**Skibbereen & District Car Club Newsletter – May 2015**

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Rally of the Lakes – May 2nd/3rd:

A big thank you must go to all the marshal’s from Skibbereen & District Car Club that marshalled on both or either of the days for the Rally of The Lakes. Well done to Ger Hayes who was Stage Commander for stage 3/6 (Cod’s Head) on Saturday and also for stage 11/15 (Shanera) on Sunday.

The Cartell.ie sponsored Rally of The Lakes was a counting round of The Clonakilty Blackpudding Irish Tarmac Rally Championship and also a round of The Plastic Bags.ie Southern Four Rally Championship. A good number of Skibbdcc members competed on this rally. In the International section of the rally club member Adrian Deasy guided Alan Ring (Subaru S12B WRC) to 3rd O/A. Stephen Carey/Ella Ryan (Honda Civic) got 2nd in Class 2. Aileen Kelly guided Richard Tannahill (Peugeot 208 R2) to 3rd in Class 2. Clonakilty Blackpudding Irish Tarmac Championship sponsor Ed Twomey/Derek Tobin (Ford Fiesta R2) also competed in the International section of the rally.

In the National section of the rally club members Vincent McSweeney/Michael Kearney (Honda Civic) had yet again another brilliant result this year in getting 1st in Class 11F and 4th O/A in the national section of the rally. The crew also received the best West Cork Crew of the rally. Jason McSweeney/Denis O’Mahony (Mitsubishi Evo 9) got 1st in Class 20. Victor Beamish/Susan Beamish (Vauxhall Nova) got 2nd in Class 10. Club Chairman Niall O’Sullivan guided Sean O’Carroll (Ford Escort Mk2) to 3rd in Class 14. Other club members that competed in the national section were Patrick Kearney/Alistair Wylie (Mitsubishi Evo 9) and Niall O’Sullivan/Sean O’Crowley (Citreon C2).

In the Junior section of the rally club member JJ Cremin guided John O’Sullivan (Honda Civic) to 2nd O/A in that category. Other club members that competed in the junior section of the rally were Eric Calnan/Cillian Crowley (Peugeot 106 GTI), Chris Brady/Jenny Warren (Honda Civic), Padraig Deasy/Edel McCarthy (Honda Civic), Dan O’Donovan/Alison Levis (Peugeot 205 GTI), Fergus Hurley/Eric Deane (Ford Escort Mk2) and Conor McCarthy/Eamon McCarthy (Honda Civic). Well done to all.

Skibbdcc Bandon Autotest – May 23rd/24th:

The two day Autotest which was held in Bandon Co-Op was a counting round of The Carbery Plastics Skibbereen & District Car Club Championship and also a counting round of The Premier Auto Parts Munster Autotest Championship. Well done to all the marshal’s from the club that marshalled on both or either of the days.

COC on Saturday was Don Giles. A good entry of 25 competed on Saturday’s event and the O/A winner was Timmy Lynch (Westfield). Club members that competed on Saturday were Alan Clarke (Mini Special - 1st in his class), Peter Desmond (Westfield – 2nd in his class), Victor Beamish (Mini Special – 3rd in his class), Martin Walsh (Starlet Special – 1st in his class), Connie Lynch (Starlet Special – 2nd in his class), Michael Lynch (Starlet – 2nd in his class), George Swanton (Starlet – 1st in his class), Robert Beamish (Mini – 4th in his class), Sharon Lynch (Starlet Special – 1st in her class), Michelle McCarthy (Mini Special – 2nd in her class), Adrian Phelan (Colt – 2nd in his class), Hugh Giles (Triumph Special – 3rd in his class) and Tim Brady (Starlet – 3rd in his class). Victor Beamish was also presented with the Norman Giles Cup by Don Giles.

COC on Sunday was Alan Clarke. A good entry of 22 competed on Sunday’s event and the O/A winner was again Timmy Lynch (Westfield). Club members that competed on Sunday were Peter Desmond (Westfield – 2nd in his class), Don Giles (Westfield – 3rd in his class), Martin Walsh (Starlet Special – 1st in his class), Victor Beamish (Mini Special – 2nd in his class), Michael Lynch (Starlet – 1st in his class), Robert Beamish (Mini Special - 3rd in his class), Connie Lynch (Starlet Special – 2nd in his class), George Swanton (Starlet – 1st in his class), Michelle McCarthy (Mini Special – 2nd in her class), Sharon Lynch (Starlet Special – 3rd in her class), Adrian Phelan (Colt – 2nd in his class), Tim Brady (Starlet – 3rd in his class) and Chris Brady (Starlet – 3rd in his class). Well done to everyone.

Clare Autocross – May 24th:

The first round of the 5 Star Catering National Loose Surface Autocross Championship 2015 and also a counting round of the O’Shea Bus Hire Munster Autocross Championship 2015. Club members that took part in this Autocross included Gerard O’Connell (Toyota Celica), Eamon McCarthy (Suzuki Swift), Ed Twomey (Suzuki Swift) and Jonathan Twomey (Suzuki Swift). Well done to all.

Circuit of Munster Rally – May 31st:

A big thank you to all the marshal’s from Skibbereen & District Car Club that marshalled on stages 2/5/8 of the Circuit of Munster rally 2015. Well done to Ger Hayes who was Stage Commander on the day.

Round 4 of the Triton Showers & Accessories National Rally Championship in which the Fastnet Rally will be the final round of this newly sponsored championship in the end of October. The Deerbert House Hotel sponsored Circuit of Munster Rally 2015 was also a counting round of the Top Part West Coast Rally Championship. A good number of club members took part in this rally.

Adrian Deasy who was navigating for Alan Ring (Subaru S12B WRC) came home 2nd O/A. Aileen Kelly guided Richard Tannahill (Peugeot 208 R2) to 1st in Class 2. Jason Roycroft/Nicole O’Shea (Honda Civic Type R) came 3rd in Class 2. Christopher O’Donovan/Eoghan Mc Carthy (Honda Civic) came home 3rd in Class 1. Other club members that competed in the main field in the rally were Sean O’Carroll/Niall O’Sullivan (Ford Escort Mk2), Fintan Canty/Denis O’Mahony (Ford Escort Mk2) and Alison Levis/Sinead O’Donovan (Honda Civic). Padraig Deasy/Edel McCarthy (Honda Civic) also competed in the Junior section of the rally. Well done to everyone.

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