



CHAMPIONSHIP NEWSLETTER No. 1 – 2024

Welcome to the 2024 Protyre BTRDA Rally Series and Reis Motorsport Insurance Motorsport UK English Rally Championship, 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.

For those competitors who have not yet registered for 2024, then you should do so via the on-line BTRDA membership registration system 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 Reis Motorsport Insurance Motorsport UK English Rally Championship.

The 2024 BTRDA Rally Series calendar includes 8 very popular forest events. Your final championship results will be based on your **best 6 scores**.

1	Malcolm Wilson Rally*	8 th / 9 th March	Cockermouth/Lake District
2	Rallynuts Severn Valley	13 th April	Llandrindod Wells/Mid Wales
3	Border Counties Rally	11 th May	Jedburgh/Tweed Valley
4	Kielder Forest Rally	15 th June	Hexham/Northumberland
5	Nicky Grist Stages	13 th July	Builth Wells/Mid Wales
6	Woodpecker Stages	7 th September	Newtown/Mid Wales
7	Trackrod Forest Stages*	28 th September	Filey/Yorkshire Forests
8	Cambrian Rally*	26 th October	Llandudno/North Wales
R	Grizedale Stages	7 th December	Ambleside/Lake District
A	Awards Evening	18 th January 2025	Drayton Manor Resort

* The BTRDA reserve the right to include competitor stage times / results from other categories in these events.

CHAMPIONSHIPS, CLASSES and CUPS.

The **FUCHS Lubricants BTRDA GOLD STAR® Rally Championship** is open to all registered Drivers and Co-Drivers, except those competing in cars eligible for the Fuchs Lubricants BTRDA Bronze Star (1400) Championship or BTRDA Rally First Cup.

The **Protyre BTRDA SILVER STAR® Championship** is open to all registered Drivers and Co-Drivers competing in classes B12, B11, B10, R2, H1/2, H3/4.

The **FUCHS Lubricants BTRDA Bronze Star® Rally Championship** is part of the BTRDA Rally Series and is open to Drivers and Co-Drivers competing in classes 1400S, 1400C, RF1.4 and RF2.0.

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CLASSES

- Class RF1.4** BTRDA Rally First cars up to 1400cc or with forced induction up to 1,000cc.
- Class RF2.0** BTRDA Rally First cars over 1400cc up to 2000cc or forced induction up to 1300cc.
- Class 1400S** All cars up to 1400cc not eligible for Class 1400C or Class RF1.4.
- Class 1400C** Cars up to 1400cc with: -
- [a] 8 valve engines
 - [b] Engines with more than 8 valves that retain the standard fuel and inlet manifold systems.
 - [c] Engines up to 1000cc not eligible for Class RF1.4
- Remote reservoir suspension and sequential gearboxes are not permitted unless fitted as standard or homologated.*
- Class R2** Current and former FIA R2(B) cars (but not FIA spec Rally4 cars)
- Class B10** Cars over 1400cc up to 1600cc plus current & former FIA Group N3 cars and ST Trophy cars.
- Class B11** Over 1600cc up to 2000cc or with forced induction engines up to 1300cc plus any FIA Rally4 cars
- Class B12** Over 2000cc two-wheel drive, including all FIA R3T cars.
- Class B13** Over 2000cc four-wheel drive cars not eligible for Class B14 including FIA Rally3 cars.
- Class B14** Current and former FIA Rally2, R5 and S2000 specification cars and any derivatives therefrom, plus World Rally cars with a sequential gearbox.

All forced induction engines are subject to an additional capacity coefficient of 1.7 to 1, except as set out in Classes RF1.0, RF2.0 and Class B11 or where FIA Appendix J, Art 260 applies.

The Series organisers reserve the right to reclassify any vehicle if they consider it appropriate to do so.

Reis Motorsport Insurance BTRDA HISTORIC CUP



The BTRDA Historic Cup is open to all Historic Category 1, 2, 3 & 4 rally cars that comply with the eligibility requirements set out in R49 of the Motorsport UK Yearbook.

The overall Reis Motorsport Insurance BTRDA Historic Champion will be presented with the prestigious AC de Monaco Trophy at the end-of-year BTRDA awards ceremony.

The Historic Cup will be split into 2 classes: -

- Class H1/2** Historic Category 1 and 2 cars, Category 3 cars with single cam engines and Category 4a up to 1600cc.
- Class H3/4** Historic Category 3 cars with multi cam engines plus Category 4a cars over 1600cc and all Category 4b cars which comply with R49.1.5

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Historic Rally cars that comply with FIA Appendix K regulations with engines up to 1600cc are eligible for Class H1/2 and cars with engines over 1600cc are eligible for Class H3/4.

