


ALPINE RALLY
28-29-30 June 2019

Stella alpina




The most scenic routes in the Dolomites will be the backdrop for the Stella Alpina rally and its many regularity trials.

There will be an homage to the Prancing Horse: the regularity rally for classic cars will be preceded by a section reserved for modern Ferraris with a separate ranking.

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RAC TT Lunch

What became the Royal Automobile Club was founded on 10 August 1897 as the Automobile Club of Great Britain (and later Ireland) with headquarters originally in London's Whitehall Court. King Edward VII's interest in motoring led to a Royal Charter for the Club in 1907, the King declaring, "that the Automobile Club of Great Britain and Ireland should henceforth be known as The Royal Automobile Club."

During 1902 the organisation, together with the recently formed Association of Motor Manufactures and Traders campaigned vigorously for the relaxation of speed limits claiming that the 14 mph speed limit imposed by the Locomotives on Highways Act 1896 was 'absurd' and was seldom observed. In 1905, the Club organised the first Tourist Trophy (TT) motorcycle race, the oldest regularly run motor race. It also became the governing body for motor sport in Britain. In 1911 it moved to the current address in Pall Mall, part of the site of the old War Office, and remains one of the largest Clubs in London. It is described in the Survey of London as "a polished essay in the late French Renaissance manner".

It is in this backdrop that the RAC TT lunch for historic cars is held each year. The winners of the Pre '63 GT two-driver race at the Silverstone Classic are the recipients of the Royal Automobile Club Tourist Trophy for Historic Cars and each year they are invited to lunch at the Club to receive awards from the Club Motoring Committee Chairman. Each year the winners of the other Club historic trophy, the RAC Woodcote Trophy are also invited, this year John Ure and Nick Wigley, and most recently a tradition has been established to invite the winners of the TT Celebration Race at the Goodwood Revival meeting as well, and so David Hart and his young virtuoso son, Olivier were also amongst the company. But it was Martin Hunt and Patrick Blakeney Edwards, as winners of the Historic TT at Silverstone, who were guests of honour on 4 February. Their names have been inscribed on the perpetual trophy that is kept in the Clubhouse.



Carol Spagg, organiser of the Silverstone TT race, Martin Hunt and Patrick Blakeney-Edwards and Motoring Chairman Peter Read with the RAC Tourist Trophy for Historic Cars Photo Andrew Taylor Courtesy RAC

Rally News



Lima to Cape Horn 2020

Starting at sea level in Lima, Peru and climbing to over 3,600 metres in the Bolivian capital of La Paz, to the salt flats of Bolivia and the green vineyards of Mendoza in Argentina, following the Andes south, through the breathtaking lake district around Bariloche before entering Chile, where the days will get decidedly cooler as the scenery becomes ever more dramatic and where glaciers and deep blue lakes surrounded by snow peaked mountains precede the arrival at the ultimate destination in magical Patagonia and the city at the end of the earth, Ushuaia: This is the Lima to Cape Horn rally, brought to you by the Endurance Rally Association due to run in November 2020.

The event is open to cars built before 1948 in the Vintageant class and for Classic cars of a type built before 1976. Cars of a later date but unchanged mechanical specification will be considered at the Organisers' discretion. Classes based on engine size will subdivide these categories.

The event is suitable for both novice and more experienced crews. Many roads are good tarmac and gravel, with competition on more remote roads, private land or race circuits. An easy to follow tulip route book will be supplied. The ERA team will be at your disposal at all times to give you mechanical, medical and logistical support.

This is just one of the many rallies on offer from the Association, which also include the 26 April-5 May 2019 London to Lisbon, and the September Icelandic Saga. See www.endurorally.com.

Stella Alpina

Registrations are now open for the 28-30 June Stella Alpina rally, the event's 34th running. Starting in Trento, as the name suggests, the rally takes place on the stunning Alpine passes in the UNESCO World Heritage heart of the Dolomites, with two nights in the best hotels in the cosy and beautiful mountain village of Moena. The Stella Alpina regularity rally is organised in partnership by the Scuderia Trentina, the Scuderia Tricolore and Canossa Events. See www.stellaalpinastorica.it for details.

