



MERFYN HUGHES MEMORIAL RALI LLŶN

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March 17th / 18th 2018

A QUALIFYING ROUND OF THE
W.A.M.C,
A.N.W.C.C,
GLYNNE EDWARDS MEMORIAL &
WELSH BORDER CAR CLUB
ROAD RALLY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Organised By
HARLECH & DISTRICT MOTOR CLUB LTD

FOREWORD

Welcome to the 2018 Merfyn Hughes Memorial Rali Llŷn. The event is again a qualifying round of the W.A.M.C, A.N.W.C.C and North Wales Road Rally Challenge as well as the Welsh Border Car Club road rally championship. We would like to thank our sponsors, Express Motors Commercial (Penygroes) for their continued support again this year. This year's route will be approximately 110 miles on the classic roads of the Llŷn Peninsula on O.S Map 123, and the format will be straightforward six – figure navigation. As with all night road events we need a sufficient number of marshals to ensure a good event for you, the competitor, and to this end we ask each competing crew to supply a marshalling team. We look forward to receiving your entry.

The Organisers

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

We would like to thank the following without whom, the running of the event would be extremely difficult, if not impossible.

Express Motors Commercial (Penygroes)
Llanbedrog Service Station (Half Way Halt)
Plas Heli Pwllheli (Start / Finish Venue)
Rally Authorisation Dept MSA
John Davies, RLO North Wales
North Wales Police
Gwynedd County Council
FUW & NFU
Marshals & Everyone Involved In The Event
All Residents Along The Route
The Competitors

PAST WINNERS

1981	Gareth Mawby	Dave Thomas	1982	Wil Morris	John Youd
1983	Stan Jones	Gareth Jones	1984	Iwan Roberts	Ian O' Neill
1985	John Roberts	Andy Marchbank	1986	Wil Morris	Mike Kidd
1987	Iwan Roberts	Steve Griffiths	1988	Dave Carless	Pete Forrester
1989	Trefor Evans	Michael Evans	1990	Arwel Evans	Rob Jones
1992	Lee Matthews	Gary Matthews	1993	Huw Myfyr	Merfyn Hughes
1994	Geraint Jones	Iestyn Williams	1995	John Baines	Alan Williams
1996	Gwynfor Jones	Alan Jones	1997	Gwynfor Jones	Alan Jones
1998	Steven Roberts	Alan Jones	1999	Steven Roberts	Alan Jones
2000	Ian Jones	Alan Williams	2002	Steven Roberts	Darren Garrod
2003	Gerallt Davies	Owen Dodd	2004	Carwyn Evans	Alan Jos
2005	Steven Roberts	Paul Roberts	2006	Steven Roberts	Paul Roberts
2008	Arwel Jones	Andrew Baines	2009	Dewi Williams	Darren Garrod
2010	Dewi Williams	Rob Jones	2011	Arwel Jones	Dylan J Williams
2012	Meirion Evans	Iwan Jones	2013	Arwel Jones	Edryd Evans
2014	Carwyn Evans	Dylan J Williams	2015	Kevin Kerr	Huw Manion
2016	Carwyn Evans	Dylan J Williams	2017	Arwel Jones	Iwan Jones
2018	It Could Be You!!				

SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

1. Announcement

Harlech & District Motor Club Ltd. will promote a National 'B' Permit Road Rally on March 17th / 18th 2018 to be called the Merfyn Hughes Memorial Rali Llŷn.

2. Jurisdiction

The meeting will be governed by the General Regulations of the MSA UK incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of FIA and any written instruction the Promoting Club may issue for the event.

3. Authorisation

MSA Event No: 27971MA17/18

MSA PERMIT No: 105564

D.o.E Authorisation: Will be displayed at Signing – On

4. Eligibility

The event is open to all fully elected members of the promoting club, and all fully elected members of member clubs of the W.A.M.C & A.N.W.C.C.

The event is also a round of the following:

1. W.A.M.C (Reg. No: 78/2018)
2. A.N.W.C.C Road Rally Championship (Reg. No: 50/2018)
3. North Wales Road Rally Challenge (Reg. No: 51/2018)
4. Welsh Border Car Club road rally championship (Reg. No: TBA)

5. Start and Finish

The event will start and finish at Plas Heli Pwllheli. The total mileage is approx. 100 miles and O.S. Map 123 (1:50,000 Landranger Series latest edition) will be required. Cars will start at one minute intervals and the first car will start at approx 23.59 hrs on Saturday 17th of March and will finish at approx 04.10 hrs on Sunday 18th of March. Sufficient fuel should be carried to travel for approx 60 miles. Entrants will be supplied with a "Rally Pack" at Signing-On upon production of a satisfactorily completed process card, complete with the Chief Marshal signature as proof of a "signed-on" marshalling crew.

