



79th TAMAR CLASSIC RELIABILITY TRIAL

In memory of Pete Cooper

Sunday 11th October 2026

"ACTC Trial of the Year 2025"

Launceston & North Cornwall Motor Club welcomes you to the 79th Tamar Trial to be held on Sunday 11th October 2026 catering for motorcycles, combinations, and cars.

We were delighted to be voted as 'ACTC trial of the year' for 2025 adding to the same success in 2019 and 2021, and have extended our efforts this year, we hope, to further enhance the trials reputation for the 2026 event.

The trial has been over-subscribed the last two years – so an early entry to secure a place is very much recommended.

In more somber news, our long-standing course opener and club member John 'Stan' Sandercock sadly and suddenly passed away this year and in a tribute, we have a new section this year named after Stan.

The 2026 route will see a few alterations, both the start and finish this year are from The Wilsey Down, with ample parking in the adjacent cattle market car park and we hope logistically this will make things easier for competitors. The favourites are included, and we have a several new hills and some returning hills planned along the route too, as we aim to continue to make the trial appealing to all classes and competitors.

Supplementary Regulations for Cars

1) EVENT ORGANISATION & AUTHORITY

Launceston & North Cornwall Motor Club Ltd. will organise a Clubman's permit Classic Trial on Sunday 11th October 2026. The meeting will be governed by edition 4 of the 2026 Motorsport UK National Competition Rules (hereby referred to as NCRs) of Motorsport UK incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA), by these Supplementary Regulations and by any other written instructions that the organisers may issue for the event.

Permits applicable are:	MS UK Clubman	208491
	D.O.T.	29422OC11

2) ELIGIBILITY & LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

The event is open to all fully elected and paid up members of Launceston and North Cornwall Motor Club Ltd. Competitors registered of either the ACTC and ASWMC Classic Trials Championship and a member of the following invited Clubs: Camel Vale MC, Holsworthy MC, Ross & District MC, Bristol MC, Eastwood MC, Exmoor MC, Falcon MC, Fell Side MC, Midland Manor, Minehead MC, North Devon MC, Stroud & District MC, Windwhistle MC, Woolbridge MC, The MCC, MG Car Club, Torbay MC, Ilkley & District MC, Pendennis MC, VSCC.

All drivers and passengers must produce a current Club Membership Card and a Motorsport UK RS Clubman's Licence (or higher), the RS Clubman's Licence is available free of charge from Motorsport UK. For passengers under the age of 18 only a letter of parental consent is required. The Motorsport UK RS Clubman licence is available on line at www.motorsportuk.org (a photo will not be needed). This is free but an UPGADED RS Clubman licence which includes enhanced benefits including Personal Accident Insurance when competing at permitted events is available at a cost of £24.99. (a photo will be needed for the Upgraded Licence). Passengers who answer "yes" to either of the two medical questions will be issued with a competition licence endorsed non-Driver.

The organising club offers passenger membership for £2.50.

3) START & FINISH

The **start & finish** will be at **The Wilsey Down, Hallworthy, Camelford, PL32 9SH**, ample trailer parking will be available in the adjacent cattle market car park (by kind permission of Kivells).

Fuel is not available at the start (closest before the event is Launceston or Plusha Services).

The route card will highlight various places for available fuel stops on the trial.

Refreshments will be available at the start, finish and mid-trial rest stop.

Scrutinnering and signing on will start at 7.00 a.m. Scrutineers will issue numbers which must be produced at signing on. SIGNING ON will be by signing the paper copy on the day.

4) CLASSES

1. Front-engined, front wheel drive production cars (which from 1/1/19 includes FWD vehicles fitted with a torque biasing differential)
2. Production cars built prior to 1941 and the following: MG TC, Morgan 4-4 Series I, HRG 1100 & 1500, and Ford models (upright models to 1959) E04A, E494A, E4930A/B, E93A, E493A and 103E. Dellow Mk1, 2 & 3 and Buckler Mk5 & 6. Pre-1941 cars holding a current VSCC buff form. Nonproduction cars built from pre-1941 components individually approved by the ACTC Technical Panel.
3. Front-engined, rear wheel drive, production saloons (except vehicles in Class 6).
4. Rear-engined, rear wheel drive production saloons up to and including 1300cc (except vehicles in Class 7).
5. 5(a) Front-engined production sports cars (except vehicles in Classes 1 and 6).
5(b) Vehicles built from pre1941 components (except vehicles in Class 2) and satisfying the tyre regulations in T.10.11.
6. 6(a) Rear-engined, rear wheel drive production cars (except vehicles in Class 4).
6(b) Front- engined production cars fitted with torque biasing differentials as standard equipment.
7. 7(a) Production cars modified beyond Permitted limits.
7(b) Rear-engined production cars fitted with torque biasing differentials as standard equipment..

