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## **EXETER TRIAL 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2015**

### *Dear MCC Members and Friends*

Having enjoyed a warm Summer we must start thinking about the 2015 Exeter Trial. Entries open when you receive this letter and will close on 16 October 2014. Observed Test zero of the event is to read the Supplementary Regulations and fully complete the Entry Form, preferably on-line, but on paper if you are not on-line. If you enter using paper please ensure your form arrives with the entry taker by applying the correct amount of postage for the size and weight of envelope you use.

The Clerk of the Course, Tim Whellock, has decided that the 2015 Exeter will follow a very similar route to the 2014 Exeter. Except for Class "O", there will be a Touring Assembly from the 3 Starts, with Sourton Cross starters being first away at 19:31; competitors from Cirencester will be away second followed finally by the starters from Popham Airfield. Competitors will be provided with a recommended route to the Haynes Motor Museum, for a compulsory rest halt, hot refreshments will be available. Refurbishment of the museum has been completed so the control desk, café and parking arrangements will be different to 2014. You may wish to visit the museum on the night at the reduced entry fee of £3.00. The main Trial will start from Haynes at 00:01; class "O" will start at 01:01. There will be an Observed Test at the Museum but again this will be at a different location to 2014. The finish will be at Babbacombe as in previous years.

The club have arranged insurance through Lockton to enable competitors whose everyday policy excludes trials, competition etc. to comply with the Road Traffic Act for the public road sections of the event. The premium for cars in classes E, 1 - 8 & "O" is £20.00 and for motorcycles in classes A - D and class "O" is £15.00. Letters of Acceptance from Lockton will be required for Competitors who are unable to comply with all of the following: over 21 and held a full licence for at least 6 months, not more than 1 fault accident in last 3 years, no more than maximum of 6 speeding points and must be medically fit to drive, will be accepted automatically. If you require a Letter of Acceptance; contact the Trial Secretary straight away to arrange this. If you have not received your Letter of Acceptance prior to the date of the event, you will not have cover.

Members entering on-line will have their membership renewed automatically. Members entering on paper please complete the enclosed Membership Renewal Form and send it, with your Entry Form to the entry taker. Non competing members should either renew on-



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line or complete and send this form, with their subscription direct to the Membership Secretary, John Childs, 57 Ash Grove, Wheathampstead, St ALBANS, Herts, AL4 8DF. If you have moved since you renewed your 2014 membership, and have not already done so, please advise John Childs of your new address straight away otherwise you may not receive your route book and final instructions. Do not rely on us deducing you have moved from your entry form. New members entering may send their application form to the entry taker with their entry form.

If this is your first MCC Trial please ensure your vehicle is properly prepared for the event. You may prefer to enter in class "O"; which avoids all the "stoppers" like Wooston Steep, Tillerton and Simms while allowing competitors to tackle alternative more suitable sections. Class "O" is also suitable for older machines or competitors. If you have any doubts about the suitability of your vehicle please discuss this with the Clerk of the Course, Tim Whellock, Barnwyck Cottage, Church Lane, Horton, ILMINSTER, Somerset, TA19 9RN. 01460 53645 before 9pm.

The total route is 250 – 300 miles and much of the off-road route can be very rough. For this reason, a substantial sump guard is essential, as is a reversing light in working order. More importantly a substantial tow rope attachment is mandatory [see SSRs] for cars and 3-wheelers; this must be capable of withstanding a snatch from a tractor tow on a steep gradient as its failure can result in a serious accident which the MCC wishes to avoid.

The MSA requirement for car competitors to carry a small spill kit, which is defined as one being capable of dealing with spillages up to 1.25 litres capacity (T1.3.24 refers) continues; compliance will be checked at scrutineering.

Our Headquarters will again be the Trecarn Hotel, Palermo Road, Babbacombe TORQUAY Devon TQ1 3NW. The Staff makes us welcome and its continuing popularity is one reason we can continue to obtain the favourable rates, both for the Accommodation [£35.00 per person for B&B] and for the Club Supper[£19.75]. Please mention the Trial when contacting them; telephone number 01803 329292. The Trecarn will take bookings from 1<sup>st</sup> of November with payment due 1<sup>st</sup> week of December 2014. Paying for accommodation in advance speeds up departures on Sunday dramatically.