Remember – NO MARSHAL = NO START

Cars will be identified by two rally plates supplied by the organisers. These must be affixed to the N/S window and the rear of the competing car, as per **R. 6.11**. They must be removed upon completion of the event or upon retirement. It is the competitors' responsibility to ensure that the plates are legible throughout the event. Route information will be defined by six-figure map references. Other route information may be given at various controls en – route and by any other system the organisers deem necessary. This information will enable competitors to comply with **R14.1 – R14.1.8 & R9.1 – R9.3.2**. All the organisers' times and mileages shall be deemed to be correct, having been established according to **R.6.2**. All signs erected by the organisers are mandatory and will draw attention to Quiet Zones, No Go Roads and Cares etc. Due to spectator related P.R. problems any competitor found to be divulging route information to non-competitors will be excluded!

6. Classes

a. Masters

Either crew member having won a National B road rally in the last 10 years.

b. Experts

Any crew member having finished in the top 10 on a National B / Closed to Club Road Rally (except for Novice Event) or higher status rally.

c. Semi – Experts

Crews not classified as Masters, Experts or Novices.

d. Novices

Neither crew member having won no more than one award on a Road Rally, excluding 12 car rallies or team awards

7. Entries

The entry list opens on publication of these regulations. All entries will be considered on a first come, first served basis (except that 15 entries will be reserved for the organisers' discretion). The entry list closes on the 11th March 2018 for seeding, if there are spaces we will accept until 14th of March 2018. The entry fee for all classes is £90.00 to include 2 Breakfast tickets. All entries must be made on the official entry form and accompanied by the appropriate fee.

Entries can be done online or by post to the entry Secretary.

The entries secretary to whom posted entries must be sent is:

**Arwel Cullen,
16 Bro Cymerau
Pwllheli, Gwynedd, LL53 5PY.
Tel: 07753 398718 (Strictly no calls after 9 p.m.)**

The Organisers reserve the right to refuse an entry at their discretion without stating a reason. Any payment on the night must be made in **CASH**. The maximum entry for the meeting is 90. The minimum is 30. The minimum for each class is 10. Should any of the minimum figures not be reached the organisers reserve the right to either cancel the meeting or amalgamate classes as necessary. An entry accompanied by a post-dated cheque will be deemed not to have been received until the date of the cheque. Any entry containing false or incorrect statements shall be null and void, and the entrant deemed to be guilty of a breach of the General Competition Rules of the MSA UK. The entry fee may be forfeited in accordance with **D.19**. The organisers may conduct random checks to verify information contained on the entry form. It is a condition of entry that competitors must provide marshals to cover at least one control. Their details must be given on the entry form and they must also sign on with the crew, failure to provide marshals will result in the Exclusion of that crew and no refund of the entry fee will be made. Therefore, bear in mind – No Marshall = No Start.

Cancelled Entries - Must be in writing, no verbal cancellations will be accepted

- Will be taken in order of receipt, by reference to postmark
- Refunds will only be made at the organisers' discretion
- Will be charged £25 to cover administration costs

Any entry cancelled after 72hours prior to the event will not be eligible for a refund except under exceptional circumstances.

8. Final Instructions

Final Instructions will be sent by email to the navigator during the week prior to the event unless requested otherwise at the time of entry.

9. Officials

Joint Clerk of the Course:	Emyr Jones – 07979 968787
Joint Clerk of the Course:	Rhys Jones – 07960 674019 – rhysjos1@gmail.com
Assistant Clerk of the Course:	Liam Kelliher
Secretary of the Meeting:	Wenna Roberts - 07887 803387
Stewards of the Meeting:	T.B.A.
Entry Secretary:	Arwel Cullen – 07753 398718
Driving Standards Observers:	T.B.A
Noise Judge:	Ian Williams
Chief Marshal:	Euros Hughes – 07748 115429
Chief Timekeeper:	Steve Price
Chief Scrutineer:	Ronnie Roberts, Andy Hardcastle
Results Team:	Ian Mills, Rally Roots – www.rallyroots.com
P.R Officer:	Wil Evans – 07811 929623
C.L.O:	Arwel Cullen

All named officials are deemed to be Judges of Fact.

