophy and an Award
- ◆ Free Entries to all 2009 BTRDA Rally Series events

CO-DRIVERS

Champion

- ◆ Engraved BTRDA Award

CLASS AWARDS

First Driver in Class RF 1.0

- ◆ £100 plus Engraved Goblet

First Co-Driver in Class RF 1.0

- ◆ Engraved Goblet

First Driver in Class RF 1.4

- ◆ £100 plus Engraved Goblet

First Co-Driver in Class RF1.4

- ◆ Engraved Goblet

Second Driver in Class

- ◆ Engraved Goblet

Second Co-Driver in Class

- ◆ Engraved Goblet

Third Driver in Class*

- ◆ Engraved Goblet

Third Co-Driver in Class*

- ◆ Engraved Goblet

* Subject to minimum of 6 registered contenders

The Overall Champions of BTRDA Rally First are not eligible for Class Awards

To qualify for these awards a competitor must have started at least four qualifying events

The Championship Awards Presentation will take place on 1st December

BTRDA RALLY FIRST OFFICIALS

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Rally First Scrutineer - John Cooper. (MSA Eligibility and Nat A)

Tremai, Trebetherick, Wadebridge, Cornwall. PL27 6SG

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Any query concerning these regulations or the running of BTRDA Rally First must be referred to the Co-ordinator. Any subsequent protest must be submitted in writing to the BTRDA Championship Stewards via the Rally First Co-ordinator within the time limits set out in the MSA Yearbook.

The Championship registration fee is £40 for Drivers and £30 for Co-drivers. This includes full membership of the BTRDA which is an invited club on each event.



The *BTRDA* Rally Challenge 2008

The ***BTRDA* Rally Challenge** gives competitors the incentive to compete on the classic events in any of the Rally Championship promoted by BTRDA with the aim of recognising the best crews on gravel and asphalt. These championships are the Silverstone Tyres BTRDA Rally Series, the Richard Egger Projects MSA Asphalt Rally Championship, BTRDA Asphalt Rally Series and the MSA English Rally Championship. This encompasses the awesome stages on Epynt and Otterburn with the forests of Dalby, Crychan or Dyfi. These Championships collectively provide competitors with the widest possible choice from 10 gravel and 10 asphalt events.

Registered competitors will score points on any event they do in these Championships but with their best 6 scores – 3 from each surface to count.

In order to accommodate the many different cars and classes the BTRDA Rally Challenge will use the unique scoring system successfully used in the multi disciplined BTRDA All Rounders Championship. Points are awarded depending on your overall class position and the number of starters in the event class that you enter.

Awards:

1st BTRDA Rally Challenge Driver

Champion Drivers Trophy and replica

1st BTRDA Rally Challenge Co-Driver

A BTRDA award

2nd Overall Driver and Co-driver

BTRDA Goblets

3rd Overall Driver and Co-driver

BTRDA Goblets

Awards will be presented at the BTRDA Awards Luncheon in January 2009

There will be regular BTRDA Rally Challenge updates in the Championship News Letters, BTRDA News and on the Championship web sites **www.btrdarally.com** and **www.asphalt rallying.com**

The BTRDA Rally Challenge is open to **any** competitor who is registered in any of the gravel or asphalt championships promoted by BTRDA®. Registration for the BTRDA Rally Challenge is just £10.



MSA ENGLISH RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP 2008 – GENERAL REGULATIONS

BTRDA[®] will organise and promote the 2008 MSA English Rally Championship. The Championship will be run in accordance with the General Regulations of the Motor Sports Association (MSA) and these regulations. It is open to competitors holding a minimum of a National B Competition Licence. Championship Permit No 2008 / 5704 has been issued by the MSA.

Acceptance for the Championship will be acknowledged by the issue of a Registration Card which must be produced at documentation on each event. Championship registrations will close after round five. Championship bulletins containing details of point allocations and any changes in the Championship will be sent to registered competitors at intervals throughout the year.

CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS

The Championship will consist of 7 National B Forest Rallies. A competitor's best 5 scores will count.

Event	Date	Location
Wyedean Forest Rally	9 th February	Forest of Dean
Malcolm Wilson Rally	1 st March	Lake District
North Humberside Forest Rally	29 th March	North Yorkshire
Somerset Stages	26 th April	West Somerset
Dukeries Rally	14 th June	Sherwood Forest
Woodpecker Stages	30 th August	Shropshire
Tempest Rally	8 th November	Hampshire

(If the number of events reduces then the number of scores to count may also reduce)

Championship registration does not guarantee an entry on events. It is the responsibility of competitors to enter events in sufficient time. BTRDA[®] cannot enter into any correspondence or discussion about event entries or event seeding.

VEHICLES

The MSA English Rally Championship is open to all competitors in vehicles that comply with MSA Regulations H262 to H266 and which fit into one of the five Championship Classes.

CLASSES

Class E1	Up to and including 1400cc
Class E2	Over 1400cc up to and including 1600cc
Class E3	Over 1600cc up to and including 2000cc
Class E4	Over 2000cc two wheel drive
Class E5	Over 2000cc four wheel drive conforming to FIA Group N

The engine capacities stated are after multiplying the actual capacity by the forced induction equivalency factor of 1.7. This does not apply to Diesel engines.

To be eligible for Class E5, cars must be currently on the list of FIA homologated cars in Group N, or added to it during the period of the Championship, or formerly listed and still in compliance with their homologation papers. In addition to complying with MSA Technical and Safety Regulations, cars in Class E5 may only be modified in the manner described in the 2008 FIA Yearbook. Modifications published in the monthly official FIA Motor Sports Bulletin may be incorporated at the date given. Valid homologation papers must be carried in the car and be available for inspection by Championship / Event Scrutineers.

Competitors must display BTRDA[®] Motorsport Championship decals on either side of the car.

All vehicles may be subject to random capacity and eligibility checks throughout the year. These checks will be carried out by the Championship Scrutineers and/or members of the MSA Technical Commission who shall be considered Judges of Fact in matters of eligibility. In the event of a car being found ineligible then the penalties specified in the MSA Regulations [C (d 41)] shall apply. A competitor will be responsible for any costs they incur as a result of eligibility checking, whether found eligible or otherwise. The Championship organisers reserve the right to grant waivers to disabled competitors.

Permitted Fuels: Competitors are permitted to only use fuel that conforms to the definitions of Pump Fuels in the 2008 MSA Yearbook or fuel that complies with FIA Appendix J, Article 252, Art 9. No other fuels are permitted.

SCORING

A competitor's best five scores will count to their final Championship and Class point's total. The scoring system will reflect achievement against other registered competitors in the same capacity class and the level of Championship competition in that class.

Points will be allocated as follows: -

20 points to the highest placed registered driver/co-driver in each Championship class., 18 points to the second placed registered driver/co-driver in each Championship class, 17 points to the third and so on down to two points for the 18th placed driver / co-driver and every subsequent driver / co-driver in the class that finishes the event. One point will be awarded to every non finisher.

For the overall MSA English Rally Championship an addition point will be awarded for each Championship contender beaten in the class, up to a maximum of 5 points.

EG: If Class E1 has 8 registered competitors and Class E4 has 4 registered competitors.

The winner of Class E1 would score $20 + 5 = 25$

The winner of Class E4 would score $20 + 3 = 23$

Any ties will be decided in favour of the competitor with the greatest number of maximum scores within their best five scores. In the event of a further tie the greatest number of second highest scores shall decide and so on. Should this fail to resolve the tie then reference will be made to a competitor's best points score on their 6th event and then finally their 7th event. If this fails to resolve the tie then joint awards will be presented.

