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Rally the Globe
VINTAGE AND CLASSIC CAR CLUB



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The 2025 pre-war motoring adventure, our sixth edition, returns to the spectacular coastlines and the dramatic mountains of Counties Cork and Kerry to discover new venues and revisit old favourites.

We start close to Cork City, within easy reach of international air and ferry ports. After a morning of Scrutineering and Signing-On, the first afternoon of competition features introductory Regularities and Special Tests run through the rolling countryside of northern County Cork.

On Tuesday we venture into West Cork - an area largely new to the *Vintage Shamrock* - combining picturesque coastlines with verdant farmland. At the day's end, we arrive in the charming little coastal town of Kenmare, County Kerry - *Ceann Mara* literally meaning 'head of the sea'.

The luxurious Sheen Falls Lodge, set in magnificent woodland just outside the town, will be our base for the next three



Monday 12 May 2025:
Scrutineering, Signing-On
Start, Fota Island Resort, east of Cork City

Tuesday 13 May 2025:
Fota to Sheen Falls Lodge, Kenmare

Wednesday 14 May 2025:
Loop out and free evening, Kenmare

Thursday 15 May 2025:
Loop out, finish and Prizegiving Dinner



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nights and is the perfect home from home. The second night here is a free evening offering the chance to explore the colourful streets of Kenmare with its many tempting restaurants and traditional bars.



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Over the next two days we explore the best driving roads of this most south westerly stretch of the Wild Atlantic Way. The rugged Cork and Kerry peninsulas extend out into the ocean with spectacular mountain backbones and edged by windswept beaches. Hidden amongst this stark beauty we have secured some private estates, that are not normally open to the public, for our exclusive use as rest halts and the occasional Special Test.



The character of the *Vintage Shamrock* is quite unique. We warmly invite you to join with fellow enthusiasts in this celebration of pre-war motoring.



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Rally the Globe is a not-for-profit club that exists to support a broad family of motorsport enthusiasts who want to explore the world in vintage and classic vehicles. All our club's rallies come with the highly experienced support crew and safety cover including:

- Expert teams of sweep mechanics following the rally route to assist anyone they encounter, and to help you effect repairs at the end of the day
- On-call doctor or paramedic on every event
- Recommendations of experts in crew training and car preparation, shipping and insurance who can help ensure that you and your car arrive at the start line fully rally fit
- Advice, encouragement and assistance from our friendly and knowledgeable team both before the start and during the event.

Eligible Cars: Pre-war cars of a specification produced before 31 December 1945. Please check with us if you are not sure if your car is eligible.

Competition: There will be a number of Regularity sections each day on twisty but quiet minor roads. There will also be a variety of Tests on private land, ranging from car parks and farm tracks to hill-climbs and purpose-built motorsport venues.

Roads Used: The route will be mainly on asphalt surfaces although some tests and regularity sections will use good gravel and grass surfaces. We use minor roads to explore areas that few tourists will ever see, some of which may be bumpy, but we go out of our way to avoid rough and pot-holed roads.

Hospitality: Four nights' accommodation is provided as part of the entry fee, along with a group dinner on three of those evenings. Refreshments at lunch and coffee halts will also be provided in a variety of venues. On the second day there will be a van to assist with transporting your luggage between hotels (sensible weight restrictions will apply).

Navigation: All of the route will be defined in detailed Road Books issued on a daily basis. Non-competitive sections and some of the Regularity Sections will be defined by Tulip diagrams. Other sections may require some basic map reading but all of the required map extracts will be provided.

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