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The Festival Targa Rally

14th February 2026



Supplementary Regulations



2026 BTRDA® Gold and Silver Star Targa Road Rally Championship



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Introduction

Welcome to the 2026 Festival Targa Rally organised by Bath Motor Club on Saturday 14th February 2026.

The Rally will start and finish at Castle Combe Racing Circuit. This multi venue event will offer 12 special tests totalling approximately 35 miles, between 75% Tar/Concrete and 25% gravel. This event will use two venues that we have not used for a few years. The entry fee will be £245 which includes a free meal at the end of the rally.

We have also introduced with thanks from The Yellow Box Solutions Company, prize money for 1st Overall Interclub at £200 and 1st Overall Clubman at £150.

Scrutineering will be available on Friday 13th February and for an hour on Saturday morning.

The event is a round of the ASWMC Targa Road Rally, The BTRDA and CMSG Targa Rally Championships. Championship contenders must enter the 'Interclub' category. For the Novice there will be a Clubman's category. You will require a minimum of a 'RS Clubman' licence for the Clubman's event, this is available from Motorsport UK. For anyone wanting accommodation please see the article enclosed in these regulations.

Hope to see you in February

Dave Whittock and the organising committee

Proposed Timetable

Entries Open Monday 5th January 2026	20.00
Entries Close Friday 6th February 2026	20.00
Final instructions will be sent out on Monday 9 th February	18.00

Signing on will be electronic prior to the event.

Gates Open at the Circuit – Friday 13 th February	13.00
Noise Test & Scrutineering	13.30 – 18.00

Documentation collection at Rally HQ	13.30 – 18.15
Overnight Camping available	
Gates Close	21.00

Gates Open at the Circuit – Saturday 14 th February	07.00
Scrutineering	07.15 – 09.45
Noise Test	08.00 - 09.45
Documentation collection at Rally HQ	08.00 – 09.45
Drivers Briefing Strawford Centre Lower Floor	10.00

Rally Start	10.30
Re-Group in	12.50
Re-Group out	13.45
Rally Finish	16.20
Food served from	16.30
Prize Presentation in the Strawford Centre	ASAP

1. Announcement

Bath Motor Club will organise and promote the Festival Targa Road Rally. The event will be dual permit with both an Interclub and a Clubman status Targa Road Rally held on Saturday 14th February 2026. The Clubman status Targa Road Rally is open to any member of Bath Motor Club. The Interclub event will be a round of the following championships.

1.1 HEL Performance 2026 ASWMC Targa Road Rally Championship.

1.2 2026 Cotswold Motor Sport Group in association with AWMMC

1.3 BTRDA Targa Road Rally Championship.

2. Jurisdiction

The meeting will be governed by the National Competition Rules of Motorsport UK incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA, and these supplementary regulations and any written instructions that the organising club may issue for the event.

3. Authorisation

Motorsport UK Permits will be displayed on the official notice board and shown on the event SPORTITY App during the event.

Interclub permit number – 205472

Clubman permit number – 205473

2026 ASWMC Targa Road Rally Championship permit number –

CMSG Targa Road Rally Championship permit number –

BTRDA Targa Road Rally Championship permit number –

4. Eligibility and Championships

The event is open to all members of the organising club, and fully elected members of a motor club that is a member of ASWMC, ACSMC, AWMMC, WAMC, BTRDA and The Historic Rally Car Register.

All competitors entered in the 'Interclub' event must produce a valid Motorsport UK Competition licence and Club Membership Card as appropriate for inspection at on-line documentation.

Clubman entrants (both driver and navigator) must produce a minimum Motorsport UK, RS Clubman licence. Clubman entrants must also be members of Bath Motor Club. Membership is available for £10 for single membership valid to 31st August 2026.

The process of entering the event and signing on will all be done electronically in advance of the event. **All competitors who are unable to produce their competition licence will be required to either produce written evidence from Motorsport UK to the satisfaction of the Stewards.**

All cars must comply with **2026 Motorsport UK National Competition Rules (Chapter 13 Appendix 11C and Appendix 15)**

Waivers will NOT be available for Historic Road Rally cars (Cars registered on or before 31st December 1985) Motorsport UK NCR's can be found at

<https://www.motorsportuk.org/resource-centre/>

5. Entries

The entry list opens at 20.00hrs Monday 5th January 2026 and will officially close at 20.00 hrs on Friday the 6th February 2026. The entry fee is £245.00 which will include a meal at the finish of the rally.

