

2011

# Rockingham Stages



10th & 11th December  
Rockingham Motor Speedway



# Final Instructions

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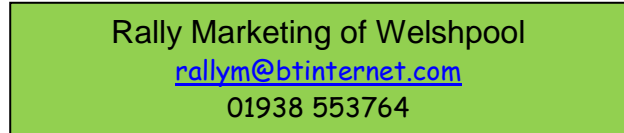
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## Final Instructions – Competitor Bulletin No 1

Thank you for your support and entry for The *Rockingham Stages*, 2011. Despite the low entry and resultant substantial loss to the two Clubs, the event will take place, as we are contracted to pay the venue in any event.

Your competition number is as shown on the enclosed entry list.

Vehicle Passes for the Service Van/Trailer, Competition Vehicle and one additional 'Team' vehicle are also enclosed. Please ensure these are displayed as you enter the venue, otherwise you will be asked to pay the spectator entry charge of £10.00 per vehicle per day. In view of the low entry, space within the Service Area should not be at a premium, however, 'Team' vehicles and trailers should be parked on the gravel area shown on the site plan. PLEASE LEAVE ALL THE ROADWAYS AND THE AREA AT THE REAR OF THE GRANDSTAND CLEAR AT ALL TIMES.

- Venue.** The only entrance to the venue is from Mitchell Road. Follow the permanent signs to Rockingham Motor Speedway. **Please note that if you arrive before 17.00 on Friday evening you may be asked to wait on the main approach road until after that time due to another function using the Outer Paddock.** Please unload your vehicle and park the trailer in the trailer park before proceeding to your service spot - spaces are not pre-allocated, so you may park where you like within the Service Area, but please leave roadways clear for access and note that ONLY Competing Vehicles may use the entrance by the Grandstand/Welcome Centre. Please also note that as the stage route passed the Service Area entrance gate, that gate will be closed at 11.00 on Saturday. An alternative route will be available, but it is advisable that any vehicles that may require to leave the venue while the stages are running be parked in the main car park. Floor cloths must be used to ensure that no ground contamination occurs. PLEASE DO NOT MAKE ANY EXCESSIVE NOISE OR REV ENGINES, ESPECIALLY BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 18.00 and 09.45.
- Scrutiny and Documentation - Friday (18.00 - 20.00).** Scrutiny, where you will be given your process card, will take place within the Scrutineering Bay in the inner paddock. Documentation will be within the adjacent building. If required, competition numbers will be on sale at Documentation. Road Books etc. will be issued at Documentation. Time Cards will be issued after passing the Noise Test on Saturday morning. After scrutiny/documentation please follow the one way system and return to the Service Area via the Pedestrian Tunnel.
- Scrutiny, Noise Test and Documentation - Saturday (07.30 - 11.30).** Scrutiny and the Noise test will take place within the Scrutineering Bay / Noise Test area in the inner paddock. On arrival at the venue, when unloaded and ready, report to the Noise Test (**100 dB(A)**) where you will be given your process card, which you should take with you to Scrutiny and Documentation. Competition numbers WILL BE on sale at the venue (at Documentation in the Welcome Centre) - if you need them, please collect them before going to the Noise Check.  
After scrutiny, follow the one-way system via the pedestrian tunnel, back to the Service Area. Park your car back in the Service Area and proceed to Rally HQ (The Welcome

Centre) for documentation where, in exchange for your COMPLETED Process Card (please complete/insert/change any missing or incorrect information), you will be given a pack containing your Road Book, with details of the stages, and your Time Cards for Saturday. You will be due at MC1/SSA1 at 12.00 plus  $\frac{1}{2}$  your rally number - 2 cars per minute. Provisional start times will be shown on the notice board, but please be a little early so that any gaps can be filled. Time Cards for Sunday will be issued at MC3/SSA7.

Those that passed Scrutiny and Documentation on Friday, should attend the Noise Test and then obtain their Time Cards from Rally HQ in the Welcome Centre.

**Don't forget the Drivers Briefing and free entry draw at 11.40 in the Welcome Centre.**

4. **Scrutineering Notes.** Please note the following requirements -

1. You must produce a current MSA Vehicle Log Book, with a good photograph of the car.
2. BOTH crew members must be in possession of the correct grade of Competition Licence. STAGE RALLY LICENCES CAN NO LONGER BE APPLIED FOR ON THE DAY.
3. Crash helmets must bear an MSA approval sticker and the only crash helmets approved are FIA 8860-2004; BS6658 Type A/FR; Snell SA2000, SA2005, SA2010 or SAH2010; SFI Foundation 31.1A or 31.2A. Some stickers may be available on the day.
4. Overalls should be homologated to either FIA 8856-2000 or FIA 1986 Standard (see See GR R25.3.2 and GR K9.1 to K9.3).
5. Under MSA General Regulations, uncut Slick tyres are NOT allowed.
6. Should you be unfortunate enough to be involved in an accident, the vehicle must be re-scrutineered before you can continue in the event.
7. You are advised to carry a spare tyre as you must NOT drive on a deflated tyre (see article 12.4)
8. Please ensure that adequate towing eyes are fitted to the front and rear of the vehicle (GR R48.1.13).
9. Please ensure that you have the means of complying with the requirements of the noise test at 4500 rpm (see article 13.3)
10. Please note that if you intend to run spotlights for the night stages (Stages 5 and 6) these should be fitted for scrutiny and, if removed, should be refitted at Service between stages.

