

Report to SAMSC General Meeting 18 September 2018

### **MSA Rally Championship Steering Group meeting held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2018**

This informal Group meets to consider matters relating to Stage Rallies, including, but not restricted to, date management.

One key reason for this is to bring into effect some pragmatic calendar management. The MSA already has issues with allocation of officials, in particular Safety Delegates and has already mentioned the possibility that any proposed rally tracking system may be limited in the number of events that can be covered on any particular weekend. We are also already aware of issues with resource management in terms of all other event officials, rescue and recovery units, doctors or paramedics, radio controllers and operators and all types of marshals. Events are also looking to attract the same pool of competitors.

***It is vitally important that all SAMSC member clubs that organise stage rally events and/or championships maintain contact with this group through John Parker.***

There was an account of the refuel incident concerning Steve Perez in Ypres. It was agreed that we should advise events to recommend that crews be out of the car when refuelling and to have fire extinguishers in sight and available to use at each service bay in the service area.

Various changes to event dates for the remainder of 2018 were noted.

It was acknowledged that some Championships have yet to finalise their calendar for 2019, but it is important to confirm the dates for all events irrespective of what Championship they would be in. Championships must confirm by email to the Chairman (Mike Broad) as soon as events are confirmed.

Provisional dates were noted (but remain confidential) for:

- FIA World Rally Championship
- British Rally Championship
- MSA Asphalt Championship
- MSA Historic Championship
- MSA Scottish Rally Championship
- MSA Welsh Rally Championship
- MSA Northern Ireland Championship
- MSA English Rally Championship
- BTRDA Championship
- Roger Albert Clark Asphalt Championship
- MN Circuit Rally Championship
- Irish Rally Championship.
- Also a number of other events not yet confirmed in any championship

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(Prepared from meeting minutes)