FINAL INSTRUCTIONS Hughes Rally 13th April 2024

These instructions are an integral part of the written instructions to Competitors, therefore should be treated as part of the regulations for the event. By signing-on for the event you agree to the amendments and clarifications to the Supplementary Regulations set out below.

The Hughes Rally will be based at The Polo Farm Sports Club, Littlebourne Road, Canterbury, CT3 4AF grid ref. 179/179-579. **Please do not arrive before 13:00 hrs**. Facilities at the Start will be used for Friday and Saturday's scrutineering and signing-on formalities, as well as the Start and Finish on Saturday. There is ample trailer and additional car parking on site. **The venue is widely used by children and adults including those from our local schools and universities. There is a 10mph speed limit throughout the site.**

The organising team wishes you an enjoyable and successful day.

Amendments to Supplementary Regulations

Article 4. The MSA Permit numbers are:

Hughes Historic Rally: 134209 Hughes Club Rally: 133982

Article 11. Based on the entry received, the following classes for the Hughes Historic Rally will be combined:

- 1. Classes M3 and M4
- 2. Classes E1 and E4
- 3. Classes N3 and N4

There will be additional "Spirit" awards for the most deserving crew, from either the Hughes Historic Rally or the Club Rally, to be decided by the CoC.

Article 14 - Officials of the Meeting

Harry Pace has been appointed as Driving Standards Officer to ensure that proper driving standards are maintained.

Charles Darby has been appointed Assistant Scrutineer.

Article 18. Failure to stop at a "Stop" sign – either BPMCK origin or Highway sign – 200 marks.

Article 22. The penalty for practising the route in advance is changed from 'Exclusion' to 'Disqualification'.

Article 23.

- A) Insurance cover will cease if you are disqualified from the event.
- B) REIS have confirmed cover and the premium, but the wording has changed as follows:-

Insurance

Vehicles must have a valid motor insurance policy which provides as a minimum, Third Party Liability cover that complies with the Road Traffic Act. This can be either, by extending an existing motor policy to cover the event, or, by purchasing additional cover, providing under the Event Road Section Scheme as an adjunct to an existing motor policy. If a competitor has an extension to their existing policy, they will be required to sign a declaration that the cover complies with the requirements of the Road Traffic Act. Any responsibility for a fraudulent or misleading declaration about existing cover lies with the competitor.

If a competitor wishes to purchase additional Road Section cover via the organisers then they can do so prior to the event providing they comply with the following:

- is aged 19 years or over
- has held a full driving licence for a minimum of 6 months
- has no more than 6 points on their licence
- has had no more than 1 fault claim in the last 3 years
- is a named driver on a valid motor insurance policy for the vehicle they are driving
- do not have the Third-Party Extension cover on their existing motor policy
- the vehicle has a valid MOT and taxed for the road, unless exempt from doing so

Anyone aged less than 19 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. Any competitor who falls outside these parameters may be offered cover at equivalent terms or an agreed price, if approval from the Appointed Insurance Broker has been obtained by the event organisers, prior to the event. Approval can be sought by sending an email to contact@reis.co.uk and provide the Drivers' name and date of birth, the date they past their driving test and details of any motoring claims and/or convictions.

Additional cover provided by this scheme is only effective whilst the vehicle is actively competing in the event and remains under the control or direction of the event organiser(s). Cover will cease immediately if you are precluded, excluded or retire from the event.

The Event Road Section scheme is provided by Reis Motorsport Insurance and underwritten by First Underwriting Limited.

The basic rate per driver for the Insured event, £28.57

before any loadings will be: Net Premium £3.43 (IPT @12%)

£32.00

Insurance Premium Tax
Total Payable For Each Vehicle

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Please do not arrive before 13:00 on Friday. On arrival at the Polo Farm Sports Club proceed to the scrutineering area and, after scrutineering, park and find the signing-on area inside the main building.



Trailers

Trailers may be parked at the start in the allocated parking area, but no responsibility can be accepted by the event organisers or Polo Farm for their security.

Noise Test, Scrutineering and Signing-On

The Noise Test, Scrutineering and Signing-on will take place from **4:00pm to 7:30pm** on Friday evening and from **7.00am to 8.30 am** on Saturday morning. The scrutineer for the event is Gary Port (garyport4x4@gmail.com)

There are no individually allocated scrutineering times for Friday or Saturday. On arrival you will be noise-tested and given a process card, then move on to scrutineering. After scrutineering, take your process card to the signing- on desk.

At scrutineering, cars will be checked for both safety and eligibility. Documentation for your car will also be inspected. Do remember to bring your V5 Registration Document (or MSA or FIA Identity Document) and your current MOT Certificate (except for MOT exempt cars).