5. **Services.** Petrol will NOT be available at the venue, so sufficient fuel for 100 stage miles (50 on the Saturday and 50 on the Sunday) will be needed. Refreshments and toilets will be available and there are Water supply points within the Service Area.

The Service Area will be very busy all day and for safety reasons children should be kept under strict control. **No** Quad Bike, Moped, Motorcycle, Scooter or Cycle etc. may be used around the service area. The speed limit in the service area and all link roads is 10mph and **tyre warming anywhere is prohibited.** PLEASE OBEY THE ONE-WAY SYSTEM WITHIN THE SERVICE AREA AND ALWAYS EXIT TOWARDS THE STAGE START/CAR PARK AND NOT TOWARDS THE GRANDSTAND.

Service crews **MUST** remain within the service area or designated spectator areas and any person not following marshal's instructions may result in the exclusion of the associated crew (GR H1.3).

6. **Service Area.** It is forbidden to hammer pegs, stakes or the like into the tarmac service area surface. Any person damaging the surface may be excluded from the event and the

circuit operators may take additional action to recover damages.

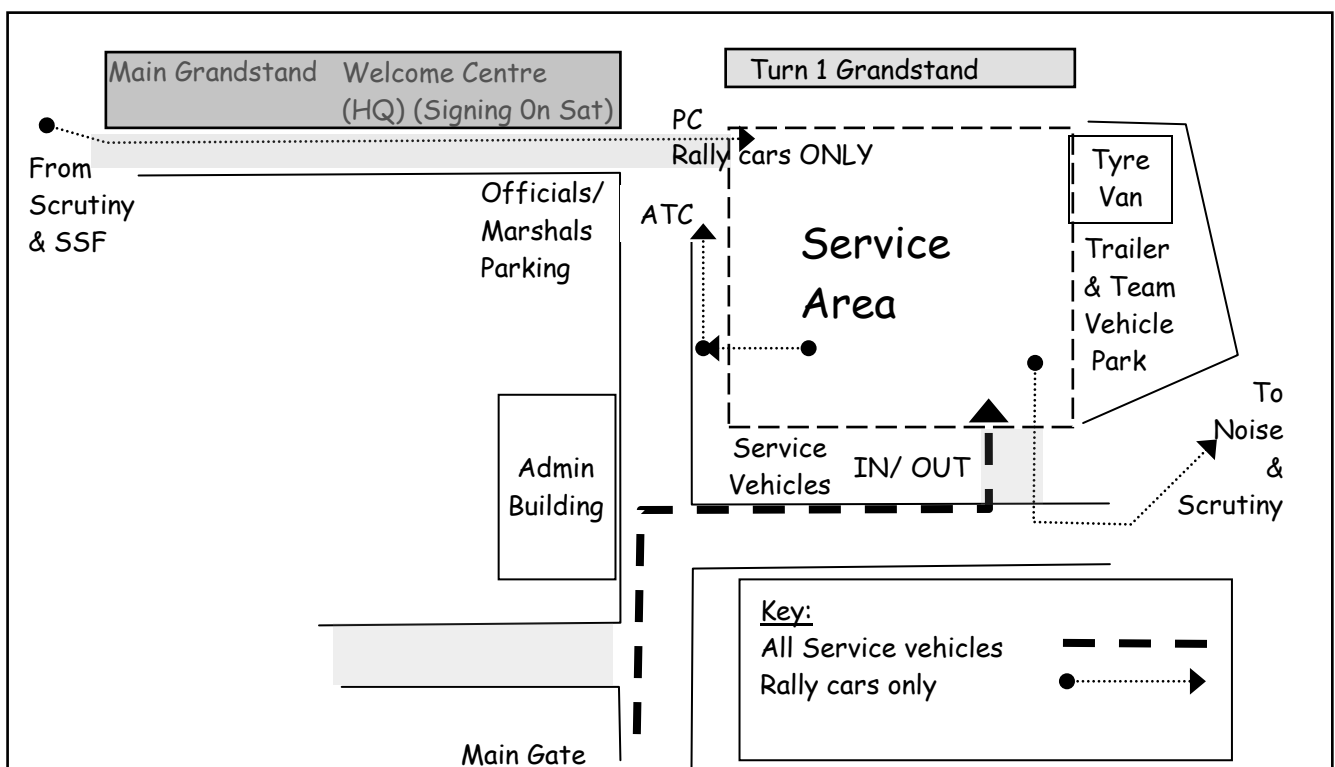
7. **Running Order.** Competitors are reminded that the first car is due at MC1 at 12.00 and, as all stages will be run at 30-second starts, there are 2 cars due each minute. Please arrive a little early so that any gaps caused by non-starters can be closed up. Cars will be reseeded overnight and will restart on Sunday morning in order of classification.
8. **Litter and Waste Oil.** A plastic sack will be provided for your use - PLEASE USE IT and take your litter home with you. There will be waste oil disposal points around the Service Area.
9. **Additions, amendments and clarifications to SRs.**
  - 10.1 The MSA Steward is David Walton.  
The Chief Medical Officer is Dr Jean Cragg.
  - 15.1 Please note that all the Scrutineers are appointed as Judges of Fact in matters of eligibility.
  - 17.13 A tyre van, operated by Slicks Tyres, will be at the venue over the weekend. Please contact **Andrew Knott** on **01142 470485** if you have any specific requirements for the event and to guarantee supplies.
  - 18.3 The prefix number used for the Trophy Rally will be '1' and not '8'.
10. **Breakfast** will be available from a 'Burger Van' situated near the Service Area, each day. In addition, **The Diner** and **The Welcome Centre** will be open both days, serving food and drinks. The **Welcome Centre** will also be open Saturday evening until 22.00.
11. **RALLY PARTY and GET-TOGETHER.** It is hoped that there will be a Rally Party and Get-Together on the Saturday night in the Welcome Centre. This will start from about 18.30 and everyone is welcome to attend. Food will be available until 20.00 and the bar will be open as long as necessary (for the non-drivers!).