All vehicles must have a Historic Rally Vehicle Identity Form (HRVIF) or FIA Historic Technical Passport (FIA HTP) available for inspection. Category 3 and 4 cars must also present the appropriate homologation form, or any other documentation listed in the Motorsport UK Yearbook. Only period modifications used in rallying on the make and model of car are permitted.

CHAMPIONSHIP SPONSORS AND SUPPORTERS

We are pleased to welcome Protyre and Reis Motorsport Insurance as our title sponsors for the **Protyre** BTRDA Rally Series and **Reis Motorsport Insurance** Motorsport UK English Rally Championship. Both brands are respected throughout the Motorsport Community and we look forward to working with them in 2024. **Reis Motorsport Insurance** are supporting the BTRDA Historic Cup, and **Fuchs Lubricants (UK)** will be supporting the Gold and Bronze Star whilst **Mintex, Carless Racing Fuels** and **Kielder WT** will again be providing invaluable support through on-event product prizes .

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 2024 Protyre BTRDA Rally Series two competitors will each receive **25 litres of Carless Racing Fuel** plus the overall Junior Champion will receive a fuel package for 2025 if they compete in the BTRDA Rally Series.

Awards will go to the following classes

Malcolm Wilson Rally	H1/H2	H3/4	Rallynuts Severn Valley Stages	1400C	B12
Border Counties	B10	B11	Kielder Stages	1400S	B13
Nicky Grist Stages	R2	1400S	Woodpecker Stages	B11	B10
Trackrod Forest Rally	B12	1400C	Cambrian Rally	R2	H1/2

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 Protyre BTRDA Rally Series.

On each round of the Protyre BTRDA Rally Series a competitor from the Gold and Bronze Star Championships will be selected at random to receive a free set of 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.**

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Kielder will be offering a great prize to a driver on each round of the championship and an end of season award to a lucky marshal

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

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 2024 and beyond please contact Neil Cross, Rally Committee Chair trec1.nec@btinternet.com

Decals – First Issue & Replacement

Championship decals will be posted out to all drivers who are registered for 2024, up to the 3rd 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 3rd March can collect them from the BTRDA Championship Team at the Malcolm Wilson Rally. Replacement decals are available, but a small charge may be made to cover admin. costs.

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. At the end of event cars may 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 class 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 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

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Reis Motorsport Insurance Motorsport UK ENGLISH RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP

For the **Reis Motorsport Insurance Motorsport UK English Rally Championship** we have retained an all-gravel surface format which is open to **all** cars that comply with the Motorsport UK Safety and Technical Regulations. The 2024 Championship will include a selection of the best 'English' forest events. A total of seven 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.

Reis Motorsport Insurance Motorsport UK English Rally Championship - Calendar

1	Malcolm Wilson Rally*	8 th / 9 th March	Cockermouth / Lake District
2	Border Counties Rally	11 th May	Jedburgh / Tweed Valley
3	Kielder Forest Rally	15 th June	Hexham / Northumberland
4	Woodpecker Stages	7 th September	Newtown/Mid Wales
5	Trackrod Forest Rally*	28 th September	Filey / North Yorkshire
6	Wyedean Stages Rally	16 th November	Coleford / Forest of Dean
7	Grizedale Stages	6 th / 7 th December	Ambleside / Lake District

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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

Class E7	Current and former FIA Rally2, R5 and S2000 specification cars and any derivatives therefrom, plus World Rally cars with a sequential gearbox.
Class E6	Over 2000cc four-wheel drive cars not eligible for Class E7, plus FIA Rally3 cars
Class E5	Over 2000cc 2-WD cars including all FIA R3T cars and Historic Category 4b cars which comply with R49,1.5.
Class E4	Over 1600cc up to 2000cc or with forced induction engines up to 1300cc, plus any FIA Rally4 cars. Historic Category 3 cars with multi cam engines and Category 4a cars over 1600cc.
Class E3	Cars over 1400cc up to 1600cc plus current & former FIA Group N3 and ST Trophy cars and all R2 cars.
Class E2	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
Class E1	All BTRDA Rally First cars including F1000 and J1000 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 2024 Reis Motorsport Insurance Motorsport UK English Rally Championship registration is all part of the 2024 Prot tyre BTRDA Rally Series and BTRDA membership package.**

More information about the Reis Motorsport Insurance Motorsport UK English Rally Championship can be found at www.englishrally.co.uk

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Championship Team

After 6 years Ian Arden has stepped down as Championship Co-ordinator.

The 2024 Championship Co-Ordinator is:

Neil Cross: Email: trec1.nec@btinternet.com Mob: 07767773862

Neil will be out on events supported by a Team of on event Championship Officials

Championship Eligibility Scrutineer

Geoff Doe will be our Championship Eligibility Scrutineer

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John Cooper will be supporting Geoff on nominated rounds.

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