



# BRECON

# Motor Club

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# BRECON MOTOR CLUB *IN ACTION!*

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# MARSHAL REPORT

**Brecon marshals have been extremely busy, supporting a wide range of events including the Agbo Stages, the Kath Curzon Memorial Rally, the Tour of Cheshire, Prescott Hill Climb, Shelsley Walsh Hill Climb, the Dixies Challenge, and providing a flying finish and stop line on the severn Valley Stages, where they faced some particularly nasty weather.**

**We are now looking for marshals to assist at the Brecon Motor Club Epynt Hill Climb on 13th & 14th June. If you're available and would like to get involved, please get in touch with Ian Griffiths.**





## Rally Report

Jason Pritchard was in action on the Yorkshire Dales Rally, with Phil Clarke alongside, bringing the car home in a strong 6th overall. Rhys Edwards was navigating for Lewis Hooper in their Fiesta R2, delivering an excellent result of 1st in class and 2nd in the 2WD category.

John Morgan and Llinos Jones-Edward set an impressive pace in their yellow Mk2 Escort RS1800 on the Kath Curzon Rally at Pembrey, finishing 5th overall and 2nd in class.

Liam Griffiths took to the stages in his Peugeot 1.4 206 on the AGBO Stages, with Gethin Phillips co-driving. The pair maintained a steady run to finish 60th overall. Liam's little pug is a true clubman's rally car, and it's great to see him out enjoying the sport without breaking the bank. Well done, Liam.

Colin Evans had his first DNF on the Severn Valley Stages after a spin left him stuck. Mike Simpson and Dale Gibbons finished 11th overall. Historic.67ric.





**The Dixie's challenge Rally was well supported. Well done to Jason Pritchard for finishing 2nd overall and getting the car dialled**

**in ahead of the Manx this week.**

**Commiserations to John Morgan and Mike Simpson, who both aquaplaned off in the same place after a biblical rainstorm. Sam Weller finished 22nd overall with Jonathan Young on his first trip to Epynt – a good effort. Colin Evans finished just two places behind, another great performance in the budget BMW.**

**Rhys Edwards finished 27th overall with Martin Lasper, while also winning the 1400 class.**

**Finally, Russell Joseph sat alongside Eric John Davis, who unfortunately had to retire with a broken gearbox.**



# CRAIG JONES MAKES A COMEBACK

Craig Jones made a strong return to rallying in his Macwhirter Motorsport-built Mitsubishi Evo 9 after taking a year out to renovate his house.

His first outing back came at the Severn Valleys Rally, where he and co-driver Elwyn Manuel delivered an impressive performance. The pair finished 4th overall and secured 1st in class in the National event, while also taking 4th place in the Pirelli Championship, earning 24 valuable points — an excellent start to comeback season.

## **2026 REMAINING EVENTS:**

June 13 – Plains Rally

July 11 – Nicky Grist Stages

September 12 – Woodpecker Rally

October 24 – Cambrian Rally

November 14 – Wyedean Stages Rally



# TOUR OF CHESHIRE RALLY

## A STRONG DEBUT FOR THE MK2 GOLF



Martin Leonard has retired his Volkswagen Jetta after a few successful years and debuted his Volkswagen Mk2 Golf on the Tour of Cheshire.



After plenty of late nights getting the car ready—including a full respray by Allan MacDonald (RIP) and major work by Toby Adam, such as a gearbox and diff swap, sump guard fabrication, roll cage installation, plus a new water pump and cambelt—he and Jason Murphy enjoyed a strong run, finishing 11th overall.



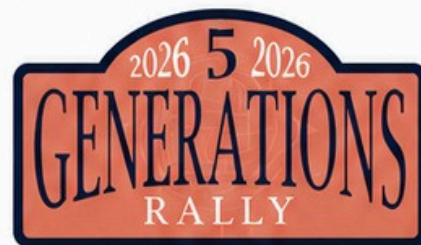
Chris and Gethin Phillips also had a cracking event in their Volvo Amazon, finishing 17th overall and 1st in class.



Well done lads



# GENERATIONS RALLY 2026



The Generations Rally 2026 delivered a memorable weekend of classic rallying, spanning almost 360 miles through South Wales and the Cotswolds. Glorious sunshine provided the perfect backdrop for a demanding yet enjoyable challenge for the 83 crews who took part.

Sunshine, challenge and teamwork across South Wales and the Cotswolds.

## THE ROUTE

The rally featured 13 Passage Controls, 12 Speed Tests and eight Regularities, giving competitors plenty to get stuck into.

From tight tests to flowing countryside roads, the route offered a fantastic mix of classic rallying across two of the UK's most scenic regions.

“

A fantastic effort all round – well done Team BMC!”

## TEAMWORK BEHIND THE SCENES

Behind the scenes, a dedicated team of marshals and organisers ensured the event ran seamlessly.

- **Ian Griffiths** led a team running a test at Brecon Cattle Market.
- **Liz and Malcolm Rich** were in charge of a time control.
- **Dave Mac and David Thomas** were stationed at a busy pub time control, managing the steady flow of arriving crews and finding space to park competing cars.
- **Martin Leonard** took on the responsibility of Chief Marshal.

