

# The CLEE HILLS TRIAL

22nd January 2023

## SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

### 1. EVENT ORGANISATION AND AUTHORITY

The Midland Automobile Club (MAC) will organise a Clubman's Car Trial on Sunday 22nd January 2023. The event will be governed by the general regulations of the Motorsport UK (incorporating the provisions of the international sporting code of the FIA), and by these supplementary regulations and by any other written instructions that the club may issue for the event. Motorsport UK and Department of Environment route authorisations have been applied for.

### 2. ELIGIBILITY AND LICENCE REQUIREMENTS

The event is open to all elected and fully paid up members of the MAC, invited clubs and to competitors registered for the ASWMC and ACTC (as organised by ASWMC) trials championships. All drivers and passengers must produce a current club membership card **AND** a free Motorsport UK RS Clubmans licence (or higher). For passengers aged less than 18 only a letter of parental consent is required. Entries will be accepted for Shared Drives – i.e. one of the crew drives some of the hills, and the other member drives the rest.

#### Invited Clubs

Airedale & Pennine MC, Bristol MC, Camel Vale MC, Fellside AC, Holsworthy MC, Launceston & North Cornwall MC, The Motor Cycling Club, MGCC, Minehead MC, Ross & District MSC, North Devon MC, Stroud & DMC, Torbay Motor Club, VSCC, Eastwood & DMC.

### 3. START & FINISH

3.1 The start and finish will be at The Squirrel, just off the A49 at Foldgate Lane, Ludlow SY8 1LP [Squirrel.ludlow@marstons.co.uk](mailto:Squirrel.ludlow@marstons.co.uk)  
**Accommodation will be available at the Travelodge next door.**

[www.travelodge.co.uk](http://www.travelodge.co.uk) and Search for **LUDLOW** NOT Wooferton (this one is not far away, just not next door)

Fuel will be available at the Start and also at three points along the route.

3.2 Competitors must fill in an electronic signing on sheet and a scrutineering declaration during the week prior to the event.

Details will be advised in the Final Instructions.

3.3 The following documents should be carried for inspection if required – Motorsports UK licence; Club Membership Card (Driver AND Passenger), and MoT certificate if applicable.

### 4. CLASSES

The car event will have the Nine standard car classes as modified by ACTC, plus, **additional** Class 0, and a Class 52 for cars satisfying the rules for a "Heritage Sporting Trials Car" as defined by HSTA

0 Novices, less trial prepared cars or less rugged drivers! This class does not compete for Overall Awards

1 Front engine, front wheel drive production cars

2a Production cars built prior to 1941

2b The following:- MG TC; Morgan 4-4 Series 1; HRG 1100 and 1500; Dellow Mk 1 to 3; Allard (all Sidevalve models); Buckler Mk 5 and 6; and Type 53; Ford models (upright models to 1959) - EO4A; E494A, E4930A/B, E93A, E493A and 103E; Pre 1941 Cars holding a current VSCC Buff Form;

2c Front engine, rear wheel drive non-production cars built from pre-1941 components and holding an ACTC Certificate of Conformity

3 Front engine, rear wheel drive, production saloon cars (except cars in class 6).

4 Rear engine, rear wheel drive production saloon cars, up to and including 1300cc (except vehicles in class 7).

5a) Front engine production sports cars (except vehicles in classes 1 or 6).

b) Cars eligible for Class 2, but running on radial tyres.

6a) Rear engine, rear wheel drive production cars (except vehicles in class 4)

b) Front engine production cars fitted with torque-biasing differentials as standard equipment.

7a) Production cars modified beyond permitted limits for the above classes,

b) Rear engine production cars with torque-biasing differentials as standard

c) Front engine cars manufactured on a limited basis, conforming to accepted specification (as defined in ACTC rule A1.2.2.)

8a) Non production cars

b) Rear engine cars (except vehicles in classes 4, 6, and 7).

c) Front engine cars manufactured on a limited basis (except those in class 7),

52 Cars conforming to HSTA specification for a Heritage Sporting Trials Car, running on Crossply tyres.

This class does not compete for Overall Awards

90 Suzuki X-90 Vehicles, running an original engine block

For the purposes of these regulations the terms front-engined and rear-engined are considered to be relative to the position of the driver. All references to classes in Motorsport UK Regulations **T10** will be interpreted as referring to the class structure published in these regulations.

A vehicle class identification discs must be fitted centrally at top of windscreen for –

Green	Class 0 and 52
Blue	Classes 1 and 2
White	Classes 3,4,5 and 90
Yellow	Classes 6 and 7
Red	Class 8

Discs can be supplied by the organisers at the start, **BUT MUST BE REQUESTED IN ADVANCE** and will then be supplied with your numbers.