10. Awards

First Overall: 2 trophies

First Crew in each Class: 2 trophies

Second Crew in each Class: 2 trophies

Third Crew in each Class: 2 trophies

Best Novice Crew – Eric Morgan Memorial Trophy

Best Harlech & District M.C Crew: 2 trophies

(Must be members of the Club on publication of these A.S.R.'s)

Best Welsh Border Car Club Members: 2 trophies

Best under 1400cc: Dwyfor School of Motoring Trophy

Best Presented Car: Spin Clean Trophy

Further Awards may be announced in the Final Instructions.

A crew may only win one award. Awards presentation will take place at the finish venue after the results have been declared final.

11. Results

Provisional Results will be published as soon as possible after the arrival of the last car at the finish. Protests must be made in accordance with **C.5** and accompanied by the correct fee. A copy of the Final results will be posted / e mailed to the nominated person within 14 days.

12. G.C.R. Modifications

All General Regulations of the MSA UK will apply except for the following which are modified:

R.8.1 – R8.5. Secret checks may be established without prior notice, e.g. Give Ways etc. to ensure compliance with the route.

R.15.1. To be classed as a finisher, a competitor must report to and receive signatures at the following:

- a) Two-thirds of all listed controls
- b) All main controls
- c) Damage Control

Within their maximum permitted lateness and in the car in which they start the event.

R.12. The event will be timed according to scheduled timing.

R.12.2.7. Maximum permitted lateness for all competitors will be: 30mins 59secs.

R.12.6. Competitors may have to reduce lateness at certain locations en-route.

R.9.1.3 All competitors will be required to stop at all junctions on roads controlled by Give Way signs and other places specified on the route card. A number of such places will be manned by Judges of Fact.

13. Penalties

Penalties will be assessed on the 'FAIL' system, **R.13** (chart), and will be modified as follows:

Not reporting or reporting OTL at a Main Time Control: Retired

Not reporting at a Time Control: 1 Fail

Not reporting at, or providing proof of visiting a Passage Control, via or Manned Secret Check: 1Fail

Failure to stop at a Stop, Halt, Give Way sign or at a junction specified in the route card **R.9.1.3**: Exclusion

Wrong approach to or Depart from a Time or Passage Control: 1 Fail

Passing through a control twice or more: 1 Fail per offence

Entering an area designated to be out of bounds: Exclusion

Failure to accurately and clearly provide / record any information requested/displayed at a control: 10secs per letter/number or If above Control Information Missing Completely: 1 Fail

Unauthorised alteration of a Time Card: Exclusion

Using the same piece of road twice on a Standard Section: 1 Fail

Failing to comply with any other instruction on the route – card: 1 Fail

Not complying with a reasonable instruction by an Official provided warning is given that a penalty will be applied: 1 Fail

Breaking any rule or regulation for which no penalty is specified: 1 Fail

Failure to comply with Quiet zone requirements: Exclusion

Accepting a time earlier than due time: 1 Fail

Reporting at a Time Control after maximum lateness has expired: Exclusion

Controls Sited At The End Of A Neutral Section:

Early Arrival: 1 Fail per minute

Late Arrival: No penalty other than maximum lateness

Controls Sited At The End Of A Standard Section:

Early Arrival: 1 Fail per minute or part of

Late Arrival: 1 mark per second (Timed to the second section)

60 marks per minute (Timed to the minute section)

Breach of Technical Regulations concerning the use of lights and Breaching the Construction and Use of Vehicles Regulation: 1 Fail / Second Offence: Exclusion

Excessive Noise, excessive speed or driving likely to bring Motorsport into disrepute. Chart 13 – M: Exclusion

Damage to car, being a tear or indentation exceeding 50mm in depth to the external surface of the bodywork or accessories **R.15.1.4** (modified) (*See also ASR 14, Scrutineering*) : Exclusion

Receiving assistance contrary to **R.7.2.4 – R.7.2.7**: Exclusion

Breach of 'No Map Markings' **R.9.1.6**: Exclusion

Breach of **R.7.2.3; R.15.1.2; R.5.4**: Exclusion

Excessive skidding and/or use of "Handbrake" turns on the Public Highway: Exclusion

Any attempt to persuade a marshal to record an incorrect time: Exclusion

Assessment of performance will be decided firstly by the number of fails, and then by the number of marks gained. Ties will be decided in favour of furthest cleanest and then earliest regain. The organisers reserve the right to cancel sections from the results if they deem it fairer to do so '*Force Majeure*' not withstanding. Time Controls at which, in the organisers' opinion, inaccurate times have been given to competitors shall be considered as either Passage Controls or Via Controls.

