



# THE INTERNATIONAL SWEDISH RALLY

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## P R E S S R E L E A S E

After the last years success:

MOSTLY DAYLIGHT STAGES

IN THE SWEDISH RALLY !

The only remaining real winterrally in the World Championship, The 29th International Swedish Rally, will next year take place on Februari 16th-18th. Last year it was divided into three sections, but this year it will only be two similar sections.

Each section is 1350 km, of which 600 km consist of 18 special stages.

Last year it was a tremendous fight between four drivers, who all really wanted to win. But Björn Waldegård was the strongest and took his fifth victory in the Swedish Rally before the Finns, Hannu Mikkola and Markku Alén and at that moment Lancia Stratos-driver Stig Blomqvist, who lost time because of a broken throttle-cable and a puncture.

Last year most of the stages were running in daylight. This was a big success to both drivers, visitors, photographs and filmteams. Of course The International Swedish Rally will continue in the same way.

Next year the first section will start Friday Februari 16th at 1 pm, and finish 14 hours later. On Saturday Februari 17th at 12 am the second section will start. At 2 o'clock in the night the winner will be honoured outside the headquarter of OK Motorhotel in Karlstad.

As usual Karlstad will be the central point for the rally and the route will only take place in one of the western counties of Sweden, the beautiful and friendly Värmland.

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