

Launceston & North Cornwall Motor Club Ltd



40th LAUNCESTON CLASSIC TRIAL

LEW & EASTCOTT WOODS

SUNDAY 1st MARCH 2026

Cars Supplementary Regulations

Welcome to the 40th running of the Launceston Trial, we invite you to join us on Sunday 1st March. The trial will again run in its popular format as a single venue trial held in Lew & Eastcott Woods by kind permission of the Newman family. As always, we hope to produce a variety of sections, resting some, re-introducing some and varying others. We hope you can join us on Sunday 1st March and look forward to providing you with a good day's sport.



2025 Fulford Cup – Matt Facey



2025 Newman Cup – Alan & Patrick Keat



2025 Cycle Bowl – John Luckett

1. **Event** - Launceston & North Cornwall Motor Club Ltd will organise a Clubmans permit event under classic reliability trial regulations, The Launceston Trial on Sunday 1st March 2026.
2. **Authority** - The meeting will be governed by the General Regulations of Motorsport UK (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA), the General Regulations and sporting codes of the AMCA, these supplementary regulations & any other written instructions or regulations the organising club may issue.
3. **Permits** - Cars - Motorsport UK Permits have been applied for and NCR Chap 17. 10.1 will apply to the car trial permit so that classic trial rules can be applied.

Motorcycles - AMCA Permit applied for.

4. **Eligibility** – The event is open to any member or prospective member of the organising club. Please note for car entrants, both driver and passenger must have a current and valid Motorsport UK RS Clubman or higher-grade license.
5. **Start & Finish** - The trial will START and FINISH at Lew Woods, Lewdown, Devon, EX20 4PG (postcode is not very accurate) (Map Ref: 201/461846) What3Words for entrance: interacts.final.slurs

The whole event shall be run at this venue. Trailers and vehicles must be parked at the woods, where directed.

Fuel is not available at the venue so please fill up beforehand.

6. **Route** - The route is all on private land. Public roads will not be used to link sections. There will be at least 14 sections/tests. Motorcycle classes may have some different sections to car classes. It is the competitor's responsibility to attempt the sections in the correct order. There will be a break for lunch.
7. **Scrutineering and Signing on** - All Motorcycle & Car Classes - Signing on will be on the paper copy before starting the event at the start. No signing on = no start. Scrutineering will commence at 8.30am.
8. **Running Time & Order** - Motorcycles will start first and begin at 9.30am. car classes will follow, individual start times will be stipulated in the final instructions. Competitors will be identified by numbers. These should be fixed to your vehicle so that the number is clearly visible from the front and rear.

Your number will be supplied with the Final Instructions. Any competitor that retires should remove their numbers before leaving the venue. Competitors should have arrived at least 30 minutes before their scheduled start time. All vehicles must have a current MOT (where applicable). Competitors must be ready to start when instructed to do so, penalties will be applied.

Starting order will be motorcycle classes. Classes 90, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, 90, 6, 7, 8

9. **The event will contain the following Classes.**

1. Front engine, front wheel drive production cars (except 6)
2. Production cars built prior to 1941 including postwar cars as MCC/ACTC regulations and at the promoter's discretion
3. Front engine, rear wheel drive production saloons (except 6)

4. Rear engine, rear wheel drive production saloons up to 1300cc (except 7)
5. Front engine, production sports cars (except 1 & 6)
6. Rear engine, rear wheel drive cars (except 4) and front engine production cars fitted with torque biasing differentials as standard equipment.
7. Production cars modified beyond permitted limits as specified, AND rear engine production cars fitted with torque biasing differentials as standard equipment AND front engine cars manufactured on a limited basis conforming to accepted specifications and listed. These cars must have either of both of the following i) the rearmost part of the front seat cushion(s) forward of the rear tyres ii) a minimum wheelbase of 90"
8. Non-production cars – rear engined cars (except 4, 6 & 7) AND front engined cars manufactured on a limited basis (except 7) including those which have i) the rearmost part of the seat cushion(s) rearward of any part of the rear tyre and (ii) have a wheelbase less than 90"
- 90 Suzuki X90 vehicles. Running an original engine block

All vehicles must comply with the Motorsport UK Technical Regulations for Classic Trials.

10. Officials	Steward	TBA
	Clerk of Course	Nigel Cowling
	Secretary of Trial	Simon Riddle
	Safeguarding Officer	Elizabeth Barnebutt-Brown
	Scrutineers	TBA

11. **Entries** - The maximum entry for the meeting is 70 and the minimum is 25, split initially half cars, half motorcycles. Should any category be undersubscribed the balance may be made up from the other. Classes may be amalgamated for results if there are insufficient entries in a particular class. The organisers reserve the right to cancel the event if insufficient entries are received.

