

O'Connell Group Cork 20 International Rally 2022

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We are delighted to announce that planning for this years O'Connell Group Cork "20" International Rally 2023 is now at an advanced stage with little over 6 weeks to go. The organisers have been working night and day over the course of the last number of months to put together a challenging event which takes place on the weekend of the 4th – 6th August 2023.

The response from competitors since the entries opened today has been very encouraging with entries coming in across all the categories, we would ask that interested competitors submit their entries early so as to avoid disappointment and to ensure inclusion in the seeding process in good time to be included in the program seeded entry.

The 2023 event will again be based in the East Cork region with all organisational aspects of the event centralised and located within the state of art Cork Marts Corrin Events Centre outside Rathcormac, including Trailer Park, Scrutiny, Parc Ferme, Service Park & Rally Office/HQ so as to compact everything for the benefit of competitors.



Credit: Martin Walsh

The rally itself will tackle 8 stages east of Rathcormac on the Saturday totalling 123km's of stages and 7 stages west of Rathcormac on the Sunday totalling 113km's of stages. A total of 236km stage mileage spread over 15 challenging stages over the course of the 2 days combined with a low total road mileage of just 300km over the 2 days. The International / National & Historic field will compete on all 15 stages whilst the Junior rally will compete on all of Sundays 7 special stages. The event will also have a shakedown stage on the Friday evening of the event as an added opportunity for crews to shakedown their cars in advance of the chequered flag Saturday morning. A new initiative for the 2023 event will be the Historic field will run first on the road ahead of main field.



Credit: Ger Leahy

The Kingsley Hotel Cork has come onboard as an accommodation base for the 2023 event.

The event is delighted to have once again the O'Connell Group, Glanmire as overall title sponsors for the event for the 3rd year running, the O'Connell Group have been long term valuable supporters of the event along with long term supporters of the event, Acesigns Signmakers and we thank them sincerely for their support.

As always a huge debt of gratitude has to go to a large collective of associated parties, the residents along the stages who openly welcome the rally to their area, Cork County Council for their ongoing support in the road closing application process, The Gardai, Emergency Services and Motorsport Ireland and many many more, too many to mention".

More details of the event will be released in the coming days on our website www.munstercarclub.com and on our club Facebook page Munster Car Club/Cork 20 International Rally and on Instagram @munstercarclub.

In the meantime if you are looking for any information in relation to the event, Clerk of the Course, Kevin O'Riordan can be contacted on +353 (87) 9580865 or Deputy Clerk of the Course, Paul Browne on +353 (87) 2689318

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