As the event will include sections on private property all vehicles **must** carry a Small Spill Kit complying with MSA-GR J5.20.13. Additionally, you are recommended to carry a small fire extinguisher, glass breaker/seatbelt cutter, First Aid kit, high-viz vests/jackets, OK/SOS board.

Hughes Historic Rally competitors are reminded that the technical regulations in the Motor Sport UK Year Book sub-section R19 apply and, in particular, that hydraulic handbrakes are not permitted.

All competitors are reminded that tripmeters which display speed or average speed are not allowed. In addition, use of any of the following electronic devices is NOT permitted: GPS/Satellite navigation receiver, digital speedometer, cycle speed computer, electronic speed tables, programmable calculator, PDA, smartphone, tablet, laptop computer or similar device. Simple handheld non-programmable calculators and digital stopwatches are permitted. In-car cameras are not allowed to be used at any point during the event. Mobile telephones may be carried for use in an emergency or to report retirement from the event only and should otherwise be turned off.

Anyone found using disallowed equipment will be disqualified.

At Signing-on, Club Membership Cards, RS Interclub and RS Clubman for Club Rally will be inspected for both the driver and navigator. Please check in advance that your club membership card (HRCR or other) has not expired. Any crew member who cannot produce their 2024 competition licence will have to pay a non-production fine of £72. Those registered for the HRCR Championship will also need to sign-on at the HRCR desk.

Self-adhesive rally plates, car numbers and meal tickets will be issued at Signing-on. There will be an Official Noticeboard in the signing-on area. Official notices published thereon will have the same force as the Supplementary Regulations.

A talk of approximately 20 to 30 minutes giving advice and guidance about the event, aimed at novices, will be presented by The Clerk of the Course at 18.30 on Friday.

Trip-meter Calibration Route

A calibration route of 4.48 miles has been set using the same car and tripmeter as has been used to survey the entire Hughes Rally route and is as below. It will be open from 14:30 on Friday afternoon. The route mileage has been independently checked.

Start of Calibration Check Route – N 139-518 S – in 2nd layby on this road.

YELLOW LINE IN UPPER LAYBY	0.00
BRIDLEWAY LEFT HAND SIDE	0.05
40 MPH SIGN	0.28
HOGG LANE	0.68
50 MPH SIGN	0.81
LIME KILN LANE	1.31
END OF SPEED LIMIT	1.41
50 MPH BEFORE JUNCTION	2.94
END OF SPEED LIMIT	3.38
MAXTED STREET/MISLING LANE TURNING SIGN (ON R H SIDE OF ROAD)	4.09
YELLOW LINE @ END OF LAYBY	4.48

End of Calibration Check Route N 135-445 in layby.

Timecards, Roadbooks and Route Instructions

Roadbooks will be issued to all competitors from the Signing-on desk when they sign on. Copies will be added to the Hughes Historic Rally website on Friday evening to those competitors who have indicated on their entry form that they will attend scrutineering on Saturday morning.

Timecards and Route Card Booklet will be issued at 08:00 plus your start number on the day of the rally. This will include most of the navigation for the event, whilst others will be issued at various points along the route during the day. Timecards will be supplied on a clipboard which incorporates an electronic memory button, which will store time information transferred from marshals' clocks.

Timecard 1 must be handed in at MTC 2 (Lunch Halt building entrance). Timecard 2 will be collected as cars leave Manston Airport after the afternoon session. The memory buttons will also be chipped there. Timecard 3 and the clipboards with their memory buttons must be surrendered at MTC3 (the finish) or to a rally official if you retire and are unable to get to the finish. Don't forget to sign the Damage Declaration form which is attached to the clipboard.

Rally Plates and Numbers

Please fix your rally plate to the front of your car. You will also be provided with two sets of self-adhesive high-visibility numbers which should be affixed to each side of the car, to the rear of the front doors, ideally on the rear side windows.

Safety at Venues

The roads surrounding the venues can get very busy and are sited on busy roads. Please observe the following:-

Manston Airport

Some areas are restricted, these are signposted. Please obey the signs. If a helicopter is on manoeuvres, please give way. We have a marshal at the cross-over point to control rally traffic. Some areas are two way traffic, so please drive at a suitably slow speed and be prepared to stop.

Polo Farm Sports Ground (Start / Finish)

This is a busy sports centre and there will be plenty of traffic and people movement, especially Saturday morning. Please keep your speed to 5mph.

Morning and afternoon stops

Both of these are on busy roads. Please take great care entering and leaving these – additional time has been allowed in the time schedule to allow for any minor delays.

Baypoint – Lunch Halt

This is a busy sports centre, with other activities going on during the day. We have been allocated the car park in front of the main building, where a marshal will put you into a suitable parking spot.

Competitors' Briefing

There will be a briefing for all competitors at 07:45 am.

Start Order

Cars will be starting in the order shown on the attached start list. Your start time at MTC1, which is situated at the Start Venue, will be 08:53 plus your start number in minutes. This will enable you to drive to the Start of Regularity A which is less than 1 mile away in readiness for car 0 to leave there at 09:00.

