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SUBSEQUENT 4X4 EVENTS - ON THE DAY €20. FOR MORE DETAILS
RING 087-2491586**

Limerick Motor Club LTD.

SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

6th November 2011.

PERMIT NUMBER: TBC

The event will be run under the General Competition Rules of R.I.A.C./Motorsport Ireland (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the F.I.A.) Appendix "W" of the current Motorsport Ireland yearbook, regulations issued for this event and any other Supplementary Regulations and Final Instructions as may be issued. In cases of dispute, the interpretation of these rules will rest with the organising committee.

CLERK OF THE COURSE: Shane O'Callaghan

MSI STEWARD: TBA

CLUB STEWARD: Breeda Ryan, LMC

SCRUTINEER: James O'Meara Snr

DRIVERS COURSE LIAISON OFFICER: Brian Berkery

SCRUTINY 9.30 A.M. SHARP! START: 11.00 A.M. SHARP!

Venue: Shanahan's Quarry, Barna, Newcastle West, Co. Limerick

ENTRY FEE: €50.00 (inclusive of Personal Accident Insurance) per driver (inclusive of Personal Accident Insurance) per entry.

The club reserve the right to refuse an entry without assigning a reason.

CLASSES.

1. All Suzuki 4 wheel drive vehicles.
2. All remaining 4 wheel drive vehicles excluding Class 5 & 6.
4. Novices - the definition of a novice, shall be any competitor who has not competed in any 4x4 event previously, or who has not won any prize at any previous Championship event. Status to remain until end of season in which first award is won. Novice class is only open to drivers of Class 1, 2 vehicles.
5. Modified Class - This class is open to any eligible vehicle which may be modified subject to the following restrictions:
 - a. Rigid chassis only.
 - b. Minimum wheel base length of 2000 mm.
 - c. One steering axle only.And
 - a. Diff locks allowed.
 - b. Two independent braking systems required.
 - c. A three point full harness and helmet for both driver and passenger is compulsory.
 - d. A hand operated fiddle brake system is allowed on rear axle only and must not interfere with main hydraulic system.

STARTING ORDER:

Starting order will be announced at drivers briefing. Starting order will be decided using the following criteria:

- a. All competitors registered for the Championship will be issued random competitor numbers at the beginning of the season.
- b. These numbers (excluding Novices) will be put into a "drum".

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c. A number will be pulled from the "drum" and matched to a number pulled from an other "drum" containing the four test numbers. From this the first Competitors into all tests will be decided, based on the total number of entrants. Double drives must be separated by 2 numbers- i. c. if driver A is number 1 driver B is 4 etc. Novices must not be nominated as first driver into any first run tests.

COURSE:

The course will be of a sporting nature and will include observed sections only. The route will be marked and the onus will be on the competitor to follow the correct course. At least 50% of an sections must be attempted or completed. The penalty for breach of this rule is automatic exclusion. Any tests not attempted will carry an automatic penalty of 10 points. All gates from number 10 to 6 will be a minimum of 3.5 metres wide with the remainder 3 metres. Where tapes is erected to define the course, competitors will be penalised for breaking it. The penalty will be that of the previous gate. A Drivers Course Liaison Officer will be appointed for each event by the Organising Committee. He shall inspect the course in conjunction with the Assistant Clerk of the Course on the evening before the event. The role of Drivers Liaison Officer ceases once the event starts. The course may not be altered by the Drivers Liaison Officer (or any competitor) without the prior consent of the Clerk of the Course. No driver will be allowed to be Course Liaison Officer for more than two events in this Championship.

All competitors are required to sign on as marshals in the event of their vehicle not being capable of finishing the event.

PRACTICE AREA:

A practice area will be available to all novice competitors only, after they have signed on and passed scrutiny. This practice area will be closed upon commencement of Drivers Briefing.