If vacancies are available in the relevant class, then entries may be accepted up to 09.15 hrs on Saturday 14th February 2026. All entries must be complete, made on the official electronic entry form, and must be accompanied by the appropriate entry fee.

1. Electronic entry via the link on the website www.bathmotorclub.co.uk and payment via bank transfer payment to the following:
Account Name: Bath Motor Club Events Ltd
Sort Code: 04-06-05
Account Number: 24199615
2. Please use your initials and surname for the reference e.g. DWHITTOCK. You should allow 48-hour period for the fee to be received.
3. For all entry enquiries please email diane.whittock60@gmail.com

All entries can only be made through the online entry system. An automated acknowledgement of the entry will be generated and sent to the emails provided.

Acceptance of entries will be in order of receipt, providing payment of the entry fee has been received in full via BACS by 20.00 hrs Thursday 8th January.

Confirmation of acceptance of entry will be via publication of the entry list on the Bath Motor Club website: www.bathmotorclub.co.uk Please note your entry form must be fully completed prior to the closing date and this may only be done by the entrant online.

Cancelled entries must be made in writing or via email to the Entries

Secretary. No verbal cancellations will be accepted. Entries cancelled before the closing date will be refunded less an administration charge of £25.00.

- after that time no refund will be given

Refunds will not be made until after the date of the event.

The publication of the Final Instructions with an Official Entry List will constitute the Official Programme of the event.

Any competitor not noise checked and scrutineered by 09.15hrs on Saturday 14th February may be excluded. Their entry will then be offered to the first reserve entry.

The maximum entry is 90. The minimum number of entries will be 60. A minimum entry per class is 5. Should the minimum figures not be reached, the organisers reserve the right to amalgamate classes and/or cancel the meeting. Entries will be accepted on a first-come first-served basis.

The entry will be seeded at the organisers' discretion. An entry containing a false or incorrect statement shall be null and void, and the entrant deemed to be guilty of a breach of the NCR of Motorsport UK. The entry fee may be forfeited in accordance with **NCR Chapter 3 Appendix 5- 9.1**. The organisers may conduct random checks to establish the validity of all or some of the information contained on the entry form. The Entries Secretary is:

Mrs Diane Whittock

07889 721297 (no calls after 21:00hrs please)

The organisers reserve the right to refuse any entry without giving their reasons. Final Instructions including the Official Entry List will be sent to competitors by email and available to download from the website during the week prior to the event.

Regulations regarding parental / guardian liabilities:

Parents, guardians or guarantors of drivers or navigators under the age of 18 years of age are now required to sign on online, to enable their child to participate. By signing on, those parents, guardians or guarantors confirm that they have acquainted themselves with and agree to be bound by the Motorsport UK General Regulations and Motorsport UK **NCR Chapter 3 Appendix 4. Article 4** They also agree to accept the consequences and any associated penalties imposed for not adhering to General Regulations.

6. Classes

The Interclub event will consist of the following classes:

Class 1: Experts in cars up to 1400cc

Class 2: Novices in cars up to 1400cc

Class 3: Experts in cars 1401cc and over

Class 4: Novices in cars 1401cc and over

The Clubman event will consist of the following classes:

Class 5: cars up to 1400cc

Class 6: cars 1401cc and over

The organisers reserve the right to amalgamate classes as necessary if the minimum numbers are not met.

Expert: a driver who, at the time of entry, has finished in the top 10 of any Road Rally, Targa Rally, Endurance Road Rally or Stage Rally. Competitors who are Experts in another relevant category of motor sport may be considered as Experts. If you require clarification, please speak to the Clerk of the Course.

Novice: a driver who, at the time of entry, falls outside the definition of expert.

7. Start and Finish

The start and finish of the event will be at Castle Combe Racing Circuit, Chippenham. Wiltshire. SN14 7EY.

8. Noise Test & Scrutineering

The Noise Test and scrutineering will take place at Castle Combe Racing Circuit on Friday 13th February. Further details will be given in the Final Instructions.

