

TCS PLANT RALLY CHALLENGE 2026

in support of Wales Air Ambulance
and hosting the Celtic Micra Challenge

Promoted by Maesteg and District Motor Club
CHAMPIONSHIP SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

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Previous Champions

	Driver	Co-Driver
2013	Thomas 'TC' Lloyd	Claire Williams
2014	Jason Hodge	Mark Crisp
2015	Morgan Handford	Chris Williams
2016	Wynne Watkins	Siobhan Pugh
2017	William Mains	Dawn England
2018	William Mains	Paul Wakely
2019	William Mains	Rhys Stoneman
2020	Tom Coughtrie*	Ian Fraser* Leaders at time of cancellation*
2022	John Caine	Liam Whiteley
2023	Ernie Graham	Dan Evans
2024	Sam Mason	James Seymour
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Maesteg and District Motor Club Committee will be the promoters / organising body.
The Rally Challenge, incorporating the Celtic Micra Challenge, will be held under the
National Competition Rules of Motorsport UK and these Championship Regulations,
The Rally Challenge Permit No. is

Official title: **TCS Plant Rally Challenge 2026**
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Eligibly Scrutineer Mr. Neil White.

The Challenge Stewards are:

Hu Kent, Huw Richards, John Surridge.

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Featuring 12 rounds with the best 7 scores to count, it is planned that there will be an equal number of sealed and non-sealed surface stage rallies. It is appreciated that many competitors have either gravel or sealed surface prepared vehicles. With good scores, contenders may win by competing in just one discipline and not necessarily both, as has been the case in previous years. Any vehicle permitted on qualifying rounds is eligible. (Please also see Item 17). There will be an award for the best individual combined score supported by RJD Motor Services, if competing as a Driver and Co-driver throughout the year.

The challenge will have an innovative points scoring system as detailed in Item 5.

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By registering, you will be supporting Wales Air Ambulance Charity No. 1083645 with a minimum of £3 of your £10 registration fee being donated to the Charity, in addition to fundraising efforts MDMC organise. Since the inception of the Rally Challenge in 2013, over £17,000 has been donated to the charity

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The fee of £10 will also include Maesteg DMC Membership with the full benefits of the Club including voting rights. Challenge Registration is free to MDMC members already fully paid up for 2026.

It is preferable that Contenders state Maesteg DMC as their Club for entry lists that include Club names but, as a Motorsport UK registered Championship, this is not compulsory. If a contender wishes to drive and co-drive throughout the Challenge they need pay only once and should make every effort to inform the Challenge Co-ordinator before entering an event to assist in calculating their points tally.

The Challenge Co-ordinator or a fellow organiser will make every effort to attend named rounds to allow competitors to register until one sealed and one non-sealed surface rally has taken place. After this period, organisers are not bound to attend but competitors may register throughout the year. Registration may then be done by post or electronically using the payment methods detailed on the Registration Form. You may register before the day of your first event which will assist organisers and help gain pre-season publicity.

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Scores per round will be 30 points for 1st Overall and 1st in Class then 28, 26, 24, 23, 22, 21 down to 8 points for 20th in class or lower. This will also apply if Classes are amalgamated. Five points will be awarded for a non-finish but zero points for a disqualification. If a contender completes a 'Trophy Rally' having retired from the rally earlier, they will be awarded 5 points. Points will be awarded according to the Rally Class Position in the results of each round. E.g. a Contender achieving 3rd in Class on an event will earn 26 points regardless of whether 1st and 2nd in Class are Challenge contenders. This will eliminate the scenario of a contender 'cruising' to a finish to achieve maximum Challenge points if they are likely to be the only finisher or their position is uncontested in said Class. Your class points will be added toward an overall score which means that you can compete in various classes throughout the year. On events which have sections where Class positions are not posted, eg Junior F1000, a competitors overall position will be deemed their Class position.

Points will be calculated using the final results list on which every finisher is included, not on lists of Class positions. This is due to previous occasions when through error, Final and Class lists have differed. It is therefore very important that you check that your correct Class position is shown on provisional results posted on events prior to them being made final. Contenders who achieve 1st overall will gain the same points as 1st in Class. If an event has a Top 3 where class positions are not stated, contenders will earn the same points as a competitor listed as the first in their class in the final results.

Results will be updated at the website: www.rallychallenge.co.uk where reports may also be found. Photographs taken on rounds attended by our Challenge

photographer are free of charge sent electronically. See website for contact details.
Please apply one rally at a time.

