

A EUROPEAN TOUR OF A LIFETIME

# BLUES BANGER RALLY

SUPPORTING BLUES FOUNDATION

INFORMATION PACK

WEDNESDAY 3RD JULY - SUNDAY 7TH JULY



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RALLY 2024 •

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# JOIN US ON A EUROPEAN TOUR OF A LIFETIME



A unique blend of high adventure and average cars!

**WEDNESDAY 3RD - FRIDAY 7TH JULY**

Your efforts during our charity Rally will help raise valuable funds, helping us provide opportunities for disadvantaged or vulnerable people across the community, whilst helping promote the Foundation and the work we do daily!

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information

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to find out more  
or register your  
interest.





# 11 COUNTRIES IN 4 DAYS

YOUR ADVENTURE STARTS HERE...

ENGLAND, FRANCE, BELGIUM, LUXEMBOURG,  
GERMANY, SWITZERLAND, LICHTENSTEIN,  
AUSTRIA, ITALY, SLOVENIA, CROATIA

The **Foundations Banger Rally** is a fun challenge, but is first and foremost about raising important funds to support young people in and around Bedfordshire. The Blues Foundation reaches 3,500 children per year, across rugby programmes and target interventions for disengaged young people.

The basic rule is that your car must cost no more than £1,500. Any additional spend is up to you post purchase. We ask that each car commits to raising a minimum of £8,000 – this will be your entry fee.

Groups will start and finish each day together, allowing you to meet new people, whilst seeing Europe's most amazing landscapes and views.



## WHO WE ARE

As the charitable arms of Bedford Blues Rugby Club, we are driven by the impact sport and physical activity can have on young peoples' lives. At Blues Foundation, we are passionate that we can harness the power of sport to transform the Bedfordshire community!

# DAY 1

Wednesday 3rd July

**ADDRESS:**

12 Rue du Château,  
62500 Tilques, France

**TELEPHONE:**

+33 3 21 88 99 99

**APPROX DISTANCE:**

193 Miles

**APPROX DRIVING TIME:**

4.5 Hours

**The Itinerary:**

**12.00pm**

Leave Bedford Blues Rugby Club  
Eurotunnel from Folkestone to Calais

**5.30pm**

Arrive at Château De Tilques  
Dinner and Drinks



Goldington Road,  
Bedford



Château De Tilques,  
France

# DAY 2

Thursday 4th July

**ADDRESS:**

14 16 Av. Foch, 67110  
Niederbronn-les-Bains,  
FR

**TELEPHONE:**

+33 3 88 80 84 48

**APPROX DISTANCE:**

346 Miles

**APPROX DRIVING TIME:**

6 Hours

**The Itinerary:**

**8.30am**

Leave Château De Tilques  
Travel through predetermined route, via  
Belgium & Luxembourg, Germany & back  
into France.

**6.00pm**

Arrive at Grand Hotel Fillipo in  
Niederbronn-Les-Bains  
Dinner and Drinks



Château De  
Tilques, France



Grand Hotel Fillipo,  
France

# DAY 3

Friday 5th July

ADDRESS:  
Hockfügener Str. 84,  
6263 Fügen, Austria

TELEPHONE:  
+43 5288 62962

APPROX DISTANCE:  
... Miles

APPROX DRIVING TIME:  
... Hours

## The Itinerary:

8.30am

Leave Grand Hotel Fillipo  
Travel through Germany (via Black Forest and Lakes, Switzerland, Lichtenstein & into Austria

