Hatsford Targa Road Rally 2025





2024 Winners: Trevor Disney/Aaron Toms (Ford Fiesta ST150) Photograph: © M&H Photography





2025 BTRDA® Gold and Silver Star Targa Road Rally Championship



Supplementary Regulations

Introduction

Welcome to the Hatsford Targa Road Rally 2025 organised by Ross and District Motor Sports Ltd. on Sunday 10th August 2025.

The unique rally will once again by entirely based around the grass fields on the Clerks estate. The venue is long established pastureland which has proved fairly durable and does not cut up too much. We recommend the fitting of underbody protection for the more enthusiastic competitors. For 2025 the tyre restriction to preserve the venue has been lifted slightly allowing for 'summer' road pattern tyres or those available on List R.

Despite the rising cost of living, the organisers have managed to maintain a reasonably priced event with great value for money, proving 6 tests totalling around 30 miles, all for an entry fee of £99. Please note over the past few years the popular event has been full within hours of entries opening so get your entries in quickly.

Once again, any crew providing at least one marshal, will receive £10 cash back. All marshals who sign on, will also receive a varied goodie bag and a chuck wagon voucher.

The event is a round of the HEL Performance 2025 ASWMC Targa Road Rally Championship, BTRDA Gold Star Championship and CMSG Targa Rally Championships. Championship contenders must enter the 'Interclub' category. There is also the option of the Clubman's event for those from invited clubs. You will require a 'RS Clubman' licence for the Clubman's event which is available from Motorsport UK.

For anyone wanting accommodation please see the article enclosed in these regulations.

James Griffiths and the organising committee

1. Announcement

Ross and District Motor Sports Ltd. will organise a dual permit Interclub and Clubman Targa Road Rally on Sunday 10th August 2025. The whole event takes place at: Address: Hatsford, Aylton, Herefordshire, HR8 2QJ Map reference: 149/645364

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The Clubman status Targa Road Rally is open to any member of Ross and District Motor Sports Ltd. and any invited club.

The Interclub event will be a round of the following championships.

Hel Performance 2025 ASWMC Targa Road Rally Championship.

CMSGCC Targa Road Rally Championship on behalf of the Association of West Midland Motor Clubs in association with BP MOTOR BODYBUILDERS & ENGINEERS

JD Competition Tyres 2025 BTRDA Gold Star Targa Road Rally Championship.

2. Jurisdiction

The meeting will be governed by the National Competition Rules of Motorsport UK incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA, and these supplementary regulations and any written instructions that the organising club may issue for the event.

3. Authorisation

Motorsport UK Permits will be displayed on the official notice board during the event. Interclub permit number issued - 203856 Clubman permit number issued – 203855

HEL Performance 2025 ASWMC permit number issued – CH2025/Rally047(E) BP Motor Bodybuilders CMSG permit number issued – CH2025/RALLY032(D) JD Competition Tyres 2025 BTRDA Gold Star Targa Road Rally Rally permit number issued – CH2025/RALLY030 (E)

4. Eligibility and Championships

The Interclub event is open to all fully elected members of Ross and District Motor Sports Ltd. and members of clubs within the ASWMC, AWMMC, BTRDA and Cotswold Motor Sport Group. All crews must produce a valid Club Membership card from an invited club at documentation, if requested.

The Clubman event is open to all fully elected members of Ross and District Motor Sports Ltd. and the following Motor Clubs; Tavern Motor Club, Herefordshire Motor Club, Oxford Motor Club, Cotswold Motor Sport Group Competitors Club, South Oxon Car Club, HOVAC. Up to eight other Clubs may be added to this list on request.

For those not already a members, full membership of Ross and District Motor Sports Club is available at £12 per person (£5 for under 18's) from 1st August 2025 for the rest of the calendar year. This can be accepted on-line with the entry fee. Club cards would best included in the event pack.

Motorsport UK Competition Licences are required for all crew members. Interclub crews must have an Interclub licence or higher grade. Clubman crews must have at least an RS Clubman licence. Licences may be inspected at documentation and competitors will be declaring the fact that they have appropriate licences in the pre-event documentation. All drivers must have a full valid RTA driving licence for a car. Navigators must be at least 12 years of age. If either crew is under 18, they must have the appropriate legal consent of the parent / guardian / guarantor.

