



Weald Beginners 12 Car Rally April '25

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For the 2024-2025 12 Car Season, Weald Motor Club introduced a new initiative – the Weald Beginners Rally School. 5 sessions led by experienced Weald 12 Car crews to give beginners an insight into the workings of a 12 car rally, and to prepare them to join the Weald 12 Car Championships at the Novice level.

This event is the culmination of Weald Beginners Rally School for the 2024-2025 season and is a single event which is open to any crew who came along to a Rally School night, as well as any crew where the navigator has not competed in any 12 car status events or higher, and achieved a finish higher than 6th. Crews who have not been to any Weald Rally School events are also welcome.

This event is a taster event, which means that crews need an RS Clubman licence to compete (available for free from Motorsport UK's website) but do not have to be members of a recognised car club.

We have introduced a new web-based entries system for this year, which will take payment by credit/debit card. This system will also handle requests for insurance and take payment at time of entry.

SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

1. Jurisdiction

Held under the General Regulations of Motorsport UK (Incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA), these Supplementary Regulations (SR) and any other written instructions that the organisers may issue. Note: The National Competition Rules (NCR) are referenced by Chapter, Appendix then Article, and are referred to in these SRs as Chapter (Ch), Appendix (App) Article (Art) for example Chapter 13 Appendix 1 Article 27-34 is referenced as Ch 13 App 1 Art 27-34.

2. Permits

Permit Number 201340 has been issued for the event. This is a Clubman grade permit and is for a TASTER event.

3. Status

The event is a 12 Car Navigational Rallies held under Motorsport UK Permits organised under Weald Motor Club Ltd and promoted individually by: Borough 18 Motor Club, Croydon & District Motor Club Limited, Sevenoaks and District Motor Club Limited, Weald Motor Club Limited, Southern Car Club Limited, Maidstone & Mid Kent Motor Club Limited, Bexley Light Car Club, and Blackpalfrey Motor Club of Kent Limited.

4. Eligibility

As a taster event, crews do not have to be fully paid up members of a club recognised by Motorsport UK, if it is their first event.

Crews comprising a navigator who has attended any of the Weald Beginners Rally School 2024-2025 sessions will be given priority.

Crews comprising a navigator who is a Novice and has not finished higher than 6th position in any equivalent rally event may enter. The event is open to all fully paid-up members of Weald Motor Club Limited (which incorporates all members of the organising clubs listed at (3) above) and additionally; Borough 19 Motor Club, Central Sussex Motor Club, Chelmsford Motor Club, Eastbourne & RAM Motor Club, Guildford Motor Club, North West Kent Motor Club and Tunbridge Wells Motor Club.

Competition licences and club membership cards are all required and WILL be inspected at signing-on for all non-taster crew entries.

All vehicles must comply with Motorsport UK National Competition Rules Ch 13 App 1 Art 27-34, Ch 13 App 3 Art 5 g – i, Ch 13 App 15 Art 3- 12, Ch 13 App 15 Art 20, Ch 13 App 15 Art 22-25. In accordance with Ch 13 App 3 Art 13 NO intercoms are to be used on the event except for those with Motorsport UK certificate of medical dispensation which must be presented at signing on, but mobile phones may be carried in competing cars for emergency purposes only.

5. Classes

Classes will be defined as follows but will be at the discretion of the organiser for each event. Crews will run in the class as determined by the navigator.

Novice	The Navigator has not previously won a class award (in a contested class) or finished in the first six overall in any 12 car or higher status navigational rallies during the past season.
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6. Entry

Each crew member must be registered in the Weald Registration System - [Register to compete in Weald Events – Weald Motor Club](#) – which can be found on the Weald Motor Club website – www.wealdmotor.club.

After registering, please wait for the confirmation email from the administrators that the Weald ID's have been created. Only when you have the Driver and Navigators Weald ID's can entry be made. The entry form can be found at <https://www.wealdmotor.club/wbr1104> and is only accessible if you have your Weald ID password.

7. PROGRAMME

Entries Open – on publication of these regulations

Entries Close – At 8pm on the 10th of April or upon receipt of 12 entries.

Scrutineering and Documentation - 19.00 to 19.30 hours on the day of the event at the start venue.

Crews to receive all documentation at signing on.

1st Car departs Time Control 1 outside the start venue or nearby at 20.01 hours This may mean a short run out to TC1

8. REGISTRATION, ENTRIES, INSURANCE & PAYMENT

Registration as a Weald competitor is required before an entry can be made. Once registered, competitors will only need to enter the driver and navigators Weald ID on the entry form. This is intended to reduce the number of times competitors have to enter their details (and make entry from a mobile phone easier). Competitors will receive their Weald ID to their registered email address within 24 hours. There is no distinction between a driver and a navigator within the Weald Competitor system.

Entries will ONLY be accepted through the Weald Entry System. When entry opens, and after completing the security to get to the entry page for the event, the following steps must be completed:

- 1) The driver and navigators Weald IDs are entered. (it is not possible to leave one blank)
- 2) A confirmation screen of the relevant names, mobile numbers, Motor Sport UK licences, Club, and Emergency Contact details is displayed.
- 3) A confirmation screen for the vehicle to be entered will be displayed, the details taken from the drivers Weald ID registration. Where a different vehicle is to be used, the details can be updated for only the event being entered at this point.
- 4) Insurance – the choice of taking the event insurance (and the price for that event) or if the vehicle is covered with an insurance policy which meets the necessary requirements.

- a. If own insurance is selected, the policy number and the name and address of the issuing company must be entered.
- 5) The total entry fee is calculated and displayed for confirmation
- 6) The payment gateway can utilise Apple Pay, Google Pay, Credit or Debit card
- 7) Upon successful payment, you will receive a confirmation email to the registered email address of the account logged in to make the entry.
- 8) The Weald Entry System will only take payment from the first 12 entries

All payments are handled by Stripe, and no payment details other than the transaction ID and whether payment was successful are held on Weald Motor Club systems.

