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2009 AEMC Stage Rally Championship

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Welcome to the 2009 Association of Eastern Motor Clubs Stage Rally Championship sponsored by Ward Construction and supported by M-Tech Developments. This year sees the registration fee still at £10 with the seven best scores from class results counting towards the overall position in the championship. As 2008 saw, it was a close finish in the overall positions which produced a nail biting finish, and the range of machinery being used within the championship means you do not need to spend millions on a WR Car to clinch East Anglian's top rally trophy.

This year sees an increase in the number of events on offer to 18 rounds with the inclusion of a new venue at RAF Honington in Suffolk. Middlesex and Cambridge Car clubs will run events at this new venue which, I hope you will agree, is welcome due to the number of venues that elude us. I would also like to welcome back the Robin Hood stages back into the championship, one of the few forest events in the championship based around the long established Sherwood forest, this event proves some challenging corners and change in surface for driver to get their teeth into. Least we forget the only multi-venue stage rally in East Anglia, with Wickford's Essex Charity Stages in July see the route take in some very nice views of the coastline which is not to be missed.

Results and championship tables will be updated as soon as possible after each round and will be shown on the AEMC website (www.aemc.org.uk). Competitors will also receive quarterly bulletins showing class and overall positions, any updates to the calendar along with any news and views.

This is your championship. Any ideas and suggestions are always welcome to make it the fun and friendly championship that it is. To help identify those competitors who are part of this championship, a clothing range is now available, a leaflet is available separately upon request.

We look forward to receiving your registration form and hope you have an enjoyable seasons rallying.

Good luck.

Rob Cook
Championship Co-ordinator

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1 SPORTING REGULATIONS – GENERAL

The 2009 Ward Construction, AEMC Stage Rally Championship is organised by the AEMC in accordance with the general Championship prescriptions of the Royal Automobile Club Motor Sports Association (MSA) and these Championship Regulations.

MSA Championship Permit No: 17/2009 National B
MSA Championship Grade E

The championship will run from 24th December 2008 to 13th December 2009.

1.2.1 All correspondence to :
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Suffolk
IP31 1AH
07976 446501
rjc.cook@orange.net (please put AEMC in subject title)

1.2.2 Championship Scrutineer;
Loyd Gerken

1.2.3 Championship Stewards;
John White
Clive Grounds
Dan Cornwall

1.3 Competitor Eligibility

1.3.1 The championship is open to Drivers & Co-drivers who must be fully paid up members of a member club of the Association of Eastern Motor Clubs and must hold a current membership card. They must be registered for the championship and also be in possession of a valid 2009 MSA Competition Licence.

All necessary documentation must be presented at all championship rounds when signing on.

1.4 Registration

1.4.1 All drivers and co-drivers must register as competitors for the championship by returning a fully completed Registration Form along with the full Registration Fee to the Championship Co-ordinator.

1.4.2 The Registration Fee is £10.00. Cheques to be made to "AEMC"
Registration entitles a competitor to enter as either a Driver or a Co-driver but not both.
Should a competitor wish to register as both a driver and a co-driver he/she must register for EACH category separately on separate registration forms enclosing a registration fee of £10.00 with each form.

1.4.3 The closing date for registrations for the championship will be Monday July 6th 2009.

1.4.4 Competitors MUST nominate on their Registration Form one (1) AEMC member club to which they are subscribed and (2) which Club Championship points will be accredited. If the contender ceases to be a member of the club or is to nominate an alternative club, then no more points will be awarded to the competitor's first nominated club.

1.4.5 Contenders will be issued with a Championship Registration Card which must be produced at "signing-on" for championship events in which the contender participates.

1.4.6 Contenders will be issued with championship decals which must be displayed on either side of the car. They must be displayed "as issued" and not be altered, cut, trimmed or modified in ANY WAY.

1.4.7 Any results scored in a qualifying round of the championship PRIOR to registration will not count towards competitors final championship points score.

1.5 Championship Rounds

1.5.1 The 2009 Ward Construction AEMC Stage Rally Championship will be contested over 17 rounds as follows

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| Longmoor Loco 28 December Tarmac | Longmoor Camp, Nr Borden Sutton & Cheam | Barry Guess 01252 727390 barrgcharlie@aol.com www.scmc.co.uk |
| Emerald Stages 15 February Tarmac | Longcross London Irish | www.londonirishmotorclub.com |
| MiddleWick Stages 21 February Tarmac | Woodbridge Middlesex | Tony Phillips 01932-822590 or 07761 823157 tonyp@mcac.co.uk |
| Malcolm Watson Spring Stages 5 April Tarmac | Sculthorpe SCCoN | springstages@sccon.uk www.sccon.co.uk |
| The Twyford Stages 19 April Mixed | Twyford Wood Mid Derbyshire | Jim Whitby 07976 971266 www.mid-derbyshiremc.co.uk |
| Middlesex Stages 3 May Tarmac | Honington, Suffolk Middlesex | mcac.co.uk |
| Milbrook Stages 25 May Tarmac | Milbrook Proving Ground, Bedford West Essex | Gary nicholls 01245 351468 gary@wecc.co.uk www.wecc.co.uk |
| Dukeries 13 June Forest | Mansfield Dukeries | Bob Draper r.c.draper@btinternet.co.uk www.dukeries-motorclub.co.uk |
| CAR-nival Stages 14 June Tarmac | Abingdon Sutton & Cheam | Pam Guess 01252 727390 barrygcharlie@aol.com |