Competitor's queries during the Event, including up to the Results being declared Final.

Competitors who wish to raise queries must do so in writing to Brian Millen, the Event Coordinator. During the event he can be contacted on 07880 895366.

If you retire during the event please contact the Course Closing car on 07889 794968.

Facilities

We have arranged stops where there are toilet facilities for your comfort. There will also be free drinks available here as well, but the morning and afternoon stops are only 15 minutes maximum stoppage time.

Refreshments

Vouchers will be included in your signing on pack for the following refreshments -

On morning of the event, tea or coffee with a bacon sandwich will be available from 07:00 for £6.50 and tea or coffee if ordered in advance. If you wish to have these please e-mail the Entries Secretary. The deadline for payment is 12 noon on Wednesday 10th April.

Free drinks are available at both morning and afternoon halts.

A free packed lunch will be provided at the lunch halt.

A supper will be provided to all competitors at the end of the event. If you have any special dietary needs, please e-mail the entry secretary and we will try to accommodate your needs.

Give Ways – Unless specified otherwise in the navigation instructions, these should be treated as per the Highway Code i.e. giving way where needed and when moving from a lower to a higher category road.

Tests – When you arrive at the start of a test you will be deemed to be ready to start. Competitors may NOT walk forward beyond the Start Control to look at tests, nor leave the immediate vicinity of their cars at Test Starts. Test venues are out of bounds to all competitors prior to their arrival at them.

Baulking – Competitors are reminded that rally etiquette and custom require those who are being caught to pull over at the earliest possible opportunity in order to allow the faster car to pass. The faster car may sound the hooter and/or flash the headlights to indicate their wish to overtake.

There will be a Regularity at Manston. It is intended to use some parts of the route twice. We will use the latest Stage Rally protocol at the merges – the car furthest to the Regularity will have priority. The later car will be required to stop and/or give way. There will also be at least one manned "Stop-Go" board on the Regularity – this enables us to use part of the airport where the joy flights company have a right of way over that part of the route.

Tyres and Wear – Some areas of Manston have abrasive surfaces which can cause extreme tyre wear. If you start the event with part-worn tyres they may not be legal by the end of the event! It is recommended to carry two spares to remain legal on the road.

Ordnance Survey Maps

The latest versions of OS Landranger 1:50000 map 179, February 2019 edition, will be required to plot most of the regularity section routes. Anyone urgently needing a map is recommended to order on-line from www.dash4it.co.uk for a good discount and next day delivery.

Official Photographer

Andy Manston will be taking photos of the event and will be sending proofs by email after the event. His website is http://www.mandhphotography.co.uk Andy will never use email addresses for anything other than sending out proofs and will not save them to a database. If you do not wish for your email address to be passed to Andy please let Andy Elcomb, the Hughes Secretary, know before the event at https://www.mandhphotography.co.uk Andy will never use email addresses for anything other than sending out proofs and will not save them to a database. If you do not wish for your email address to be passed to Andy please let Andy Elcomb, the Hughes Secretary, know before the event at https://www.mandhphotography.co.uk Andy will never use email addresses for anything other than sending out proofs and will not save them to a database. If you do not wish for your email address to be passed to Andy please let Andy Elcomb, the Hughes Secretary, know before the event at https://www.mandhphotography.co.uk Andy Elcomb, the Hughes Secretary, know before the event addresses and the hughes addresses addresses and the hughes addresses addresses and the hughes addresses and th

Best Turned Out Car Award

Our Concours Judge will be selecting a winner based not only on the overall condition and presentation of the vehicles, but also on the standard of their preparation for historic rallying. Cars will be inspected at the start and at the lunch halt. We do hope that you will give your car that extra bit of attention before the rally to make it look its best.

Fuel

There are several fuel stations close to the Start/Finish venue, prices vary considerably! The route will be approximately 120 miles. Fuel stations are detailed in the transport sections of the road book. There are 3 between Manston Airport and the lunch halt.

Regularity Sections

Regularity sections will involve plotting the route onto your maps in advance, and en route. Navigation will be presented using grid references, grid lines, spot heights, compass directions, and other styles most of which can be found in the 'Navigation Handbook' that you can download and print from this web link: https://www.hrcr.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/HRCR-Navigation-Handbook.pdf

Regularity Timing Points and Pauses

Intermediate Time Controls (ITCs) will be marked by a Time Control (clock face) board at the start of the control area. The timing line will be marked by a white line on the road. Please note that there will be no ITCs situated on main A-roads, nor will they be situated sooner than half of the distance travelled on the A-road after leaving the A-road (i.e. if you have travelled 1 mile on an A-road, there will be at leasthalf a mile before any ITC). This is to enable you to travel at a sensible speed along A-roads and not to baulk other traffic, then to get back on schedule when on minor roads.

