



SAVE THE DATE: 26-29 OCTOBER

- 300+ km competitive route announced
- Exciting new era WRC cars set for British debut
- Defending champion targets unprecedented fifth win
- Challenging night stages return on Saturday

Tomorrow we will reveal the route for October's UK round of the World Rally Championship. As part of the essential volunteer community on whom we depend to organize this great event, we think it is only right that you get to hear about it first.

Last year's rally was one of the best in recent years, but we are working hard to ensure that 2017 is even better. The route will be similar to 2016, with the event based out of the Deeside Rally Village, but there are also some new challenges.

After the now traditional Friday stages of Myherin, Sweet Lamb and Hafren, the WRC stars will once again visit Chester on the way back to Service to meet the fans and sign autographs.

Saturday's schedule offers a long day for everyone, as the cars sweep east from Dyfi and Gartheiniog, via Dyfnant to the family-friendly RallyFest at Cholmondeley Castle - one of the many highlights of last year's event. After a mid-afternoon service the cars head back out for the thrill of two night stages, one a second run through Dyfnant followed by a single run into Aberhirnant.

Sunday's stages are based in North Wales, where we have dropped Clocaenog for this year, replacing it with a first visit to Gwydyr since 2013, followed by the popular and challenging Alwen and Brenig stages.

Visit www.walesrallygb.com tomorrow morning to see the full route.



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NEW ERA WRC CARS

The new generation of dramatic WRC rally cars are bigger, meaner and sound superb in the stages and have so far delivered one of the most unpredictable and fiercely-fought championships in living memory, with four different winners in the first six rounds of the year.

There's strong British interest, too. Back in March, Kris Meeke won in Mexico and the Ulsterman has twice previously been on the podium in Wales. More recently, local Welsh hero Elfyn Evans came within a split-second of winning his first WRC round in Argentina in April.

For the past four years, top honours have gone to the reigning world champion Sébastien Ogier and now the Frenchman stands on the threshold of making history as no driver has ever clocked up five Rally GB victories. An unprecedented fifth win would indeed create a new 'legend'.

MARSHALS' GOODIES

Last week we sent out a short survey to find out how you would like us to deal with the 'goodies' this year. If you haven't already done so, please complete the form by clicking **HERE**. Don't worry, it's not an in/out referendum!

RST REGISTRATION

A quick reminder that the entire organisation of the volunteer and marshalling forces on Dayinsure Wales Rally GB is undertaken through Rally Stage Team (RST). The deployment of personnel, equipment, goodies, etc is dependent on the output of the RST system, so this year if you have not registered with RST, you won't be counted for the goodies and other bits of equipment.

We recognise that some people feel unable to register with RST, so if that is the case, please send an email to: staffing@walesrallygb.com explaining what the specific issue is so that we can address it.

MSA REGISTRATION

Don't forget that you will need to have completed your on-line accreditation and registered with the MSA in order to marshal on this event without the need for an official 'buddy'.

If you haven't already done so, you'll find it logical and easy to do - click here <https://www.msauk.org/rallymarshalstraining> to access the on-line accreditation and, if you've already done your accreditation but not yet registered, you'll find the link to register here too.

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