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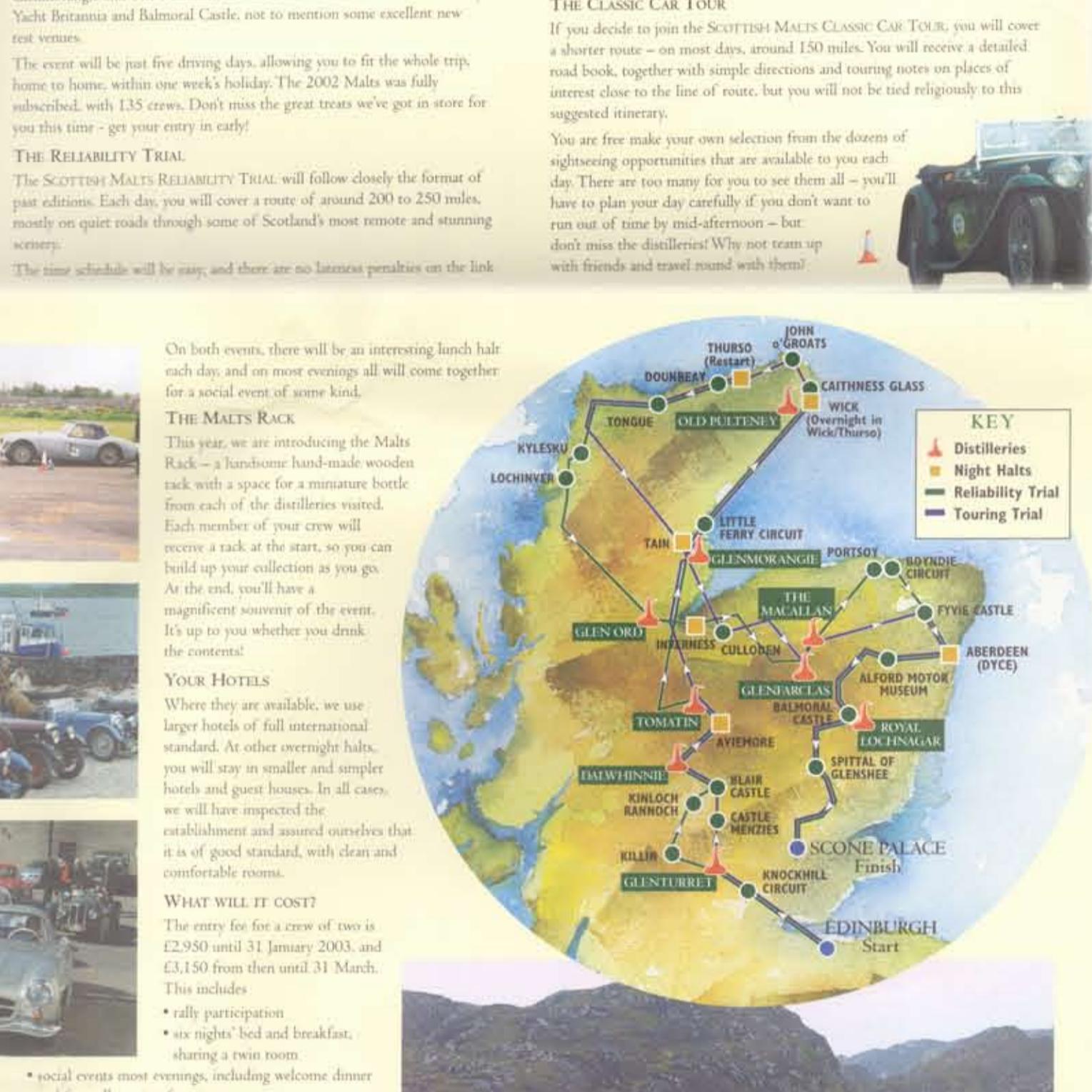


Two very special Motoring events

for Vintage, Historic

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Classic Cars



Old Malts, new ideas

Since its inception in 1998, "the Malts" has established itself as Britain's premier summer historic road rally. It regularly attracts the largest entry of any UK event of its kind, drawing participants from as far afield as New Zealand, the USA, Canada and South America, not to mention large contingents from Germany, Holland and other European countries.

In all the ways that matter, the sixth SCOTTISH MALTS RELIABILITY TRIAL will follow the well proven path of its predecessors: a judicious mix of wonderful driving roads, stunning scenery, great tests, enjoyable regularities, and of course our own magic ingredient: visits to the distilleries producing some of Scotland's finest malt whisky, with plenty of opportunity to sample their wares when the day's driving is done.

For 2003, there will be two important innovations. First, we are introducing the SCOTTISH MALTS CLASSIC CAR TOUR, a gentler option which takes owners of more precious classics on a scenic journey through Scotland, free of the pressures of competition but touching base with the Reliability Trial at its highlights. This will take in some very special stopovers and will be limited to just 40 owners of selected cars.

And the Malts is now supported by a wider range of the companies that form the Scotch whisky industry, so we will be visiting fresh distilleries like Glenmorangie and The Macallan, as well as new attractions such as the Royal Yacht Britannia and Balmoral Castle, not to mention some excellent new test venues.