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.

8. 8(a) Non production cars.

8(b) Rear-engined cars (except vehicles in Classes 4, 6, and 7).

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).

90. Suzuki X90 vehicles, running on original engine block.

For the purposes of these regulations the terms front-engined and rear-engined are considered to be relative to the position of the driver.

All vehicles must display an identification disc of the correct colour denoting class number; Blue, Classes 1 & 2, White, Classes 3, 4, 5, & 90, Yellow, Classes 6 & 7, Red, Class 8.

5) MANDATORY VEHICLE REQUIREMENTS

a) All vehicles must comply with Motorsport UK technical regulations edition 4 of the 2026 NCRs (Chapters 7 & 17)

b) The driver is responsible for ensuring their vehicle is roadworthy, taxed and insured for the event (see item 11)

c) Where legally required, the vehicle must have a valid MOT certificate

d) All vehicles must be effectively silenced, and tests may be carried out during the event. Also, if in the opinion of the Clerks of the Course, a competitor's vehicle is excessively noisy then they may be refused a start or, if having already started, may be asked to remove their competition numbers and retire.

e) All cars must have a strong towing attachment, front and rear, strong enough to withstand the snatch of a tow from a recovery vehicle.

g) All tyres, including spares, must comply with the latest ACTC Approved Tyre List and in addition any tyre with a maximum tread gap not exceeding 8mm may be used. Refer to edition 4 of the 2026 NCRs, Chapter 17 Appendix 3 Art 7.7.

h) Vehicles damaged on route and deemed un-roadworthy by any official will be required to surrender their competition numbers to the nearest available official and immediately retire.

i) Fire extinguishers to a level of safety specified in NCR 7.6 are mandatory and which are accessible to the crew of 1.75ltr minimum for AFFF or 2kg Powder. 2x1 litre AFFF, or 2x1Kg Powder is also permitted where space is limited.

j) The use of advertising decals and commercial displays on competing vehicles is prohibited.

k) All vehicles must carry a small spill kit, complying with edition 4 of the 2026 NCRs Chapter 7 Appendix 2 Art 22.15.

l) All vehicles must comply with ACTC Rules & Regulations; (<http://www.actc.org.uk/info/association/rules-regulations/>);

m) Camera or video recording device mounting security may be checked at Scrutineering.

n) All vehicles must comply with Construction and Use Regulations and where vehicles are required by law to have seat belts fitted these must be used when on public roads. It is recommended that seat belts are

always fitted and used on all cars.

o) Vehicles that do not comply with class requirements will be moved to another class or may be excluded from the results.

p) Rearward vision whilst properly seated within the confines of the vehicle must be possible. Vehicles with solid rear bulkheads or an obstructed view along the centre line of the longitudinal access must be fitted with either external rear view mirrors or a reversing camera which must be operational during the event.

q) MS UK Regulations, NCR Chap. 7. Competitors' minimum ages. Front seat passenger 14 years in open or convertible cars or 12 years for closed cars. Additionally, the rear seats of saloon cars can be occupied by the number of people for whom they were designed. Passengers who occupy the rear seats of the vehicle must not be less than 2 years of age.