14. Scrutineering

Noise testing and scrutineering will commence at 17.30hrs and finish at 19.30hrs. Individual times for scrutineering will be notified in the Final Instructions, and any competitor not signed-on by 21.00hrs will be excluded and his place offered to a reserve entry. All cars will comply with the MSA Tyre and Vehicle Regulations as written in the 2018 MSA UK Year Book. Scrutineering will be in compliance with the Road Traffic Act, General Regulations **R.7.2.3**. And Technical Regulations **R.18** and Damage as ASR 13. Cars will also be required to undergo a noise test, and if over 86dBa is registered at $\frac{2}{3}$ maximum rpm on the noise meter at 2.0 metres (*or equivalent test measurements*) **R.4.1; R.4.1.6**, they will not be permitted to start. Noise checks will also be performed en-route. Crews failing either the noise test or scrutineering will not be permitted to start, and will not be refunded their entry fee.

"In accordance with L6, permission is granted for competitors to use Yokohama AO21 tyres manufactured before 1st November 2014, which is shown on the sidewall as 4314. Tyres manufactured after this date or with an ineligible manufacturing date are prohibited."

The link below explains the manufacturing dates shown on Yokohama Tyres,
<http://www.yokohamatire.ph/news-and-features/2014/08/how-to-determine-tire-s-age/>

All Other Tyres in 'L' Permitted Tyres from List 1C of in the MSA Year Book will NOT be Permitted

15. Controls

There will be 6 types of Controls

(a) Main Time Control

(b) Time Control: (i) timed to the minute (ii) Timed to the second

(c) Passage Control

(d) Via Control

(e) Secret Check

At each Main Time Control and Time Control the marshal will enter the time shown on the clock and sign in the appropriate place on the Time-Card. Some controls may not be manned, these may be represented by a code board. Competitors must note the letters or symbols displayed on these

boards on their Time-Card before proceeding. All controls except for D.S.O. Secret Checks will be indicated 50 yards ahead of the correct direction of approach by a Control Board. They must be visited in the order specified on the route-card, any control visited out of order will be deemed not to have been visited. Sections of the route may include "Not as Map Triangles" that will have a Control Area of 5 metres. They will be identified in the route-card and be preceded by a Control Board on the correct direction of approach. It is not the duty of any marshal to interpret the regulations or other written instructions to a competitor or to explain the meaning and/or there of. It is the responsibility of the competitor to read and understand these regulations and all written instructions. Controls will open 25 minutes before the due time of the first car, and will close 30 minutes 59 seconds after the last car is due **R.11**. Any competitor who causes any form of harassment to a marshal or any other official or who remains in a control area subsequent to an instruction to depart will be reported to the Stewards of the Meeting. The organisers reserve the right to exclude any such competitor if they wish. An altered, amended or countersigned Time-Card will be accepted though if it is countersigned by the marshal at the time of alteration. It is the competitors' responsibility to ensure that the Time-Card is correctly marked. Competitors will be excluded for defacing or altering a time card.

16. Timing

The event will use the Scheduled Timing method. Timing will be to BBC/British Telecom time and by marshals' digital clocks. All crews are advised to carry an accurate digital watch with them on the event.

There will be 2 types of sections:

Standard Sections R.10.2

These are sections where a time penalty will be applied for lateness. Before accepting a time from a marshal, check you are not early, if you are you may wait for a later time providing you are not blocking the road.

Neutral Sections R.10.3

These are deemed Quiet sections and are used to take the rally through 'P.R' sensitive or densely populated areas. PLEASE RESPECT THEM. They are timed to a low average speed and competitors must complete the section in as high a gear as possible, and without the use of auxiliary lights (except as permitted by law when driving in fog). Competitors must not make up time in these sections and no penalty will be applied for lateness other than for exceeding maximum lateness, any lateness incurred in these sections will be cumulative towards maximum lateness.

17. Insurance

The Organisers have applied to Jelf Motorsport for a Blanket Cover Note under the above scheme. This will provide competitors who need to use the scheme with the Third Party Cover necessary to meet RTA requirements on the Road Sections of the event.

