



Far North Classic 2026



Supplementary Regulations

1. Announcement

Highland Car Club Ltd will organise the **Far North Classic** on **25/26th September 2026**, under a Clubman Historic Road Rally Permit and, for cars not qualifying within Historic Regulations, a Clubman Targa Rally Permit. The event will Start at Rally HQ, **Morangie Hotel, Morangie Road, Tain IV19 1PY** this will not be the location of the final control

2. Jurisdiction

The event will be held under the National Competition Rules of Motorsport UK (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA), and these Supplementary Regulations, the Motor vehicles (Competition and Trials) (Scotland) Regulations 1976 and any written bulletins the organiser issues for the event.

3. Authorisation

Motorsport UK Clubman Permits have been issued.

- **Permit No 208548** Historic Road Rally Permit
- **Permit No 208547** Targa Road Rally Permit
- Scottish Government / RSAC Route Authorisation No. **TBC**

4. Championships & Challenges

The event is a scoring round of;

- 2026 Highland Car Club, Ian C Smith championship (Members only)
- Scottish Targa & Historic Road Rally Championship (Championship number *CH2026 /RALLY046*)

5. Classes & Eligibility

The event is open to any vehicle that complies with either **Chapter 13 – App 15** of the 2026 National Competition Rules (NCR). But please note the following:

Targa Permit - Chapter 13 – App 15 to Chapter 13 – App 15.45 Please read **Chapter 13 – App 15.45** first. Note, engines may only have a maximum of 4 Cylinders and a maximum of Two Chokes. Fuel Injection is only permitted if originally fitted as standard, retaining the original plenum chamber.

Historic Permit - Chapter 13 – App 15.13 & Chapter 13 – App 15.69 - Application has been made to Motorsport UK for a dispensation to apply for discretionary waivers for Historic Road Rally Cars complying with **Chapter 13 – App 15.63** in respect of **Chapter 13 – App 15.13** as appropriate. Requests will be on a case-by-case basis according to class and specification.

The organisers will submit applications to Motorsport UK for consideration in respect of individual cars giving make, model, registration number and reason for request.

Commercial and Pick up Type Vehicles – Entries for vehicles such as Land Rovers, Willys Jeeps and the like may be accepted provided they are of a variant classified by Motorsport UK as being a private car. If unsure of the compliance Motorsport UK will be consulted. Commercial vehicles such as vans and pickups are **not** permitted See **Chapter 13 – App 15.45**

Tyres

Only E marked Road pattern tyres will be permitted. This will include snow and winter tyres marked M+S. Gravel tyres whether designed for road use or forest stages are specifically excluded. Tyres with the wording “For Competition use only” are not permitted. Studded tyres are not permitted.

If in doubt email an image of the tyre you intend to use to pnmacinnnes@gmail.com

Launch Control

Launch control is not permitted. If fitted as standard it must be disabled.

Classes

Competitors may enter as Novice or Master. – Novices will compete for their own award but may win overall or in any section.

Novices will be given sight of the route on marked maps on request at signing on.

Novice Definition – Any Crew where **the Co-Driver** has competed on no more than 5 Road Rallies of any format in the 3 years prior to September 2026

Masters will be given **no** opportunity for checking the route

There will be 6 Classes as follows:

Class 1 **Novice Crews in any vehicle.**

Class 2 **Targa Cars 1600cc or under**

Class 3 **Targa Cars between 1601cc and 2000cc**

Class 4 **Targa Cars 2001cc and over**

Note 1 Entries from Targa Cars with engines not of a type originally fitted to the car or from the family of engines for the model. will not be permitted.

Note 2 Historic Rally Cars in the following classes are categorised in the relevant periods. A car will be dated by the specification presented and not necessarily by the date of build or registration

Class 5 a) Historic Category 1 Cars of a specification valid before 1/1/1968 and compliant with **Chapter 13 – App 15.4 - Chapter 13 – App 15.19, Chapter 13 – App 15.22, Chapter 13 – App 15.26, Chapter 13 – App 15.38 and Chapter 13 – App 15.68**

b) Historic Category 2 Cars of a specification valid between 1/1/1968 and 31/12/1974 and compliant with **Chapter 13 – App 15.3 to Chapter 13 – App 15.38 inclusive** – see also **Chapter 13 – App 15.68**

Class 6 a) Historic Category 3 Cars of a specification valid between 1/1/1975 and 31/12/1981 compliant with their FIA Group 1 or 3 homologation papers or be a series production car and comply with **Chapter 13 – App 15.3 to Chapter 13 – App 15.38 inclusive** (see also **Chapter 13 – App 15.68**)

b) Historic Category 4(a) Road Rally Cars. Cars of a specification valid between 1 January 1982 and 31 December 1985, or Historic Category 4(b) Road Rally Cars. Cars of a specification valid between 1 January 1986 and 31 December 1990, compliant with their FIA Group A or N homologation Papers, or be a Series Production Car, and comply with **Chapter 13 – App 15.3 to Chapter 13 – App 15.38 inclusive** (see also **Chapter 13 – App 15.68**).