6) RUNNING TIME & ORDER

a) Cars will run in the following order Classes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 & 90 in mixed order followed by Class 7 then Class 8, entries to be selected by reverse order of receipt of entry.

b) The first competitor will start at 8.01 a.m., with motorcycles starting first and following at 1-minute intervals and then the cars at 2-minute intervals in numerical order. **N.B.** Competitors must be ready to start after scrutineering. Late starting penalties will be applied to all competitors.

c) Individual start times will be confirmed in the Entry List sent with the Final Instructions, approximately 5 days prior to the event.

d) There is no time schedule for the road route and no penalty for late arrival at a section, except as stated in 6.5 below and Ch17.App2.Art15. Competitors may be penalised for "dropping back".

e) Any competitor passed by the official back marker/course closing vehicle will be deemed to have retired.

f) run with requests will be accommodated where possible

7) TRIALS CHAMPIONSHIP STATUS

The event is a round of the 2026 ACTC Championship and a round of the 2026 ASWMC Classic Trials Championship CH2026/T008 (E)

8) COURSE & SECTIONS

a) The route will cover approximately 75 miles on public roads and private land.

b) Approximately 15 observed sections are expected to be run, plus at least 1 observed test.

c) Observed Test(s) will count as a tie decider only.

d) Tests will be timed by hand-held stopwatches to 0.1 second. A penalty of slowest time in class plus 60 seconds will be added for failing the test, e.g. by hitting a marker or taking an incorrect route.

e) The route card will be issued with the Final Instructions and the use of maps is unnecessary. The official route must be followed throughout the event. The onus is on competitor for finding the correct route. The route is entirely covered by OS maps 190 & 201. Wha3Words will also be provided for section locations.

f) Route checks may operate during the event.

g) Most sections will be sub-divided (12-1). Unless specified in the route book, sections may not be inspected. Failure on any section that is not subdivided will carry 6 marks for failing unless stated differently in the official route.

h) Hitting of posts, markers, restart boards, tape or any other markers defining the route will be deemed a failure at that point on the section.

i) Some sections will include restarts for some classes. These will be identified at the start or in the route

book. Except where stated, restarts will be of the line type, marked by two 'R' boards. On the drop of a flag, restart, without rolling back, within approximately 10 seconds.

j) Tyre pressures restrictions may be imposed for some classes at some or all sections, depending on weather conditions. These will be advised in the route book and/or in writing on Notice Board at the start or by the marshal at the Section Start.

k) The organisers may apply 'scoring relief' for some cars based on class – if this is to be imposed it will be detailed in the final instructions and/or noticed at the start.

9) IDENTIFICATION, PENALTIES & MARKING

a) Competition numbers will be supplied at the start and must be fixed in a prominent, near vertical, position at the front and the rear of the vehicle.

b) These numbers must be legible throughout the event and be removed at the finish, or on retirement from the event, and handed in.

c) Marking and penalties will be in accordance with Motorsport UK NCR's Chapter 17 App's 2 & 5 (See also 8.7).

d) In the event of a tie, the quickest observed test times combined will decide the winner. If a tie still exists, observed test 2 will be used, if a tie still exists the vehicle with the smaller engine will win (the forced induction multiplier is 1.4). If a tie still exists, then the winner will be decided on 'furthest cleanest' from the first hill.

e) A 12-mark penalty will be awarded to any competitor who does not observe the country code. If you meet a horse and rider, exercise extreme caution and if necessary, **STOP and switch off your engine.**

f) A 12-mark penalty may be incurred for any member of the crew walking past the Section Begins board of any section unless assistance is requested by a Marshal.

g) Penalties may be incurred by competitors who finish significantly later than others relative to their competition number.

h) Officials including Observers & Marshals are Judges of Fact. Driving standards will be observed throughout the event and any breach of the Highway Code or driving by any competitor considered by any of the above officials to be inappropriate will be noted and relevant action taken including immediate disqualification.

10) ENTRIES

The entry fee for cars is £49.00. (excluding on-event insurance as needed – see 11)

Entries to be made using the online form, however paper copies are available on request.

Any paper copy submitted must be accompanied with the entry fee – or the entry will be refused.

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The Route Cards and Entry Lists will be sent out by e-mail (unless no e-mail is provided).

The maximum entry for the meeting is 90 (before reserves), split initially as 45 cars and 45 motorcycles. Should any category be under subscribed, the balance may be made up from the other. A reserve list may be run at the organiser's discretion.

The entry list opens with the publication of these regulations and full and finally **CLOSES ON FRIDAY 2nd OCTOBER 2026 AT MIDDAY or earlier if fully subscribed.** Should any competitor notify withdrawal of their entry by 2nd October, their entry fee will be refunded less an administration fee.