6.00pm

Arrive at Hotel Kohlenhof in Fügen  
Dinner and Drinks



Grand Hotel Fillipo,  
France



Hotel Kohlenhof,  
Fügen

# DAY 4

Saturday 6th July

ADDRESS:  
Otok Sv. Nikola, 52440,  
Poreč, Croatia

TELEPHONE:  
+385 52 465 000

APPROX DISTANCE:  
... Miles

APPROX DRIVING TIME:  
... Hours

## The Itinerary:

8.30am

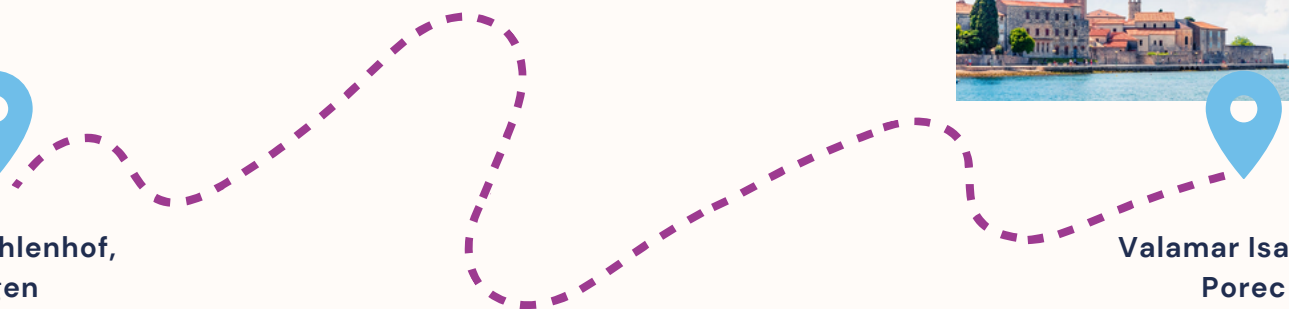
Leave Hotel Kohlenhof  
Travel through the Austrian Alps into Italy, Slovenia, eventually reaching Croatia!

6.00pm

Arrive at Valamar Isabella in Porec  
You've reached the Finish Line!  
Dinner and Drinks



Hotel Kohlenhof,  
Fügen



Valamar Isabella,  
Porec



# DAY 5

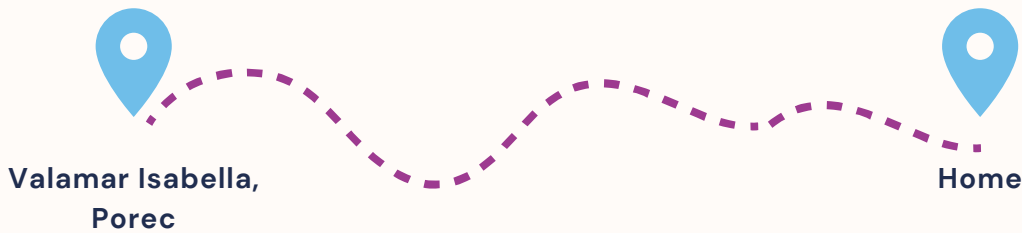
Sunday 7th July

## The Itinerary:

### Breakfast

Participants will need to make their own way home

Participants will need to arrange locally, taxi's & ferries  
(Hotel will be able to help where required)



### OPTION 1:

Drive back via your own route/own cost

### OPTION 2:

Leave car for disposal (at a cost of £250 per car) and fly home.

### FLIGHTS AVAILABLE:

- Pula ( 1 flight per day)
- Rijeka (limited flights)
- Venice (via ferry & flight)

## WHAT'S INCLUDED:

Eurotunnel Fees  
All Hotel Rooms  
Breakfast  
Evening Meals  
Limited Drinks  
Mechanic Back-Up Service

## WHAT'S EXCLUDED:

Vehicle Cost & Modifications  
Tax & Insurance  
Fuel & Tolls  
Parking Fees  
Lunch  
Further Sustenance

# SAFETY & BACKUP

We take safety very seriously and we therefore have put in place 24 hour back up for both you and your vehicle for the duration of the event.



## VEHICLE REPAIR & RECOVERY

A dedicated mechanic and recovery vehicle will follow the route, about an hour behind the group. He will be able to assist one vehicle at a time.

If your car is not repairable on the roadside it will be transported to the next hotel or back to the UK (for a fee). If you find yourself with no vehicle you can either hire a car or join another team.

If the mechanic is unavailable, then please call the number for your own European Breakdown cover who will be able to assist you.



# ROAD SAFETY

Driving in Europe can present challenges and it is your responsibility to make sure that you follow the rules of the road. Please do read the RAC's advice on driving abroad, the AA's advice on each country and the AA's advice on driving in tunnels

When using a sat nav on unfamiliar roads it is advisable to have a 'co-pilot' who can assist with giving directions whilst the driver can focus their attention on the road. Remember when driving on the right-hand side of the road to follow the central line markings down the middle of the road. (This may sound obvious but UK drivers have a tendency to drive closer to the line on the right nearest the kerb).



# REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

You must bring ALL the following documents with you on the event:

## FOR THE CARS...

- A valid MOT Certificate
- Vehicle Tax
- Vehicle Registration Document
- European travel kit & breathalyser

## FOR THE PARTICIPANTS...

- Valid European Driving License for each driver
- Car insurance for each driver
- European Breakdown Cover
- European Travel Insurance
- Passport