# The CLEE HILLS TRIAL

## 31st January 2027

## SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

**1. EVENT ORGANISATION AND AUTHORITY**

The Midland Manor Motor Club ('The Organiser') will organise a Clubman's status Classic Car Trial on Sunday 31st January 2027. The event will be governed by the National Competition Rules ('NCR') of Motorsport UK ('ASN') incorporating the provisions of the international sporting code of the FIA, and by these supplementary regulations and by any other Official Documents that the club may issue for the event. Motorsport UK and Department of Environment route authorisations have been applied for.
All Participants should familiarise themselves with the NCR and which are available here:
Motorsport UK NCR 2026 Edition 5

**2. ELIGIBILITY AND LICENCE REQUIREMENTS**

The event is open to all elected and fully paid-up members of the Organising Club, 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** an ASN RS Clubman's 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,, 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, Windwhistle MC, 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 https://www.squirrelpub.co.uk/
**Accomodation will be available at the Travelodge next door.**
**www.travelodge.co.uk** and Search for **LUDLOW** NOT Woofferton (this one is not far away, just not next door)
Fuel will be available at the Start and also at one other point 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 – ASN Competition Licence; Club Membership Card (Driver AND Passenger), and MoT certificate if applicable.

**4. CLASSES**

The car event will have the Nine standard car classes, plus, **additional** Class 0.

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
b) The following:- MG TC; Morgan 4-4 Series 1; HRG 1100 and 1500; Dellow Mks 1 to 3; Allard (all Sidevalve models); Buckler Mks 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; Nonproduction cars built from pre-1941 components individually approved.
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) Vehicles in full HSTA Historic Class specification including tyres and with fiddle brakes disabled
c) Non-production cars built mainly from pre-1941 components (except vehicles approved for class 2) individually approved. Such vehicles may include some post war components including BMC A-Series engines up to 948cc, Reliant OHV engines, A Series Rear Axles, Ford 105E Series Back Axles, Tubular Frame Chassis. These vehicles must have at least one operational European carburettor and run on tyres satisfying Art 41 (Crossplies).
d) Production 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 or any other form of traction control as standard equipment throughout that model range and unavailable without it from stock..
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),
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.

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

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| Green | Class 0 | |
| Blue | Classes 1 and 2 | Discs can be supplied by the organisers at the |
| White | Classes 3,4,5 and 90 | start, BUT MUST BE REQUESTED IN ADVANCE |
| Yellow | Classes 6 and 7 | and will then be supplied with your numbers. |
| Red | Class 8 | |

## 5. MANDATORY VEHICLE REQUIREMENTS

5.1 All vehicles shall comply with the relevant parts of Chapters 7 and 17 of the National Competition Rules

5.2 All cars are required to carry a ASN approved fire extinguisher. The minimum quantity being 1.75 litres of AFFF or 2Kg of Dry Powder or 2 x 1kg of AFFF or 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 which must be available for the scrutineer's inspection if required.

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. NOT in the rear window. 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 Rules & Regulations - ACTC

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 **NCR Chapter 7**

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.

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 NCR Chapter 17 Appendix 2 Article 4.5. 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 2026 ACTC Trials Championship (as organised by ASWMC) and the 2026 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.

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 6 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 "Trials App Live" 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. 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, unless otherwise notified, 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, depending on weather conditions. These will be advised in the route book or in an Official Document 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 NCR Chapter 17 App 2 Art 5.4

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 50. If there are less than 50 entries, MMMC 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 23rd January 2027 or before, if fully subscribed.
10.5 The entry fee for the event is £65.
**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;
Clee Hills Classic Trial 2027 - CARS - Internet Entry Form
Please send any queries to:

**Mrs Pat Toulmin**
**Telephone: 01926 830397 (NOT after 9:00pm)**
**E-mail : pattoulmin@btinternet.com**

10.8 Entries will be acknowledged at time of submission, and after any subsequent changes that are made.
Final Instructions should be e-mailed to contenders one week before the event.

## 11. INSURANCE

Insurance is available for those competitors whose own insurer does not cover them for this type of event. This is provided by Kingfisher Insurance through Motorsport UK at £30.00**.** providing they comply with the following:

- is aged 19 years or over
- has held a full driving licence for a minimum of 6 months
- has no more than 6 points on their licence
- has had no more than 1 fault claim in the last 3 years
- is named on a valid motor insurance policy for the vehicle they are driving
- do not have the Third-Party Extension cover on their existing motor policy
- the vehicle has a valid MOT and taxed for the road, unless exempt from doing so

Anyone aged less than 19 years old will also be accepted at the same price should their co-driver be a more senior member of their family or over 25. Any competitor who falls outside these parameters may be offered cover at equivalent terms or an agreed price, if approval from the Appointed Insurance Broker has been obtained by the event organisers, prior to the event. Approval can be sought by sending an email to motorsportuk@kingfishermotorsport.com and provide the Drivers' name and date of birth, the date they past their driving test and details of any motoring claims and/or convictions.
Additional cover provided by this scheme is only effective whilst the vehicle is actively competing.
If a shared drive is planned, and Kingfisher insurance is requested, only the first nominated driver may drive on the public highway (which includes some Observed Sections), 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 | Adrian Tucker-Peake & Richard Houlgate |
| 12.4 | The Chief Marshal is | Peter Lawley |
| 12.5 | The Chief Scrutineer is | David Anslow |
| 12.6 | The Steward is | Ian Cummings |

## 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 Appeals must be lodged in accordance with NCR Chapter 2 App 4 and made to the Clerk of the Course.
14.3 Awards will be made for:-
Best Performance Overall
A trophy for a driver winning a class award (or better) in 3 consecutive events
In 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 5 entries for each.
14.4 No competitor may win more than one award, except the Best VSCC & the Best Novice. The order of precedence for awards is the order of this paragraph.
14.5 All awards will be sent by post.

**15. PERMITS**

ASN Permit is xxxxxx and Route Authorisation is 29475JA31.

**16. THIRD PARTY INSURANCE EXCESS RECOVERY**

In the event of a claim having to be made for damage caused to a third-party property by a competitor, the organisers and promoters of the event reserve the right to reclaim the insurance excess under the MOTORSPORT UK Master Policy (currently £425) from the competitor(s) involved.

**17. CLEE HILLS TRIAL WEBSITE**

To review our 2026 event and keep up with progress on the 2027 trial, including details of competitors please go to www.cleehillstrial.info .