## **5. MANDATORY VEHICLE REQUIREMENTS**

- 5.1 All vehicles shall comply with the relevant parts of Regulations J and T of the current edition of the Motorsport UK Competitors' and Officials' Yearbook
- 5.2 All cars are required to carry a Motorsport UK approved fire extinguisher. The minimum quantity being 1.75 litres of AFFF or 2Kg of Dry Powder
- 5.3 All vehicles must be licensed and insured for the event.
- 5.4 Where legally required, the vehicle must have a valid MoT certificate.
- 5.5 All vehicles must be effectively silenced. A noise check may be made.
- 5.6 All cars must be fitted with the means of having a tow rope secured quickly. This must be strong enough to withstand the snatch of a tow from a recovery vehicle. Cars with just a towing eye must have a tow rope easily accessible in the vehicle.
- 5.7 All vehicles must have provision for the fixing of competition numbers in a prominent, near vertical position at the front and rear of the vehicle. These will be supplied at the start.
- 5.8 All tyres, including spares, must comply with the ACTC Tyre List, or have a block gap of less than 8mm For class 0 any normal road tyres are acceptable, off road and mud & snow tyres are not permitted, unless on the ACTC Tyre list. See [www.actc.org.uk](http://www.actc.org.uk)
- 5.9 Any vehicle failing to comply with roadworthiness requirements will not be allowed to start. Vehicles which do not comply with class requirements will be transferred to another class or excluded from the results.
- 5.10 All vehicles must carry a small spill kit, complying with **J5.20.13**
- 5.11 The ACTC prohibits the use of advertising decals and commercial displays on competing vehicles.

## **6. RUNNING TIME & ORDER**

- 6.1 Event running order will be published in the Final Instructions.
- 6.2 The order within each class will be determined by the organisers.
- 6.3 The first competitor will depart from the start at 8:30am and the remainder at one minute intervals in numerical order.
- 6.4 There is no time schedule for the road route and no penalty for late arrival at a section, except as stated in 6.5 below and Blue Book T6.2.2. Competitors may be penalised for "dropping back"
- 6.5 Any competitor passed by the official back marker will be deemed to have retired.

## **7. CHAMPIONSHIP STATUS**

The event is the first round of the 2023 ACTC Trials Championship (as organised by ASWMC) and the 2023 Association of South West Motor Clubs Classic Trials Championship.

## **8. COURSE & SECTIONS**

- 8.1 The route will cover approximately 75 miles on public roads, byways and private tracks.
- 8.2 It is intended to run 12 observed sections and at least 1 observed test. Competitors in class 0 will have 10 sections, including 1 observed test. Competitors in Class 52 will have at least 8 sections
- 8.3 Observed tests will count as sections and as a tie decider:-
- 8.3.1 In sections that are Observed tests, a penalty of 3 points will be given for hitting a marker or for stopping except as required in the route book, and a time equal to the slowest time in the class will be given.
- 8.3.2 Observed test times will be used only to decide ties.
- 8.3.3 Observed tests will be timed by hand-held stop watches to 0.1 seconds.
- 8.4 The route book will be issued electronically with the Final Instructions and the use of maps should be unnecessary. The official route must be followed throughout the event. The onus for finding the correct route rests with the competitor, and any competitor failing to do so will be liable to exclusion. FYI, The route is almost entirely covered by OS maps 137 and 138.
- 8.5 Route checks may operate during the event.
- 8.6 Most sections will be sub-divided 12 to 1. Failure of the section will score the mark immediately in front of the front wheel at the point where the vehicle stops. Unless specified in the route book, sections may not be inspected. Walking beyond the section begins board of any section is prohibited. Penalty 12 marks.
- 8.7 Failure on any section which is not subdivided will carry 6 marks.
- 8.8 Except for observed tests, there is no penalty for striking markers, but the 4 wheels out rule applies (you must not leave & rejoin the section).
- 8.9 Some sections may include restarts for some classes. These will be identified at the start or in the route book. Except where stated restarts will be of the box type, marked by 4 'R' boards. On drop of flag, restart, without rolling back, within 6 seconds.
- 8.10 Minimum tyre pressures may be imposed for some classes at some sections, dependent on weather conditions. These will be advised in the route book or in writing at the start.

## **9. IDENTIFICATION, PENALTIES & MARKING**

- 9.1 Competition numbers will be supplied by the organisers and must be fixed in a prominent position at the front and the rear of the vehicle.
- 9.2 These numbers must be legible throughout the event and must be removed at the finish, or on retirement from the event.
- 9.3 Marking and penalties will be in accordance with MOTORSPORT UK regulation T6 and T7
- 9.4 In the event of a tie, the lower or lowest aggregate time of the observed test will decide the winner. If a tie still exists, the vehicle with the smaller engine size will win. Engine size must be accurately stated on the Entry Form.

