

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

This document contains the queries we often receive however <u>all</u> the information is available on the <u>Purple4Polio Rotary Grand Tour</u> webpage. If you cannot find what you are looking for then read on.



Planning



How much is it to register?

It is £35 to register and is not refundable under any circumstances. You must register to take part. The online form is on the **Purple4Polio Rotary Grand Tour** webpage.

Who plans the route and do we need to visit every check and rest point?

You and your team plan the route. There are 25 check and rest points however, visiting all in four days would be a tall order. Visit as many as you want to. It's also not essential to drive for the whole four days. It's ok to do as much or as little as you want.

What happens at a check and rest point?

The idea is to give the opportunity to promote Rotary in a public space, with the added bonus of the cars arriving and being an added attraction

The basic function is to offer a place to rest, eat and use facilities. You will also get a stamp in your log book where a check and rest point is staffed and there could be activities to take part in.

Will the check and rest points be staffed all day?

The answer is, in a perfect world, yes but in the real world it might not be possible. We will advise if the check and rest point is only to be staffed between certain hours and teams can build this into their route planning.

In the absence of a staffed check and rest point, there will be a point of interest listed where teams will be asked to take a selfie as proof of arrival. It will not matter at what time you plan to visit a check-point.

Where are the check and rest points?

A map is being created with locations and details of check and rest points. The map will be available as soon as it is completed. Some areas are still arranging their sites.

Where can we stay overnight?

This is up to you and your team. Some teams will stay with friends, some may camp and some may stay in grand hotels. You may want to visit TripAdvisor or other similar travel websites for information.



Your vehicle



Does my car have to be a banger?

That was the original idea but as the plans have developed all sorts of vehicles are being welcomed. Bangers, classics, 'normal' cars, motorhomes or an old fire engine, whatever you like provided it is MOT'd, taxed, appropriately insured and road legal.

What insurance do I need?

This is <u>not</u> a race but purely a pleasure tour of the country! Insurance is entirely your responsibility and you <u>must</u> check with your insurer before registering. As a copy of your valid insurance certificate must be sent to us.

Does my car have to be decorated?

The event is about having fun. If you have an old banger then you may be less precious about big logos and branding being painted on but for the posher vehicles then the peel-off vinyl stickers will do. Car plates will also be available to order. Please check the website.

When will I get my car stickers?

Two stickers will be sent out after the registration deadline of 27th April. These will come with the team logbooks and the treasure hunt details. We are also looking at rally-style plates which can be cable tied to bumpers and grills. The latter will be available at a cost and details will be on the web pages.

Is fancy dress compulsory?

No but it's fun. The President's team will have a uniform of some kind.



The finish line



Where is the big finish?

The final destination will be in Yorkshire and as of 20th Feb 2018 the final location is still to be confirmed. This will be the only check and rest point in the area and celebrations will start at around 15:00. There is no rush or obligation to get there.

What is happening at the finish?

You will drive through the finishing archway and take the chequered flag. Photo opportunities on the rostrum then refreshments, maybe a BBQ, more to be decided. Prize giving and celebrations.

What time do I need to be at the finish?

There is no set time. Celebrations are expected to start at around 15:00 but there is no rush or obligation to attend. It is hoped that the media will be there.



Other queries



What do we do in the evenings and overnight?

If there are multiple teams entering from your home area you may wish to meet up. How about planning a Rotary visit for each evening? You can stay where you like. Some will camp, B&B, maybe do it in grand style at hotels, or stay with Rotarian friends. Some may even be towing their caravan.

Do I have to get sponsors?

It would be great if you could. You might know of local business people. Perhaps they could pay to have their company name on the car which is easier than looking

for per mile sponsorship. Watch the Rally Sponsorship and Promotion video on the **Purple4Polio Rotary Grand Tour** webpage for more ideas.

What happens if I break down?

It is recommended that you organise some breakdown cover, if you have not already done so. There is no recovery service provided with this event.

Are there prizes?

Trophies, certificates and others are expected too. The most miles, the least miles, the most treasure collected, the most check and rest points visited and other categories are still to be created.

Who can I contact for more information about my local check and rest point?

The Rotary district governor or appointed Purple4Polio Rotary Grand Tour officer, but the **event webpage** will have it all too. Members of the public – please look at the website or contact your nearest Rotary club.

Who can I ask for general information?

The <u>Purple4Polio Rotary Grand Tour</u> webpage is your first port of call, but Rotary member Irene Russell is answering other queries. If she doesn't know the answer, she will know someone who does!

Email your query to the **Purple4Polio Rotary Grand Tour team**.