

EASTBOURNE & RAM MOTOR CLUB

Presents:

The Autumn Autotest

at

Clear Hedge Farm, Horam, East Sussex

on

Sunday 29th October 2023



A Round of the Southern Autotest Championship

- 1 Eastbourne and Ram Motor Club will organise a grass autotest on Sunday 29 October 2023 at Clear Hedge Farm, Chiddingly Road, Horam East Sussex TN21 0JJ. (Map ref 199/572164)
- 2 The meeting will be held under the General Regulations of Motorsport UK (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA), these Supplementary Regulations and any written instructions that the organising club may issue for this event.
- 3 The event will be run under dual permits issued by Motorsport UK, as follows: -
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| Classes A to F | Clubman Autotest Permit | 133128 |
| Class J | Clubmans, Production Car Autotest Permit | 133129 |
- These will be on display at the event.
- 4 A round of the Southern Autotest Championship. Permit No. CH2023/A011
- 5 The event is open to members of the organising club and the following invited clubs: - Weald MC, Tunbridge Wells MC, Farnborough and District MC, Bognor Regis MC and all registered contenders of the 2023 Southern Autotest Championship.
- All competitors must produce a valid club membership card and RS Clubman Competition licence (as minimum). This licence is free of charge and can be obtained from Motorsport UK. Championship contenders must produce their championship registration card. No, applications for membership or Competition Licences cannot be made on the day.
- Entries can be accepted for drivers who hold a full RTA Licence and from drivers who are 16 or over who do not hold a full RTA Licence, subject to the vehicle meeting the definition of a 'touring car', have an engine capacity not exceeding 1400cc and not have forced induction.
- 6 The Production Car Autotest is open to all drivers who are 14 and over. Passengers must always occupy the passenger seat and wear a seat belt. (see M16.1 & M16.2 , M16.3 of MSUK Yearbook 2023). Entries may be accepted from Drivers who are 14 and over. However, for drivers not holding a full RTA (Driving Licence), the passenger must hold a full RTA Licence and be experienced in Autotesting. The vehicle used must be by definition a 'touring car' and not exceed 2000cc forced induction. (see M17-2023 MSUK Yearbook). If the driver holds a valid non-provisional RTA Licence, the passenger must be 12 years or over and be at least 135cm in height. The Production Class is designed to help young and/or novice drivers. (No 'other' passengers are allowed in the vehicle - ie strictly driver and passenger only).
- 7 Signing on will take place on the day. All competitors must be signed on by 9.30am on Sunday 29 October 2023. The tests will open at 10am.
- 8 The event will consist of at least twelve tests with two runs at each test. The best time from each test will count towards the results. Order of attempting tests will be optional.
- 9 Timing will be by hand held stop watches. All tests will be timed to 1/10th of a second. The starting signal will be oral. Timing will start when the leading wheel of the front axle crosses the start line and finish when the leading wheel on the front axle crosses the finish line. All marshals are judges of fact.
- 10 The tests will be marked using cones for start and finish boxes and markers, which may not be 1m in height but will be clearly visible.
- 11 Passengers are not permitted to be carried other than for competitors in Class J.
- 12 All competing cars must comply with Section M, Regulation 4 of the Motorsport UK Yearbook and be fitted with road pattern tyres only. Any vehicle fitted with tyres which the organisers deem unsuitable will not be allowed to compete. THIS MEANS NO KNOBBLIES!
- 13 The event will consist of 6 classes:
- A Front wheel drive Touring Cars upto and including 3.66m (12ft) overall length
 - B Front wheel drive Touring Cars over 3.66m (12ft) overall length and under 4.1m (13ft 5.75 in)
 - C Front wheel drive Touring Cars over 4.1m (13ft 5.75 in) overall length
 - D: Rear wheel drive Touring Cars
 - E: Sports and Sports Kit Cars (including cabriolets with hood down)
 - F: Specials (Two-wheel drive only)
 - J: Production Car Autotest. For junior drivers – aged 14 to 17 who do not hold a full RTA Licence.

Road going cars in Classes A - E must be taxed and have a valid MOT, if required. Full interior trim must be retained but it is permitted to remove the rear parcel shelf, rubber mats, boot carpet and spare wheel. The organisers retain the right not to accept vehicles in these classes.

14 Practicing anywhere on site will not be allowed and anybody driving at excessive speed (other than on the tests) may be excluded.

15 Awards will be presented as soon as the results are declared final:

Fastest time off the day	an award
1st in class	an award
2nd in class (subject to 4 starters in class)	an award
3rd in class (subject to 6 starters in class)	an award
Best novice (subject to 3 such starters)	an award

Novice is any competitor who has not won a class award at an autotest.

16 Any protest must be made in accordance with the Motorsport UK Yearbook Judicial C.

17 Officials are:

Clerk of the Course	Tim Smith
Secretary of the Meeting	Ian Pinder
Scrutineer	Doug Foreman
Club Steward	Ray Miles

18 Penalties will be as follows: -

Not attempting a test	+20 seconds **
Not performing a test correctly+	+20 seconds**
Striking any marker per mistake	+5 seconds
Failing to cross or stop at any line	+5 seconds
Every second (and fraction) taken to complete test	+ 1 and fraction second

** Plus, the slowest by any competitor in the class making an attempt correctly on that run.

+ if a driver returns to their point of their mistake and then completes the test correctly, a wrong test does not apply.

19 The entry list opens on publication of these SRs and closes on Wednesday 25 October 2023. All entries must be made on the official entry form. Cheques should be made payable to Eastbourne and Ram Motor Club. Online payments can be made to the bank account stated on the entry form.

The entry fee is as follows: -

Classes A to F - £25.00

Class J - £10.00

20 The entries secretary to whom all cheques should be sent to:
Ian Pinder 21 Astaire Avenue, Eastbourne, East Sussex BN22 8UN
Tel: (Home) 01323 749580 (Mobile) 0787 9072374
Email: ianpinder@gmail.com

Entries can be made online at www.eastbourneandrammc.co.uk or emailed to the above email address.

- 21 The maximum entry for the meeting is 50, the minimum 15. Should the minimum number not be reached the organisers reserve the right to cancel the event. If there are less than three entries in any class, the organisers may amalgamate classes.
- 22 Provisional results will be published as soon as possible following the end of the event.
- 23 At the end of the event, a detailed spreadsheet of results will be emailed to competitors.

TOILETS

The organisers will erect the portable toilet tent for use. Anyone using it will be expected to sanitise it thoroughly for the next person, wipes and disinfectant will be provided by the club to do so.