

The 2300 Club is proud to announce the details of the 2025 John Easson Award for young rally drivers and co-drivers.

First run in 2004, the Award is named after rally driver John Easson, a regular competitor and a generous supporter of the 2300 Club before tragically losing his life in an air accident in 1999.

As the UK's number one free-to-enter cash prize award, the JEA will once again continue the successful format of assisting a young British competitor with financial support in pursuit of their career.

The award is open to junior drivers and co-drivers from all disciplines of rallying, irrespective of experience.

On offer is £5,000 to the winner, and a bonus payment of £1,000 if they win the overall class award in their selected championship.

The prize fund will be allocated in stage payments to pay for entry fees, which the committee feel will help ease the financial burden placed on a young driver or co-driver during their 2026 season.

The bonus prize of £1,000 is also a huge help in kick-starting their 2027 rally season.

The final selection process will see the top three applicants being invited to an informal interview with a panel of judges who will then decide the overall John Easson Award winner.

There will be a prize of £750 each for the runners-up in second and third places, which has been kindly donated by Bury Auto Club.

The JEA is a huge reward for only a little effort, free to enter and open to all drivers or co-drivers who fit the following criteria:

- Age under 27 on the 31st of October 2025, Resident in the British Isles, including Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man, the Channel Islands
- Holder of an MSUK competition License.
- Entries open on the 1st of September 2025 and close at midnight on the 31 October 2025

Drivers / Co-drivers who wish to enter should send the following details as a minimum to the Award scheme manager:

- A current motorsport CV outlining experience and results to date
- A covering letter explaining why the panel should select them as the winner and their aims for their future in rallying
- A reference letter from any third party

The John Easson Award team would like to encourage all applicants to be as inventive as possible with their entry presentations.

Make your presentation stand out! Words, photo, video or graphic design.

The above criteria are a minimum and we always look forward to receiving some interesting presentations!

Applications from previous applicants are always welcome, and it should be noted that many of our winners have been previous applicants.

Entries should be sent to the John Easson Award Manager, John Cope at the address below:

John Easson Award
John Cope
The Meadows
15 Owlerbarrow Road
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