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| Essex Charity Stages 5 July Mixed | Bradwell Wickford Auto Club | Steve Flemming 01702 207152 www.wickfordautoclub.co.uk |
| Bomb-a-long Stages 6 September Tarmac | venue to be confirmed Middlesex | www.mcac.co.uk |
| Anniversary Stages 20 September Tarmac | Longcross Bexley Light Car Club | Betty Webb 020 8303 7965 |
| Speedy Hire Stages 27 September Tarmac | Honington, Suffolk Cambridge | Philip James 01223 423800 |
| Woodbridge Stages 10 October Tarmac | Woodbridge Chelmsford | Tony Clements 01277 223424 |
| Lynn Charity Stage 8 November Tarmac | Sculthorpe Kings Lynn & District | Colin Shinkins 01945 772627 |
| Premier Stages 21 November Forest | Southwell Dukeries | Howard Wilcock 0115 965176 entries@premier-rally.co.uk |
| Rockingham Stages 5-6 December | Rockingham Middlesex | www.mcac.co.uk |

1.6 Scoring

1.6.1 Points will be awarded according to the AEMC class structure (see 5.2) and will only be awarded to competitors listed as classified finishers in the Final Results for each round as follows:

- 1st AEMC contender in class = 30 points
- 2nd AEMC contender in class = 26 points
- 3rd AEMC contender in class = 23 points
- 4th AEMC contender in class = 20 points
- 5th AEMC contender in class = 18 points
- 6th AEMC contender in class = 16 points
- 7th AEMC contender in class = 15 points
- Pro-rata down to 1 point

1.6.2 A competitors best 7 points scored from any qualifying round will be used to determine his or her final championship position. The winner of the Championship shall be the contender who has gained the highest possible number of points from a maximum of 7 scores from qualifying events applying at the conclusion of the championship year.

1.6.3 Ties shall be resolved in favour of the competitor gaining the greater number of premier award positions in the championship. If this fails to reach a conclusion then the greater number of 2nd places, then 3rd places etc. will be used to finalise the championship positions.

- 1.6.4 Should a contender fail to comply with 1.4.4 & 1.4.6 then the scoring of Championship points will be withdrawn forthwith.
- 1.6.5 Competitors changing "crew places" (Driver to co-driver and vice-versa) may not "carry-over" points scored.
- 1.6.6 Any driver changing class during the year may carry over points from any class to the overall driver's championship. HOWEVER he or she must register for each class separately and supply a completed registration form along with a full registration fee for each class entered. This must be place with the championship co-ordinator no later than July 6th 2009.
- 1.6.7 In the case of a technical exclusion, the driver will loose all points earned up to that time.
- 1.6.8 Co-drivers changing class WILL be permitted to "carry-over" any points scored in any class towards his or her final championship score.
- 1.6.9 One (1) point will be awarded to the member club nominated by each competitor registered in the Championship. This will count towards a Club Championship award.
- 1.6.10 Results will become final 7 days after the issue of the final Championship bulletin.

1.7 Awards

1.7.1 Overall Awards;

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| 1st overall driver | The Charles Golding Trophy |
| 1st overall co-driver | The Chris Rees trophy |

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| 2nd overall driver | 3rd overall driver |
| 2nd overall co-driver | 3rd overall co-driver |

Any competitor winning one of the overall championship awards will not be eligible to win any of the class awards.

1.7.2 Class Awards

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| 1st overall driver in class | 1st overall co-driver in class |
| 2nd overall driver in class | 2nd overall co-driver in class |
| 3rd overall driver in class | 3rd overall co-driver in class |

2nd place class awards are subject to a minimum of 3 entries per class.
3rd place class awards are subject to a minimum of 5 entries per class.

1.7.3 There will be an award for the lady competitor gaining the most points as either a Driver or Co-driver. Any tie will be resolved as 1.6.3

1.7.4 An award will be presented to the Association Motor club that gains the most points in the Club Championship.

- 1.7.5 Additional awards may be presented at the discretion of the championship co-ordinator, the championship sponsors and the AEMC. These will be notified to championship contenders in Competitors Bulletins.
- 1.7.6 Details of the time and location of the end of season award presentation will be made to Championship contenders in a Competitors Bulletin.
- 1.7.7 An award may be presented to the person or persons who have made a positive contribution to stage rallying in 2009.
- 1.7.8 Any competitor failing to attend the Championship Awards Presentation or who fails to appoint a representative on his or her behalf may forfeit their award. Any such award may be re-allocated to the next placed championship contender.

