

# Falcon Motor Club March Hare Classic Reliability Trial Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2024

The Falcon Motor Club Ltd will promote a Clubmans Permit Classic Reliability Trial on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2024.

The Start of the event for all competitors will be at Porky's Diner, Honeybourne Airfield, Weston Road, Honeybourne, Evesham, WR11 7QF

The meeting is held under the General Regulations of Motorsport UK (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA), these ASRs and any written instructions the promoting club may issue for the event.

#### **Permits and Authorisations**

Motorsport UK Permit: TBA ACU Permit: TBA

RTA Section 300 Authorisation: 28904MA3

# **Eligibility**

This Clubman event is open to all fully elected members of Falcon Motor Club, The Motor Cycling Club, Stroud and District MC, MGCC, VSCC, West Suffolk MC, Eastern Counties MC, Farnborough District MC, Anglia Motor Sports Club, 750 MC, Ross & District Motor Sports Club, Blackbird Auto Club, Camel Vale MC, Bristol MC and The Pre-War Austin 7 Club. Other clubs can be invited upon request on a first come first served basis.

#### Classes

The following classes apply for the event:

#### Cars

- Class 1 Front-engine, front wheel drive production cars (including those fitted with Torque Biasing /Limited Slip Differentials).
- Class 2 Production cars built prior to 1941, and the following: MG TC, Morgan 4-4 Series 1, HRG 1100 and 1500, and Ford models (upright models to 1959) E04A, E494A, E4930A/B, E93A, E493A, and 103E. Dellow Mk 1,2,3 & Bucklers Mk 5&6, Pre 1941 Cars holding a current VSCC Buff Form, Non-production cars built from pre-1941 components individually approved by the ACTC Technical Panel.
- Class 3 Front-engine, rear wheel drive, production saloons (except vehicles in Class 6).
- Class 4 Rear-engine, rear wheel drive production saloons up to and including 1300cc (except vehicles in Class 7).
- Class 5(a) Front-engine production sports cars (except vehicles in Classes 1, 6 and 90).
- Class 5(b) Vehicles in full HSTA Historic Class specification with fiddle brakes disabled and non-production cars built mainly from pre-1941 components (except vehicles approved for class 2) individually approved by the ACTC Technical Panel. 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 T10.11 (Crossply).
- Class 5(c) Non-production cars eligible for Class 2, running on radial tyres.
- Class 6(a) Rear-engine, rear wheel drive production cars (except vehicles in Class 4).

- Class 6(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.
- Class 7(a) Production cars modified beyond Permitted limits.
- Class 7(b) Rear-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.
- Class 7(c) Front engine cars manufactured on a limited basis conforming to an accepted specification.
- Where modified beyond the accepted specification these cars will be classified in Class 8.
   These cars comply with either or both of 7 (c) (i) or 7 (c) (ii) below:
  - 7(c) (i) Have the rearmost part of the front seat cushion(s) forward of any part of the rear tyres.
  - 7(c) (ii) Have a wheelbase of 90in (228.6cm) or greater.
- Class 8(a) Non-production cars.
- Class 8(b) Rear-engine cars (except vehicles in Classes 4, 6, and 7).
- Class 8(c) Front-engine cars manufactured on a limited basis (except those in Class 7) including those which:
  - 8(c) (i) Have the rearmost part of the front seat cushion(s) rearward of any part of the rear tyres; or
  - 8(c) (ii) Have a wheelbase of less than 90in (228.6cm).
- Class 90 Suzuki X90 Vehicles to have the original engine block.

Classification will be entirely at the discretion of the organisers.

All vehicles must comply with MSA technical regulations T9 & T10:

All vehicles must be taxed and be insured for the event (see 'Insurance').

