

Classic

UPDATES & MONTE NEWS



WELCOME

The photograph on the first page of the newsletter was taken in 1964 in Blythswood Square, Glasgow at the Start of the Monte Carlo Rallye. From the photograph we can see that there was unfettered access and interest in the Rallye Start 60 years ago. Unfortunately, we do not have a photograph of the 1924 Start which was the first Glasgow Start of the Rallye. On both occasions there was very little red tape and certainly no such thing as ULEZ! Spectators were free to get up close and personal with the cars and crews and there was certainly no problem in 1964 with closing the road and starting a car Rallye in the centre of a major city. How things have changed. In 2024 it is nearly impossible to do this. Attitudes have changed towards the internal combustion engine and for good reason. This makes organising the Start of the Monte from the centre of Glasgow extremely difficult. Indeed there will be no Start for the Monte in Barcelona for this very reason.

However we have managed to overcome the problem by successfully hiring the Blythswood Square Gardens which are private. So to celebrate 100 years since the first Glasgow Start, we will be starting from the centre of Glasgow and as close as possible to the original Start outside the old RSAC building which is now the Blythswood Square Hotel. We are determined to celebrate this landmark in the history of the Rallye with style and more than a little innovation. See Monte Update for more details.

Also in this edition is the next part of the ADO story; information on the forthcoming club events the next of which is the Arrochar Alps on 2 September and a link to the website where you can check if your car is exempt from charges in Ultra Low Emission Zones (ULEZ).

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UPDATE

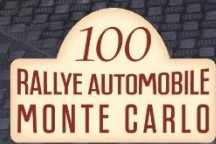
By the time you receive this update, the Austin Healey Sprite tub will be back from the shot blasters and painted in primer. But before the tub is given its final topcoat the new body panels will be trial fitted to ensure everything lines up perfectly. Below is a photograph of the tub before it went off to the shot blasters. You will see that most of the hard work has been done to remove the old paint but shotblasting will bring every bit of the tub back to bare metal which is the ideal surface for a pristine paint finish.



Celebrate *with us* Glasgow 100 Anniversary *of the first Glasgow start*



Good Ferry and Hotel deals
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The arrangements for the Start venue, the UK route and the Passage Controls for the 2024 Rallye Monte Carlo Historique have now been finalised. We are hoping for a good entry for both the Historique and the Monte 100 Event. The regulations for the Historique will be out in August. The regulations for the Monte 100 will be out at the same time. We are looking for cars from 1924 to 1980 for the Monte 100. They should be cars of a make and model which would have done the Monte Carlo Rally in period.



This is another photograph from the 1964 Monte which, as you will remember, was the year that the late great Paddy Hopkirk won the Monte Carlo Rallye in a Mini Cooper 'S'. We would love to see a few Minis starting from Glasgow.

100 RALLYE AUTOMOBILE MONTE CARLO

MONTE 100 GARDEN PARTY

The Start venue for the Rallye will be in the private grounds of the Blythwood Square Gardens which are within the shadow of the old RSAC building. As well as the Start of the Rallye we are planning a Monte 100 Anniversary Garden Party on the lines of the Goodwood Festival event, but in miniature. Passes will be issued for this event. They will allow you to get up close to the cars as they are being scrutineered and also to meet the crews. There will be hot refreshments available and you will be invited to come in period dress! We also hope to have some very special rally cars on display. It will be a unique event which will create a great atmosphere for sending the crews off on their adventure to Monte Carlo.



Getting up Close to the Rallye Cars in 1964!



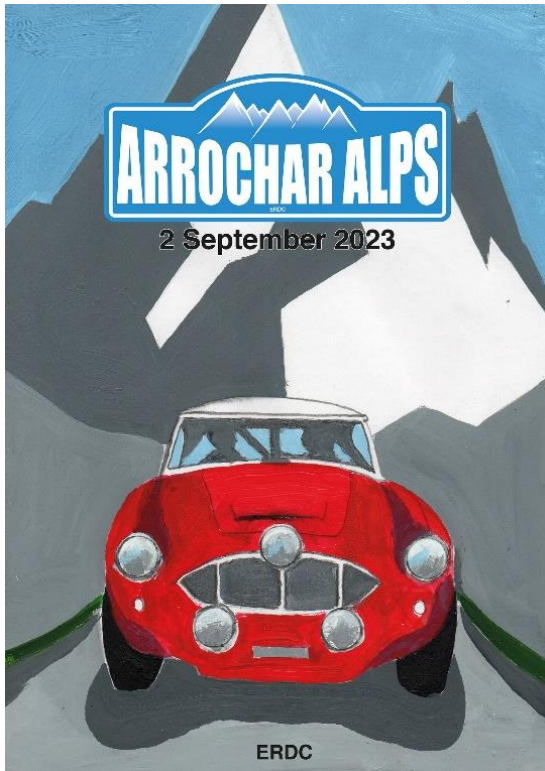
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MONTE 100 ANNIVERSARY TOURISTIQUE RALLYE

This 100 Anniversary Event will be similar to the former Classique format. It will follow after the Historique cars and check in at the same UK passage controls and night halt. After the night halt in Calais it will follow its own route through France, following the roads used in a traditional 1960's Monte. Oliver Tomlins is preparing a route which does not involve overnight driving. This event will reflect the early history of the Monte with an optional wiggle-waggle test, a mountain circuit, concours and safety competitions. Planning for this event is well advanced. It will start in the tradition of the Monte with a pre-rallye dinner at the Blythswood Square Hotel and finish with a black tie dinner at the Automobile Club de Monaco. It will be a unique and challenging run through the UK across France, over the Alps then down to the Principality of Monaco.