The event will be just five driving days, allowing you to fit the whole trip, home to home, within one week's holiday. The 2002 Malts was fully subscribed, with 135 crews. Don't miss the great treats we've got in store for you this time - get your entry in early!

THE RELIABILITY TRIAL

The SCOTTISH MALTS RELIABILITY TRIAL will follow closely the format of past editions. Each day, you will cover a route of around 200 to 250 miles, mostly on quiet roads through some of Scotland's most remote and stunning scenery.

The time schedule will be easy, and there are no lateness penalties on the link



sections. Navigation will be simple, by means of a detailed road book using easy-to-follow Tulip diagrams.

During each day, there will be a number of special tests on private asphalt. Mostly, these are enjoyably open handling and manoeuvrability tests against the clock, with a few novelties of our own devising thrown in. On these, you are pitted only against the other cars in your class - we don't expect a vintage Bentley to match times with a Mini Cooper S.

Each day, too, there will be two or three regularity sections on interesting driving roads, again always asphalt. On these, you have to maintain a moderate set speed. Navigation and timekeeping are by means of HERO's simple regularity system.

On the Reliability Trial, there is no outright winner. Gold, Silver and Bronze medals are awarded to crews who do well against the standard set for cars in their own class.

The Classic Malts' most coveted award is the Marque Team Trophy, going to the best team of three cars of the same make and model.

The entry list is divided into six age categories: Vintage (1919 - 1930), Post-Vintage (1931 - 1940), Wartime and Post-war (1941 - 52), Fifties (1953-59), Sixties (1960 - 67), and Post-Historic (1968 - 1974). Older cars have an easier time schedule.

THE CLASSIC CAR TOUR

If you decide to join the SCOTTISH MALTS CLASSIC CAR TOUR, you will cover a shorter route - on most days, around 150 miles. You will receive a detailed road book, together with simple directions and touring notes on places of interest close to the line of route, but you will not be tied rigidly to this suggested itinerary.

You are free to make your own selection from the dozens of sightseeing opportunities that are available to you each day. There are too many for you to see them all - you'll have to plan your day carefully if you don't want to run out of time by mid-afternoon - but don't miss the distilleries! Why not team up with friends and travel round with them?



On both events, there will be an interesting lunch halt each day, and on most evenings all will come together for a social event of some kind.

THE MALTS RACK

This year, we are introducing the Malts Rack - a handsome hand-made wooden rack with a space for a miniature bottle from each of the distilleries visited. Each member of your crew will receive a rack at the start, so you can build up your collection as you go. At the end, you'll have a magnificent souvenir of the event. It's up to you whether you drink the contents!

YOUR HOTELS

Where they are available, we use larger hotels of full international standard. At other overnight stops, you will stay in smaller and simpler hotels and guest houses. In all cases, we will have inspected the establishment and assured ourselves that it is of good standard, with clean and comfortable rooms.

WHAT WILL IT COST?

The entry fee for a crew of two is £2,950 until 31 January 2003, and £3,150 from then until 31 March. This includes

- rally participation
- six nights' bed and breakfast, sharing a twin room

social events most evenings, including welcome dinner and farewell evening function

prizegiving champagne breakfast

Malts Rack and miniature of whisky at each distillery visited to go in it for each crew member

generous awards list

two rally plates and side number panels

detailed road book

other souvenirs and apparel

entry to distilleries and selected other attractions

discounts on ferry fares from Continent

Supplements are payable for additional crew members and for single rooms, as follows:

single rooms for original crew of two (subject to availability): £725 per crew

additional crew members in single room: £975 each

third and fourth crew members sharing room: £675 each

HOW TO ENTER

Complete the entry form as fully as you can, and mail it with the full fee to Joanne Brown, HERO, The Town House, Leigh, Worcester, WR6 5LA; or use the online entry form on our website <http://www.hero.org.uk>.

HOW TO GET THERE

Edinburgh is less than a day's drive from most parts of the United Kingdom. From the continent, a new overnight car ferry service is operated daily from Zeebrugge to Rosyth, close to Edinburgh, by Superfast Ferries - crossing time 17½ hours. There are also daily overnight services to Newcastle (108 miles/L73km from Edinburgh) from Amsterdam, Kristiansand and Gothenburg. On any of these services, you will be able to leave the continent on the evening of Saturday 10 May and arrive back on the morning of

Sunday 18 May. Our ferry specialists are arranging special discounts for rally participants; ask for details.

The following are unsolicited comments sent in by participants:

"A splendid week". Nicholas Pyor (1937 Riley 1.5)

"The most perfectly organised rally I have ever been on". Ian Williamson (1937 Aston Martin Speed Model)

"The organisation was superb, the route great and the socialising wonderful". Angela & Tony Jones (1967 MG C GT)

"Our first competitive rally... we enjoyed the experience enormously". Ivonne & Philip Haslam (1937 Aston Martin Le Mans)

"Truly superb". Malcolm McKay (1960 Super Two)

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