5. Propose	d Timetable
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Tuesday 24th June
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Tuesday 1st July Entries Open	19:00
Friday 25 th July	
Entries Close.	12:00

Friday 1st August

All crews must have completed pre-event documentation Signing on will be electronic prior to the event.

Monday 4th August

Final instructions will be sent out

Sunday 10th August

Gates Open	06:45
Scrutineering and Noise Test	07:00 to 08:30
Documentation collection at Rally HQ tent	07:05 to 08:40*
Drivers briefing at Rally HQ tent	08:45
First competitor starts test 1	09:01
Approximate finish time for first car	around 16:45
*Any competitor not passed scrutineering and collected	d their documentation by 08:40 will be
replaced by any reserves	

6. Entries

Entries must be made through the online entry system provided by MTC1. <u>https://mtc1.uk/Entry/HatsfordTarga25/EntryForm.php</u>

Acceptance of entries will be in order of receipt (**TBA**, **full stop**, **single letter etc. are not an acceptable name for a competitor or car**), providing payment of entry. Confirmation of acceptance of entry will be an automated email. Double Drivers, navigating and / or driving in one car and navigating in another, is NOT allowed.

DO NOT pay an entry fee before entries open. The automated acknowledgement e-mail provides you with a designated entry number. If your number is **60 or less**, you should pay for your entry fee within the next three days (before noon on Friday 25th July). Accepted entries will be moved to the 'entry accepted' part of the on-line list after payment has been received. This will be considered notification that your entry being accepted. Failure to not pay the entry fee before the aforesaid date, your entry will go to the bottom of the full entry list. If your entry number is **above 60**, **DO NOT PAY** until requested to do so by the organising Club.

Fees and method of payment: Entry fee is £99 Entry fee and membership for one is £111 Entry fee and membership for two is £123

Payment via bank transfer payment to the following: Account Name: Ross and District Motor Sports Ltd Sort Code: 09-01-29 Account Number: 34908761

Please use HT and your initials and surname for the reference e.g. HT-SHARRIS. You should allow 48-hour period for the fee to be received.

Cancelled entries must be made in writing or via email to the Entries Secretary. No verbal cancellations will be accepted.

Refunds will not be made until after the event.

The maximum entry is 60. The minimum number of entries will be 45. A minimum entry per class is 3. Should the minimum figures not be reached, the organisers reserve the right to amalgamate classes and/or cancel the meeting. Entries will be accepted on a first-come first-served basis.

The entry will be seeded at the organisers' discretion. An entry containing a false or incorrect statement shall be null and void, and the entrant deemed to be guilty of a breach of the NCR of Motorsport UK. The entry fee may be forfeited in accordance with **NCR Chapter 3 Appendix 5** - **9.1.** The organisers may conduct random checks to establish the validity of all or some of the information contained on the entry form. The Entries Secretary is:

Mr Simon Harris simonharris8@outlook.com_01531 820761 (no calls after 21:00hrs please)

The organisers reserve the right to decline any entry without giving their reasons. Final Instructions including the Official Entry List will be sent to competitors by email and available to download from the website during the week prior to the event.

The organising Club's Privacy Notice is on the Club website. All competitors agree that, by submitting an entry, the organising Club may wish to publish their personal data as part of the organisation of the event. This data may include (but is not limited to) name, club affiliation, occupation and age category, entry lists, competition times, results, insurance, licences and safety. We may pass such information to Motorsport UK, national governing body and/or the FIA or any affiliated organisation.

7. Regulations regarding parental / guardian liabilities

Parents, guardians or guarantors of drivers or navigators under the age of 18 years of age are now required to sign on online, to enable their child to participate. By signing on, those parents, guardians or guarantors confirm that they have acquainted themselves with and agree to be bound by the Motorsport UK General Regulations and Motorsport UK **NCR Chapter 3 Appendix 4. Article 3.** They also agree to accept the consequences, and any associated penalties imposed for not adhering to General Regulations.

8. Classes

The Interclub event will consist of the following classes: Class I1: Car with engines up to 1400cc Class I2: Cars with engines of 1401cc and over

The Clubman event will consist of the following classes: Class CE1: Expert crews with engine of up to 1400cc Class CE2: Expert crews with engines of 1401cc and over Class CN1: Novice crews with engine of up to 1400cc Class CN2: Novice crews with engines of 1401cc and over

Expert: a driver who, at the time of entry, has competed in 5 or more rallies with special tests as a driver in the last 5 years, or has won their class in such an event.

