



14th November

Event Regulations



Introduction: Welcome to the Gunpowder Plot Scatter!

- Ross and District Motor Sports Ltd. will organise a navigational scatter on 14th November 2019.
 - The navigational scatter is beginner friendly whilst also providing a good evening's entertainment for regular competitors. An outline of the event follows with further details in the later sections.
 - Competitors will plot 20 locations on the maps at the start of the event. At each of these locations will be found the answers to questions provided on a clue sheet. Competitors visit as many locations as they wish, in any order following a route of their choice.
 - There is no road timing during the event, but competitors will be required to finish by 1 hour and 45 minutes after their road time starts. A maximum score will be achieved if 15 locations are visited within the overall road time, with the questions correctly answered at each. Simple!
1. **Jurisdiction:** This meeting will be held under the General Regulations of Motorsport UK (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA), these Supplementary Regulations, and any written instructions that the organising club may issue for this event.
 2. **Authorisation:** *Motorsport UK* have issued Permit No: 110250. The Wales Route Liaison Officer (RLO) is aware of the event, and full details will be provided to both the RLO and Gwent Police.
 3. **Eligibility:** The event is open to all fully-elected members of the Ross and District Motor Sports Ltd. Minimum navigator age is 12 years. Additional passengers may be carried if properly seated and with a seat belt.
 - Club Membership cards will be inspected at signing on.
 - All vehicles must be road legal. The event is intended for standard vehicles; it is not for full-blown rally cars. Vehicles must have a maximum of four forward facing beams complying with *Motorsport UK Yearbook* section R18.5, and meet road rally noise regulations within *Motorsport UK Yearbook* section J5.18. The organisers' decision as to vehicle eligibility is final.
 4. **Entries:** Entries open on publication of these Regulations and close on receipt of **twenty entries** or at **20:00 on Monday 11th November**, whichever is earlier. Entries will be accepted strictly in order of receipt with cleared payment.
 - **Please note that due to recent insurance provision changes, all competitors & cars must be registered before the event. This means payment and full details of the driver and car must have been received by the entries closing date.** No last minute entries, changes (to drivers or cars), or paying on the night (sorry).
 - Entries must be made on the official entry form and be accompanied by the entry fee of £25.00. This entry fee includes insurance (mandatory for all competitors).
 - Completed entry forms should either be:
 - e-mailed to richmcl@mcrally.co.uk with the entry fee paid by bank transfer (see below)
 - handed or posted (Burbage Moor, St Marys Road, Monmouth, NP25 3JE) to Richard McLachlan along with cash or cheque payment
 - Bank transfers should be made to
 - Ross & District Motor Sports Limited, sort code: 09-01-29 account number: 34908761
 - Please use as Reference SCA_____ filling the blanks with the driver's surname. e.g. "SCA CLOUGH". It can take 2 or 3 working days for us to see the payment.
 - You will be emailed a confirmation of receipt when you submit your entry.
 5. **Officials:** The following officials are in place;
 - Clerk of the Course - Richard McLachlan (07900 135383)
 - Secretary of the Meeting - Eddie Clough (07920 161650)
 - *Motorsport UK* Club Safeguarding Officer - Russell Joseph (07720 691740)