12. **Spectators and Dogs.** You are reminded that **Dogs are NOT allowed** within the venue. Spectators will be allowed and may view the stages from the main grandstand areas and the roof of the pit garages. There is a spectator charge of £10 per vehicle. Alternatively, please ask any of your friends to come and marshal - prospective volunteers who would like to help on the day, should contact the Chief Marshal, Wayne Reed, on 07929 234229 or e-mail [marshals@rockinghamstages.co.uk](mailto:marshals@rockinghamstages.co.uk) to offer their services. The first 70 marshals to sign-on will be given a snack bag and all marshals will be entered into a draw for the excellent prizes that we have been offered. There is free Bed and Breakfast accommodation at a local scout centre for those marshals that can assist on both days, subject to availability and prior booking.
13. **Overnight Parking.** Vehicles and trailers may be left at your own risk in the service area overnight on Friday and/or Saturday. It is also possible to stay on the site overnight in motorhomes, caravans, service vans etc. The asphalt surface is not suitable for tents, but there is a suitable area available at the rear of the service area for those hardy enough! If on site overnight, please remain within the service area, DO NOT rev engines or make excessive noise and DO NOT drive around the venue - you will be excluded and could possibly jeopardise future use of the venue. There are flush toilets within the service area. If you leave the site, please ensure you take your vehicle pass with you to regain entry - the security gate is manned 24 hours.

14. **Charity.** As you know, part of your entry fee is a donation to the Club's charity - *The Lynda Jackson Macmillan Centre for Cancer Support & Information* - and we are now able to increase our donation by 28% by way of "Gift Aid". This scheme allows the charity to reclaim tax back from the Inland Revenue on donations from taxpayers and means that for every £100 we raise, the charity receives £128. It costs you nothing but gives the charity more. You cannot reclaim the money yourself. The scheme is administered by the charity and all you need to do is tick the appropriate box on the entry form.
15. **Contact.** In case of any problems or if you need to contact the organisers, please contact the Secretary of the Meeting, Tony Phillips, on **01923 822590** or **07761 823157**. Alternatively, Email: [secretary@rockinghamstages.co.uk](mailto:secretary@rockinghamstages.co.uk) or [tonyp@mcac.co.uk](mailto:tonyp@mcac.co.uk)

We look forward to seeing you at the weekend and hope that you have a safe and enjoyable couple of day's motor sport at this superb venue.

The Organising Team

## Site Plan



**Documentation, Media & Official's** signing-on is at Rally HQ, in The Welcome Centre on Saturday and by the Scrutineering Bay on Friday evening.

**Catering** facilities are available from **The Welcome Centre** and/or **Diner** in the main grandstand and from the catering unit near the Service Area.

**Unload** and park trailers and 'Team' cars **before** parking in the Service Area.

**Please** observe the one-way system within the Service Area and **DO NOT** exit towards the grandstand.

**The Passage Control** after all stages will be near the porta-cabin/Service Area entrance at the rear of the grandstand.



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