Scrutineering will comply with the Road Traffic Act, **NCR Chapter 7- Competitor Vehicles and Vehicle Safety Equipment, Chapter 8 Appendix 4 – Article 3.1 - Permitted Tyres, and Chapter 9 - Competitor Personal Safety Equipment.**

Cars will also be required to undergo a Noise test: cars registering over **98dBa** will not be permitted to start as per **NCR Chapter 13 Appendix 1 Article 7.3**. Noise checks will be performed in accordance with **NCR Chapter 13 Appendix 1 Article 7.4**. Further tests may also be performed on route as per **NCR Chapter 13 Appendix 1 Article 7.7**.

In-Car Camera's including mobile phones and or other recording devices are forbidden. Failure to comply will result in instant disqualification.

Crews failing either Noise Test or Scrutineering will not be permitted to start the event and will not be refunded their entry fee. Crews will be able to re-test providing they satisfy the Environmental Scrutineer and/or the Chief Scrutineer of acceptable workmanship. Crews failing a noise test carried out on route will not be permitted to continue, unless they are able to pass the Noise test without using any form of temporary silencers.

Competitors may be required to present:

- A current MOT certificate, if applicable
- The registration document for the vehicle
- It is the competitor responsibility to ensure the vehicle is taxed
- An SOS/OK board
- A warning triangle
- Two reflective Tabards or Jackets
- A small spill kit must be carried (**NCR Chapter 13 Appendix 11C Art 1.7**)

All cars must comply with NCR Chapter 13 Appendix 15 Art 7.12. At scrutineering cars will be inspected for damage. All competitors must declare any damage incurred, either to their car or to a third-party property during the event, on the form provided at documentation. Competitors' who retire must return their damage declaration form to the organisers within 72 hours of the end of the event.

Vehicles must be fitted with rollover protection of a minimum conforming to Chapter 7 Appendix 13 Diagram 10 and seat belts conforming to Chapter 7 Appendix 7 Art.7.1.

Sunroofs must either be fitted with safety film conforming to Chapter 7 Appendix 2 Arts.22.7–22.8 or comply with Chapter 12 Appendix 13 Art.11.8.

Advertising is permitted but must not exceed 1250 sq cm in total. Also, it is permitted to fit a sun strip of no more than 90 cm deep which may display the manufacture make or model, or the name of the event, or a recognised Motor Club or Charity providing it does not affect the Driver's view.

9. Wheels and Tyres

Tyres are free but must comply with: -

NCR Chapter 8 Appendix 4 – Article 3.1 - Permitted Tyres

Please be reminded you are only allowed to use a maximum of 6 tyres during the event.

10. Route

The route will be approximately 115 miles in total. This includes approximately 35 miles of special tests. The complete route is contained on Ordnance Survey Map No. 173 and 163. (1:50,000 series), which is not required but may be carried if desired.

11. Documentation

At documentation, entrants will be supplied with a Tulip Road book for all transport sections and detailed diagrams for all special tests (which include diagrams of any manoeuvres), together with Time Record Cards. All other relevant information will be available on the SPORTITY APP (see below). Should it be necessary to issue any official bulletins before or during the event, these will also be posted on the notice board in SPORTITY. These bulletins will all have the same authority as these Supplementary Regulations.

12. Identification

Competitors will be identified by **one rally plate supplied by the organisers** and this must be fixed to the bonnet. **In addition, two numbers will be supplied which must be affixed to both the nearside rear window and to the offside rear window. These must be removed upon completion of the event** or upon retirement. It is the competitor's responsibility to ensure these plates are legible throughout the event.

13. Insurance

Additional 3rd party extensions to competitors' insurance will be available to competitors if required. The insurance broker will be Kingfisher Motorsport. The cost will be £65.00 subject to meeting the acceptance criteria which are included in the following statement from Kingfisher:

"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, provided 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, 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 DfT certificate and is taxed for road use, unless exempt.

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 Info@kingfishermotorsport.com and provide the driver's name and date of birth, the date they passed 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 kingfisherinsurance.com and underwritten by First Underwriting Limited."