One final point: if you are not competing, please consider offering your services as a Marshal; our Chief Marshal, Rodney Bracey, will make you most welcome; a Marshals invitation, with section location, approximate opening times and contact details is included. Marshals may also like to join us at the Club Supper, as many did in 2014, book your tickets (£19.75 ea) through Rodney.

Have a good Trial.

Yours Sincerely,

*Tim Keeling*

Secretary, Exeter Trial

Enclosures:

Supplementary Regulations, Entry Form, 2015 Membership Renewal, Marshals Invitation.



THE M.C.C. EXETER TRIAL AND TOURING ASSEMBLY  
9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2015  
SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

1. Governed by the General Regulations of the Royal Automobile Club Motor Sports Association Ltd., incorporating the provisions of the sporting code of the F.I.A. The National Sporting Code of the A.C.U. these special event regulations and the M.C.C. Standing Supplementary Regulations dated 2014 as amended by any written instructions that may be issued for the event. Copies of the M.C.C. SSRs have been sent to all members but additional copies are available from the Membership Secretary, John Childs, 57, Ash Grove, Wheathampstead, St. Albans, AL4 8DF on receipt of a stamped addressed C5 envelope.

2. **ELIGIBILITY:** The event is open to members of the M.C.C. and by invitation to the Army Motorcycling Association, the Vintage Sports Car Club, the Vintage Motor Cycle Club and Morgan 3-Wheeler Club. M.C.C. members must have paid their 2015 subscription. Application for membership of the M.C.C. to enter the Exeter Trial should reach the membership secretary: John Childs (address as above) before the 1<sup>st</sup> October 2014. Entries from members joining after this date will be placed on the reserve list if there are any vacancies. All entrants must produce a valid M.O.T. certificate for their vehicle, if applicable. Classes will be as per the M.C.C. SSRs. A letter of consent from a parent or guardian is required for car passengers under the age of 16; competitors whose passengers are under 16 should contact the Secretary of the Trial but, in the meantime, not delay their entry.

3. **ROUTE:** The route and Observed Sections will be predominantly on public roads. Competitors will be issued with a comprehensive Route Book before the event. The contents and instructions of the route book and final instructions must be considered as part of these regulations, together with any amendments issued at the Trial Start.

4. **AUTHORISATIONS AND PERMITS:**

DOE EVENT No: 27196JA10  
ACU PERMIT No: ACU42413.  
RAC PERMIT No: Applied for.

**INSURANCE.** It is competitors responsibility to ensure that they are properly insured as required by the Road Traffic Act for the public road sections of the event. The club have arranged insurance through Lockton to enable competitors whose everyday policy excludes trials, competition etc. to comply with the Road Traffic Act for the public road sections of the event. The premium for cars in classes E, 1 - 8 & "O" is £20.00 and for motorcycles in classes A – D and class "O" is £15.00. Competitors who are able to comply with all of the following: over 21 and held a full licence for at least 6 months, not more than 1 fault accident in last 3 years, had no convictions other than a Maximum of 6 Speeding Points and must be medically fit to drive, will be accepted automatically. If you are unable to comply with any of these points, you will require a Letter of Acceptance from Lockton; contact the Trial Secretary straight away to arrange this. If you have not received your Letter of Acceptance prior to the date of the event, you will not have cover.

**STARTS:** The Touring Assembly starts (Classes A to E & 1 to 8) are SOURTON CROSS (Nr. Okehampton), CIRENCESTER and POPHAM AIRFIELD (Nr. Basingstoke). Class "O" competitors start at the HAYNES MUSEUM, Sparkford, Somerset. Classes A to E & 1 to 8 competitors will leave the three Touring Assembly starts in numerical order at one-minute intervals and may follow a suggested route to the Haynes Museum, for a compulsory rest halt, refreshments will be available. Standard time from the first start (classes A to E & 1 to 8) at Sourton Cross is 19:30 on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2015. Standard Time for Class "O" competitors from the Haynes Museum is 01:00 on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2015. From the Haynes Museum the Trial route is described in the route books, which must be followed throughout. The onus of finding the correct route rests with the competitor. For the purposes of determining awards the start at Haynes museum will be treated as a time control as per section G of the M.C.C. SSRs dated 2014.