The allocation of Championship points will be based on the final results of the Championship events. Championship points will be awarded after each event and published in Championship Bulletins and / or on the Championship web site. These interim Championship points will become final 7 days after the publication of the Championship Bulletin. The end of year Championship points will become final 7 days after the publication of the final Championship Bulletin.

Once a competitor has registered for the Championship it is not possible to de-register. Even if Championship decals are removed, either member of the crew may still be counted as a registered competitor for the allocation of points, even though they may not be awarded any individual points.

CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS

MSA English Rally Champion Driver

MSA English Rally Champion Co-Driver

Second Overall Driver and Co-driver

Third Overall Driver and Co-driver

Champion Drivers Trophy & Award

Champion Co-Drivers Trophy & Award

BTRDA Awards

BTRDA Awards

Class Awards

1st Driver and Co-driver in class

BTRDA Awards

2nd Driver and Co-driver in class

BTRDA Awards

Winners of the Overall Awards will not be eligible for the class awards.

To qualify for any awards a competitor must have started at least 4 qualifying events

The Championship Awards Presentation will take place on 1st December 2008

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Any query concerning these regulations or the running of the Championship must be referred to the Championship Co-ordinator. Any subsequent protest must be referred in writing to the BTRDA Panel of Stewards via the BTRDA Ltd Secretary within the time limits set out in the MSA Yearbook. The BTRDA Panel of Stewards comprises any three from Mike Sones, Mike Stephens, Neil Mackay, Simon Harris and Terry Moore.

The registration fee for the MSA English Rally Championship is £30 for Drivers and £20 for Co-drivers plus £22 for full membership of the BTRDA® which is an invited club on each event. **If you are already registered for the 2008 Silverstone Tyres BTRDA Rally Series then the registration fee for the MSA English Rally Championship is just an additional £10 each.**

The Championship web site www.englishrally.co.uk linked to www.btrdarally.co.uk will be a source of live event results and information about the MSA English Rally Championship throughout the year.

CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS AND CONTACTS

The Championships will consist of 7 National B Forest Rallies. A competitor's best 5 scores will count.

9 February	GET CONNECTED WYEDEAN FOREST RALLY	<i>Chepstow / Forest of Dean</i>
Lilian Turley, Heathmount, Woodside, Bream, Nr. Lydney. GLOS. GL15 6ND.		
Email: lilianturley@bntinternet.com		Tel: 01594 810161
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1 March	MALCOLM WILSON RALLY	<i>Cockermouth / Lake District</i>
Ian & Lois Wright, 14 Monkswell Drive, Bolton le Sands, Carnforth, Lancashire. LA5 8HN		
Email: wright516@btinternet.com		Tel: 01524 824626
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29 March	NORTH HUMBERSIDE FOREST RALLY	<i>Whitby / North Yorkshire</i>
Amanda Smith, 159 Church Street, Whitby, North Yorkshire. YO22 4AS		
Email: entries@NorthHumbersideForestRally.org.uk		Tel: 01947 821862
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26 April	SOMERSET STAGES RALLY	<i>Minehead / North Somerset</i>
Cathie Leverton, 80 Herne Rise, Ilminster, Somerset. TA19 0HL		
Email: entries@somersetstagesrally.com		Tel: 0870 744 9160
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14 June	THE DUKERIES RALLY	<i>Southwell / Sherwood Forest</i>
Alan Rotherham, 5 Moor View Road, Staveley, Chesterfield, Derbyshire. S43 3UE		
Email: entries@dukeries-rally.co.uk		Tel: 01246 472002
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30 August	WOODPECKER STAGES	<i>Ludlow / Shropshire</i>
To be confirmed		
Email: woodpeckerentry@aol.com		Tel:
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10 November	TEMPEST RALLY	<i>Aldershot / Hampshire</i>
Pam Guess, 8 Bethel Lane, Upper Hale, Farnham, Surrey. GU9 0QA.		
Email: barrygcharlie@aol.com		Tel: 01252 727390