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TCS Plant Rally Challenge Awards and Prize money

Overall Champion Driver	Rally Challenge Drivers Cup, replica and £150
Overall Champion Co-driver	Rally Challenge Co- Drivers Cup, replica and £150
Gravel Champion Driver	Cup, replica plus £100
Sealed Surface Champion Driver	Cup, replica plus £100
2 nd Driver	Award plus £90
2 nd Co- driver	Award plus £90
3 rd Driver	Award plus £70
3 rd Co-driver	Award plus £70

Best combined score for a contender who drives and co-drives throughout the year:
The RJD Motor Services Two Seats Trophy, replica and £95. Aside from this Trophy, contenders other than Juniors may only win one of the above awards which will be given in order of greatest monetary value.

Junior Awards

1 st Driver	Cup, replica and £100.
1 st Co-Driver	Cup, replica and £100.

A Junior contender must be under 25 years of age on 1/1/2026 and is able to win more than one award. Whether Junior contenders may win more than two awards will be at the organisers discretion.

Ties will be decided by Class positions in the results of the first round competed on. If a tie exists, the 2nd, 3rd and 4th round competed on, and so on. If a tie still exists then it will be decided on Class position on the 1st stage of the first round competed on, then 2nd, 3rd and so on until the tie is resolved.

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As a courtesy to our sponsor, every effort must be made by Award Winners to attend the Presentation Evening. If not possible you may nominate someone who has purchased a ticket to receive your award. If you fail to nominate someone, at the organiser's discretion, you may forfeit your prize money which may be added to the Wales Air Ambulance 2026 donation. You will be credited in publicity for the donation.

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Each contender should carry Challenge Decals provided, on both sides of the vehicle and, as a courtesy to the sponsor, make an effort to keep them visible. They will each measure approximately 22cm x 21 cm. It is the responsibility of the Contender to obtain new decals should they become damaged or they compete in a different car. If a Challenge official is present on a round and witnesses that decals are not displayed, points for that round may be forfeited if it is deemed that an adequate attempt to obtain them has not been made. All replacement stickers will be provided free of charge. In the spirit of which the Rally Challenge is run, complaints received by the promoters that Challenge decals are not displayed, will not be entertained.

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TCS Plant Rally Challenge Calendar 2026

Hosting the Celtic Micra Challenge

Rally North Wales Wolverhampton & Staffs. Car Club	March 28 th	Welshpool
Severn Valley Stages Midland Manor Motor Club	April 11 th	Builth Wells
SMC Stages Stockport 061 Motor Club	April 12 th	Trac Mon, Anglesey
Plains Rally Knutsford & District Motor Club	June 13 th	Dolgellau
JD Tyres Bob Shaw Memorial Stages Pembrokeshire Motor Club	July 4 th /5 th	Brawdy, Pembs.
Nicky Grist Stages Quinton Motor Club	July 11 th	Builth Wells
Fairfield Merlin Stages Carmarthen Motor Club	July 19 th Prov.	Pembrey
Mewla Rally Epynt Motor Club	August 30 th	Mynydd Epynt
Phil Price Memorial Woodpecker Sixty & Worcestershire Motor Club	Sept. 12 th	Newtown
Hills Ford Rally Cheltenham Motor Club	Sept. 19 th /20 th	Shrewsbury
Trackrod Rally Yorkshire RESERVE Trackrod Motor Club	Sept. 26 th /27 th	Filey
Visit Conwy Cambrian Rally North Wales Car Club	Oct. 24 th	Llandudno
Castle Combe Circuit Stage Rally Bath Motor Club	Nov. 7 th / 8 th	Castle Combe
Challenger Stages RESERVE Bournemouth and District Car Club	Nov. 15 th /16 th	Bovington

Best 7 scores to count.

No minimum amount of events on which to compete.

All points totalled toward an overall score allowing you to alternate classes you compete in throughout the season.

In addition to the above you may nominate one overseas rally of your choice, (before the event begins) (See Regulations)

Award for Contenders who both drive and co-drive during the year.

