



Burnside Piling Scottish Tarmac Rally Championship GMSC Crail Summer Stages Pre-event Report

Crail Summer stages this Saturday 8th June first sets off with the first car due at 08.30 and with the weather forecast to be dry, even for Crail in June that's a bonus, with 6 x stages totalling 61 miles is surely going to be a cracker, yet again the event is organised by Glenrothes Motorsports Club.

A reminder that if you need any assistance or additional STRC decals please head to Rally HQ on the Friday afternoon and Saturday morning, and one of the STRC team will be happy to help.

Our thanks to Fiona Moir for extracting information from some of the competing STRC crews ahead of this weekend's event, and we would be delighted to hear from you all with your post event stories so we can share with the motorsport community.

We will be doing the draw for the Carnegie Fuels £250 STRC tyre voucher at some time during the event for all STRC registered competitors who start the event. Updates will be posted on facebook and the new 'go to' source of STRC information on the Sportity App password **STRC24**

Car 1 - Hugh Brunton/Terry Mallin

Just hoping to check everything is OK with the car before Dunoon and have a nice clean run

Car 7 - Drew Gallagher/David Crosbie

Broke a gear selector on a road section on the Reivers which put us out of the second loop of stages. The car is being re-prepped by Neil Buckley for Crail then will be freshened up for the Argyll. Looking for a good strong finish and points haul. Also hoping for a wee drizzle of rain to keep the big powered 2-wheel drives at bay!

Car 9 - Ross McFadzean/Ewan Lees

We are looking forward to the event, second time out in the new car and really enjoy Crail. Haven't partnered up with Ewan before but he has plenty experience so I am sure we will be fine. Just picking out a few events this year that work around busy family and business. Fingers crossed the good weather continues in to next week!

Car 21 - Cammy Williamson/Roscoe West

The car is still as it was after Kames so needing engine mounts, an oil leak attended to, a general once over and some 'Crail worthy' tyres so it'll be a busy week in the run-up.

Car 22 - Bobby MacDonald/Martin McCabe

Generally hoping to keep increasing speed, where grip allows, now we have more horses under the bonnet after the second engine rebuild. We will be pushing.

Car 31 - Owen Paterson/Calum MacPherson

The car has had a few small developments to try and close the gap to the boys in bigger cars, I also have my old navigator Calum MacPherson back alongside me who has won Crail a few times so no pressure.

Car 33 - Simon Jennings/Greg Bates

A few minor issues to sort on the car after the Reivers but we're hoping to be ready by Friday! We finished 16th last year at Crail so fingers crossed that we can make the top 15 this year.

Car 34 - John O'Kane/Meghan O'Kane

Bit unsure what we're doing at the moment! Meghan's offered me her Fiesta but it's too close to Argyll so still deciding! Watch this space!

Car 36 - James Wilson/Rebecca Wilson

We're still currently in the middle of repairing the car hopefully we manage to get it done in time. We Came across a few issues while looking over the car after the Clark so fingers crossed, we can get the car rebuilt in time!

Car 37 - Gavin Lloyd/Gordon Clark

Hoping for a nice clean run with no incidents after falling off the road on the Jim Clark!

Car 38 - Steven Crockett/Kenny Anderson

Very much looking forward to the event after winning the class at Kinloss although Crail has been a bogey event for us recently! Kenny is back in the silly seat for this one.

Car 39 - Peter O'Neill/Eilidh Williamson (Vauxhall Nova)

With the car only requiring a spanner check after finishing 3rd at Kames in May we are hoping for a good run at Crail too.

Car 42 - Colin Hay/Steven Brown

Looking forward to getting the Corsa out at Crail with Steven Brown, after our short run at Kames rally due to clutch cover failure. Working on a gearbox replacement on the week leading up to the rally to allow the car to achieve a higher top speed. Plenty good competition in the 1600 class to make it interesting.

Car 48 - Kenny Moore/Fiona Moir

Looking forward to getting back out for a good, trouble-free run in the VPRS Historic Avenger.

Car 49 - Chris Haw/Alistair Haw

My son is returning from Dublin for Crail, before we go to Argyll. Hoping for a finish this time.

Car 60 - Colin Christie/Gail Whyte

Looking forward to a good day of rallying with Gail!

Car 69 - David Telfer/Hayden (Broonie) Brown

With it only being my driver's 2nd event and my 4th event, we are looking to continue our run after our result at Kames where we started 25th but finished 7th. It's all going to be about getting used to each other and how we work in the car together on the longer stages but we'd like a good finish again.

Good luck, everyone!

The STRC would like to thank Burnside Piling, Carnegie Fuels and all our co-sponsors for their valued and continued support into 2024.

Keep up to date with all the latest news and championship updates by visiting www.dunfermlinecarclub.co.uk

Should you have any queries in any way please feel free to drop an email to strc@dunfermlinecarclub.co.uk and one of the team will come back you.

DCC/STRC TEAM