SHUNTING:

All vehicles without fiddle brakes and a wheel base length in excess of 2185 mm are allowed one shunt per test. Competitors must inform the start marshall of each test the scored gates between which the shunt will be executed. If the shunt is not nominated (or if the shunt takes place other than between the gates nominated) the shunt will not be allowed and normal penalties will be incurred for cessation of forward motion. After arriving at the nominated shunting area the vehicle must be brought to a complete stop and thereafter, upon instruction by the marshall, the vehicle will be allowed to reverse one vehicle length only, any movement in excess of this will incur the penalty of the previous gate. While the shunt is being executed the vehicle may cross its tracks but not touch a marker pole or break the tape.

SECURITY.

No cars may be on the course outside competition times unless with explicit permission of the Clerk of the Course. All vehicles must go to Parc Ferme when not competing.

MARKS:

Penalty marks from 10 to 0 will be awarded where the vehicle ceases forward motion or touches a marker pole or breaks the tape. The complete vehicle must pass cleanly through all marker gates. A clean non-stop passage through an observed section will gain 0 penalties. A vehicle may not cross its track at any stage in a test. Looping around the Start and Finish areas is strictly forbidden. Smoking is not permitted by either driver or passenger while competing on a test and seat belts must be worn by crews while competing on tests. Breach of the above rules will automatically carry the maximum penalty of 10. The penalty mark incurred by any driver will be indicated to him by the marshall raising a red flag when the penalty has occurred, the driver must then stop and have his card punched and follow all subsequent instructions given by the marshall. The driver who starts a test must finish the test. The penalty for breach of these rules is 10 points.

In deciding Overall/Event results Class 5 competitors only will be scored as follows:

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The higher of

- a. 1.5 times actual penalties accrued OR
- b. 1.25 penalties per test in event. (i.e. 8 tests = 10 or 16 tests = 20)

Class 6 competitors will receive points for each navigational point they find. The organizers will decide on the appropriate score for each navigational point.

CREWS:

A maximum of 2 driven per vehicle is allowed. One passenger only may be carried and must remain within the passenger compartment of the vehicle. Neither member of the crew may leave the vehicle while it is on the Trial Zone. Competitors may only drive or be a passenger in the vehicle in which they are entered. The penalty for breach

of this rule is 10 marks. All drivers and passengers must complete an entry form with the organism of each event and sign the indemnity. In the case of persons under 18 years of age this must be countersigned by a Parent or Guardian. Competition Licences are not required for passengers. Passengers must be 14 years of age or over.

Passengers must register and sign on with the organisers at the start of the event. Competitors found to be carrying unauthorised passengers will be excluded from the results. Any driver carrying a passenger who has not entered for the event may be excluded and be subject to any other penalty as the Clerks of the Course may decide. In the case of passengers only, the 72 hour entry rule may be applied at the discretion of the organisers of each individual event. Passenger Entry Fee € 10.00.

Competition vehicles found to be driven by other than the competitors during the event may result in both competitors being excluded at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course. Competitors found to be driving from test to test at excessive speed will be immediately excluded from the event.

Outside assistance is prohibited while the vehicle is in the Trial Zone and the penalty shall be 10 marks for a competitor who has benefited from such assistance.

ALL COMPETITORS MUST BE IN POSSESSION OF A CURRENT COMPETITION LICENCE WHICH MUST BE PRODUCED TO THE ORGANISERS.

SCRUTINY:

Scrutiny will take place in a designated place and all competitors must proceed to that place and await their turn

Competitors are obliged to present their vehicle for scrutiny at least one hour before the due start time. Any vehicle presented for scrutineering which is deemed by the Organisers to not be of a standard or condition appropriate to compete in the event, or fails the scrutineering inspection process, may render the entrant liable for exclusion.

BRIEFING.

Driven Briefing will take place 15 minutes before the due start time of the event.