Cars homologated in FIA Group A are permitted provided they are in standard production specification, the only modifications permitted (see **Chapter 13 – App 15.64**.) are to dampers, springs, and brake friction material. Individual cars will only be accepted after receiving ASN approval. (**Chapter 13 – App 15.70**.)

c) Historic Road Rally Cars fully compliant with the current FIA Appendix K. Cars must have been issued with a valid FIA Historic Technical Passport or Historic Regularity Passport be in compliance with the document and the current FIA Appendix K at all times.

6. Entries

Supplementary Regulations will be issued on 7th August 2026

The entries open 23rd August 2026 and close on 18th September 2026

Refunds for withdrawn entries after the closing date will be at the discretion of the organisers.

The entry fee is £195 per car and crew of two members.

Non-members are required to join the Club

The entry fee includes two snack lunches and two meals at the Finish.

All entries must be made on the official electronic entry form and be accompanied by the appropriate fee. Payment by BACS.

Cars will be identified by Rally Plates and numbers that will be supplied by the organisers. They must be affixed as detailed in the Final Instructions.

The Maximum number of entries is 60+5 Reserves. Entries will be accepted in order of receipt.

Teams of three competing crews may compete for a team award.

Team entries must be submitted no later than **18th September 2026** (£10 per team).

ENTRY FORM on-Line [HERE!](#) Payment by BACS only (Link goes live 23rd Aug @ 1900)

The Entries Secretary to whom any queries should be forwarded to is;

Susan MacRae. E mail: fnwc.entries@gmail.com

7. Crew eligibility

The event is open to members of the Highland Car Club Ltd and Saltire Rally Club Ltd .

Membership of the Highland Car Club Ltd can be obtained [HERE](#)

Motorsport UK RS Clubman Licences are required as a minimum for both Driver & Co-Driver.

The RS Clubman Licence is Free and can be applied for [HERE](#)

8. Scrutineering

Pre-Event Scrutineering will be at

Wilson Contracting, 1 Balnagore, Fearn IV20 1RP -

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from 11.00 – 16.00 on Friday 25th September 2026

- All competitors must present their vehicle at Scrutineering. All cars will be scrutineered.
- MOT Certification and VED may be checked on-line
- **All** tyres must be road legal and E Marked Road pattern tyres (see tyres section below)
- A Warning Triangle **MUST** be carried.
- A small Motorsport UK approved environmental spill kit must be carried in the vehicle.
- Noise checks will be undertaken at scrutineering and at other times during the event.
- The Scrutineer will issue a voucher if the car is passed which should be displayed within the vehicle for the duration of the event
- Local competitors are encouraged to scrutineer as early as possible

9. Trailer Parking

- Trailer parking will be available at the scrutineering venue within the yard of Wilson Contracting.. **The unloading, parking and storage of trailers at the hotel is strictly forbidden**

10. Documentation

- Pre event documentation and signing on will be by electronic means.
- Competitors Rally Packs will be issued at Scrutineering at Wilson Contracting from 11.00am on Friday 25th September
- The first car will leave the start at Morangie Hotel, Morangie Road, Tain at 18:01 and thereafter at 1-minute intervals.

11. Route/Route Information

The event will follow a route of no more than 165 Miles through Easter Ross and Sutherland. The competitive part of the event will consist of up to 5 regularities and up to 18 timed tests on private land.

Passage controls and code boards may be used as route checks.

Quiet Zones will be defined and listed in Final Instructions. Competitors will be expected to drive with care in these zones, without auxiliary lights, and in the highest practicable gear. A more detailed interpretation will be given in Final Instructions

Route Information

All Classes will be provided with a Route Card with the Final Instructions which will enable the route to be marked. The Final Instructions including the route will be issued by Wednesday 23rd September 2026 . It is the responsibility of competitors to mark the route on their own maps or copy of the official Map.

12. Maps

OS 1:50,000 Landranger Maps 17&21 (Latest editions) can be used to mark the route. OR

The official unique single sheet map for the event will be supplied by
Nicolson Digital Ltd, 3 Frazer Street Largs, Ayrshire, KA30 9HP
Contact Robin Nicolson on 01475 689242 or 07968 900097

These can only be purchased on the entry form at a cost of **£TBC** (including P&P).