£10 registration includes Maesteg DMC Membership

email: rallychallenge@live.co.uk

Registration form on Website: www.rallychallenge.co.uk

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(Item 10 is also applicable for the claiming of Celtic Micra Challenge points)
Motorsport UK have granted permission to include one round outside mainland Wales, England and Scotland of the contender's choice to substitute a named Challenge round, i.e. rallies only accessible by sea or air. THE CONTENDER MUST NOMINATE THIS ROUND BEFORE tackling Stage One and the event must begin no later than, October 17th 2026. It is the contenders responsibility to provide overseas event results to the Challenge Co-ordinator in order to gain points. Only one rally may be nominated and must be recognised by the motor sport governing body of said country.

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Reserve events:

To comply with NCR Chapter 3, Appendix 10, Article 4.1(a-d)", in the case of cancellation of a qualifying round, reserve events are already named on the Calendar. Cancelled events or those subject to a date change may be replaced by named reserve events only. The Championship has a total of 12 rounds, some of which will take place on Ministry of Defence property. The Ministry of Defence, because of operational commitments, may have to withdraw the availability of a venue, sometimes at short notice. The Championship Organisers reserve the right to accept a date change of a championship event, should it be forced on the organisers due a Ministry of Defence venue becoming unavailable on the original date. This rule is laid down under guidelines from the Motorsport UK after consultation with the WAMC. If Motorsport UK relax the rule on date changes for events not on MOD Land, the organising Committee will decide on whether to take advantage of this relaxation if and when such an occurrence takes place. In this case, the change of date will be announced at the Rally Challenge website and organisers may, but are not bound to, inform contenders by e mail.

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It is a competitor's responsibility to notify the Challenge Co-ordinator of any change of contact details.

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Contenders are asked to submit any queries regarding points, which are to be found at www.rallychallenge.co.uk as soon as possible after each event and it is their responsibility to ensure that the query has been received by the Challenge Co-ordinator. A date when the results become final will be announced on the release of the provisional results following the last round.

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In case of further disruption as occurred during the pandemic, it is necessary to include the following wording - Promoters have the right to cancel the Championship if three Gravel and three Sealed Surface Rounds are unable to take place.

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Registering for the Rally Challenge signifies acceptance of the Rules.

-16- (As requested by Motorsport UK)

12.1 By registering for the Championship all competitors and their associates commit to positively promote and demonstrate the Motorsport UK's Respect Code which is appended to these regulations (Appendix 1).

12.1.1. Where any reports of disrespectful conduct are judged to be well founded the Championship organisers may issue warnings or require remedial actions and/or report the matter to the Championship Stewards who may impose appropriate penalties which can include loss of Championship points through to Championship Expulsion and referral to Motorsport UK.

3.1.2. It is imperative that we promote the safety and wellbeing of young people and adults at risk. In addition to this all participants must be aware of their behaviour and conduct at all times and abusive language and harmful behaviour will not be tolerated. Any such incidents must be reported to the Championship Coordinator and/or Safeguarding Officer who will also relay the report to Motorsport UK. Details of the Motorsport UK Policies and Guidelines are available at www.motorsportuk.org/resource-centre by selecting Policies and Guidelines.

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Additional Championship Information for Celtic Micra Challenge Contenders

Provision is made on the TCS Challenge Registration Form where you must state that you are a Celtic Micra Challenge Contender.

Item 10 re nominating an optional overseas event is applicable.

There will be a dedicated page which will include latest points and features, accessible via the home page of www.rallychallenge.co.uk

To become Overall Micra Challenge Champion Driver and Co-driver, contenders have to compete on a minimum of one gravel **and** one sealed surface round.

Mr. Justin Fowler Bishop will oversee the Celtic Micra Challenge with regard to awards, collation of points, decals, sponsor support and publicity.

Only Nissan engined Micra's are eligible.

There will be no additional fee for Micra Challenge contenders.

Contenders already Maesteg DMC members shall have complimentary registration

All Celtic Micra Challenge contenders are eligible for TCS Plant Rally Challenge Awards, plus those listed below.

Additional Awards to those stated in Item 6 are as follows:

Celtic Micra Challenge Champion Driver Cup, replica

Celtic Micra Rally Challenge Champion Co- Driver Cup, replica

Celtic Micra Gravel Driver's Cup Cup, replica

Celtic Micra Sealed Surface Driver's Cup Cup, replica

2nd Driver Award

2nd Co- driver Award

3rd Driver Award

3rd Co-driver Award

Further incentives may be added at the discretion of the Organisers

If registering by post, send to the address below **and** inform Justin Fowler-Bishop.