ELIGIBLE VEHICLES:

Any production 4 wheel drive vehicle with 4x4 off road capabilities excluding those with LSD and/or lockable diffs. Vehicles with engine conversions (as decided by the Scrutineer/Organising Committee) are also eligible. In the interest of economy, bumpers may be removed and air intakes may be altered. Suspension modifications are not allowed. Haflingers, Steyrpuch, Unimogs and forward control landrovers are not allowed. 4 wheel steer and A.T.V.'s (quad/tricycle type) are also not allowed. A roll-cage of minimum 50 mm steel bar with wall thickness of tube to be a minimum 2 mm with all 6 points properly secured to the vehicle structure generally to the shape of FIA drawing number 253.7 are mandatory for all vehicles. 3 point seat belts and helmets are mandatory for drivers and passengers. Full harness type belts are recommended. Helmets must comply with RTA regulations - S.I. No. 322 of 1993. Full face helmet is necessary if no windscreen present on vehicle. Passenger grab handles and a 2nd return spring on all throttles are mandatory for all vehicles. An isolation

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switch capable of being operated from both inside and outside the vehicle is strongly recommended. Battery terminals must be fully insulated. Side impact bars are mandatory for all open sided vehicles to a maximum height of 12" from the floor. Quick Release Window webbing / mesh is required in all vehicles, where the window is non existent or to remain open. No loose equipment may be carried in the vehicle while in the tests. All exhausts must be protected to ensure no hot pipes are exposed.

Competitors must carry the Championship sponsors decals and door plates displaying competitor number(s) , as stipulated, on all counting rounds. No points will be allocated to any competitor who fails to comply with this regulation.

OVERALL

The resolution of ties in the overall Championship will be decided as follows:

- a. Novice driver shall take precedence (Class 4 over Class 5, 2 and 1).
- b. Class 1, 2, shall take precedence over Class 5.
- c. Smaller engine size - Diesel engine = 1.5 times petrol and turbo diesel engines.
- d. All leaf sprung over non all leaf sprung vehicles.
- e. Long wheel base over short wheel base.
- f. The greater number of wins in the current Championship.
- g. The greater number of 2nd, 3rd, etc. placings in the current Championship.
- h. The number of competitors beaten on the 1st ,2nd, 3rd etc. event in the current Championship.

EVENT

The resolution of ties for championship points and class places in an individual event will be decided as follows:

- a. Novice driver shall take precedence (Class 4 over Class 2 and 1).
- b. Class 1, 2, shall take precedence over Class 5.
- c. Smaller engine size - Diesel engine = 1.5 times petrol and turbo diesel engines.
- d. All leaf sprung over non all leaf sprung vehicles
- e. The number of 0`s, 1`s, 2`s, etc. scored on the event
- f. Long wheel base over short wheel base.
- g. The number of 0`s, 1`s, 2`s etc. scored on the event.

TYRES.

Any type of production tyre may be used but must not be fitted with studs or chains or exceed 35x12.5/16. The maximum thread diameter must not exceed 35". Wheel rim width must not exceed 8". Tyres manufactured specifically for agricultural use or marked for use at limited speeds are not permitted. No Dumper pattern or low ground pressure -balloon type "s allowed. Hand cut and altered thread pattern tyres are not allowed. Tyres with open centres or over aggressive thread patterns (as decided by the organisers) are not permitted. An effective parking brake is obligatory. It must simultaneously control the two wheels of the same axle.

FIRE EXTINGUISHER:

All vehicles (excluding Class 6) must carry a fire extinguisher in proper working condition, minimum 2 kg.

TOWING EYES:

The position of the towing eyes must be marked by an obvious (red or yellow) arrow situated on the bonnet and rear of the vehicle above the water/mud line. Tow ropes (1/4"inch nylon minimum) must be carried in a suitable place above the water/mud line, coiled and ready for use. Wire ropes must NOT be used. Snatch Rescues may not be used.

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EVENT AWARDS: 1st 2nd and 3rd overall. 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each Class. 4th prize if more than 10 in a class.
No Competitor may win more than one prize.

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