13. Awards

- a) Neil MacInnes Memorial Trophy; presented to the entry with the lowest overall penalties.
(Winner of this award does not win awards listed as b or c)
- b) An award will be presented to the Targa Entry with the lowest total penalties
- c) An award will be presented to the Historic Entry with the lowest total penalties
- d) An award will be presented to the entry with the lowest total test penalties.
- e) An award will be presented to the entry with the least regularity penalties.
- f) An Award will be presented to the winner of each Class
- g) The Novice Award (Novice may win Overall or any other award on performance)
- h) The Far North Team award; for the highest placed team of three.
- j) Scrutineers Award (judged from all entries). For the Scrutineer's favourite vehicle.
- k) Spirit of the Event Award presented to the person deemed to meet the "Spirit of the Event"

14. Officials

Stewards	TBC		
Entries Secretary	Susan MacRae		FNWC.entries@gmail.com
Clerk of the Course	Peter MacInnes	07736 546303	pnmacinnes@gmail.com
Deputy Clerk of Course	Fraser Hughes	07817 017860	
Timekeeper	Graham Couser	07704 357703	saltiresecretary@gmail.com
Results Officer	Raymond Mann	07925 872939	rca.mann@btinternet.com
Results Collection	David Fraser / Susan MacRae / Terri Stuart	07803 927776	davidfraser.hcc@gmail.com
Competitor Liaison	Fiona Munro	07841 619177	
Safeguarding Officer	Fiona Munro	07841 619177	
Chief Scrutineer	Ian Afek	07703 436023	
Environmental Scrutineer	Ian Afek	07703 436023	
Route, Regularity & Test Co-ordinators: Peter MacInnes / Fraser Hughes / David Fraser			

15. Timetable of events at a glance

	Date	Time
Supplementary Regulations Published	07/08/26	19.00
Entries open	23/08/26	19.00
Entries Close	18/09/26	22.00
Final Instructions and Route Information issued	22/09/26	20.00
Documentation opens (rally pack pick up @ Scrutineering)	25/09/26	11.00
Scrutineering Opens	25/09/26	11.00
Scrutineering Closes	25/09/26	16.00
Competitor Briefing	25/09/26	17.20
First car Starts – MTC1 – Morangie Hotel	25/09/26	18.01

16. Penalties

Competitors will start at two-minute intervals, unless otherwise instructed by an official.

Penalties will be as Chapter 13 - App 7 except as modified below.

Penalties on Special Tests:

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| a) Time to complete the test | Test Minimum +1 second per second over. |
| b) Striking a cone during a test | 10 seconds. |
| c) Failing to stop astride a stop line | 10 seconds. |
| d) Ignoring a stop astride line | Test Maximum. |
| e) Failing to stop within a Stop Box | 10 seconds. |
| f) Jump Start | 10 seconds. |
| g) Not completing a test by the correct route other than in (h or i) | Test Maximum. |
| h) Starting but not completing a test | Test Maximum. |
| j) Not attempting a test | Test Maximum. |
| k) The wrong test penalty will be applied as follows; If you make a mistake on a test and pass the wrong side of a cone, or the wrong way round a cone, you can retrace your steps, and this will not be counted as a wrong test. Once you have passed two consecutive cones incorrectly you will automatically incur the penalty for not performing a test correctly. | |
| l) Additional penalties may be applied as per test diagrams | |

Test Maximum

Each test will be assigned a Test Maximum. Where the penalty is declared as Test Maximum this time will be applied. Test Maximums will be shown in the competitor's information.

Scheduled Time Sections:

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| a) Not reporting at a Main Time Control | Exclusion |
| b) Arriving at a Regularity Finish or Intermediate TC early (per second) | Actual time early |
| c) Arriving at a Regularity Finish or Intermediate TC late (per second) | Actual time late |
| d) Failure to visit a Passage Control | 60 seconds |
| e) Wrong Direction of approach at a Passage Control | 60 seconds |
| f) Failure to visit any type of Regularity Time Control control or approaching from wrong direction. | 300 seconds per |
| g) Stopping within sight of an Intermediate or Regularity Finish Control other than when required to do so to comply with Road Traffic Laws | 300 seconds |
| h) In Transport / Neutral Sections penalties will be applied for early arrival. | |
| j) In Transport / Neutral Sections penalties will be applied for failing to record proof of visiting a route check | |
| j) No penalties will be applied for late arrival other than maximum lateness. | |

17. Trip Meters and other electronic devices

It is strictly forbidden to use any ancillary device that is capable of measuring and/or displaying any data other than distance or time. Devices capable of showing average speed will not be permitted unless that function is suitably disabled. Electronic Speed Tables will not be permitted.

The use of GPS devices including apps on mobile phones, i-pads and other similar electronic devices is not permitted unless it is clearly shown that no average speed facility is available. Penalties for contravention of this are 300 seconds on the first offence and exclusion on the second offence.

18. Mobile Phones

Mobile phones may be carried for the purpose of emergency calls only.

