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Millriver Business Park, Carrick On Suir, Co. Tipperary

SOUTH EAST STAGES SUIRWAY Group RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP

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Suirway Group
South East
Stages Rally
Championship
Regulations 2017



We welcome our Sponsor, Suirway Group, to the South East Stages Championship. This will be the 32nd year of the championship, which is one of the most popular championships in the country.

The Suirway Group South East Stages Championship this year will be a 6 round championship with 2 Forest and 4 Tarmac events with a competitor's best 5 rounds to count.

This is the only REAL CLUBMAN'S CHAMPIONSHIP as it is possible for any competitor to win this championship.

The following are the six events in the Championship:-

- Round 1 12th February, 2017
Carrick on Suir Motor Club - Willie Loughman Forestry Rally
- Round 2 8th April, 2017
Munster Car Club - Moonraker Forestry Rally
- Round 3 7th May, 2017
Carlow Stages Rally
- Round 4 25th June 2017
Carrick on Suir Motor Club - Ravens Rock Rally
- Round 5 13th August, 2017
Tipperary Light Car & Motorcycle Club - Stonethrowers Rally
- Round 6 9th & 10th September, 2017
Wexford Stages Rally



Article 1

The Championship is being promoted by The Carlow Car Club, The Carrick-on-Suir Motor Club, the Tipperary Light Car & Motorcycle Club, Munster Car Club and Wexford Motor Club. The above five clubs will be hereafter referred to as the promoters of the Championship.

Article 2

If through force majeure any of the above dates are altered, or an event is cancelled, the promoters of the Championship reserve the right to either accept a change of date, substitute a nominated event, cancel that particular round, add an extra event, or alter the number of events on which scores will count.

If an event is stopped at any point for any reason, once final results are provided by the club for that event then South East Stages Championship points will be awarded in full.

Where an event runs Rally 2 Regulations all classified South East Stages registered competitors will receive 100% points in accordance with their finishing position. In order to be eligible for championship points Rally 2 finishers must comply with Appendix 29 Article 13 of the Current M.I. Yearbook.

Any amendment to these Regulations will be numbered bulletins, which will be an extension, and have the same force as these Regulations.

The Championship will at all times be run under these Regulations, the G.C.Rs of Motorsport Ireland and the supplementary regulations for each event in the series.

Article 3

Competitors are required to register for the Championship before the start of their first qualifying round, registration fee €20 per competitor, Juniors €15 per competitor, J1000 €10 per competitor, in applying for registration, competitors agree to be bound by these Regulations and amendments subsequently issued.

Registrations will close at the point where it is no longer possible for a competitor to qualify for an award.

COMPETITORS MUST START AT LEAST TWO EVENTS TO QUALIFY FOR AN AWARD

It is possible for any competitor to win this REAL CLUBMAN'S CHAMPIONSHIP. All the promoting clubs are sympathetic to the aspirations of the Clubman Competitor, and are willing, within bounds of reason to assist competitors wherever possible.

AWARDS TO 5TH IN EACH GROUP

12 FREE ENTRIES TO DRIVERS IN THIS CHAMPIONSHIP

(FREE ENTRIES EXCLUDE MI PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE LEVY, IRDS/BRDS EXCESS LOADINGS AND ARE NON-TRANSFERABLE)

PRIZEGIVING: Saturday 13th January 2018

VENUE: Vienna Woods Hotel, Glanmire, Cork

Each award winner will receive 2 complimentary tickets to the prizegiving.

Points will be awarded to all registered starters in each event. The best five events to count.

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Article 4

The Championship will be divided into the following groups:

GROUP 1 - Juniors

(Class 16)

- Class 16 as per Appendix 29.1 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017 - Juniors: Appendix 29.1 Article 21: A Junior Rally is defined as a rally to cater for cars up to 1650cc (including Super 1600 and Kit-Car variant 1600), where the driver is under 26 years of age on the 1st January of the year in which the event takes place. Only competitors entered in the Junior section of the events are eligible for this group, and will not be eligible for other group awards or overall awards. For a driver to register and score points in this group they must meet the criteria for a junior driver as per the 2017 Motorsport Ireland Yearbook.

GROUP 2

(Classes 9 & 10)

- Class 9 as per Appendix 29.1 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017 - Modified cars up to 1450cc - 2 wheel drive.
- Class 10 as per Appendix 29.1 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017 - Modified cars 1451cc to 1650cc not more than 2 valves per cylinder, 2 wheel drive.

