



# Stonehaven & District Motor Club

## Gropers Navigational Rally

10th March 2012

### Supplementary Regulations

#### ARTICLE 1 ANNOUNCEMENT

1.1 Stonehaven & District Motor Club Ltd (SDMC) will organise a dual permit National B and 12-Car Navigational Rally on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2012, starting at Coneyhatch Farm (OS:45/872895).

1.2 The National B Navigational Rally will be a qualifying round of the following championships:-

- (a) The Scottish Association of Car Clubs Navigational Rally Championship (36/2011)
- (b) The Stonehaven & District Motor Club Championship
- (c) North East of Scotland Motor Group Championships

1.3 The 12-Car Navigational Rally will be a qualifying round of the SDMC Championship only.

#### ARTICLE 2 JURISDICTION

2.1 The event will be held under the General Regulations of the Motor Sports Association Ltd (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA), these Supplementary Regulations and any written instructions the Organisers may issue for the event. All references shown *in italics* contained within these Supplementary Regulations refer to the appropriate section of the 2012 Competitors' and Officials' Yearbook.

#### ARTICLE 3 AUTHORISATION

3.1 MSA Permit Number (National B): 68622

3.2 MSA Permit Number (12-Car): 68623

3.3 Scottish Executive Authorisation Number: TBA

#### ARTICLE 4 ELIGIBILITY

4.1 The National B event is open to members of all clubs which are affiliated to the following associations:-

- (a) Scottish Association of Car Clubs
- (b) Association of North East & Cumbria Car Clubs
- (c) Association of Northern Car Clubs

4.2 The 12-Car event is open to members of the organising club only.

4.3 All competitors must produce a valid club membership card at signing on. Competitors in the National B event must also produce a valid MSA Competition Licence (Non-Race National B or higher). Competition Licences (Non-Race National B) can be applied for at signing on. Application forms for these licences should be downloaded from the MSA website, or are available from the Entry Secretary prior to the closing date for entries and must be fully completed and accompanied by the appropriate fee and photograph.

## ARTICLE 5 PROGRAMME

5.1 The timetable for the event is as follows:-

4 March 2012	17:00 hrs	Closing date for entries
10 March 2012	17:30 hrs	Scrutineering, Noise Check and Signing On opens
10 March 2012	18:45 hrs	Scrutineering and Noise Check closes
10 March 2012	19:00 hrs	Signing On closes
10 March 2012	19:31 hrs	1 <sup>st</sup> vehicle starts
10 March 2012	22:30 hrs (approx)	1 <sup>st</sup> vehicle finishes
10 March 2012	23:15 hrs (approx)	Provisional results published
10 March 2012	23:45 hrs (approx)	Earliest time for Presentation of Awards

## ARTICLE 6 SCRUTINEERING AND SIGNING ON

6.1 Scrutineering will be held on Saturday 10th March at Coneyhatch Farm (OS:45 / 872895), commencing at 17:30hrs and ending at 18:45hrs.

6.2 Signing-on will take place on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March at Coneyhatch Farm (OS:45 / 872895), commencing at 17:30hrs and ending at 19:00hrs. Any competitor not signed on by this time may be excluded.

6.3 All vehicles must comply with the relevant MSA Technical Regulations for navigational rallies [(J)5] and must be taxed, MOTed and insured for use on the public highway. Please note the J5.16.7 requires petrol engined cars, manufactured after 31/12/99 to be fitted with a catalytic converter.

6.4 Vehicles must be presented in a clean condition [(H)33.1.2] and in the same condition as they intend to compete.

6.5 Every competing vehicle will be subject to a noise test. The maximum permitted noise level is 98db(A) at two-thirds maximum rpm at 0.5 metres. [(J)Chart 5.18 'D']

6.6 Additional checking may be carried out at any time during the event, of competitors as well as of the vehicles. The Entrant is responsible for the technical conformity of his vehicle throughout the entire duration of the event. Vehicle servicing during the event is not permitted with the exception of efforts by competitors to maintain compliance with 6.3.

## ARTICLE 7 ROUTE INSTRUCTIONS AND TIMECARDS

7.1 The route will be contained on OS Landranger Map, Sheet 45 'Stonehaven & Banchory' edition C1 (Published 20/07/2009). Any feature of the map, legend or cardboard cover may be used to define the route to be taken.

7.2 Total mileage will be approximately 96 miles, timed to the minute.

7.3 First vehicle will start at 19:31hrs. Vehicles will start at one minute intervals.

7.4 Competitors will be supplied with route instructions and timecards at the start and as necessary throughout the event. These will provide sufficient information to enable competitors to comply with (R)9.2 – (R)9.2.3. Competitors should take the shortest route complying with all instructions.

7.5 Any correction or amendment made to timecards will result in exclusion from the event, unless such a correction or amendment has been countersigned by a marshal.