The entry list opens on publication of these regulations and closes finally on **SUNDAY 22nd FEBRUARY 2026**. (No entries can be accepted after this date or on the day.) Entry fees will be refunded less an admin fee if withdrawn before the closing date.

The entry fee for all car classes is £28.00 + £12.00 (for those not already members for 2026).

Entries to be made online or by e-mailing a photo or scan of the entry form followed by a BACS payment. Please note an entry won't be accepted until payment is received.

Bank: Natwest (**note – new details**)

Account Name: Launceston & North Cornwall Motor Club Ltd

Account Number: 20359616

Sort Code: 52 10 42

REF: LAU & Surname (eg LAUSMITH)

Final instructions will be sent to competitors by e-mail a few days before the event.

Entry fees MUST be received in advance of the event.

The secretary of the meeting is:

Simon Riddle Tel No. 07920 482078 E-mail: sriddle38@hotmail.co.uk

12. **Awards-**

The Fulford Cup to be awarded for best performance in classes 1 – 90.

A Class Award will be awarded to the winners of classes (Other than the winner above) subject to a minimum number of starters. No competitor can win more than one award. Other awards for merit may be awarded. Points from the event will be awarded towards the Cann Medland Trophy and Club Championship Bowl.

13. **Results** - Provisional results will be sent by e-mail within 7 days of the event.
14. **Appeals** - Appeals must be made within accordance with Motorsport UK regulations or AMCA regulations.
15. **Further info** - There will be a mandatory 15mph speed limit on all non-observed parts of the woods.

Sections will be subdivided 12-1, unless specified otherwise. Failure on any sections which are not subdivided will carry a 6 point penalty (unless different is stated on the route sheet).

i) Motorcycles will be marked as follows – a stop, or footing will constitute a failure at that point in the section. Footing is allowed for the first 3 metres from the beginning of the section and for the first 3 metres after a restart.

ii) Cars will be marked in accordance with the with NCR Ch. 17 App. 2 Art. 4; Ch. 17 App. 2 Art. 8.2 AND Ch. 17 App. 2 Arts. 12.2-12.4. except as modified below:-

iii) In the event of a tie, special test times will decide, should a tie still exist, the number of clears will count. If a tie still exists then the vehicle with the smallest engine cc will have precedence.

iv) All competitors – **marks will be lost for failing a restart test or hitting any marker, flag or post indicating a section boundary**

Practicing is not allowed, nor walking the sections, penalties will be applied. Only one attempt is permitted to begin a section or attempt a restart.

Vehicle advertising or sponsorship is not allowed on the event.

Cars should be fitted with a strong tow rope, if a tow rope snaps or the fixing breaks when being recovered a 12 point penalty will be applied.

Tyres must comply with Motorsport UK and ACTC regulations as appropriate.

All cars are required to carry a Motorsport UK approved fire extinguisher. The minimum quantity being a 1.75ltr minimum for AFFF or 2x1ltr AFFF or 2x1Kg Powder is permitted.

Tyre pressure limits may be applied to car classes only, at the organisers discretion on the day.

Any competitor involved in an accident must make a written report to the secretary within 7 days.

Badly prepared or tatty vehicles will not be allowed to start.

Note – strictly only the signed-on rider/driver is permitted to ride/drive during the event.

Follow the country code. Leave no litter, shut gates where instructed, take care near pedestrians, horse riders etc. and observe all official instructions and speed limits.

Race with respect - A socially minded standard of behaviour is expected from everyone within the motorsport community. By participating in a Motorsport UK event in any capacity you agree to follow the value of the Respect Code: The Values • Respect • Integrity • Self Control • Fair play • Good Manners I pledge to #RaceWithRespect and: Contribute to a welcoming and friendly

environment that ensures the safety and welfare of all participants • Always behave with integrity and uphold fairness in the sport; play my part in keeping the sport safe through my actions • Treat everyone with respect, regardless of their gender, ethnic or social background, language, religious or other beliefs, disability, sexual identity or other status • Recognise that we all represent the sport and therefore have a duty to be polite and respectful to all staff, officials, fellow competitors, volunteers, as well as fans and supporters • Respect the rules, regulations and authority of the officials and Motorsport UK Any breach of these obligations may result in disciplinary action.

16. **Any offers of marshalling would be greatly received. Please contact - Mike Wevill on 01566 784451 if you can help.**

NB – The use of motorcycles in the woods is restricted to entered or authorized vehicles only.