



STROUD & DISTRICT MOTOR CLUB LTD

PRESENTS THE

MECHANICS CLASSIC ROAD TRIAL

Sunday 26th October 2025

SUPPLIMENTARY REGULATIONS



Peter Hayward, Clerk of the Course, on Viaduct 2022

The Stroud & District Motor Club welcome you and are delighted to invite you to join us in our 24th Annual Mechanics Classic Road Trial on Sunday **26th October 2025**.

The new team led by Peter Hayward and Mark Hobbs are excited to share with you the news that along with some usual sections from this lovely trial they have managed to secure some brand-new ones along with resurrecting an old one or two. The team also listened to comments regarding Mackhouse (Toadsmore/ The Vatch). This will not be used this year.

The Mechanics Trial will run on a Clubman's Permit.

IF YOU ARE NOT COMPETING IN THE EVENT, PLEASE CONSIDER MARSHALLING - please contact Gill Hayward on 07970 105208 to register your interest –

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SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

1. The Stroud and District Motor Club will promote a Clubman's Permit Classic Trial on Sunday 26th October 2025. The Meeting will be governed by the General Regulations of the Motorsports UK, incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FISA, these Supplementary Regulations and any written instructions that the organising club may issue for the event.

2. MSA permit – #204683 DOT: - Authorization granted.

3. The event is open to all fully elected members of the Stroud & District Motor Club Ltd. The event is also open to fully elected members of: - Camel Vale MC, Torbay MC, Falcon MC, Holswothy MC, Minehead MC, Midlands Automobile Club, Ross & District MC, Woolbridge MC, VSCC, Bristol MC, Fellside Auto Club, Ilkley & District MC, The Motor Cycling Club, Windwhistle MC and the Dellow register, Buckler register and the Pre-War Austin Seven Club and possibly other clubs not listed.

4. All competitors must produce a current MOT certificate where applicable. All car drivers and passengers must hold a valid Club Membership Card and a Motorsport UK RS Clubman's Licence (as a minimum). Passengers under 16 years of age will not be deemed competitors for the purpose of licenses and Club membership and will not be required to sign on. **Any competitor or passenger under the age of 18 will be required to produce a letter of consent from a parent**

or guardian before the event, which will be retained. Any passengers who occupy the rear seats of saloon cars must be not less than 2 years of age. H. Chart 7/T.4.1.5/T.4.1.6. Any child under 12 years of age or 135cm in height must be seated using an approved "Child Restraint". No passengers under the age of 14 shall be carried in an open car T.4.1.8.

All entries and declarations will be online and must be submitted before the end of **SUNDAY 19th OCTOBER 2025.**

5. The program of the event will be: -

Start: The start will be from The Fromebridge Mill, Frombridge Lane, Whitminster, Glos. GL2 7PB. **All cars must be scrutineered prior to signing on.** The scrutineer will be looking for the following: -

A VALID MOT (WHERE APPLICABLE).	THROTTLE SPRINGS	SECURE & SAFE BATTERY
TOW ROPE/EYE FRONT & BACK	TYRES ARE PERMITTED & LEGAL TREAD DEPTH	
SPARE WHEEL, JACK & BRACE	LIGHTS	NON-ALTERED BODY SHAPE (INCLUDING BUMPERS)
FIRE EXTINGUISHER 1.75LTR AFFF OR 2KG POWDER		COLOURED DISK
SPELL KIT	RIBBON	

Competitors and passengers must sign on at the start **at least 30 minutes before** their start time. Your start time will be advised in the final instructions. The first competitor will leave at 09:00 hrs. the rest at one-minute intervals in numerical order, although gaps may be left between groups of competitors. No time schedule will operate during the event.

NO pets are permitted in any vehicle.

Finish: The finish will be at The Fromebridge Mill, Frombridge Lane, Whitminster, Glos. GL2 7PB where the competitors will be required to sign off and collect their finisher's certificates.

