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BEVERLEY & DISTRICT MOTOR CLUB PRESENTS

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a Retro Touring Assembly recreating the original Last Ditch Rally, organised by the Club on Sunday 9 November 1969.

Foreword

As part of our 75th anniversary year, Beverley & District Motor Club are organising a Touring Assembly based on the original route for the Last Ditch Rally, a 12 Car Navigational Rally which took place on Sunday 9 November 1969.

We invite anyone with a Classic Car or a Modern Car of Significant Interest to join us for a retro recreation of the event, to take place on Remembrance Sunday, 9 November 2025.

Crews are encouraged to dress in period and the following prizes will be awarded:

Spirit of the Rally
Best Period Recreation
Most Expert Expert
Keenest Novice





Regulations

1. Announcement

Beverley & District Motor Club will organise a Retro Touring Assembly on Sunday 9 November 2025. The event will be known as the Last Ditch Rally.

2. Jurisdiction

Held under the National Competition Rules of Motorsport UK (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA), these Supplementary Regulations (SRs) and any written instructions (including bulletins) that the organising club may issue for the event.

3. Authorisations

Motorsport UK Certificate of Exemption has been applied for.

Motor Vehicles (Competitions and Trials) Regulations approval has been applied for.

4. Route

Start and Finish:

The event will start and finish at the Bay Horse in Cherry Burton, where a Sunday Roast will be provided at the finish.

Route:

The event will cover approximately 105 miles on sealed surface roads across East and North Yorkshire. The route may be plotted on one inch Ordnance Survey Maps 98 and 99 (Modern Ordnance Survey Maps 106 and 107). Copies of these maps will be supplied as part of your route information.

There will be code boards to look out for, which will help us to check you have taken the right route. To be classed as a finisher, you will be asked to present the route check information that you have written down, by handing in your route card. No roads will be used that are considered car damaging or a tight squeeze.



5. Classes:

There will be two classes for entry:

Expert

Crews wishing to attempt the original navigation will be issued with copies of the original 12 Car navigation instructions, together with a set of "get out of jail" envelopes containing "cheat" route instructions;

Novice

Crews will be issued with a simple roadbook consisting of tulip diagrams, together with a pre-plotted map showing the route.

For both classes:

The road sections will not be timed or competitive, however crews will be expected to complete the route card with a series of code boards which will be placed en route. In keeping with modern BDMC events, there will also be some code boards that are not on the correct route.

5. Eligible Vehicles

We would like crews with cars in period to take part in the event, however crews with interesting modern cars are also welcome.

6. Timing

Please be at the start by 10:00 am at the latest in order to receive your documentation and to enjoy a cup of tea or coffee.

As the event is planned for Remembrance Sunday, there will be a two minute silence at 11:00, after which the first car will depart at 11:02, with each subsequent car at 30 second intervals.

Approximate return time is estimated to be 16:30 to 17:30, assuming an approximately one hour lunch stop.

There is no timing element to this event, you are free to proceed at your own pace.

7. Entries

Entries open on 1st October, and all entries must be made on the [rallies.info website](http://rallies.info). Entries close 1 hour before the start. The maximum number of entrants is 60. If the number of entries exceeds 60, preference will be given to the vehicles identified in paragraph 5 above.



8. Entry Fees

The entry fee for the event is £65, and payment may be made online after you have entered. The entry fee covers 2 people in the car. Entries without payment are not valid.

9. Additional Passengers

Additional passengers can be carried in the car for an additional £20 per person

10. Entry List

The live Entry List will be available at

<https://www.rallies.info/webentry/2025/lastditchrally/entries?type=u>

11. Final Instructions

Final instructions, including a start time for each car, will be published in the week before the event. These carry the same authority as these regulations.

12. Signing-On

Signing on will take place electronically in the 2 weeks before the event.

13. Driving Standards

The route covers many country roads including narrow lanes etc. As ever, we ask you to always be considerate of other road users, particularly cyclists, horse riders and walkers. Please drive very quietly and steady through all villages that are not on a main road, ideally at no more than 20mph.

14. Queries

Please direct any queries to Cat Lund on 07411 821418 or email

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