9. FEES

The entry fee for a crew (driver and navigator) for this event will be £25.

Where insurance with the appropriate Road Traffic Act cover is not held by the driver, event insurance is available. This costs £24 per vehicle. The insurance premium where required will be collected at the point of payment for the entry (i.e. total fee collected will be event entry fee of £25 + £24 insurance total £49). Payment for insurance where required will ONLY be taken at time of entry, and ONLY through the Weald Entry System.

The event insurance can only be offered to drivers who meet the following criteria:

- is aged 19 years or older
- has held a full UK / EU driving license for a minimum of 6 months
- has no more than 6 conviction points on their license and no bans of any kind
- has had no more than 1 fault claim in the last 3 years
- 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 Event Organisers sending an email to the contact@reis.co.uk and provide the Drivers' name and date of birth, the date they passed their driving test and full details of any motoring claims and/or convictions.

10. OFFICIALS

Clerks of the Course and Stewards for each event will be announced in the Final Instructions. Contacts for each club are listed above.

11. FINAL INSTRUCTIONS

These will be issued before the event by email. The various types of navigation to be used will be included in these final instructions for each event.

12. FINAL FINAL INSTRUCTIONS

These will be issued on the night at the start venue at signing on and will include any last minute final information that may be required to complete the event.

13. ROUTE INSTRUCTIONS

The start location is at The Wings Bar, Headcorn Aerodrome (interlude.many.scarecrow).

The event will take place on Ordnance Survey Landranger 1:50000 map number 189. The route has been plotted and checked on the weatherproof 2019 edition.

Time cards and some give ways and Black Spots will be issued at Signing On. The route will be defined by various forms of navigation handed out at the start and along the Route as follows:

Novice Simplified navigation for entire event issued at sign on

The route will be about 50 competitive miles, with the correct route being the shortest distance on yellow class roads or above. DO NOT USE WHITE CLASS ROADS unless specifically instructed to do so.

14. RESULTS

Provisional results will be announced as soon as possible after the event. Subject to any protest being lodged these will become final at 20.00 Hours on the Sunday following the event, when they will be published on the Weald Motor Club website, and links posted on the Weald Motor Club Facebook page. Protests and queries to be directed to the organiser while the results remain provisional. The Weald 12 Car series co-ordinator (Bob Stokoe) may be called to adjudicate if required.

15. IDENTIFICATION

Competitors vehicles will be identified by registration numbers.

16. PENALTIES

To classify as a finisher, competitors must visit all Main Time Controls (MTC), within the maximum lateness shown on the Time Card, and without having suffered the penalty of exclusion. All competitors will start with zero marks and the penalties will be scored as per the FAIL system in Ch 13 App 7.

Not reporting or reporting OTL at any Time control:	1 Fail
Visiting any control more than once:	1 Fail
Not reporting at a manned Passage Control or or providing proof of visiting a Route Check:	1 Fail
Departure from a control before scheduled time:	2 minutes per minute
Departure from a control after due time:	1 minute per minute

Other penalties are listed in Ch 13 App 7, and we draw attention to Ch 13 App 7 Art 1.3 i-q which are the elements which may lead to disqualification from the event.

17. CONTROLS

MTC

A main time control. Timecard to be presented for the marshal's signature to be classed as a finisher.

TC

Time Control, these will be at the Start and the end of a Section where competitors are requested to STOP at a stop board then enter the control and present their Timecard to the Marshal. The Final Control will be deemed a Main Time Control.

PC

Passage Control, these undisclosed intermediate controls are where a competitor is required to have their timecard marked by the Marshal as proof of passage. In the event of any Control being unmanned, record the code letters displayed immediately in the next available box on the Time Card.

RC (code board)

Route Checks, these occur at any time on the route. Record the Code Board letters on your timecard where indicated. At the end of each section, the marshal will strike through all empty boxes prior to that control. All controls/checks will open 15 minutes before the first car is due and close 30 minutes after the last car is due. Sample control boards and code boards will be displayed at the Start and be consistent for all events in the series. Weald MC will provide the boards for all the events.

Stopping at Controls

At controls where it is required to stop and get a marshal's signature there will be an approaching control board about 50 metres beforehand. Competitors are required to reduce speed, dip lights and arrive at the control in a safe manner. All marshals will be deemed to be judges of fact with regard to driving standards at controls. Marshals will report to Clerk using the Marshal WhatsApp for that event.

18. CARS

This challenge is intended for normal road-going 'shopping' cars. Any car considered unsuitable will not be permitted to start and the Organisers decision will be FINAL.

The following may be checked on each event at an informal scrutineering at the start venue at the discretion of the organiser.

Lighting	No LED/HID external lights are permitted unless they are standard/factory fit. The function of the main beam, dipped beam, indicators and brake lights should be checked. Additional spot lights should be automatically wired to turn off when switching from main to dipped beam
Interior Trim	Check that all original interior trim is present. Interior door panels, rear seats, carpet and headlining.
Battery	Check to ensure that the battery is securely fitted
Noise	Any car deemed to be too noisy will be excluded A noise meter may be employed at the start and during the event to comply with the current noise regulations

19. TIMING

Timing will be by clocks, watches or mobile phones, held by the Marshals at Time Controls set to BBC/British Telecom Time, or in the case of mobile phones the network time signal provided by the relevant operator. Times will be recorded to the previous whole minute.

20. MOBILE PHONES AND SAT NAVS

The use of these devices is forbidden on pain of exclusion although mobile phones can be used for an emergency.