

WILL ROGERS

BRITISH RALLY CO-DRIVER



Co-Driver Profile - Will Rogers

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Occupation: Mechanical Engineering Craft

Age: 22

Clubs: Ross and District Motor Sports Ltd and the Forest of Dean Motor Club

About me:

I was introduced to rallying at a very young age, spectating on all Wydean Forest Rallies since I was born. In the 70's my dad competed as a driver and co-driver, so rallying is in my blood. If I am not competing or organising then I am out spectating or servicing for others on events.

I like getting involved in all forms of motorsport, as I am an active committee member of two motor clubs. This includes preparing and organising a variety of events as well as being Vice-Chairman for Ross and District Motor Sports Club. I am thorough and professional in the way I carry out all my work and I feel this shows in my co-driving.

My history:

- 2003 - Started co-driving / navigating on club navigational rallies.
- 2004 to 2006 – Gained more experience on navigational rallies picking up class awards.
- 2007 – Was 5th in South West Regional Road Rally Championship on my first attempt and 6th in the under 21's Championship.
- 2008 - Finished 3rd in the National Formula 1000 Stage Rally Championship, as well as winning the Ross and District Navigational Exercise Championship.
- 2009 – Competed on 17 events moving up to the BTRDA gravel stage championship where I was 3rd in the Under 25 co-drivers championship. Over the year I had 5 class victories in a variety of events and different cars, with my best result 2nd Overall on the Harry Flatters Historic Rally on the Epynt Military ranges with Terry Brown in his MK2 Escort.
- 2010 – Contested a few rounds of the British Rally Challenge Championship. Competed in many stage events in Scotland, England & Wales, gaining great experience learning new events in different countries.
- 2011 – Competed in many national rallies in the UK, but the year was highlighted by finishing my first World Championship event; Wales Rally GB winning our class.

Aims:

I am aiming to progress to the highest level within the sport. I aspire to work my way up to being a top International co-driver through competing on rounds of the British and World Rally Championship.

My plan for 2012 is to compete in a variety of championships namely trying to compete in the WRC Academy and British Rally Championship, potentially achieving class or overall honours. I believe I have the ability to competitively co drive in top Group N or WRC machinery. With experience in front wheel drive, rear wheel drive and four wheel drive cars, either competing or through testing I feel I am able to step up to this level. I have gained this valuable experience in the last 4 years participating in mainly the BTRDA championship and other national events throughout the UK.

What I do pre an event:

I make sure that an entry is sent to the event secretary well before the closing date, to ensure that the entry is accepted. Should accommodation be required I clarify how many rooms are needed before I

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book them. Leading up to the event I send schedules to key members of the team giving details of the scrutineering times, fuel requirements, maps showing key locations, team hotel details, breakfast times and all other relevant information. The week prior to the event, I meticulously go through the notes and DVD, with or without the driver, adapting the note to suit their preferences.

During events:

I keep calm and collected during the day, ensuring that I do my job to the best of my ability. I make sure that everything is in place and everyone knows where they are meant to be.

Post events:

After the event, I like to have a de-brief, reviewing how the event has gone. I feel this develops the relationship between the team. By having a good relationship, the team becomes stronger. When I get home I prepare the press releases and ensure the sponsors receive recognition.

Other offers:

I am also available at reasonable notice to go testing with a driver as I am always looking at ways to improve my skills. I am more than willing to attend promotional days and to try and help find potential sponsors.

References:

If you would like to obtain a character reference then please get in touch with the following people:

Paul Willetts on 07815 618211

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My rallying results to date:

