

STAGE RALLY REPORT, MID SEASON 2016

Picking up from first report of the season which was just prior to the Border Counties Rally.

The Border Counties and the Speyside Rallies both enjoyed good entries both in terms of numbers and quality (numbers on both up on last year)

The Jim Clark Reivers Rally however was cancelled through lack of entries in the week running up to the event, the JCR had a number of factors working against it, Namely: running on a Sunday, highest entry fee within the SRC Championship, 100% double usage, proximity both geographically and timing to other championship events, in short it was viewed by competitors as not good value for money and they acted accordingly. The SRC management committee had various discussions with the Jim Clark committee pointing out the flaws as we saw them. Also, before they cancelled the event we made an offer of financial support, but both our suggestions and offer of financial support were not acted on or accepted.

Looking forward, the SRC has three events still to run this year the first being the Scottish, which I am happy to say has an exceptional entry with 92 of the 122 entries being SRC competitors.

Both the Grampian Stages and the Galloway Hills Rallies are on track with their routes and organisation.

Two other points worth mentioning, the SRC management committee have been discussing for some time with Dunoon BID team the possibility of running an Argyle Rally, I am happy to say this has now been agreed. The 'Dunoon Argyle Rally' will be in 2017 Scottish Rally Championship run by Mull Car Club.

The last item is regarding fuel testing, the SRC management committee have instigated testing of fuel on several competitors cars registered for the championship this season and we will, before season end be testing more. I am happy to report that all samples checked out to be acceptable against the regulations

Gordon Adam. Vice Chairman SRC