There were other members out on the event, carrying out a variety of important roles that helped make the rally such a success.

A big thank you to everyone who gave their time and energy to make the Generations Rally 2026 such a successful event.

## BY THE NUMBERS

~360

MILES OF SCENIC ROUTE

83

CREWS TAKING PART

13

PASSAGE CONTROLS

12

SPEED TESTS

8

REGULARITIES



# Navigation Scatter

The 2025/26 Winter Navigation Scatter Series has now come to an end, following a closely fought battle for the championship between Andy Vale & Sean Vale and Phil Arnold & Daniel Curtis. In the end, Phil and Dan secured the title by just a single point.

I would like to thank everyone who helped organise the series, as well as everyone who supported it—whether by attending or competing. Your support is greatly appreciated.

This year's championship consisted of six rounds, including five Navigation Scatters and one Tabletop Rally. All events were organised by members of Brecon Motor Club in their own time and at their own expense. We are extremely grateful for the effort and commitment they put in to make the series such a success.

We hope the 2026/27 series will attract some new faces, and we also look forward to welcoming back familiar ones.

Thank you,  
Event Secretary  
Richard Brill

## DRIVER

Phil Arnold 5/20  
Andy Vale 5/19  
Austin Brill 3/13  
Sam Weller 3/12  
Stanley Cherrigton 2/12  
Kriss Bufton 2/8  
Dave Sinnett 1/8  
Jake Evans 3/8  
Anton De croq-slip 3/7  
Mark Weller 2/6  
Dylan Brierley 1/3  
Michael Plush 3/3  
Seren Songhurst 1/3  
Graham Davis 1/3  
Bleddyn Thomas 1/3  
Emma Jones 1/2  
James Ashley 1/2  
Craig Jones 1/1



## NAVIGATOR

Daniel Curtis 5/20  
Sean Vale 5/19  
Richard Brill 4/15  
Dav Mac 2/11  
Alex White 2/11  
Michelle Bufton 2/8  
Malcome Rich 1/8  
Ilionos Davis 1/7  
Sebb De croq-slip 3/7  
Callum Morris 2/5  
Reuben Morgan 5/5  
Alex Cook 1/3  
Rhys Edwards 1/3  
Kerry Tudor 1/3  
Nicholas Tudor 1/3  
Nicola Davies 1/3  
Conner Ashley 1/3  
Griff Horton 1/3  
Adam Holvey 1/2  
Kayne Roberts 1/1



**The Club hosted a free evening where attendees were treated to stories and a day-by-day diary from their recent Safari Rally experience, shared by Malcolm Rich, Ron Mounsey, Craig Jones, Adrian Cavenagh, Jez McWhirter and Adrian Leonard.**

**The event was well attended, with members also organising a raffle on the night. It was a great evening with an excellent turnout. A big thank you to Christ College for providing the venue and running the bar.**



# **GREMLIN WINS BEST EVENT**

**Brecon Motor Club was honoured to receive the award for Best Event in the 2025 HRCR Clubman's Championship for the Old Forge Garage Gremlin Historic Rally.**

**Chris Phillips, Jason Murphy and Martin Leonard attended the awards evening in Leamington Spa, where they proudly accepted the trophy on behalf of the club.**

**After receiving the award, Martin Leonard said: "This award belongs to all the members of BMC who gave their time and effort to organise the Gremlin. From the PR team, chief marshals and secretaries, to the entries team and everyone working behind the scenes, it truly was a collective effort to bring the event together."**





### **IN THE SPOTLIGHT by Richard Brill**

**The Decline in Teams Competing in Navigation Scatters**  
Navigation scatters have been a key part of Brecon Motor Club's calendar for many years. They provide an excellent stepping stone for those looking to progress into road rallying, while also offering a great opportunity for drivers and navigators to build teamwork and gain valuable experience.

However, this season has seen a noticeable decline in participation. Some events have attracted as few as three crews. This isn't just an issue for Brecon Motor Club—other local clubs are experiencing similar challenges in drawing competitors to navigation scatters.

There are, however, some signs of positive change. Epynt Motor Club has recently moved their scatter events to Friday evenings, which has resulted in an increase in entries. This suggests that adapting event formats or scheduling could help improve attendance.

Looking ahead, it may be worth considering new ideas to boost engagement—such as introducing an inter-club series or collaborative events between local clubs for the next scatter season.

Keeping navigation scatters alive is important for the future of grassroots motorsport, and fresh approaches may be key to encouraging more crews to get involved.



**Tuesday 13th May – 19:30  
Committee Meeting  
At the Clarence Inn, Brecon**

**Tuesday 3rd June  
Run to the Pub  
Details to follow**

**Tuesday 10th June – 19:30  
Committee Meeting**

**Friday 13th & Saturday 14th June  
Epynt Hillclimb**

# ≡ RUN TO ≡ THE PUB

★ GOOD ROADS, GREAT COMPANY, GREAT DESTINATION ★



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**BRECON**



**6PM**



  
**MEALS  
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