

INTRODUCTION TO ROAD RALLYING

Due to increased interest in road rallying in the club, we have decided to run some navigation master classes starting at the next Club Night and running right through to the end of the year. Each session will last no more than 30-45 minutes and there may be several going on at any one time.

Members interested in road rallying and who attend one of more of the following modules will have reduced entry on Chelmsford Motor Club [CMC] 12 cars for the next 12 months. It is suggested that each session attended will equate to a 10% reduction in the entry fee for the next 12-car rally.

This applies to full CMC members only although we could encourage non-CMC and potential CMC members. For example we could open this out to all clubs in region.

This applies to all members other than those of Expert or Master status as defined in national B road rallies as they will be press ganged into helping run modules.

I will run a Table Top rally for practice in August and Gavin Leech will run a long 12 car late at night in August/September.

Module tutors will be Paul Barrett [PB], Bob Blows [BB], Ed Scott, [ES] Tony Michael [TM], Gordon Popperwell [GP], and myself [BJ].

Modules

These need to be agreed and also need firming up with exact detail to be covered but the overview will be:-

- 1** Preparation – to include map board [construction, size, marking], how to use a romer, pencils [2B or 3B], rubber, pencil sharpener, pen [for inking in code boards], map [marking GLs, SHs, folding, trimming, map overlaps, linking maps]
- 2** Explanation of map detail and information, relevant to Beginner/Novice.

- 3** Introduction to simple clues as likely to be encountered by Beginners/Novices. Use clues as used on SEBRON events over past 2 years including use of marked maps, an option now being used for some events.
- 4** Explanation of event timing, completion of time cards, control timing options, variations in clocks etc.
- 5** Plotting routes using clues explained in Module 3
- 6** Undertake short 10-mile route with an “Expert” navigating.
- 7** Undertake a short 10-mile route with an “Expert” driving review performance and address issues.
- 8** Explanation of map detail and information, relevant to Semi-Expert/Expert.
- 9** Introduction to clues as likely to be encountered by Semi-Expert/Expert. Clues to be those used in SEBRON championship over past 2 years.
- 10** Session on car set up for road rallying – basic for Beginners/Novices map light, pen holders, marshal’s light, belts, battery terminals, spotlights, noise, spares, tyre choice, OK/SOS boards etc.
- 11** Session on car set up for road rallying – more detailed for Semi-Experts/Experts, roll cage, sump guards, suspension options etc.

If there is anything else you would like to add then please let me know.

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