7.6 It is the responsibility of competitors for submitting timecards to Marshals at the correct time at controls and for the accuracy of the entries thereon.

## ARTICLE 8 IDENTIFICATION

**8.1** Competitors will be identified by rally numbers, which will be supplied by the organisers and must be displayed at all times during the event in the nearside rear window of the competing vehicle.

## ARTICLE 9 CLASSES

**9.1** The National B event will consist of 3 classes:

- **EXPERT** – Open to any competitor.
  
- **NON-EXPERT** – Limited to competitors who have, in any one calendar year from 2007 to 2011, scored no more than four class wins as a navigator at Non-Expert/Intermediate or higher level on navigational events of National B or higher status. Note: the restriction on navigating experience also applies to competitors intending to drive at Non-Expert level.
  
- **NOVICE** – Limited to competitors who have, whilst navigating, been classified as a finisher in no more than 8 navigational events of National B or higher status between 01/01/10 and 31/12/11 **or** been classified as a finisher in no more than 5 navigational events in any one calendar year since 01/01/03. Note: the restriction on navigating experience also applies to competitors intending to drive at Novice level.

**9.2** The 12-Car event will consist of 1 class:

- **OPEN** – for which any crew may enter. Route Instructions will be Novice level.

## ARTICLE 10 AWARDS

**10.1** The annual Gropers Shield will be presented to the 1<sup>st</sup> Expert Driver and Navigator of the event. This shield will be presented at the SDMC Dinner Dance. The shield must be returned to an office bearer of SDMC upon request or by 31<sup>st</sup> October 2012.

**10.2** Individual awards will be presented to the first driver and navigator in each class at the event.

## ARTICLE 11 ENTRIES

**11.1** The entry list opens on publication of these Supplementary Regulations and closes finally at 17:00hrs on Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> March 2012. The entry fee for the National B and 12-Car events is £45.00 ( post event cuisine and refreshments are included ). All entries must be made on the official entry form and accompanied by the appropriate fee.

**11.2** The maximum number of entries is 60, the minimum is 12. The Organisers reserve the right to cancel the event should the minimum number of entries not be reached by the closing date.

**11.3** Entry fees will only be refunded if written notice is received by the event secretary on or before the closing date. Refunds after that date will be at the discretion of the organisers. Should the event be cancelled, entry fees will be refunded in full. Organisers reserve the right to refuse entries.

**11.4** The Entries Secretary to whom all entries should be sent is:-

Dave MacKintosh,  
76 Easter Drive  
PORTLETHEN  
Aberdeen  
AB12 4XD

Telephone: 01224 784780 or 07715 177296 (M)

Cheques should be made payable to 'Stonehaven & District Motor Club'

**11.5** Confirmation of receipt of entries will be dispatched by e-mail as soon as possible. Acceptance of entries will be at the discretion of the Organisers, and entries may be refused without any reason being given.

**11.6** Competitors will be seeded within their class and will start in numerical order. Class running order will be Expert, Non-expert, Novice then Open. Seeding will be done at the organisers' discretion.

## **ARTICLE 12 OFFICIALS**

### **12.1** Officials of the Rally

Club Steward	John MacKay	
Clerk of the Course	Duncan Cameron	01561 320653
Secretary of the Meeting	Dave MacKintosh	01224 784780
Chief Marshal	Malcolm Vie	(07500) 116902
Chief Timekeeper	TBA	
Chief Scrutineer	Gerry Potter	01651 806862

*(Please do not make phone calls to rally officials after 9.00pm on any day prior to the event, except in an emergency, or excepting Clerk of Course who is contactable after 9pm)*

## **ARTICLE 13 PENALTIES, RESULTS AND PROTESTS**

**13.1** Competitors will start with zero marks. Classification for the order of merit will be by reference to total marks by class, the winner being the competitor with the least total penalties.

**13.2** In the event of a tie, the competitor who has completed the greater portion of the route without penalty will be the winner, failing which, a timed navigational test will be used.

**13.3** Marking and Penalties will be as per the "Time" Penalties system in the General Regulations of the MSA **(R)13** except for the following:-

- Booking in early at a Time Control ( per min. early ) 2 mins
- Booking in Late at a Time control ( per min. late ) 1 min
- Missing a Route Check ( Code Board or manned Passage Control ) 15 mins
- Entering a Control from the wrong direction 15 mins

**13.4** Competitors can make up time as per **(R)12.6.1**

**13.5** Route checks will take the form of code boards (example displayed at the start) and manned passage checks. **[(R)11.3 - (R)11.4.2]**.