# **Motorcycles**

- Class A Solo motorcycles of British manufacture manufactured before 1st January 1970 (engine and frame) and solo motorcycles with pre 1970 derived frames and engines.
- Class B1 Solo motorcycles up to and including 225cc.
- Class B2 Solo motorcycles from 226cc up to and including 450cc.
- Class B3 The following bikes will compete in this class: Montesa 4Ride, Ossa Explorer, TRRS XTrack, Scorpa Long Ride, GasGas Randonne, GasGas Connect, Honda TRL and any trials based machine that has an aftermarket tall seat fitted.
- Class C Solo motorcycles over 450cc.
- Class D Motorcycles with touring sidecars, or trials sidecars complying with ACU Regulation TSR8 – Trials Sidecar Specification. Scooter sidecar outfits, and outfits with driven sidecar wheels, are not eligible.
- Class E Three wheelers.
- Class F Adventure motorcycles manufactured from 1980 onwards, with multi-cylinder engines and a capacity above 470 cc.
- Class S Step through machines, which must comply with the following requirements:
  - a) The machine must originally have been manufactured as a step-through or scooter.
  - b) There must be a nominal gap between the seat and the headstock (or bodywork at the headstock) of at least 250mm.

To comply with Classes A to C, solo motorcycles must have a minimum seat height of 700mm.

## **Route, Sections & Marking**

The competitive trial route will be approximately 72 miles long and will include up to 17 observed sections. Petrol is available 5 miles from the start, and around half-way through the route. Public roads will be used to link sections, a number of which will be unmetalled.

Scrutineering will take place at Honeybourne and starts at 07:00. Please attend scrutineering before signing on. Competitors should have signed on at least 30 minutes before their scheduled starting time.

The first competitor will start from Honeybourne at 08:00 Standard Time and the remainder at one-minute intervals in numerical order. Competitors must be ready to start at their Scheduled Time. Late starting penalties will be applied.

A Road Book will be issued in electronically in advance with the Final Instructions. Onus for following the correct route lies with the competitor and competitors failing to follow this will be liable to exclusion. Route checks and a mid-route time control may be operated.

Some sections may have a restart line marked with 'R' boards for some classes, which will be identified in the road book. On drop of flag, restart, without rolling back within 6 seconds.

There will be one or more observed tests. The observed tests will count as sections and as a tie decider based on time.

A 'Fail' penalty will be awarded to any competitor who does not observe the country code.

A 'Fail' penalty will be applied to any competitor for any member of the crew walking beyond the Section Begins Board.

Penalties may be incurred by competitors who finish appreciably later than others, relative to their competition number.

Tyre pressure restrictions may be imposed at sections according to the prevailing conditions. These will be advised at the beginning of the section if applicable. Tyre pressure checks may be carried out during the event.

Any competitor passed by the Course Closing Car will be deemed to have retired.

## **Technical**

Where legally required, the car or motorcycle must have a valid MOT certificate.

All cars and motorcycles must be effectively silenced. A noise check may be carried out.

All cars and 3-wheelers must be fitted with a means of having a tow-rope secured quickly. This must be of sufficient strength to withstand the snatch of a tow from a recovery vehicle.

All cars and motorcycles must have the provision for fixing competition numbers in a near vertical position at both the front and rear of the vehicle.

All car tyres, including spares, must comply with Motorsport UK/ACTC 2023 regulation T10.9.4 and T10.11

Motorcycle tyres must comply with ACTC Rules & Regulations 2020 Appendix B2 – Tyre Regulations for Bikes.

Any car or motorcycle failing to comply with road worthiness requirements will not be allowed to start.

All cars must carry a fire extinguisher and spill kit.

No advertising decals or commercial displays are allowed.

## Insurance

Vehicles must have a valid motor insurance policy which provides as a minimum, Third Party Liability cover that complies with the Road Traffic Act. This can either be covered by extending an existing motor policy to cover the event, or, by purchasing additional cover provided under the Event Road Section Scheme, as an adjunct to an existing motor policy.

If a competitor has an extension to their existing policy, they will be required to sign a declaration that the motor insurance complies with the requirements of the Road Traffic Act. Any responsibility for a fraudulent or misleading declaration about existing cover lies with the competitor.

If a competitor wishes to purchase additional Road Section cover via the organisers, then they can do so prior to the event 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 and 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; and
- the vehicle has a valid MOT and is 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 contact@reis.co.uk providing the Driver's name and date of birth, the date they passed 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 in the event and remains under the control or direction of the event organiser(s). Cover will cease immediately if you are precluded, excluded or retire from the event.

The Event Road Section scheme is provided by ABC Insurance Brokers Limited and underwritten by Slipstream Underwriting a trading style of First Underwriting Limited.