5. **FINISH** at the Trecarn Hotel, Palermo Road, Babbacombe TORQUAY Devon TQ1 3NW.
6. **PETROL:** Availability of petrol will be noted in the route book. (Spare petrol must be carried in approved containers, firmly secured to your vehicle.)
7. **AWARDS** will be as per M.C.C. SSRs dated 2014. The W Bray Cup will be awarded for the best performance in the motor cycle classes, The Spitfire Trophy will be awarded for the most meritorious (in the opinion of the organisers) performance on a motor cycle and the Austin Hannam Memorial Cup for the best performance in the motor car classes.
8. **ENTRIES:** Open immediately and close 16<sup>th</sup> October 2014, or earlier if the maximum number of entries is received. Entries will be limited to 360 plus Reserves, if necessary. There will be 120 motorcycle entries and 240 cars. If there are insufficient motorcycle entries the vacant places will be filled with car entries.
9. **Entry Fees:** Motor Cycle & Car Classes (including A.C.U. Premier Cover for Motorcyclists)

Trial	=	£59.00
Team Entry Fee (No late entries) per team	=	£21.00

Entry Fees are not returnable after closing date unless the event is cancelled, in which case 15% will be retained for administration charges.

**ENTRIES TO BE MADE USING THE M.C.C ON-LINE ENTRY SYSTEM.**

**ALL MANUAL ENTRIES TO: Sheila Poupard, Cliff Edge, East Cliff, LYME REGIS, Dorset, DT73DH**

10. **OFFICIALS:**

STEWARDS	R PEACHEY, TBA, TBA.
CLERK OF THE COURSE	T. J. WHELLOCK [ACU Licence Number: 118072]
ASS'T CLERK OF COURSE	C. ENGLAND
SECRETARY OF THE TRIAL	T W KEELING, JACOBS LADDER, QUEEN STREET, KEINTON MANDEVILLE, SOMERSET, TA11 6EG. 01458 224082 (before 9pm please), keelings@keintonman.fslife.co.uk
CHIEF MARSHAL	R BRACEY, 5 BEECH CLOSE, CROOKHAM COMMON, THATCHAM, BERKSHIRE, RG19 8DT 01635 866657 <a href="mailto:rodney.bracey@btinternet.com">rodney.bracey@btinternet.com</a>
CHILD PROTECTION	PETER LAWLEY [01952 613511]

11. **ACCOMMODATION:** Entrants must make their own arrangements for accommodation before and after the event. Refreshments will be available at locations indicated in the route book. There will be a Club Supper after the Trial, at the Trecarn Hotel. PLEASE NOTE the Club has negotiated the special price of £ £35.00 per person for an en-suite accommodation at the Trecarn Hotel ( 01803 329292) (including breakfast) per person. The Club Supper at the Trecarn Hotel will consist of a choice of menus, 3 courses and coffee for £19.75 per person.



## THE MCC EXETER TRIAL 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2015 MARSHALS INVITATION

Dear MCC Members and Friends,

If you are not competing in the trial, have not already "signed up" for other duties then please consider giving the sport a few hours as an official. Regulars may have already been contacted or will be shortly, if you have been missed then please give me a call. There is a duty to suit nearly everyone from signing on to car parking duties and section observers (marshals). Please see approximate time schedule below, hopefully there is a place and time that suits you; competitors in classes A – E & 1 – 8 take approximately 6 hours to pass through a section and those in class 0 approximately 2 hours. Marshals are welcome to join us for the Club Supper at the Trecarn.