## **10. ENTRIES**

- 10.1 The maximum number of entries will be 80 and the minimum 60. If there are less than 60 entries, MAC reserves the right to cancel the event.
- 10.2 Entries will be selected in order of receipt.
- 10.3 The minimum number of entries for each class is 3. If this is not reached, the classes may be amalgamated.
- 10.4 The entry list opens on publication of these regulations and closes on 13th January 2023 or before, if fully subscribed.

- 10.5 The entry fee for the event is £50 for entries submitted prior to 17th December, thereafter £56. Cheques payable please to "The Midland Automobile Club (Est.1901) Ltd". Alternatively payment via bank transfer is available:  
Account Name: Midland Automobile Club (Est. 1901) Limited Account Number: 88545160 Sort Code: 30-99-90  
Reference: CHT and your surname (e.g CHT Smith)
- 10.6 If the event has to be cancelled your entry fee will be refunded less a £10.00 administration fee**
- 10.7 Entry fees will be refunded (less an administrative fee of £6) provided that the entry is withdrawn on or before the closing date.
- 10.8 Entries must be made using the official online entries system, <https://www.shelsleywalsh.com/events-1/the-clee-hills-trial-2023> or the official entry form, a photocopy thereof or an electronic copy, and must be signed and accompanied by the correct fee. Please send entries to:
- Mrs Pat Toulmin**  
**4, Briery Lands, Heath End, Snitterfield, Stratford on Avon, CV37 0PP**  
**Telephone: 01789 731332**  
**E-mail : pat@toulmin.info**
- 10.8 Entries will be acknowledged **only** by dispatch of the Final Instructions one week before the event, **unless** your entry is accompanied by a stamped addressed envelope or an **email address** is added to the entry form.
- 11. INSURANCE**
- Insurance is available for those competitors whose own insurer does not cover them for this type of event. This is provided by REIS at £19.00. If a shared drive is planned, and REIS insurance is requested, only the first nominated driver may drive on the public highway, unless a second premium is paid.
- 12. OFFICIALS**
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| 12.1 | The Secretary of the Meeting is        | Mrs Pat Toulmin                 |
| 12.2 | The Clerk of the Course is             | Simon Woodall                   |
| 12.3 | The Assistant Clerks of the Course are | Graham Austin & Barbara Selkirk |
| 12.4 | The Chief Marshal is                   | Adrian Tucker-Peake             |
| 12.5 | The Chief Scrutineer is                | TBA                             |
| 12.6 | The Steward is                         | TBA                             |
- 13. PLEASE NOTE**
- 13.1 This event is routed along and/or across public rights of way. Competitors must exercise caution and reduce their speed accordingly near other path users. Please be especially careful near horses - slow down, stop and switch off your engine.
- 13.2 On official public rights of way, other users have priority.
- 13.3 Competitors are required to follow the 'Country Code'. Special care must be taken near livestock and gates must be closed after every competitor.
- 14. RESULTS & AWARDS**
- 14.1 Provisional results will be e-mailed to competitors as soon as possible after the finish.
- 14.2 Protests, must be lodged in accordance with Motorsport UK regulations and made to the Clerk of the Course.
- 14.3 The following trophies may be presented:-  
The Fray Challenge Cup for Best Performance of the Day  
The Shelsley Challenge Cup for the Best Performance by a lady (3 entries).  
The Lord Boyne Trophy for a rider/driver winning a class award (or better) in 3 consecutive events.  
These trophies will be retained by the MAC and engraved with the winners' names.  
Permanent awards will be made to winners of these cups.
- 14.4 In addition, awards will be made for each class as follows:-  
First in class (subject to there being at least 3 starters in the class)  
Second in class (subject to there being at least 7 starters in the class)  
Third in class (subject to there being at least 12 starters in the class)  
Additional awards will be presented for the best VSCC competitor in Class 2 and the Best Novice, subject to 4 entries for each.
- 14.5 No competitor may win more than one award, except the Lord Boyne Cup. The order of precedence for awards is the order of this paragraph.
- 14.6 All other awards will be sent by post.
- 15. PERMITS**
- Motorsport UK Permit and Route Authorisation (28722JA22) have been applied for
- 16. CLEE HILLS TRIAL WEBSITE**
- To review our 2022 event and keep up with progress on the 2023 trial, including details of competitors please go to [www.cleehillstrial.info](http://www.cleehillstrial.info) .