There will not be a Time Control until at least ¾ mile after any LC. Additional time has been built into the time schedule where the route travels over a level crossing. The additional time will be noted in the Navigation notes for that section. Remember that your one worst ITC lateness penalty from the public road regularity sections will be discounted in the results, whatever the reason for your lateness.

Some ITC's may not be manned but will be marked with a clock face board. Competitors should record "their" ideal time **in ink** in the relevant space on the time card when they arrive at the control. This will be checked by the marshal at the next control. Any boxes or times not in ink will be struck through and incur the penalty of failing to visit a ITC.

Passage Controls (PC)

There will be a few code boards on the route to look out for. They are white A4 cards with two black letters. The two letters must be recorded on your timecard. There may also be manned Passage Controls (Secret Checks) in places on the route. The route instructions will not give the locations of the Secret Checks where you must stop and obtain the marshal's signature on your timecard. Secret Checks will be identified by a 'PC Stamp' board while ITCs will display a 'Clock' board. Samples of these boards will be on display at Signing-On.

Use of Public Rights of Way

Where the route is over private land which has footpaths and bridleways on them, approval has been obtained from KCC to traverse them, but any member of the public retains public right of way (PROW). These sections will be signed with 'PROW Start' and 'PROW Finish' so that participants are reminded that they are entering and leaving such a section.

Maximum Lateness

The maximum lateness of 30 minutes will apply at MTC2 (Lunch halt OUT) and MTC3 (Finish), but may be extended by the Clerk of the Course if the rally is delayed for a valid reason, in which case competitors will be notified as soon as possible. We do not intend to penalise any competitors whose lateness is incurred when a large part of the rally is delayed for reasons beyond their control, such as a test delay or major traffic hold up. However, if your lateness is due to your own errors in navigation or car problems, you should consider cutting a section of the route to avoid exceeding your maximum lateness. Note that the arrival controls at the lunch halt and the exit of Manston's afternoon session are for timecard collection and are not a Time Control. At MTC 3 please hand in your timecard and clipboard as soon as you arrive. Also please, remember to complete your damage declaration form and hand that and the clipboard in at the same time.

The 'Car 0' times given in the master schedule and your scheduled times on the timecards for special tests and regularity starts are just a guide time to help you keep on schedule. Late runners should be aware that controls and tests will close 30 minutes after the due time of the last car.

Narrow Lanes

The rally route has some narrow lanes which are only single track in places. Please be particularly careful when the road is narrow, in case you meet oncoming cars, horses or pedestrians. Required average speeds for these narrow lanes have been suitably reduced in the interest of safety.

Care, Quite Zones and other things to note

Please mark the following as

BLACK SPOTS

Grid Squares 0945, 1045, 1046, 1146, 1743, 1744, 3254, 3354, 3367 17004985, 308670, 19055520.

200m radius of 167490.

QUIET ZONES

N half 1656, N half 1552, 1955, 1966, 2263, 2560, 2561, W half 2650, 2662, 2756, E half 3067.

Default navigation – consider all roads unless told otherwise.

LWR in GS's 2054 & 2254

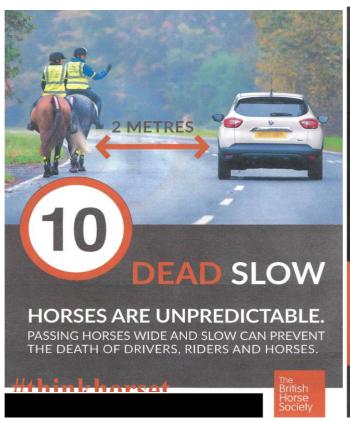
Reporting of incidents

You are reminded of Section 170 of the Road Traffic Act 1988 and Rule 286 of the Highway Code regarding the reporting of a collision which causes damage or injury to any other person, vehicle, animal or property. Any incidents involving injury must be reported to the Police. A damage declaration form will be provided with your timecards and this must be **completed by all drivers** and handed in at the finish.

Public Relations

Over 700 residences have been PR'd prior to this event, no negative feedback has been received and we expect many people to be out looking at the cars as they go past. Please be courteous and please do wave back. Should you encounter any problems on route please do not get involved in arguments about the legality of the event, or anything else. Please hand them a copy of the PR letter issued with your paperwork at signing-on and ask them to contact the Clerk of the Course. Please make a note of any confrontation and the location and let an official know at the end of the rally.

Additionally, East Kent is a hotbed of horse riders, cyclists and walkers. The British Horse Society has issued a leaflet which is included within these Final Regulations. Please read it and drive with respect.





Marshals

If you have any friends who are available to marshal on the event, please ask them to contact the Chief Marshals Grahame Standen and Phil Smith, at phil.blackpalfrey@gmail.com