Competitor's numbers must be handed in.

6. The Trial will cover a course of approximately 80 miles and will include up to 15 observed sections and 2 Special Tests on public roads and private land. A route card will be issued at the start. Competitors failing to follow the authorised route will be excluded. A route check will be operated during the event.

7. The event will consist of the eight standard classes as stated in the Motorsports UK rule T10 (but modified by the ACTC) as follows: -

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| Class1 | Front engine front wheel drive production car. These cars can be fitted with Torque biasing/Limited Slip Differentials for a trail period until December 2021 |
| Class2 | Production cars built prior to 1941, and the following MGTC, Morgan4/4 series 1, HRG 1100cc, HRG 1500cc, Ford Models (upright models to 1959) Ford Engines |

E04A, E494A, E4930A/B, E93A, E293A & 103E. The ACTC publishes guidance for Class 2 cars

- 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 Class 1 or 6).
(b) Vehicles built from pre 1941 components (except vehicles in class 2) and satisfying tyre regulations in T.10.11. The ACTC publishes guidance for Class 5(b) cars
- Class 6 (a) Rear engine, rear wheel drive Production Cars (except vehicles in class 4)
(b) Front engine, Production cars fitted with a torque biasing differential 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.
(b) Rear engine, Production Cars fitted with a torque biasing differential as standard equipment, or any other form of traction control as standard equipment, throughout that model range and unavailable without it from stock.
(c) Front engine. Cars manufactured on a limited basis conforming to an accepted specification. Where modified beyond the acceptable 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.
(i) Have the rearmost part of the front seat cushions forward of any part of the rear tyres.
(ii) Have a wheelbase of 90ins (228.6 cm) or greater
- Class 8. (a). Non-Production cars.
(b). Rear engine Cars (except vehicles in Class 4, 6 or 7)
(c). Front engine, cars manufactured on a limited basis (except vehicles in class 7) including those which have: -
(i) Have the rearmost part of the front seat cushions rearward of any part of the rear tyres.
(ii) A wheelbase of less than 90in. (228.6 cm.)
- Class 90 Suzuki X90 2WD only. Vehicles to have original engine block

7.1 All vehicles must comply with all Motorsports UK Technical Regulations for Classic Trials and ACTC Rules and Regulations.

All tyres including spares

“Standard tyres must be used, and all types of Grip Town & Country block patterns are prohibited. Radial tyres with a maximum tread gap exceeding 8mm are prohibited. A tyre will be deemed to have a block gap not exceeding 8mm if when fitted to a rim and inflated to 25psi an 8mm round

bar will stick in the gap when horizontal. Purely circumferential gaps may be ignored” (see Chapter 17, Appendix 3, Regulation 7.7 www.actc.org.uk)
 In an effort to prevent excess soil erosion and with the lack of rainfall this year we ask you to help us to look after our AONB’s so we kindly ask that you **DO NOT USE** KINGPING 4KS, MAXXIS 751, MATADOR MP300, KUHMO VENTURE, NANKANG FT7’S, YOKOHAMA GEOLANDERS, HANKOOK DINAPRO AND A008HF. Competitors who do run these tyres may face a PSI handicap of up to 10Psi

Fire extinguishers to a level of safety specified in K.3.2 are mandatory and must be fixed within reach of the crew. 1.75ltr AFFF or 2kg powder minimum. Where space is limited, 2 x 1ltr AFFF or 2 x 1kg powder is also permitted. Scrutineering of a vehicle will not imply that this car complies with all Motorsports UK Technical Regulations for Classic Trials and ACTC Rules and Regulations.

