

ASSOCIATION OF classic trials clubs

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TO ALL COUNCIL DELEGATES

Our Ref: JW/JK/0019

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Dear Sportsman,

RAC MSA Classic Trials Working Group

The first meeting of the re-constituted Group took place on Friday 25th April, under the chairmanship of Mike Hinde, and both Allin Penhale and myself attended to represent our interests.

Essentially, the meeting was convened to consider both the proposed RAC Classic Trials Championship and Technical Regulations. At our insistence, the meeting only "marked time" in order to allow ALL of the clubs to debate these issues democratically in Council on May 18th. The only decision that was made was to increase the number of classic trials experts, both competitors and organisers (all ACTC Council bar one), at the next meeting of the Group. This will not only ensure a wide range of experience and opinion, but will also ensure that experts are in the majority in future proceedings!

Mike Hinde tabled some proposals that I have undertaken to place before Council for consideration on 18th May. No doubt, he will submit his proposals to us, in writing, in due course, but essentially and briefly, as I see them, they are as follows:-

1. To restructure Class 6 as:-
 - a. Specials should be front engined and comply with the minimum dimensions of the N.T.F. Formula.
 - b. Recognised Kit Cars be permitted if the engine is as recommended/catalogued.
 - c. Production cars modified beyond (existing) Classes 1 - 5. (This requires further very careful discussion).
2. To include front wheel drive production cars with torque biasing differentials into the class structure.
3. To prohibit ballast in Class 6.
4. To adopt minimum tyre pressure limits for all classes to become part of our QK2 formula.

The Working Group rejected the idea of a co-promoted joint national British Classic Trials Championship between ACTC and the RAC, and want to go it alone in parallel with our own championship. Whatever your views on this proposal, at least it makes the issue easier to debate.

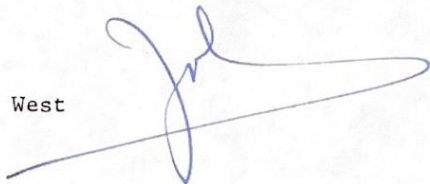
Finally, can I appeal to you to submit the pro-forma concerning your club's Dates/Officials to me as soon as possible. I can then prepare a Draft Calendar which will help to save time during the meeting.

I look forward to seeing all delegates on 18th May and, above all, do enjoy the summer break.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

John West

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