Novice: a driver who, at the time of entry, falls outside the definition of expert.

Only Endurance Road Rallies, Historic Road Rallies, Targa Road Rallies and Road Rallies should be taken into account for the above classifications. The organisers reserve the right to amend an entry to a different class if they deem it fairer to do so.

The organisers reserve the right to amalgamate classes as necessary if the minimum numbers are not met.

9. Noise Test & Scrutineering

Scrutineering and noise will take place at the Hatsford venue on Sunday 10th August between 07:00 and 08:30. Further details will be given in the Final Instructions.

All cars must comply with the 2025 Motorsport UK technical regulations **NCR Chapter 13 Appendix 13 Article 11 Part C, with the following amendments.** Motorsport UK Regulations can be found at <u>https://www.motorsportuk.org/resource-centre/</u>

By virtue of the entire event taking place wholly on private land In line with **NCR Chapter 13 Appendix 11c Article 2.3**, vehicles need not be taxed for the public highway, nor is additional road section insurance required.

4WD cars are not permitted

Noise checks will be performed in accordance with **NCR Chapter 13 Appendix 1 Article 7.4** - 98dB(A) at 0.5m or 86dB(A) at 2.0m at 2/3 maximum engine rpm. Further tests may be performed throughout the event.

In-car cameras and Go-Pro's etc. are not permitted.

At scrutineering Competitors may be required to present:

- A current MOT certificate, if applicable
- The registration document for the vehicle
- An SOS/OK board
- A warning triangle
- A reflective Tabard or Jacket
- A small spill kit must be carried (NCR Chapter 13 Appendix 11C Article 2.1)

Crews failing either Noise Test or Scrutineering will not be permitted to start the event and will not be refunded their entry fee. Crews will be able to re-test providing they satisfy the Environmental Scrutineer and/or the Chief Scrutineer of acceptable workmanship. Crews failing a noise test carried out on route will not be permitted to continue, unless they are able to pass the Noise test without using any form of temporary silencers.

Advertising is permitted but must not exceed 1250 sq cm in total. Also, it is permitted to fit a sun strip of no more than 90mm deep which may display the manufacture make or model, or the name of the event, or a recognised Motor Club or Charity providing it does not affect the Driver's view.

10. Wheels and Tyres

Tyres must comply with **NCR Chapter 8 Appendix 4 Article 3.1** and with the following restrictions:

The following tyres are prohibited to help preserve the land:

- a. Those having any of the following patterns, inscriptions or manufacturer's designation: 'All Seasons', 'Grip', 'Snow', 'Special Use', 'Town & Country', 'Mud & Snow', 'M&S', 'M.S.', 'M+S', the Three Peaks Mountain or Snowflake symbols
- b. Those showing any signs of the above markings being removed
- c. Those having additional grooves intentionally cut into the tread pattern (post manufacture)
- d. Those constructed originality for off-road and motor sport use (except those on List R)
- e. Tyres on List 6

If you have any doubts about the legality of your tyres, please contact the Clerk of the Course in advance.

11. Fuel

No fuel is available on site, competitors should ensure they carry enough fuel for approximately 35 miles of special tests.

12. Documentation

After successful completion of scrutineering and documentation, crews will be supplied with their Rally Pack, containing Safety Information and Test Safety Procedures, Test Diagrams, Time Cards, Time Record Sheet and Rally Plate / Numbers. Competitors must be ready to start a test when requested to do so by an Official. Should it be necessary to issue any official bulletins before or during the event, all competitors will be notified and signed for. These bulletins will all have the same authority as these Supplementary Regulations.

13. Identification

Competitors will be identified by **one rally plate supplied by the organisers**, which must be fixed to the rear of the car. **In addition, two numbers will be supplied, which must be affixed to both the nearside rear and offside rear windows. These must be removed upon completion of the event** or upon retirement. It is the competitor's responsibility to ensure these plates are legible throughout the event.

14. Route

There are six planned tests on private land with a total test distance of approximately 30 miles. The surface will be 99% grass/earth. The tests will be set at an average speed of 30 mph or less and timed to the second. The route will be clearly defined by test diagrams to comply with **NCR Chapter 13 Appendix 1 Article 9**. All the organiser's times and distances will be deemed to be correct.

During the event, all competitors must declare any damage incurred, either to their car or to any part of the venue on the form provided at documentation. Competitors' who retire must return their damage declaration form to the organisers within 72 hours of the end of the event.

