

Jim Clark Rally – crash victims named

Police confirmed the names of the people who died at the Jim Clark Rally yesterday. Iain John Provan (64) and Elizabeth Allan (63), both from Barrhead, along with 71-year-old John Leonard Stern (known as Len) from Bearsden, were killed in the collision at the rally yesterday afternoon.

A 61 year-old man who was also injured in this collision is in a stable condition at Edinburgh Royal Infirmary, while a 61 year old man who was injured in the earlier collision near Eccles, is in a critical but stable condition at Edinburgh Royal Infirmary.

Commenting on the tragic events, First Minister Alex Salmond said:-“This is desperately sad and difficult news from the Borders of the tragic circumstances that have occurred at the Jim Clark Rally.

“The police have confirmed three fatalities and my thoughts are with all of those involved and the families and loved ones of those who have lost their lives.

“The Government is in contact with Police Scotland and we await the outcome of their inquiries.

“The Jim Clark Rally is a longstanding event of over 40 years. It is much loved in the Borders and by the rally driving community who I know will share in our sadness at what is a black day for the Borders and for Scotland.”