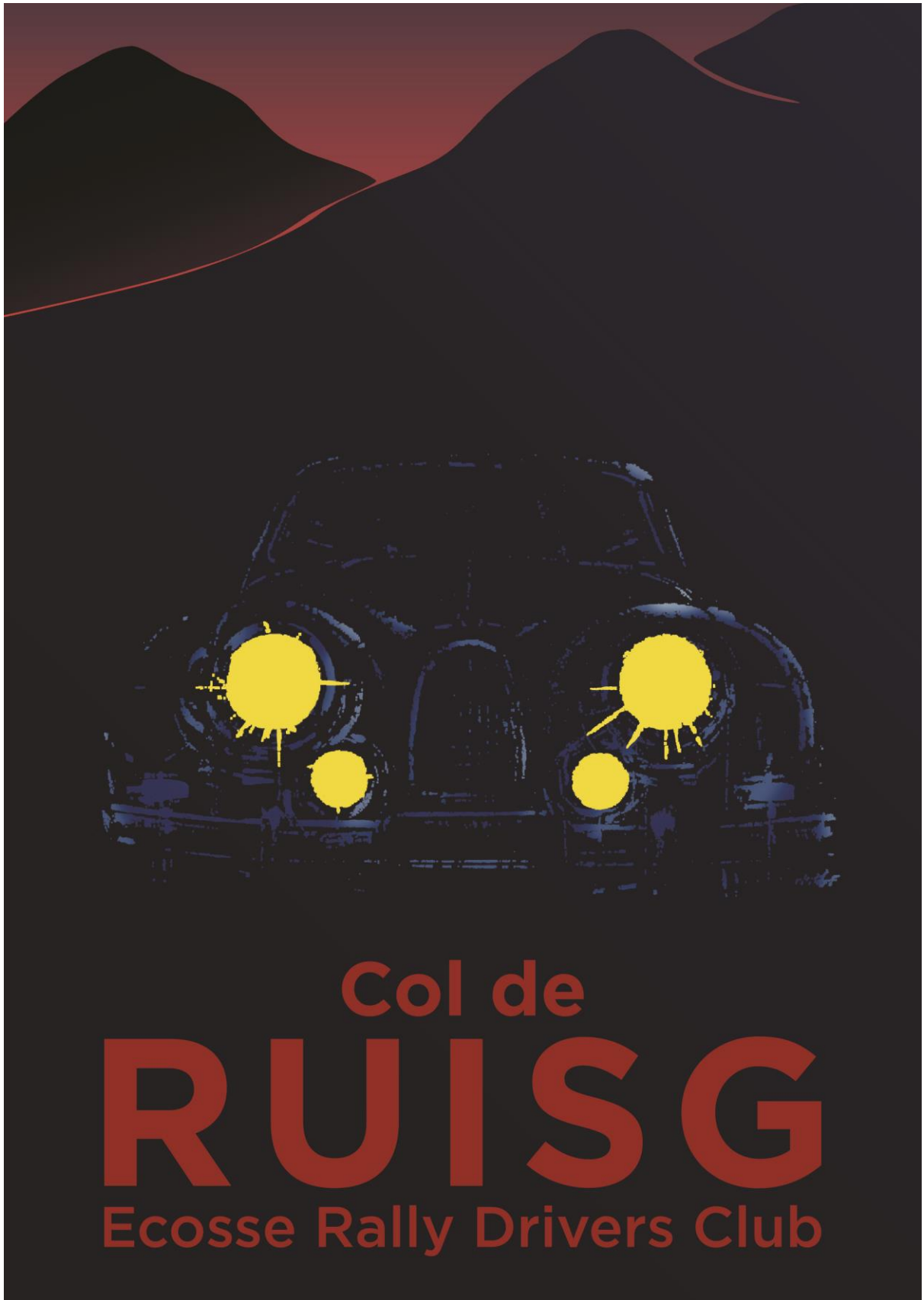




The next ERDC event will be the Arrochar Alps on 2 September 2023. Taking advantage of the good weather we decided to recce some of the route which we are planning to use. Starting in Arrochar we headed off towards the west enjoying the wonderful scenery which Scotland has to offer. It happened to be on the same day as the Argyll Tarmac Stages Rally. We stopped off and spoke to some of the officials and marshals. It was obvious that all the competitors were thoroughly enjoying this closed road event. We are planning to use some of the same stages in our event, but of course the roads will not be closed. Come September

you will be able to experience the challenge of driving on these rarely used roads. The finish will be in Oban where we enjoyed the afternoon sun and a very nice meal overlooking the harbour. We even found time to look around for a finish venue and have come up with a nice hotel with safe off road parking who promise to look after us very well. The menu sounds delicious. Regulations will be available mid-July.





4 November 2023



Northern Night
OWLS
Ecosse Rally Drivers Club

18 November 2023



A great opportunity to explore this area of Scotland. With new roads to cross through some stunning scenery and places to visit. Organisers Jim and Norma Watson who recently joined the CCHMSC team have some great new ideas. Starts Kinross. Regs out soon <https://www.caledonianmsc.freeuk.com>

ULTRA LOW EMISSION ZONE CHECK

Here is a handy link to check if your car is exempt from charges in Ultra Low Emission Zones. Click on the link, select the Vehicle Checker tab at the top, enter your vehicle registration. It will bring up your car details – make model etc and when you confirm that this is correct, click the button. It will immediately tell you if your car is exempt in any ULEZ in Scotland.

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Prior to the 2019 Monte , the following work was carried out ,

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