GROUP 3

(Classes 1, 2, 11F & 11R)

- Class 1 as per Appendix 29.1 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017 - Group N up to 1600cc (Previously N1 & N2), R1 (atmo up to 1600cc - VR1A/VR1B and turbo up to 1067cc - VR1A/VR1B).
- Class 2 as per Appendix 29.1 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017 - Group A up to 1600cc (Previously A5 & A6), R2 (atmo over 1390cc to 1600cc - VR2B and turbo over 927cc and up to 1067cc - VR2B), Kit cars up to 1600cc, Group N 1601cc to 2000cc (Previously N3).
- Class 11F as per Appendix 29.1 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017 - Modified FWD cars 1451cc to 1650cc more than 2 valves per cylinder.
- Class 11R as per Appendix 29.1 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017 - Modified RWD cars 1451cc to 1650cc more than 2 valves per cylinder.

GROUP 4

(Classes 3 & 12)

- Class 3 as per Appendix 29.1 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017 - Group A 1601cc to 2000cc (Previously A7), R2 (atmo over 1600cc and up to 2000cc - VR2C and turbo over 1067cc and up to 1333cc - VR2C), R3 (atmo over 1600cc and up to 2000 cc -VR3C and turbo over 1067cc and up to 1333cc - VR3C), R3 (Turbo up to 1620cc / nominal VR3T), R3 (Diesel up to 2000cc / nominal - VR3D), Super 1600 cars.
- Class 12 as per Appendix 29.1 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017 - Modified cars 1651cc to 2100cc not more than 2 valves per cylinder, 2 wheel drive.

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GROUP 5

(Classes 6 & 13)

- Class 6 as per Appendix 29.1 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017 - All cars homologated in FIA R-GT.
- Class 13 as per Appendix 29.1 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017 - Modified cars 1651cc to 2100cc more than 2 valves per cylinder, 2 wheel drive.

GROUP 6

(Classes 4, 5, 7, 14, 15 & 20)

- Class 4 as per Appendix 29.1 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017 - Group N over 2000 cc (N4 FIA Appendix J 254).
- Class 5 as per Appendix 29.1 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017 - Group R4 (Appendix J 260), Group R5 (S2000 - Rally - 2.0 Atmospheric).
- Class 7 as per Appendix 29.1 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017 - Group A over 2000cc (Previously A8), WRC (1.6T), WRC (2.0T), S2000 Rally 1.6T 28mm Re-strictor (also known a Regional Rally Car - RRC).
- Class 14 as per Appendix 29.1 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017 - Modified cars 2101cc to 3500cc, 2 wheel drive. (Max 2 valves per cylinder over 3000cc).
- Class 15 as per Appendix 29.1 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017 - Four-wheel drive cars whose homologation has expired. See notes 3 & 5.
- Class 20 as per Appendix 29.1 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017 - Modified 4 Wheel Drive Cars (4WD). See note 16 on classes of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2016.

GROUP 7 - Historics

(Classes 17, 18 & 19)

- Class 17 as per Appendix 29.1 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017 - Historics up to 1600cc. See Appendix 29.1, Article 18.2.
- Class 18 as per Appendix 29.1 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017 - Historics over 1600cc. See Appendix 29.1, Article 18.2.
- Class 19 as per Appendix 29.1 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017 - FIA Appendix K.

GROUP J1000

(Class 21)

- Class 21 - Junior 1000 class (Forestry events only) See Appendix 29.1 Article 22 (to be published on MI website January 2017). Only competitors entered in the J1000 section of the events are eligible for this group, and will not be eligible for other group awards or overall awards. For a driver to register and score points in this group they must meet the criteria for a J1000 competitor as per the 2017 Motorsport Ireland Yearbook.

For further information on requirements for all classes please see Appendix 29.1 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook 2017. The eligibility scrutineer for the championship is Pat O'Dowd, in the event of his non attendance he will nominate a replacement.

Article 4A: At the time of registering for the championship, the group a competitor registers for will be determined by the class they are competing in.