7.2 M.C.C. class exemption certificates accepted.

8. Awards will be presented as follows: -

First Overall	Mechanics Trophy and Replica
Best Performance By a S&DMC member	Ken Hobbs Trophy and Replica
First in Class	An award
Second in class	An award (Subject to 6 or more starters)
Third in class	An award (Subject to 10 or more starters)
Team Award	Stroud News and Journal Cup and Replica, (Subject to 3 or more team starters)
Lady’s Award	Lansdown Motor Cup & Replica, (Subject to 3 lady competitors)
Best Austin 7	An award (Subject to 3 or more starters)
Best Buckler	An award (Subject to 3 or more starters)
Best Dellow	An award (Subject to 3 or more starters)
Finishers Certificate	To each signed off competitor and passenger(s).

8.1 No competitor may win more than one award, other than the team award.

8.2 All Major trophies will be retained for 10 months (OR LESS IF THEIR RETURN IS REQUESTED BY THE CLUB)

8.3 Awards will be presented at the Annual Dinner Dance and Award Presentation of the Stroud and District Motor Club to be held in December 2025.

9. The entry list opens on publication of these Supplementary Regulation and closes on Sunday 19th October 2025. The entry fee is £45.00 (not including insurance please see point 18 below).

Entries must be on the official Entry Form on line at My Clubhouse and should be accompanied by the appropriate fee in full. (If you struggle to get onto My Clubhouse then please contact

Paul Watson on 07496 603886 or Jon Ellwood on 07425 389009

10. The maximum entry for the meeting is 60. The minimum entry is 30. The minimum entry in a class is 3. Should any of the minimum figures not be met the organisers have the right to either cancel the event or amalgamate the classes as necessary. Entries will be selected on a first come first served basis. You WILL be advised upon receipt of entry if the maximum number of entries has been received and you are a reserve competitor for the event. Entry fees may be refunded up to the closing date, less £10.00 to cover administration costs. Running order will be decided by ballot. (see entry form)

11. Officials for the event are: -

Clerk of the Course	Peter Hayward
Assistant Clerk of the Course	Mark Hobbs
Scrutineer	Peter Hayward
Chief Marshal	Gill Hayward
Secretary of the Meeting	Amanda Ferin-Hobbs
Club Steward	Andrew Knightly-Brown
Safeguarding Officer	Gill Hayward
Closing Vehicle	Steve Johnson
Last Vehicle	Sam & Andy Keyes

12. Provisional results will be published as soon as possible after the event. Any protest must be lodged as soon as possible after the event, in accordance with the 2025 Motorsports UK Yearbook.

13. Starting numbers will be allocated as soon as possible after the close of entries. Competitors will be identified by a number, which will be provided by the organisers at the start. This is to be affixed in a prominent position to the front and rear of the vehicle. It is the competitor's responsibility to ensure that the numbers are readable throughout the event. Other means of identification may be supplied at the start and must be fixed to the front of the vehicle in a prominent position.

14. Marking and penalties marks lost system will be applied for overall performance. Failure of a stop and restart will incur penalties appropriate to that part of the section. Slowest time + 15 seconds.

In the event of a tie this will be resolved in favour of the competitor making the best time on the special test. If a tie is still unresolved it will be decided in favour of the competitor with the smaller engine. **ALL MARKER POSTS COUNT.**

Penalties will be as follows: -

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| a) 5 points | Each minute late in reporting at the start. |
| b) 6 points | Failing in an observed section that is not subdivided. |
| c) 12 to 1 point | Failing an observed section that is subdivided. |
| d) 12 points | Not attempting or not being ready to attempt an observed section or special test when asked to do so. |
| e) 12 points | Not complying with reasonable instruction from an official for which a penalty is not otherwise stipulated and provided warning of a penalty is given. |
| f) 12 points | Driver or passenger not seated correctly. |
| g) 12 points | Causing undue noise at any point. |
| h) 6 points | Leaving a car unattended in a queue for an observed section or special test. |
| i) EXCLUSION | Second offence under h. |
| j) 12 points | Any member of the crew walking past the 12-marker board of any section. |

15. All vehicles must be capable of having a tow rope quickly and firmly attached front and back, this will be inspected by the scrutineer.