2 Sporting Regulations – Judicial Procedures

2.1 Rounds: In accordance with Section C(d) of the 2009 MSA Year Book.

2.2 Championship: In accordance with Section C(d) of the 2009 MSA Year Book.

3 Sporting Regulations – Championship & Event Procedures

3.1 Entries

3.1.1 Competitors are responsible for sending in correct and complete entries with the correct entry fee prior to the closing date for entries of each event.

Incorrect or incomplete entries (including Entrants, Driver or Co-driver to be nominated) may be held in abeyance until they are complete and correct and the date of receipt for acceptance of entry purposes shall be the date on which the Secretary of the Meeting receives the missing or corrected information or fee.

3.1.3 Any withdrawal of Entry or changes to Driver, Co-driver and vehicle made after the acceptance of an entry must be notified to the Secretary of the Meeting in writing. If Driver/Co-driver vehicle changes are made after publication of Entry Lists the competitor concerned must apply for approval of acceptance by the Clerk of the Course BEFORE signing on.

3.2 Briefings

3.2.1 Organisers should notify Competitors of the times and locations for all briefings in a Competitor Bulletin/Final Instructions. Competitors MUST attend all briefings.

3.3 Event Length.

3.3.1 The stage and road mileage for each event shall be as published in the event Supplementary regulations.

3.3.2 If the event, for whatever reason does not run at least 75% of its competitive mileage, then championship points will still be awarded at half their normal value.

3.4 Regulations for Event Organisers

3.4.1 The Championship title MUST be entered in FULL on event regulations, final instructions, results and any other bulletins as the "2009 Ward Construction supported by M-Tech Developments, AEMC Stage Rally Championship"

3.4.2 Each member club of the Association shall be entitled to nominate any National 'B' status stage rally promoted by themselves or in conjunction with another club(s) for championship status. The championship co-ordinator may accept nominated events provided the criteria specified in these regulations are adhered to and MSA approval is given should an originally nominated event fail to fulfil a date.

3.4.3 Clubs seeking event nomination shall complete an Event Application Form and forward it to the Championship co-ordinator. No event shall be accepted until this has been undertaken.

3.4.4 Final acceptance of a date in the Association Championship calendar is conditional upon the following;

The Club has paid its subscription to the Association of Eastern Motor Clubs for 2009 and the event is nominated by the AEMC Stage rally co-ordinator following discussions with the organisers.

The event is not listed to run on the same day/night/weekend as another Championship qualifying round. Should a clash of event dates occur then the Championship co-ordinator will refer to previous years in order to ascertain historical usage of that date.

That the event has not been refused Championship status due to non-compliance with AEMC Championship Regulations in the previous year(s).

Regulations must be adhered to at all times. Failure to do so may render the event liable to immediate deletion from the Championship.

The event is a qualifying round of the Championship.

That the AEMC Championship contenders and/or member clubs and/or their members are invited to the event.

The event must comply with all aspects with the Observer system where applicable.

The event is held on the notified day or night.

The Stage Rally Co-ordinator has been advised when a MSA permit has been issued.

3.4.5 To have a new event recognised for Championship status a member club must have organised events of similar category and type and/or have had the event observed by competitors and/or other personnel appointed by the Association in the Championship calendar.

3.4.6 It is a condition of acceptance that should an event is cancelled for whatever reason, the Stage Rally Co-ordinator should be notified in writing by either fax or email.

3.5 Event Organisers Responsibilities

3.5.1 It is a requirement that AEMC member clubs requesting Championship status be required to & adhere to the following;

Send to the Championship co-ordinator;

A) Three sets of Supplementary Regulation upon publication.

B) A set of final instruction and entry list AT LEAST 48 hours prior to the event.

C) Two (2) sets of results including a FULLY UPDATED ENTRY LIST within 7 days of the event.
(Note: All entry lists must include the first name of EACH competitor, club, car, capacity, class & championship eligibility where ever possible)

D) Send a set of Supplementary Regulations to EACH Championship registered contender.
The championship co-ordinator will supply address details upon request.

3.5.2 If an event runs additional classes for specific marques etc (GroupN, Super 1600 etc.) or runs with a class structure differing from 5.2, they must additionally send details of the following; Engine configuration, i.e. number of valves/ camshafts, whether forced induction and whether 2WD or 4WD.

3.5.3 Should any event fail to comply with MSA Regulations or AEMC Championship Regulations, then the Association reserves the right to delete the event from the championship.

4 Technical Regulations

4.1 All competing vehicles in any championship round must comply with Section C(b) and Section H Technical Regulations for Special Stage Rallies of the 2009 MSA Yearbook.

4.2 The Championship class structure will be;

Class A – Up to 1400cc.

Class B – From 1401cc up to and including 1600cc.

Class C – From 1601cc up to and including 2000cc.

Class D – 2 wheel drive cars over 2000cc.

Class E – All 4 wheel drive cars.

All forced induction vehicles are subject to an additional capacity ratio of 1:1.7

4.3 Forward facing lights must have the glass protected (Sealed surface venues only)

4.4 Catch tanks must comply with Section G 116.



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