NOTE: The cover under the road section policy is for **Third Parties to the event only**, meaning that if a competing vehicle hits a member of the public or their property the damage/injury to that member of the public is covered AND NOT ANOTHER COMPETITOR.

If competitors want to insure damage to their cars, they can do so under an On Event Damage policy – contact JELF directly for this.

The basic rate for the event before any loadings will be **£15.85**. All applicants wishing to use the scheme must be able to comply with all points of the Jelf Motorsport's Declaration: -

- I do not have the Third Party Road Section extension on my current Motor Insurance.
- I am aged 20 or over.
- I have had no more than 1 fault claim in the last three years
- I have no more than a maximum of 6 conviction points or a licence ban on my UK driving licence
- I have the appropriate competition/club membership licence as well as a UK/EU driving license and if my license is provisional I will be supervised by an adult over 25.
- I have no physical or mental disabilities

- My vehicle is MOT'd, Taxed and Insured for the road
- I have no other material facts to disclose
- Anyone aged less than 20 years old will also be accepted at the same price should their co-driver be a more senior member of their family or over 25.

If you comply with all points above no Letter of Acceptance will be required. If unable to comply with any of the above points you will be required to complete the Declaration form (the form can be obtained by contacting the event secretary or Jelf Motorsport) which should be forwarded either to the organisers or direct to Jelf Motorsport prior to the event to allow sufficient time for a letter of acceptance to be issued. A link to the application form is on Harlech & District Motor Clubs website.

The final confirmed insurance rate will be specified in the finals and is to be paid by cash at signing on. Jelf Insurance Partnership Partnership House Priory Park East Kingston upon Hull HU4 Tel + 44 (0) 1482 213215 Fax + 44 (0) 1482 213216 Email info@jelfmotorsport.com

18. Damage Declaration

R.15.1.4 is amended to read that damage will be considered to be any tear or indentation exceeding 50mm in depth occurring to any part of the external surfaces of the coachwork or its accessories. Competitors will be required to sign a declaration form at the finish or on retirement, stating that they have not been involved in any incident that may have caused damage to persons or property, or alternatively giving details of such an incident. This information shall not be subject to any penalty other than no competitor shall qualify as a finisher without signing the declaration. The details will be required for any possible post-rally

P.R. work. Competitors who retire shall be required to submit the form to the Entries Secretary giving location and reason for retirement. Any competitor who fails to comply with this requirement within 72 hours of the rally finish shall be reported to the W.A.M.C, A.N.W.C.C and MSA UK for further disciplinary action. The same applies should a competitor withhold or provide false information, such a competitor will be excluded retrospectively from the results and forfeit any awards and/or points gained. Any competitor who as a result of his driving on the event is prosecuted by the Police will be excluded retrospectively from the results and forfeit any awards and/or points gained. Competitors are reminded that by law any incidents should be reported to the Police. Competitors will be expected to contribute towards any cost or claims incurred in respect of damage to property. It is a condition of signing the entry form and the MSA UK Signing-On forms at the Start that competitors accept this clause.

19. Marshals

Due to the format of the event a great deal of experienced marshals will be required. If your marshalling crew have a preference as to what they would like to marshal, then please state on your entry form. (This may not always be possible). Marshals are required to wear Hi – Viz Fluorescent Jackets at controls.

20. Pace Notes

The use of Pace Notes or Map Markings will not be permitted - only markings related to the information provided by the organisers are permitted, together with the highlighting of information already printed on the map as defined by **R.9.1.6**. Any competitor found to be using, or having other markings on his map will be Excluded, Random checks will be made throughout the event to monitor compliance with this regulation.

21. Practising

Any crew found in the opinion of the organisers, to be practising around the lanes on Map 123 will be reported to the appropriate authorities and entry into this event refused, with no refund of Entry Fee for those already entered. YOU HAVE BEEN WARNED!

22. Driving Standards Observer

Competitors' attention is drawn to **R.8.1 – R.8.5** and should note that failure to stop when requested by a D.S.O. will incur the penalty of Exclusion. A D.S.O. board en-route may indicate the presence of such an official in that area.

23. Route

The route has been plotted using a Basic Roamer (1:50,000)

24. Photographs

The official photographers for the event are:

Duncan Littler Motor Sport Photography (Speedsports Photography (Wales))