14. Officials

Stewards	Christopher House, Robert Jordon, Derek Drayton
Secretary of the Meeting	Nick Chapman
Clerk of the Course	David Whittock (07785 352852)
Deputy Clerk of the Course	Peter Henness
Safety Officer	Peter Self
Radio Control	Peter Henness
Entries Secretary	Diane Whittock - (07889 721297) diane.whittock60@gmail.com
Chief Marshall	David Whittock
Test Commanders	Chris Elkins, Jamie Short, Stanislava Obermajerova, Andy Grimm and George Mullins
Event Equipment / Set up	Dave Clifford and Duncan Stonier
Chief Scrutineer	Kevin Lewis (National 141573)
Assistant Scrutineer's	Paul Wright and Peter Gill
Environmental Scrutineer	Jordon Lewis
Timekeeper	Nick Chapman
Event Paramedic	Chris Mason
Event Recovery	James Bates – Solent Recovery
Results	Rallyroots Results Service
Competitor Liaison Officer	Neil Dashfield
Driving Standards Observers	TBA

All DSOs are appointed to ensure compliance with **NCR Chapter 13 Appendix 2 Article 4.41.**

Judges of Fact:

All Test Commanders and marshals who have signed on are deemed to be Judges of Fact for any regulation relevant to the control point and manoeuvres on the special tests at which they are officiating.

15. Results

Assessment of performance will be decided firstly by the amount of time penalties accrued. Ties will be decided in favour of furthest cleanest as **NCR Chapter 13 Appendix 5 Art 11.8**. Should a further method be necessary to resolve a tie, it will be decided on smallest engine capacity.

The organisers reserve the right to cancel sections from the results should they deem it fairer to do so, force majeure notwithstanding.

The organisers may give a notional or corrected time at any Time Control, Special Test Start or Special Test Finish, at which (in the organisers' opinion) an inaccurate time has been recorded; in exceptional circumstances the organisers may downgrade a control to a passage control. Provisional results will be produced as soon as possible.

Competitors will be supplied with one Results Query Form. More than one query on the same matter must be treated as Protests. Protests must be made in accordance with **NCR Chapter 2 Appendix 9** and be accompanied by the appropriate fee of **£70 NCR Chapter 1 Appendix 2 Art 11.1**. The results will be displayed and awards presented at Castle Combe Circuit. Complete results will be available to download via the SPORTITY APP and Bath Motor Club and Rallyroots Results Service website.

16. Modifications to Motorsport UK General Regulations

All NCR, s of Motorsport UK applies as written, except for the following, which are modified as follows:

Chapter 13 Appendix 2 Art 2.12: Secret checks may be established without prior notice to ensure compliance with the route and time schedule.

Chapter 13 Appendix 5 Art 10.8 Maximum Permitted Lateness for all competitors between Main Time Controls will be **15 minutes and 59 seconds**. Any change to this will be notified in the final instructions.

Chapter 13 Appendix 5 Art 10.15: Competitors will be required to reduce any lateness accumulated at MTCs.

Chapter 13 Appendix 11C Art 1.2: To be classified as finishers, competitors must report to all Main Time Controls, all Noise Tests and attempted at least 65% of the Tests (8 Tests) listed in the road book/timecard.

17. Penalties

All penalties will apply as per **Chapter 13 Appendix 7**, with these amendments:

(a) Not reporting or not providing proof of reporting within OTL at a Main Time Control	Retired
(b) Not reporting or not providing proof of reporting within OTL at any Time Control.	15 minutes
(c) Not complying with the route card including visiting a control	15 minutes

or check more than once (unless instructed to do so)	
Special Tests	
1. Not attempting a Special Test	Maximum Time + 5 minutes
2. Taking a wrong route in a Special Test	Maximum Time
3. Making a false start in a Special Test	30 seconds per offence
4. Taking a time less than minimum time to complete a Special Test	Minimum Time
5. Taking a time greater than maximum time to complete a Special Test	Maximum Time
6. Taking a time between minimum and maximum time to complete a Special test	1 second per second
7. Failing to stop astride the finish line	30 seconds per offence
8. Reversing at the Test Finish, having failed to stop	5 minutes
9. Failing to visit a route check, passage control or Stop/Go control.	1 minutes per offence
10. Striking a cone/bale/tyres or failure to stop astride a line (other than finish line)	10 seconds per offence
11. Wrong side of cone or marker	20 seconds per offence
12. Making no attempt to perform a designated manoeuvre during a Special Test or short cutting by passing through a gap caused by a tape or barrier having been previously damaged or removed	2 minutes per offence

Penalties left to the discretion of the Clerk of the Course which may go as far as exclusion. Chapter 5 Appendix 5: Art 2.2, 2.3a, c, e, f, h.

