

March 2023



2023 CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFYING ROUNDS

19th Feb	Knockhill Stages, Knockhill Single Venue www.borderecosseclub.com
25th March	Memorial Garden Stages, RM Condor, Single Venue www.condormsc.co.uk
28th May	Jim Clark Reivers, Duns Route Notes www.jimclarkrally.org
10th Jun	Summer Stages, Craig Airfield, Fife Single Venue www.glenrothes-msc.com
8th/9th July	Mach 1 Stages, Machrihanish Single venue www.dunfermlinecarclub.co.uk
6th Aug	Tyneside Stages, Otterburn <i>cancelled</i> Route Notes www.alnwickmotorclub.co.uk
27th Aug	Pendragon Stages, Warcop Route Notes www.pendragonstages.co.uk
23rd Sept	Kinloss Stages, RAF Kinloss Single venue www.condormsc.co.uk
13th-15th	Mull Rally, Isle of Mull Route Notes www.mullcarclub.co.uk
4th Nov	Kingdom Stages, Single Venue www.glenrothes-msc.com

2023 STRC Awards ceremony date TBC

Burnside Piling Scottish Tarmac Rally Championship 2022

The total number of competitors registered for the 2022 Championship was 128 (72 drivers & 56 co-drivers)

The Championship team welcomed competitors/marshals/officials to the Grange Manor Hotel on the 21st January to honour award winners from the 2021 season as well as the 2022 season, and take this opportunity to congratulate all award winners once again.

Burnside Piling Scottish Tarmac Rally Championship 2023

The Championship organising team are delighted to welcome back again main Championship sponsor, Ian & Shirley Orr of Burnside Piling Contractors [Sheet Piling, Mini Piling, Foundation Piling - Burnside Plant Ltd](#) and thank them, and the championship sub-sponsors for their support, without whom this popular championship wouldn't be possible.

The Scottish Tarmac Rally Championship has been running successfully for over 25 years. Its unique class-based scoring system gives drivers and co-drivers from each class the opportunity to become the overall champion throughout the year. Information on the Championship & event reports can be found on the web site www.dunfermlinecarclub.co.uk facebook and also on [Sportivity channel STRC23](#)

Carnegie Fuels Gold Card STRC £250 Tyre Voucher 2023



The STRC are delighted that once again Carnegie Fuels Ltd will be supporting registered competitors throughout the 2023 season. This proved very popular & welcomed during the 2022 season, and this year there will be a draw at ALL counting rounds of the STRC to include ALL fully registered championship competitors (drivers & co-drivers) who start these events.

The voucher may be redeemed in exchange for goods at either Wheels Around or AW Motorsport.

(Round 1) 19th February 2023 Grant Construction Stages, Knockhill

The first round of the Burnside Piling Scottish Tarmac Rally Championship took place at Knockhill in typical chilly February weather, with a healthy 44 quality teams and the Championship team welcomed 59 championship registered competitors at the event.

Overall event winners were Dom Buckley/Doug Redpath in a Citroen Rally 2, with runners up Neil Roskell/Andrew Roughead in a Ford Fiesta Rally 2 and Dale Robertson/Harry Marchbank taking O/A 3rd place also in a Ford Fiesta Rally 2. There were no Championship contenders in the first 3 O/A but in 5th place with both driver & co-driver gaining maximum championship points were Barry Groundwater/Sean Donnelly in a Class 5 Mitsubishi Evo 6, and in 6th place O/A was driver Des Campbell also gaining maximum championship points in his Class 2 Peugeot 206.

The winner of the **£250 Carnegie Gold Card Tyre Voucher** was Thomas Purvin co-driver of Car 22 and our thanks to Willie Greig, STRC eligibility scrutineer, for expertly drawing the winning number.

The leader board after the first round is as follows

1 st OA= driver Christopher Smith	Class 1	17 points	1 st OA= Co-driver Amy McCubbin	Class 1	17 points
1 st OA= driver Des Campbell	Class 2	17 points	1 st OA= Co-driver Thomas Purvin	Class 2	17 points
1 st OA= driver Barry Groundwater	Class 5	17 points	1 st OA= Co-driver Sean Donnelly	Class 5	17 points
4 th OA= driver Adam Huggon	Class 3	16 points	4 th OA Co-driver Richard Glendinning	Class 3	16 points
4 th OA= driver Ben MacDowall	Class 4	16 points	5 th OA Co-driver Alison Horne	Class 4	15 points

Class Leaders after the first round is as follows

Class 1 driver James Thomson	14 points	Class 1 Co-driver Kirsty Mochrie	14 points
Class 2 driver Steve Irwin	14 points	Class 2 Co-driver Billy Gower	14 points
Class 3 driver Adam Huggon	16 points	Class 3 Co-driver Richard Glendinning	16 points
Class 4 driver Ben MacDowall	16 points	Class 4 Co-driver Alison Horne	15 points
Class 5 driver Stuart Irvine	14 points	Class 5 Co-driver Marc Irvine	14 points

(Round 2) 25th March 2023 Memorial Garden Stages, RM Condor, Arbroath

Heading into Round 2 of the STRC there are now 69 STRC registered competitors, with 30 championship contenders registered so far for this event. At the time of writing, there are only 28 teams entered for the Senior event and 13 for the Junior event, but the organisers, www.condormsc.co.uk/memorial-garden-stages have confirmed that the event will run. This venue is ideally situated in Central/East Scotland, and easily accessible from the North, South & West 😊

Following on from the Memorial Garden Stages at RM Condor will be Round 3 of the Burnside Piling Scottish Tarmac Rally Championship, the Jim Clark Reivers, always a popular closed rally taking place this year on Sunday the 28th May www.jimclarkrally.co.uk with the Summer Stages, Round 4, being organised by www.glenrothes-msc.com on the 10th June.

Round 5, and half way through the Championship year, will be the Mach1 Stages being organised by www.dunfermlinecarclub.co.uk Preparation is well under way for this popular event at this iconic venue, with the MSUK permits already received for both the Senior & Junior events. The Juniors, this year, will also be enjoying approximately 90 stage miles over the 2 days of the weekend the 8th/9th July

Scottish Association of Motor Sports Clubs

There is a comprehensive events calendar updated regularly by Raymond Mann on the Scottish Association of Motor Sports Clubs web site. For up-to-date information of individual events please visit the various organising club web sites and facebook pages. This SAMSC web site is also a great, go to, source of information on all aspects of motorsport in Scotland, so keep visiting for updates <http://scottishmotorsportsclubs.co.uk/events.aspx>

SAMSC Marshals Training & online training webinars

Our thanks from the Scottish Tarmac Rally Championship go to Rupert Hine, Jon Bolton and the rest of the SAMSC Marshals Training team for organising and hosting these very informative training sessions. The next in the calendar is:

25 th March	Saturday	practical - Rally Marshals Taster Day
28 th March	Tuesday	module - Rally Radio
8 th April	Saturday	practical – Rally Marshals Training

Details and registration links for the training can be found at www.training.scottishmotorsportsclubs.co.uk