15. Officials

Clerk of the Course	James Griffiths	hatsford@gmail.com
Deputy Clerk of the Course	Charlie Rees	
Secretary	Matt Rogers	<u>codrivingmatt@gmail.com</u>
Entry Secretary	Simon Harris	simonharris8@outlook.com
		eddie_clough@hotmail.co.uk
Chief Marshal	Eddie Clough	or 07920 16165
Chief Scruitineer	Paul Loveridge	
Environmental Scruitineer	Rob Baldwin	
Stewards	Neil Fuller and Dood Pearce	
Radio Control	David Smythe	
Chief Timekeeper	Phil Jones	
Event Paramedic	Tony Morgan / Murray Stephens	
Event Recovery	Mark Lake	
Results	Rallyroots	
Competitor Liaison Officer	Russell Joseph	
Photographer	mandhphotography	
Safeguarding Officer	Carol Morgan	07882 665989
Judges of Fact	All marshals and officials	

All marshals who have signed on, are deemed to be Judges of Fact for any regulation relevant to the control point and manoeuvres on the special tests at which they are officiating.

All DSOs are appointed to ensure compliance with NCR Chapter 13 Appendix 2 Article 4.41.

16. Controls and Timing

The event consists of Special Tests. Special Tests will open at times specified in the Road Book. Test diagrams will be provided that will clearly show the correct route to be followed. Timing will be by digital clocks set to BBC Time and the official rally clock will be on display at documentation.

Cars will start some tests at one minute intervals and other tests at 30 seconds intervals. If gaps appear in the running order, these will be closed up to allow for the smooth running of the event.

Competitors will carry their own Time Cards, on which the Officials will write the starting and finishing times for each test. These must be handed in immediately after completing each test. Timekeepers and marshals will maintain records of passage and route compliance. It is the competitor's responsibility to ensure that they comply with the route instructions on the test diagrams.

Driving Standards Check: Marshals are in the fields to established to observe driving standards. They will not be on the route to ensure safety.

Special Test Start: At these controls there will be a **Red Control board showing a flag** indicating the start point. At a Test Start Time Control (STC) each crew is given a start time in hours, minutes and seconds – normally the next whole minute or half minute – and the timekeeper will write this on the competitors' Time Card. The timekeeper assumes the crew is ready to start the test and counts the crew down to the written start time. Should there be a delay at the Test Start, the start marshal will record any delay on the check sheet. It is the responsibility of the competitor to ensure the start marshal records any delay. Special Tests will be open at times specified in the roadbook or at the Clerk of the Course discretion.

Special Test Finish: At these controls there will be a **STOP** board. At this control you are timed to the second. The timekeeper will record the finish time on the competitors Time Card in hours, minutes and seconds. The crew will be timed when you STOP astride the defined finish cones. If you overshoot, you will be penalised as per 17.7. If you reverse, you will be also penalised as per 17.8. Time Cards need to be handed in immediately after the end of each test to the finish marshal.

Controls open 5 minutes before the scheduled time of the first car and close 10 minutes after the scheduled time of the last car.

17. Penalties Penalties will in the form of time penalties and are applied as per **Chapter 13 Appendix 7**, with these amendments:

(a) Not reporting or not providing proof of reporting within OTL at a Main Time Control	Retired
Special Tests	
1. Not attempting a Special Test	Maximum Time + 15 minutes
2. Taking a wrong route in a Special Test	Maximum Time
3. Making a false start in a Special Test	30 seconds per offence
4. Taking a time less than minimum time to complete a Special	Minimum Time
Test	
5. Taking a time greater than maximum time to complete a	Maximum Time
Special Test	
6. Taking a time between minimum and maximum time to	1 second per second
complete a Special test	
7. Failing to stop astride the finish line	30 seconds per offence
8. Reversing at the Test Finish, having failed to stop	5 minutes
9. Failing to comply with stop / go procedure	30 seconds per offence
10. Striking a cone, stake, bollard or barrier	10 seconds per offence
11. Wrong side of cone or marker or wrong sequence e.g. L-R- L rather than R-L-R	30 seconds per offence

12. Making no attempt to perform a designated manoeuvre during a Special Test or short cutting by passing through a gap caused by a tape or barrier having been previously damaged or removed	2 minutes per offence
13. Driving in a dangerous manner or likely to bring the sport into disrepute	Disqualification
14. Reversing after a split or returning to a split from the wrong direction	Disqualification

If a crew realise, they have made a route error **while in the same field,** they may return **safely** to a place before where the error was made and complete the manoeuvre correctly without penalty, having due regard to other competitors who must be given priority.