11) INSURANCE

Competitors are responsible for ensuring they have appropriate insurance cover in place for their activities whilst travelling to and from the Event, as well as during the Event itself.

The Motorsport UK Master Public Liability policy provides third party cover for activities falling under the Event Permit, but this policy specifically excludes any form of Road Traffic Act liability.

An additional third party “top-up” insurance policy, administered by Motorsport UK, is available to add-on for this Event which offers cover for Road Traffic Act liability for any sections of the Permitted Event that take place on the public highway. This policy provides cover to compliment but not replace your own motor insurance.

The acceptance criteria for this scheme are as follows:

- Drivers must be aged 19 years or older - Drivers must be UK residents for over 1 year, and have held a Full UK Car Licence for at least 6 months - Drivers must have not been banned from driving in the last 5 years, and no criminal convictions
- Drivers must have no more than 6 penalty points on their licence and/or no more than 1 fault motor claim in the last 3 years in their history
- Drivers must be a named driver on a valid motor insurance policy for the vehicle they are driving
- Drivers must not already have the 3rd Party Extension (top-up) for Road Sections cover already on their existing motor policy
- Vehicles must have a valid MOT and taxed for the road (unless exempt from doing so)
- Vehicles must be road going/road legal and have a UK Registration Plate assigned and attached
- Vehicles must be in the custody or control of the competitor and be participating in a motorsport event permitted by the Policyholder (Motorsport UK Association Ltd)

The fee is £30 for those accepted under the criteria above. Competitors who do not comply with any of the above criteria must contact Kingfisher Motorsport at motorsportuk@kingfishermotorsport.com as early as practically possible in advance of the event to discuss their application to confirm whether cover can still be offered and whether there are any additional terms.

All Competitors will be required to sign a declaration before the Event to confirm that they either have adequate insurance cover for the Event or need cover under the Motorsport UK top-up policy. If they do not meet the minimum eligibility criteria, they must have referred themselves to and been approved by Kingfisher before the start of the Event. Any responsibility for a fraudulent or misleading declaration about existing cover lies with the competitor.

12) OFFICIALS

Club Steward:	Mike Wevill
Clerks of Course:	Andrew Rippon, Nigel Cowling, Simon Riddle
Secretary of the meeting:	Jan Cooper 17 Trelinnoe Gardens, South Petherwin, Launceston, PL15 7TH Tel: 07765 416632 e-mail: janhoare99@hotmail.com
Scrutineers:	Ivor & Sheena Davey, Richard & Christine Bevan

13) RESULTS & AWARDS

Provisional results will be sent by e-mail within 7 days of the event or hard copy by post, if requested. Appeals must be made in accordance with Motorsport UK. requirements.

Awards as follows:

TAMAR TROPHY	To Best Car
CLUB CUP	To Best Car in Classes 1, 2 & 3
SALOON CUP	To Best Car in Classes 4, 5 & 6.
JOHN DELL CUP	To Best Car in Classes 7 & 8
SECRETARY'S CUP	To Best Car in Class X-90
LADIES CUP	To Best Female Driver/Rider.
PETE COOPER MEMORIAL CUP	To Best Car Performance by a L&NC Member
NAVIGATORS CUP	To Best Car's Passenger/Navigator

The above trophies to be held for one year, and no competitor can win more than one. All awards subject to a minimum of 3 eligible competitors (i.e. 3 starters). Other awards may be given at the organisers' discretion. Points will be awarded to the organising clubs' internal annual championships the Members Challenge Bowl and Cann Medland Trophy for L&NC members.

14) MISCELLANEOUS

The Motorsport UK policy statement on protection is as follows;

The child's welfare is paramount.

All children whatever their age, culture, disability, gender, language, racial origin, religious belief and /or sexual identity have the right to protection from abuse.

All suspicions and allegations of in-appropriate behaviour will be taken seriously and responded to swiftly and appropriately.

As defined in the Children's Act 1989 anyone under the age of 18 years should be considered as a child for the purpose of this document.

a) 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 7 days if a non finisher.**

b) Competitors are expected to ensure that the requirements of the Road Traffic Act are complied with in all respects.

c) Due to Landowners' concerns, no dogs are allowed on the Trial.

d) **MotorSportuk Respect Code** By registering all competitors & associates, officials & Marshalls commit to the Respect Code