CLASSES A – E & 1 – 8 ROUTE			CLASS 0 ROUTE		
Opens	Section	Map Ref	Opens	Section	Map Ref
	<b>9<sup>th</sup> January 2015</b>			<b>10<sup>th</sup> January 2015</b>	
19:30	Sourton Cross Start Cirencester Start Popham Start				
	<b>10<sup>th</sup> January 2015</b>				
00:00		Haynes Museum Sparkford (all classes) – Rest Halt and Observed Test No. 1 (all classes)			
01:00	Classic Canes	193/404104	02:00	Windwhistle Observed Restart Test	193/395102
01:25	Underdown	193/234079	02:30	Redscrip	193/239084
02:25		Musbury Garage Check (all classes)			193/271946
02:40	Norman's Hump	193/203915	03:20	Emmetts Lane	193/268928
03:00	Clinton	193/205918	03:30	Gatcombe Lane	193/223911
03:15	Waterloo	192/201896	03:55	Jobbles Lane	193/220933
04:10	Stretes	192/120939	04:20	Stewart's Hill	192/149896
04:20		Core Hill Observed Test No. 2 (all classes)			192/115922
04:45	Bulverton Steep	192/104889	05:40	Back Lane	192/105891
05:20 (arrive)		Crealy Park (all classes) - Breakfast Halt			
07:35	Tillerton Steep	191/789953	08:15	Windout	191/812917
08:00	Fingle Hill	191/743899	09:15	Hitchcombe	191/751898
08:45	Wooston Steep	191/766897			
09:00		Clifford Observed Test No 3 (all classes)			
		Ilslington Holding Control (all classes)			
10:40	Simms	191/785757	12:05	Penhale's Plantation	191/785757
11:00	Tipley	191/795758	13:05	French's	202/917703
12:15	Slippery Sam	202/912690			
13:00		Trecarn Hotel, Palermo Road, Babbacombe, Torquay, Devon TQ1 3NW (all classes)			<b>Finish</b>

Note. Standard Time is scheduled time of arrival of first competitor; caution, motorcycle competitors often run ahead of scheduled time.

**Rodney Bracey** Chief Marshal

Please tear off and return TO:-

Mr R Bracey, Chief Marshal Exeter Trial, 5 Beech Close, Crookham Common, THATCHAM, Berkshire, RG19 8DT. 01635 866657

rodney.bracey@btinternet.com

### I WILL BE AN OFFICIAL ON 2015 EXETER TRIAL.

NAME.....

ADDRESS.....

.....POST CODE .....

TEL..... Mobile No..... E-mail.....

My preference would be at .....but would help at an early / late / section / control.

Other marshals coming with me.....

(Please provide their contact details overleaf)

I would like .....Club Supper Tickets at £19.75 each and enclose.....

**PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM BY THE 31<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER 2014 TO INCLUDE YOUR NAME IN THE PROGRAMME**

# The Motor Cycling Club Ltd

## NEW FULL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM (Fee £35.00 for year) AND FULL MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FOR 2015 SEASON £30.00

Membership becomes due on the **1st December 2014.**

**Family<sup>1</sup> Member: £8.00 per additional member**

**Passenger Member: £5.00**

Make cheque payable to MCC Ltd.,

Include your membership subscription and joining fee, together with this form, with your Exeter Trial entry.

Otherwise, please send direct to the Membership Secretary:-

**John Childs, 57 Ash Grove, Wheathampstead, St Albans, Herts, AL4 8DF**

This will enable us to update your records.

### CLUB MEMBERSHIP - 2015 SEASON

**Class of Membership (delete as applicable): Full or Passenger (Give Family Members details on page 2)**

FORENAME.....SURNAME.....

Title (Mr. Mrs. Miss or other.....) Membership Number.....

ADDRESS.....

.....TOWN.....COUNTY.....

POSTCODE..... Telephone (Evening) (.....).....

Telephone (Day) (.....)..... Mobile .....

Occupation.....

e-mail address .....

New Members Only

I WISH TO COMPETE:

In Trials  
Other Events

  

On a Motorcycle<sup>2</sup>

  

I am willing to Marshal

In a Car

Three-Wheeler<sup>3</sup>

  

I do / do not object to information being held on a computer and disclosed to relevant outside organisations  
(e.g. ACU / MSA, Insurance, Awards, Photographs)

Please put a cross in the box if you do not wish your details to be released to other members.

Signature .....

<sup>1</sup> To qualify, family members must be resident at the same address and one member at the family address must be a full member. Give details of each family member overleaf.

<sup>2</sup> ACU Trials Rider Registration required, this can be obtained on line via the ACU website or by post (application form available from ACU). Applications must be supported by an individual yearly code available from the MCC Membership Secretary by email or post but not by telephone.

<sup>3</sup> ACU Trials Rider Registration required (see above) for driver and passenger of post 1941 Three-wheelers.

**Family Member details**

FORENAME.....SURNAME.....

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Telephone (Day) (.....)..... Mobile .....

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