Event	Status	Driver	Car	Overall Position	Class Position
2011					
Rally GB	International	Becky Kirvan	Ford Fiesta ST	39th	1st
IRC Scotland National	N/B	Gary MacLeod	Honda Civic	RTD	RTD
Merrick Stages	N/B	Gary MacLeod	Honda Civic	49th	10th
Solway Coast	N/B	Gary MacLeod	Honda Civic	RTD	RTD
Swansea Bay	N/B	Alex Hawkins	Peugeot 205	RTD	RTD
Scottish Rally	N/B	Gary MacLeod	Honda Civic	44th	7th
Mini Epynt	N/B	Glyn Cartwright	Ford Escort MK2	46th	13th
Severn Valley	N/B	Geno Cook	Suzuki Ignis	RTD	RTD
Plains	N/B	John Pritchard	Ford Fiesta ST	RTD	RTD
Bulldog Historic	N/A	Nick Painter	Ford Escort MK2	31st	6th
Border Counties	N/B	Gary MacLeod	Honda Civic	55th	9th
Mid Wales	N/A	Nick Painter	Ford Escort MK2	35th	5th
Wydean	N/B	Nick Painter	Ford Escort MK2	125th	8th
2010					
Pembrey Xmas	N/B	Peter Williams	Ford Escort MK2	24th	2nd
Galloway Hills	N/B	Gary MacLeod	Honda Civic	20th	3rd
Malvern Showground	N/B	Nick Painter	Ford Escort MK2	33rd	6th
Cambrian	N/B	Peter Williams	Peugeot 205	RTD	RTD
Cheviot Stages	N/B	Ruary MacLeod	Honda Civic	28th	8th
Peter Lloyd Stages	N/B	Rhys Prices	Nissan Micra	13th	13th
Colin McRae Stages	N/B	Ruary MacLeod	Honda Civic	42nd	8th
Merrick Stages	N/B	Ruary MacLeod	Honda Civic	45th	4th
Speyside Stages	N/B	Ruary MacLeod	Honda Civic	62nd	2nd
Argyll Stages	N/B	Ruary MacLeod	Honda Civic	26th	5th

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Scottish Rally	N/B	Ruary MacLeod	Honda Civic	43rd	4th
Mid Wales	N/A	Paul Gunter	Ford Escort MK 2	18th category	6th
Severn Valley Club	N/B	Ruary MacLeod	Honda Civic	RTD	RTD
Plains	N/B	Martyn Walby	Ford Escort MK 2	52nd	10th
Pirelli Challenge	N/B	Dan O'Brien	Fiesta ST	11th	8th
Granite City	N/B	Ruary MacLeod	Honda Civic	RTD	RTD
Bulldog Challenge	N/B	Dan O'Brien	Fiesta ST	10th	7th
Malcolm Wilson	N/B	Dan O'Brien	Fiesta ST	54th	10th
Wyedean	N/B	Dan O'Brien	Fiesta ST	RTD	RTD
2009					
Tempest 2WD	N/B	Nigel Jenkins	Nova 16V	RTD	RTD
Ditton Priors	N/B	Colin Webb	Nova 8V	RTD	RTD
Cambrian	N/B	David Meredith	Ford Escort MK2	53rd	3rd
Woodpecker	N/B	Matt Cotton	MG ZR	88th	3rd
Neath Valley	N/B	Colin Webb	Nova 8V	RTD	RTD
Harry Flatters Historic	N/A	Terry Brown	Ford Escort MK2	2nd	1st
Coracle	N/B	Colin Webb	Nova 8V	20th	1st
Ross Traders	N/B	Tony Sheach	TR4	10th	3rd
Quinton	N/B	Matt Cotton	MG ZR	RTD	RTD
Dukeries	N/B	Matt Cotton	MG ZR	64th	1st
Severn Valley Club	N/B	David Segal	Ford Escort MK1	24th	7th
Plains	N/B	Matt Cotton	MG ZR	58th	1st
Welsh Rally Historic	N/B	Derek Pike	Saab 96 V4	11th	1st
Somerset Stages	N/B	Matt Cotton	MG ZR	61st	2nd
Get it Sideways	N/B	Martyn Walby	Ford Escort MK2	RTD	RTD
Malcolm Wilson	N/B	Matt Cotton	MG ZR	RTD	RTD
Wyedean	N/B	Gemma Wheeler	Peugeot 106	101st	4th
2008					
Pembrey Xmas	N/B	Gary Bollands	Escort MK2	37th	7th
Cambrian	N/B	Dan Gray	Nissan Micra	66th	3rd
Bulldog Clubmans	N/B	Dan Gray	Nissan Micra	61st	2nd
Coracle	N/B	Martyn Walby	Sumbeam Talbot	35th	2nd
Ross Traders	N/B	Richard Rogers	MGB GT	11th	1st
Quinton	N/B	Dan Gray	Nissan Micra	69th	3rd
North Humberside	N/B	Dan Gray	Nissan Micra	72nd	2nd
Wyedean	N/B	Dan Gray	Nissan Micra	91st	4th