If registering by email, please send to both addresses below.

The TCS Plant Rally Challenge Co-ordinator is

Terry Frayne 41 Penrice St., Morriston, Swansea SA6 6HQ.

email: rallychallenge@live.co.uk

Payment details on Registration Form at top of page.

The Celtic Micra Challenge is overseen by

Justin Fowler-Bishop email: jfbmsport@gmail.com

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**TCS Plant Rally Challenge / Celtic Micra Challenge Registration Form
and Points Calculator below**

TCS PLANT RALLY CHALLENGE

COMPETITORS REGISTRATION FORM (Page 1)

Name Date ____ / ____ / 20__

Home Town (Please include for publicity)

E Mail address (Mandatory)(Please print clearly)

Tel.(Mandatory) Birth date if under 25 on Jan. 1st 2026

Please tick: I wish to register as a (Please circle) **Driver** **Co-driver** **Both (one fee)**

Celtic Micra Challenge Contender Yes / No. CMC Drivers only-Planned engine capacity

INDEMNIFICATION . I declare that I have been given the opportunity to read the National Competition Rules of Motorsport UK and these Championship Regulations, and agree to be bound by them. I declare that I am physically and mentally fit to take part in the event and I am competent to do so. I acknowledge that I understand the nature and type of the competition and the potential risk inherent with motor sport and agree to accept that risk.

'I understand that motorsport can be dangerous and accidents causing death, injury, disability and property damage can and do happen. I understand that these risks may give rise to my suffering personal injury or other loss and I acknowledge and accept these risks. In consideration of the acceptance of this Championship Registration, I agree that neither any one of or any combination of Motorsport UK and its associated clubs, the organisers, the track owners or other occupiers, the promoters and their respective officers, servants, representatives and agents (the "Parties") shall have any liability for loss or damage which may be sustained or incurred by me as a result of participation in the Championship including but not limited to damage to property, economic loss, consequential loss or financial loss howsoever caused. Nothing in this clause is intended to or shall be deemed to exclude or limit liability for death or personal injury. To the fullest extent permitted by law I agree to indemnify and hold harmless each of the Parties in respect of any loss or damage whatsoever and howsoever arising from my participation in this event. 'I, if a driver, declare that to the best of my belief, I possess the standard of competence necessary for event's in the Championship and that the vehicle entered is suitable and roadworthy for these events having regard to the course and the speeds which will be reached'.

Signature

If you wish to nominate an optional overseas event and already know which one then please insert Rally name here

*****If under 18 the signature of a parent or guardian is required*****

This Challenge Registration is made with my consent. Signed

Full name and address of Parent / Guardian

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THIS INFORMATION WILL BE STORED ON COMPUTER AND MAY BE USED FOR PUBLICITY OR ORGANISATIONAL PURPOSES

Registration fee £10. under 18yr olds £5. Cheques payable to Maesteg DMC

BACS payment 20 84 41 63318303 Maesteg & District Motor Club. State reference: TCS followed by your name/s

PayPal via rallychallenge@live.co.uk

Continued, with contact details overleaf

(Registration Form Page 2 of 2. If sent by post, please print on back of page 1 if possible)
RETURN TO: TERRY FRAYNE, 41 PENRICE ST., MORRISTON, SWANSEA. SA6 6HQ.
E Mail: rallychallenge@live.co.uk

Information for publicity (Optional)

NAME

PLEASE MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO KEEP IN TOUCH SO THAT I MAY GAIN YOU PUBLICITY

Plans / car / sponsors / events you intend to enter including outside the Challenge
etc.

For official use:

MDMC memb. No. CHALLENGE REG. NO.....

Decals issued? JUNIOR? Micra Challenge?

Fee paid £10 £5 (Junior) Chal No.

Round	Class Position	Points	Total	Best 7
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TCS PLANT RALLY CHALLENGE

Points Calculator

First Overall 30

Class Positions

1 st	30	2 nd	28	3 rd	26
4 th	24	5 th	23	6 th	22
7 th	21	8 th	20	9 th	19
10 th	18	11 th	17	12 th	16
13 th	15	14 th	14	15 th	13
16 th	12	17 th	11	18 th	10
19 th	9	20 th or lower	8		

Non-finish 5 Points

Disqualification – Zero Points

As stated in the Championship Supplementary Regulations, points are awarded for your Class position in the Final Results of each Round, not just amongst Challenge Contenders.