19. Timing

Timing will be by ASN approved ECM Rally Timers or similar. In the case of short dead-end tests, other time pieces may be used.

20. Data Protection

Prospective entrants and competitors are advised that information supplied on the entry form will be held on a computer and used for the administration of the event. Details may be passed to other event organisers for the purpose of the circulation of event regulations. If you do not wish your details to be circulated, please indicate this on the entry form.

21. Judges of Fact

All Officials, Driving Standards Observers and any other persons specifically named as such in these S.R.s, Final Instructions, or on the official Notice Board are deemed to be Judges of Fact in respect of their duties as specified in such Instructions or Notices, and in respect of compliance with the relevant parts of The National Competition Rules.

Driving Standards Observers (DSO) may be appointed by the Clerk of the Course. DSOs may not necessarily be identified as such, and competitors will not be required to stop by a DSO, unless he or she is also acting in another capacity, e.g. a control of some kind.

22. Results

Provisional results will be published as soon as possible after the finish accordance with the provisions of **Chapter 3 – App 6**.

Any protest must be submitted in accordance with the provisions of **Chapter 2 – App 9**

Any appeal must be lodged in accordance with **Chapter 2 – App 4**

Any queries must be submitted on the Results Query Sheet and passed to the Competitor Liaison Officer. No other form of query will be accepted.

23. Competitors under the age of 18

Any Competitor under the age of 18 must:

- A) Have their entry “countersigned” by a parent or guardian.
- B) Have a Parent or Guardian complete the Parental Consent Form on the online entry.

PLEASE NOTE. If there is no Parental or Guardian consent in accordance with the above, then those under 18 years of age cannot be permitted to take part in the event.

24. Insurance

Competitors are responsible for ensuring they have appropriate insurance cover in place for their activities whilst travelling to and from the Event, as well as during the Event itself.

The Motorsport UK Master Public Liability policy provides third party cover for activities falling under the Event Permit, but this policy specifically excludes any form of Road Traffic Act liability.

An additional third party “top-up” insurance policy, administered by Motorsport UK, is available to add-on for this Event which offers cover for Road Traffic Act liability for any sections of the Permitted Event that take place on the public highway. This policy provides cover to compliment but not replace your own motor insurance.

The acceptance criteria for this scheme are as follows:

- Drivers must be aged 19 years or older - Drivers must be UK residents for over 1 year, and have held a Full UK Car Licence for at least 6 months - Drivers must have not been banned from driving in the last 5 years, and no criminal convictions - Drivers must have no more than 6 penalty points on their licence and/or no more than 1 fault motor claim in the last 3 years in their history - Drivers must be a named driver on a valid motor insurance policy for the vehicle they are driving - Drivers must not already have the 3rd Party Extension (top-up) for Road Sections cover already on their existing motor policy
- Vehicles must have a valid MOT and taxed for the road (unless exempt from doing so)
- Vehicles must be road going/road legal and have a UK Registration Plate assigned and attached
- Vehicles must be in the custody or control of the competitor and be participating in a motorsport event permitted by the Policyholder (Motorsport UK Association Ltd)

Competitors who do not comply with any of the above criteria must contact Kingfisher Motorsport at motorsportuk@kingfishermotorsport.com as early as practically possible in advance of the event to discuss their application to confirm whether cover can still be offered and whether there are any additional terms.

All Competitors will be required to sign a declaration before the Event to confirm that they either have adequate insurance cover for the Event or need cover under the Motorsport UK top-up policy. If they do not meet the minimum eligibility criteria, they must have referred themselves to and been approved by Kingfisher before the start of the Event.

Those Competitors who do require cover under the Motorsport UK top-up policy will be required to pay the organiser's an additional fee to cover the Motorsport UK permit surcharge.

The fee for this event will be £60

25. Motorsport UK Liability Insurance

It should be noted that the scheme imposes an excess of £450, for which the relevant competitor against whom a successful claim is made may be liable.

26. Damage Declaration

Competitors at the conclusion of their Competition must sign a declaration to the effect that they have not been involved in any incident that may have caused damage to persons or property, or alternatively give details of any such incident. Non-compliance will be penalised in accordance with **Chapter 13 – App 5.57** and may be reported to the Motorsport UK for further disciplinary action.

Competitors who retire from the event will be required to submit a declaration to the Secretary of the Meeting within 72 hours of the event. Failure to return a declaration may result in a fine of up to £100. **Chapter 13 – App 5.58**

27. Vehicle Specification

The ASN 2026 Competition Rules can be accessed on their website, at <https://www.motorsportuk.org/the-sport/trialncr/>

Competitors should ensure their vehicles comply with the regulations

28. Accommodation

Morangie Hotel, Morangie Road, Tain IV19 1PY 01862 892281

Discounted rates are available by contacting the Hotel directly.

Other accommodation in the town and surrounding area is also available.