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Total Payable for each vehicle is £24.00

This does not affect the Motorcycle entry as the ACU, to which all riders must belong, already provides RTA cover for their members participating in trials.

#### **Awards**

Awards will be presented as follows:

- Gold Medal: Completing the event, having attempted all tests and incurring no penalties
- Silver Medal: Completing the event, having attempted all tests and incurring no more than one penalty
- Bronze Medal: Completing the event, having attempted all tests and incurring no more than two penalties.
- Finisher's Certificate: Completing the event having attempted at least 75% of the tests, incurring three or more penalties.
- First Overall (Cars).
- First Overall (Motorcycles).
- First in Class (minimum three finishers in class).

## **Scoring**

Most sections will run on a pass/fail MCC style scoring system. However, some sections will be graduated 12-1.

For the overall scoring, a Fail on a section before the Restart will be deemed an 8. A Fail at the Restart will be deemed a 6, and a Fail after the restart but before the Section End shall be deemed a score of 3.

When calculating medals, to claim a clean on a 12-1 section, you must score at least the class median average mark on that section. If classes have less than 5 competitors, those classes may be combined.

## **Entries**

The entry list opens on publication of the ASRs and closes finally on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2024, or earlier if the maximum number of entries is received before this date.

All entries must be made using the Falcon Motor Club online entry system, completed in full and accompanied by the appropriate fee. Enter at www.falconmotorclub.com

The entry fee is £45

Entry and payment via PayPal online at: www.falconmotorclub.com

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Sort Code: 20-41-12 Account No: 90358436

Reference: MH24 followed by driver's name.

Entry fees can only be refunded if a notice of cancellation is received at least 30 days before the start date. There will be an administrative deduction of £ 5.00 levied – PayPal cancellations will be subject to an additional £1.30 PayPal administration fee.

The maximum entry for the meeting is 80, the minimum is 40. If the minimum is not reached, the organisers reserve the right to cancel the meeting. There will be a maximum reserve list of 5 entries on a first received basis.

Running order will be published in the final instructions - If you wish to run with another entrant please indicate on your entry and we will strive to meet your request.

### **Officials**

The Secretary of the Meeting is:

Denis Roffey 15 Abingdon Close Thame Oxfordshire OX9 3GB

Tel: 07713 322757 (before 9.00pm please)

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Other senior Officials are:

Steward: David Alderson
Clerk of the Course: Dave Middleditch

Scrutineers: Richard Tompkins/Ed Nikel

Marshalling Co-ordinator Emma Alderson
Course Opening Murray MacDonald
Course Closing Richard Tompkins
Safeguarding Officer Emma Alderson

#### General

All correspondence and event administration will be electronic and signing on for all competitors including passengers will be online.

At signing on, all car competitors must upload to the event portal an image of their MotorsportUK Competition Licence and a valid club membership card for both driver and passenger and where applicable, be prepared to show a current MOT certificate at scrutineering.

At signing on, all motorcycle competitors must upload to the event portal an image of their ACU Licence, a valid club membership card and where applicable, be prepared to show a current MOT certificate at scrutineering.

Provisional results will be emailed to competitors and passengers. These will become final on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 providing no protests have been lodged. Protests must be made in accordance with C5.1, but as this is an event with the emphasis on light-hearted competition, constructive feedback is welcomed, and formal protests discouraged...

All other SSRs of Motorsport UK apply as written.

Any competitor involved in an accident during the event must make a written report to the Secretary of the Meeting at the finish or within seven days of being classified as a non-finisher.

Driving or riding in a manner likely to cause offence to any landowner or other member of the public will result in exclusion from the event.

The organising team look forward to receiving your entry and seeing you on the event. If you are unable to enter, please consider marshalling and please do get in touch with the <u>Event Secretary</u>. Your contribution to the success of this event will be greatly appreciated by the team and competitors alike.

In accordance with the latest General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) we use your entry information solely to process your entry, provide you with information from Falcon Motor Club and to enable us to carry out our membership activities. Falcon Motor Club does not sell or allow external organisations to use your data. Photographs may be taken at this event and shared, including on social media. You may ask us not to take your photograph and or remove your personal information from our records and stop sending communications to you at any time.