16. All vehicles must have an effective silencer fitted. Any vehicle considered by the scrutineer to be too noisy will NOT be allowed to start. Noise checks will be operated during the event. In addition to the Judges of the Fact or in the opinion of any chief official at an observed section, special test or travelling marshal, a competitor's vehicle is making excessive noise liable to cause disturbance to the general public, that competitor may be requested to take immediate action to prevent continuance of the excessive noise and be penalised in accordance with SR16.

17. Insurance valid for this event is mandatory. Stroud & District Motor Club will obtain a blanket certificate of insurance from Kingfisher Motorsport Insurance to provide, to those car competitors who need to use the scheme, "Third Party Cover" to meet Road Traffic Act requirements on the road sections of the event. The basic rate before any loadings is £43.00 inclusive of tax.

If you wish to use the Kingfisher Motorsport Insurance scheme, and you comply with all the following Declaration points, **please pay the above amount when entering and then sign the insurance form at the start of the event.** No Letter of Acceptance will be issued. Automatic acceptance will be given to all competitors meeting the following Driver Eligibility Criteria:-

- Age 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.

- Does not have the Third-Party extension cover on their existing motor policy.
- Drive a vehicle with a valid MOT and taxed for the road, unless exempt from doing so.
- All Competitors must be a named driver on a valid motor insurance policy for the vehicle they are driving and do not have the Third-Party Extension cover on their existing motor policy.

Competitors not meeting the eligibility criteria must obtain a Letter of Acceptance prior to the event and present evidence of such at the signing on process by sending an email requesting approval via your Broker and provide the following information: -

Driver's full name and their date of birth.

Date the driver passed their driving test.

Details of any motoring convictions and/or claims.

CONDITIONS

For this insurance cover to apply each driver must: -

Have a valid UK driving licence.

Have a valid MSUK or appropriate membership licence.

Hold a valid motor insurance policy for the vehicle they are driving.

Have officially signed on, met the eligibility criteria of the insurance scheme and paid their premium to the policyholder.

Competitors may make their own insurance arrangements, but this must include RTA cover while competing in this event.

Event insurance covering Third Party damage whilst on private land currently carries an excess of £450 per incident (see Appendix 2, paragraph 3, sub-paragraph three, of the 2021 Motorsport UK Yearbook). The organising Club reserves the right to recover the cost of repair of any third-party damage, up to a maximum of £450 per incident, from the entrant of any vehicle which causes such damage.

18. General

The only pressurised container in the passenger compartment or fitted externally to the car shall be a fire extinguisher which is compulsory. Properly fitted containers for tyre inflation must only be filled with an inert gas.

No competing vehicle will be allowed to carry advertising material or commercial displays.

Any vehicle whose appearance or condition is below a standard appropriate to the event will not be allowed to start.

All tyres including spares must comply with ACTC tyre list and Motorsports UK tyre regulations.

Petrol will be available near the start. Competitors are requested to avail themselves of this facility. Hot drinks and snacks will be available at the start. A hot meal will be available at the finish.

Any competitor overtaken by the course closing car will be deemed to have retired.

Practising on any section of the published route at any time is forbidden and any competitor doing so will be EXCLUDED.

Minimum tyre pressures may be imposed on the day depending on weather conditions.

19. Any competitors involved in an accident MUST leave a written report with the Secretary at the finish or send a written report to the Secretary of the Event within 7 days if a non-finisher.

20. Food will be available at the lunch halt at Wild Wick Street Farm Shop Café. There will be Pork Chipolata Hotdogs and seasonal Soup and crusty bread. Soup is vegan and gluten free. There will also be a selection of other items for sale.

For competitors who read these Supplementary Regulations I am asking them to tie a coloured ribbon to the front of their car. For competitors who do not read them they may incur a 10 Second penalty added to the 2nd Special Test.