- Scrutineer and Driving Standards Officer - Keith Meakin (01989 769041 or 07901 074227)
 - All Officials are Judges of Fact
6. **Location:** The event will **start and finish** at The Bell, Skenfrith. Map 161, Ref: 458 201.5
7. **Insurance:** Third Party Liability cover that complies with the Road Traffic Act will be provided to all competitors as part of the entry fee via MIS insurance. There are no specific restrictions on the provision of cover, however if any competitors have previously been disqualified from driving, please contact the clerk of course as soon as possible.
8. **Items Needed**
- OS Landranger 1:50000 scale maps 161 will be required (latest editions not essential)
 - 'Potti' or other map reading lamp
 - Roamer (for plotting grid references)
 - Reliable Torch (for finding clues)
 - Pen and Pencil(s), and Eraser recommended!
 - Fuel should be carried for at least 50 miles
 - Mobile Phones (or other on-line devices) may be carried during the event but **MUST** be switched off prior to the drivers briefing, and remain off for the duration of the event - penalty disqualification. Phones are only to be used in an emergency.
9. **Classes:** This event will have no class structure.
10. **Championships:** The event is a round of the Ross Motorsports Club "Navigational Exercise Championship 2019", and Ross Motorsports Club "Internal Championship 2019".
11. **Driving Standards:**
- Driving standards will be monitored carefully. All event officials have the power to exclude any competitor generating excessive engine or tyre noise or for inconsiderate driving. Remember that this is a Scatter, not a 12-Car rally, and therefore it is possible that competitors will be traversing the same piece of road in opposite directions; for this reason, extra care must be taken. Please be considerate to householders on your chosen route especially near clue locations.
12. **Programme:** The programme of the event is as follows. The organiser's clock will be set to BBC time.
- **Scrutineering and Signing-on 19:00 to 19:30**
 - Please report to the scrutineer on arrival at the pub car park, then proceed inside to sign on.
 - Cars will be scrutineered for eligibility and safety checks may be made at the scrutineers' discretion e.g. of lighting, tyres, seatbelts etc.
 - When signed-on, competitors will be provided with a list of quiet zones and black spots to be plotted. These will also be sent in the final instructions.
 - Please arrive as close to 19:00 as possible (or before) in order to provide enough time for the above.
 - **Competitors Briefing 19:30 to 19:35**
 - **Plotting Time 19:35 onwards (40 minutes maximum)**
 - Competitors will be provided with their plotting information following the competitors' briefing. This information will provide the locations of the clues on the map via a mixture of grid references and other navigation means which may include tulips, herringbones (straight line diagrams), spot heights, grid lines, features on the map, or direction of departure from the grid squares. All plotting will be simple in nature and will only define a single point where

the clue is located i.e. it is not intended that the competitors follow the route defined by a navigation sequence. Example navigation and clues are available from the organisers.

- **At any point** a competitor may declare that they have finished plotting by attending the organiser's car. The competitors' "Plot Time" will be recorded and they will be provided with a clue sheet containing the questions to be answered. Their road time will start at the next available whole minute. All competitors are required to start their road time by 20:15.
- **"Plot Time" will be used as a tie-breaker in the event of equal points being scored.**
- **Road Time (End of Plotting Time) to (End of Plotting Time + 1h 45m)**
 - Competitors will choose their own route around the clue locations.
 - At each location visited, the clue sheet will require a question to be answered in pen.
 - To gain maximum points, competitors are required to visit 15 locations and correctly answer the question at each.
 - Competitors must report to the finish (inside the Bell pub) within 1h 45m hours of the start of their road time, or incur lateness penalties (see section 13). There is no penalty for early arrival at the finish.
 - Maximum lateness at the finish will be 30 minutes, after which competitors will be excluded from the results. Latest permissible finish will be 22:30 (for a competitor leaving at 20:15).
 - The route is chosen by the competitors but maximum points can be gained following a route of less than 50 miles.
- **Finish Approx: 21:30 to 22:00, latest 22:30**
 - Competitors shall present their Clue sheet complete with answers to the organisers. The first 15 answered questions (numerically) will be marked and any others disregarded (so cross out any unwanted answers). The organisers shall calculate a total score in accordance with section 13.
- **Results will be announced as soon as possible after the finish at The Bell, Skenfrith.** Please show your appreciation to The Bell by making use of their bar facilities.

13. Points and Penalties: The following scoring system shall be used to determine the winner.

- Correct answer + 10 points
- Incorrect answer - 5 points
- Early Arrival at Finish No Penalty
- Lateness at Finish (timed to previous whole minute)
 - Per minute late for the first 5 minutes - 1 point
 - Per minute late for 6-15 minutes - 2 points
 - Per minute late for 16-30 minutes - 3 points
 - Over 30 Minutes late Disqualification
- Black Spot Infringement Disqualification
- Quiet Zone Infringement Disqualification
- Use of Mobile Phone other than in emergency Disqualification
- In the case of a tiebreak, plot time shall be used to determine the finishing order.

Example: Competitor collects 12 correct answers (120 points), 1 incorrect answer (-5 points), and arrives 8 minutes late (-11 points). Total Score: 104 points.

14. Have fun! We hope that you have a good evening's entertainment. For any more information please call Richard McLachlan on 07900 135383 or Eddie Clough on 07920 161650.