**13.6** The event will be run to schedule timing [(R)12.2.2].

**13.7** Provisional results will be declared in accordance with General Regulation (D)26.1.2. These results will become final results when the protest time has expired, or all outstanding protests and appeals have been settled. A copy of the full results will be posted on the SDMC website and sent to all competitors within seven days of the finish of the event by e-mail.

**13.8** Protests must be made in accordance with General Regulations (C)5.1 – (C)5.7 and Appeals in accordance with General Regulations (C)6.1 – (C)6.6.

## **ARTICLE 14 FINAL INSTRUCTIONS**

**14.1** Final Instructions will be issued at signing on.

## **ARTICLE 15 MODIFICATIONS TO THE GENERAL REGULATIONS**

**15.1** All other General Regulations of the MSA apply as written except for the following which are modified:

- (a) Only the competitor named on the entry form as the driver may drive during the event [(R)5.4.3].
- (b) Competitors may carry mobile telephones in their vehicle for emergency use only [(R)7.2.3].
- (c) Global Positioning Systems may be used [(R)18.6.4].

## **ARTICLE 16 INSURANCE**

**16.1** Competitors must produce, at Signing-On, their own Insurance Documents, showing that they have extended their own Private Motor Insurance, or sign and pay for cover under the Motor Sport Club Scheme. Failure to do so will result in the refusal of a start.

**16.2** The Organisers have a Blanket Cover Note from Locktons under their Motor Sports Risk Services Road Traffic Act Insurance Scheme. This provides competitors who need to use the scheme with the Third Party Cover necessary to meet the RTA requirements on the Road Sections of the event.

**16.3** The basic rate for the event (before any loadings) will be £18.

**16.4** All new applicants wishing to use the scheme must be able to comply with all points of the Lockton's Declaration:-

- Over 21 and held a full licence for at least 6 months
- Not more than 1 fault accident in last 3 Years
- No more than maximum of 6 speeding points on licence
- No physical or mental disabilities
- No other material facts

**16.5** If competitors are able to comply with all of the points above, no Letter of Acceptance will be required.

**16.6** If competitors do not comply with all of the above points they will be required to complete the Declaration Form (available from the Secretary of the Meeting) which should then be forwarded direct to Lockton prior to the event in sufficient time (not later than 14 days before the event and no later than 21 days if the driver is not resident in the UK) for Letter of Acceptance to be issued (Faxed copies are acceptable).

Once completed, the Declaration Form should be sent direct to:

Motor Sports Risk Services  
A Division of Lockton Companies International Limited  
19 Spring Gardens  
Manchester  
M2 1FB

Tel: 0161 828 3300  
Fax: 0161 828 3335

Email: lauren.burgess@uk.lockton.com

## **ARTICLE 17 DAMAGE DECLARATION**

**17.1** Competitors at the conclusion of their Competition must sign a declaration to the effect that they have not been involved in any incident that may have caused damage to persons or property, or alternatively give details of any such incident. Non-compliance will be penalised in accordance with **(R)15.1.2** and may be reported to the MSA for further disciplinary action.

**17.2** Competitors who retire from the event will be required to submit a form to the Secretary of the Meeting within 72 hours of the event. Failure to return a form may result in a fine of up to £100. **[(C)2.4]**

## **ARTICLE 18 DRIVING STANDARDS/OBSERVERS / JUDGES OF FACT**

**18.1** Judges of Fact appointed by the Organisers will be on duty throughout the rally to observe and report excessive noise; driving behaviour, Stop & Give Way protocol and the use of main beam and auxiliary Lights in Quiet Zones. The names of these Officials will be notified in an Official Bulletin which will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

**18.2** The Chief Scrutineer appointed for the event is the Judges of Fact in respect of Vehicle Eligibility.

**18.3** Any cases reported to the MSA by the Police for speeding, reckless driving or failing to observe road signs will automatically be considered as a possible contravention of General Regulation **(C)1.1.4** (Any proceeding and/or act prejudicial to the interest of the Motor Sports Council or of motor sport generally) and the competitor concerned will be liable to be called before a Disciplinary Tribunal. It will not be necessary to prove that a traffic offence was committed, as the involvement of the Police may, itself, give rise to contravention of General Regulation **(C)1.1.4**.

**18.4** Judges of Fact will report all incidents to the Clerk of the Course who will apply the appropriate penalty. The Clerk of the Course will have the sole responsibility for exclusion.

## **ARTICLE 19 GENERAL**

**19.1** Fuel will be available prior to the start in Stonehaven, 2 miles from the start/finish venue. Post event fuel is available in Altens ( northbound 13 miles ) and Stracathro ( southbound 27 miles ). If you think you may have a problem with fuel after the event contact the Clerk of the course to discuss alternative possibilities.

**19.2** Timing shall be by official timepieces. All clocks will be set to the BT time signal.

**19.3** All official times and mileages will be deemed to be correct. Rally time will be available at signing on.