18. Controls and Timing

Scheduled timing will be used. Competitors will start from all Time Controls at one-minute intervals except some Special Tests. Timing will be by clocks set to BBC Time and the official rally clock will be on display at documentation.

The route will contain two types of sections:
 Road Sections (non-competitive)
 Special Tests (private land)

At all-time controls, marshals will record the time shown on the control clock onto the check sheet in the appropriate place.

All controls and checks must be visited in the order specified by the Time Cards.

All Special Tests will be given an Open and Close time. This time will not change unless the Clerk of the Course authorise delay allowance. This information will be communicated by a Bulletin.

1. **Main Time Control:** These will be situated at the Start, the Re-Start on Sunday and at the Finish. At these controls there will be a red control board at which point is the control marshal.
2. **Driving Standards Check:** Established to observe driving standards.
3. **Special Test Start:** At these controls there will be a **Red Control board showing a flag** indicating the start point. Should there be a delay at the Test Start, the start marshal will record any delay on the check sheet. It is the responsibility of the competitor to ensure the start marshal records any delay.
4. **Passage Control.** At these controls there will be **two cones and a PC Board (Rubber Stamp)** which you stop astride. The marshal will then approach your car and sign the timecard. Proof of visiting will be recorded on the check sheet, or if unmanned by recording the numbers/letters on the code board in INK on the time card. All code boards will be checked and countersigned on the Time Card by the finish marshal.
5. **Stop and Go Control:** At these controls there will be **two cones** which you stop astride. The marshal will then release you as soon as it deems safe to do so. Proof of visiting will be recorded on the check sheet. All controls will be checked and countersigned on the Time Card by the finish marshal.
6. **Special Test Finish:** At these controls there will be a **STOP** board. At this control you are timed to the second. You will be timed when you **STOP** inside the Stop box. If you overshoot the box, you will be penalised as per SR Art 17.7. If you reverse you will be also penalised as per SR Art 17.8.

19. Results and Queries

Interim results will be posted on SPORTITY during the event, and during the re-group and at the Finish. Any query resulting from interim results should be made in writing to the CLO. The Competitor Liaison Officer meeting points and times will be issued in the final instructions.

20. Force Majeure or Baulking

The organisers will not accept any claim from competitors concerning either Force Majeure or Baulking.

If a special test is interrupted or normal running after the passage of one or more competitors, and it proves impossible thereafter for other competitors to continue, the Clerk of the Course MAY give each affected competitor a notional time based on average penalty set up to the moment of interruption.

If the section is re-started, those crews completing the section after the restart will receive the time taken by them, as will those competitors who completed the section before the interruption.

21. Servicing

Servicing will not be permitted at any time during the event, except by crews working on their own vehicle. Assistance from other competitors is permitted. The penalty for infringement is Exclusion.

22. Awards

The organisers reserve the right to alter, amend, or add to the awards list. The overall winner of either the Interclub or Clubman rally is exempt from class awards.

Awards will be presented as follows:

- First overall Interclub Driver – Cash award of £200 awarded by Yellow Box Solutions and the Harry Read Rosebowl + award
- First overall Interclub Navigator – The Henry Liddon Trophy + award
- First overall Clubman Driver – Cash award of £150 awarded by Yellow Box Solutions and an award
- First overall Clubman Navigator – An award
- 1st crew in each class – two awards.
- 2nd crew in each class – two awards (subject to 6 starters)
- Best Bath Motor Club Driver – The BathsPEED Trophy + an award (subject to being a full Bath MC member before 31st December 2025)
- Best Bath Motor Club Navigator – The Phil Pavord Memorial Trophy + award (subject to being a full Bath MC member before 31st December 2025)
- Best Classic Driver – The Festival Classic Trophy (for cars registered before December 1985)
- Best Classic Navigator – The San Remo trophy donated by John Davenport

No crew can win more than one award other than Best Bath Motor Club award.

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Accommodation

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Travel Lodge, Chippenham. SN15 1JB – Tel: 08719 846551