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Article 5: The awards for the Championship will be as follows:

	DRIVER	NAVIGATOR
1st Overall	The Foley Cup + 1 Trophy	1 Trophy
2nd Overall	1 Trophy	1 Trophy
3rd Overall	1 Trophy	1 Trophy
Groups 1 to 7 & J1000		
1st in group	1 Trophy	1 Trophy
2nd in group	1 Trophy	1 Trophy
3rd in group	1 Trophy	1 Trophy
4th in group	1 Trophy	1 Trophy
5th in group	1 Trophy	1 Trophy
Additional Awards:		
	1st Overseas Driver - 1 Trophy	
	1st Overseas Navigator - 1 Trophy	
	The Highest placed Group N Driver - 1 Trophy (excluding overall winners)	
	The Highest placed Group R Driver - 1 Trophy (excluding overall winners)	

Note: The first three overall winners will not be eligible to claim group awards.
 Additional awards may be presented at the Promoters' discretion.
 The **Mick Smallwood Memorial Trophy** will be presented to the highest classified driver in a Group 5 (excluding class 6) car (including overall)

Article 6: Points will be awarded to registered drivers and navigators in each group with a minimum of three championship registered starters as follows:

1st	Placed contender	15 points
2nd	Placed contender	12 points
3rd	Placed contender	10 points
4th	Placed contender	9 points
5th	Placed contender	8 points
And so on.....		
Each starter		1 point

Where in any event there are less than three championship registered starters for each group, the points will be allocated subject to these Regulations for each Championship group, whether or not the group has been amalgamated on the event and will be reduced as follows:

	Registered Starters in the group	
	2	1
1st Placed Contender	12	10
2nd Placed Contender	10	

A driver or navigator may nominate one group for scoring on each event. Points will not be transferable from group to group.
 If a competitor, Driver or Navigator, changes group during the championship they must inform the registrar and re-register in the new group entered.
 Priority will be given to the 1st, 2nd & 3rd Overall and 1st, 2nd & 3rd in group at each round provided your completed entry complies with the regulations for that round.

Article 7: Each registered competitor is permitted to nominate one event for which they will receive Double points. This event must be nominated on the registration form. A competitor is permitted to change their nominated event provided they inform the Registrar no later than 30 minutes before the due time of the first competing car on their nominated event. This must be done in writing and submitted by email, sms, post or fax to the registrar (sms or email will only be accepted from details as per registration form). This change of event may only be used once by a registered competitor.

Article 8: An additional 3 points will be awarded to the fastest driver and fastest navigator in each group on a stage in each event, to be nominated by the event's C.O.C., details of which will be posted on the event's notice board or notified at competitor safety briefing.
 Should the nominated stage not run in its entirety for all registered starters in any group due to an official interruption, then the following stage will replace the previously designated stage for the affected group(s) and so on, until all the registered starters in the affected group(s) get a clear run on a stage. Retirement of a registered competitor will not be considered in this regard.
 In the event of a tie each competitor involved will be awarded 3 bonus points each.

Article 9: Ties will be resolved as follows:

1. In favour of the Competitor who achieves the greatest number of points in the overall championship.
2. In favour of the Competitor with the greatest number of group wins in the five rounds.
3. In favour of the Competitor with the greatest number of second in group in the five rounds, failing that the third highest in group in the six rounds, and so on until the tie is broken.
4. Should the provision above not resolve the tie, then consideration will be given in favour of the Competitor who achieves her/his highest overall position in her/his first round of the series, failing this the second round, and so on until the tie is broken.
5. If the above fails to resolve a tie, the organising committee will decide the winner.

Article 10: The Championship Registrar will be
Karen O'Dowd, 20 Whiterock Drive, Whitebrook, Pembrokestown, Wexford.
Tel: 086-0247121 Email: kodowd1@eircom.net

Championship points positions will be displayed at each event or available on
www.southeaststages.com www.carlowcarclub.ie
www.carrickonsuirmotorclub.com www.munstercarclub.com
www.tipperarymotorclub.com www.wexfordmotorclub.ie
www.facebook.com/southeaststages www.twitter.com/seschampionship
www.rally.ie

Article 11: All registered competitors (including a car where only one crew member is registered) will be required to display championship decals on both sides of their competitive vehicle in a clear position, i.e. above mud line on forestry events.
 These decals will be provided by the registrar and must be in position before a car is presented at scrutiny or at the latest before the event start control with the agreement of an event scrutineer.
 Failure to display decals as above will automatically render the competitor(s) ineligible to score points on that round.