Whatever penalties are accrued on a test, the maximum penalty will be the specified test maximum except as in 13 and 14 above.

Penalties left to the discretion of the Clerk of the Course which may go as far as exclusion. Chapter 5 Appendix 5: Articles 2.2, 2.3a, c, e, f, h.

18. Force Majeure or Baulking

The organisers will <u>not</u> accept any claim from competitors concerning either Force Majeure or Baulking.

If a special test is interrupted of normal running after the passage of one or more competitors, and it proves impossible thereafter for other competitors to continue, the Clerk of the Course <u>MAY</u> give each affected competitor a notional time based on average penalty set up to the moment of interruption.

If the section is re-started, those crews completing the section after the restart will receive the time taken by them, as will those competitors who completed the section before the interruption.

19. COMPETITOR LIAISON OFFICER (CLO)

Should you have any difficulty or query with any aspect of the event please bring it to the attention of the Competitor Liaison Officer who can help or resolve a potential problem. The CLO will be available before and after each test.

20. Results

Indictive results will be posted on the Rallyroots Result Service throughout the day.

Assessment of performance will be decided firstly by the amount of time penalties accrued. Ties will be decided in favour of furthest cleanest as **NCR Chapter 13 Appendix 5 Article 6.6.** Should a further method be necessary to resolve a tie, it will be decided on smallest engine capacity.

The organisers reserve the right to cancel sections from the results should they deem it fairer to do so, force majeure notwithstanding.

The organisers may give a notional or corrected time at any Special Test Start or Special Test Finish, at which (in the organisers' opinion) an inaccurate time has been recorded; in exceptional circumstances the organisers may downgrade a control to a passage control. Provisional results will be produced as soon as possible.

Competitors will be supplied with one Results Query Form. More than one query on the same matter must be treated as Protests. Protests must be made in accordance with NCR Chapter 2 Appendix 9 and be accompanied by the appropriate fee of £70 NCR Chapter 1 Appendix 2 Article 11.1.

Once results are final, the awards will be presented.

21. Insurance

Private land – the standard Motorsport UK third party insurance will cover those parts of the route that are on private land. Please note that under the event Motorsport UK permit and insurance there is an excess of £450 for any accidental damage caused to the property on private land and the organiser's reserve the right to recover an amount up to this limit from a competitor.

22. Servicing

The paddock will be a large flat grass field where there is plenty of space. Servicing will not be permitted at any time during the event, except by crews working on their own vehicle. Assistance from other competitors is permitted. The penalty for infringement is Exclusion.

23. Awards

The organisers reserve the right to alter, amend or add to the below. The overall winner of the Interclub or Clubman rally, is exempt from class awards. No crew can win more than one award.

Awards will be presented as follows:

First overall Interclub Driver First overall Interclub Navigator

First overall Clubman Driver First overall Clubman Navigator

1st crew in each class – two awards
2nd crew in each class – two awards (subject to 6 starters)
3rd crew in each class – two awards (subject to 10 starters)

24. Catering

Please support the professional caterers present who are there for you and the marshals. Please allow the marshals to jump the queue as their downtime will be much shorter than yours.

25. Marshalling

ALL offers to marshal on the event will be happily received by the Chief Marshal. Just e-mail or phone (not after 21:00) – details above. All marshals (including those who are marshalling for a crew) will receive a small goodie bag along with a food and drink voucher for the chuck wagon as a token of the organisers' appreciation.

There will be a **£10 cashback** on the day to each crew who supply one or more marshals. Marshals must be signed on and be on-post (from the start of Test One, to the finish of Test Six) throughout the day.

26. Accommodation

Camping is available within the paddock area subject to prior authorisation from the Clerk of the Course.

We hope you will enjoy your day's motor sport



Encouraging a positive environment, on and off the track

A socially-minded standard of behaviour is expected from everyone within the motorsport community.

By participating in a Motorsport UK event, in any capacity, you are agreeing to follow the values of the governing body's Respect Code:

RESPECT
INTEGRITY
FAIR PLAY
SELF-CONTROL
GOOD MANNERS

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