



Fell Side Auto Club Ltd.

THE NORTHERN CLASSIC TRIAL

Saturday, 18th February, 2023

SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS FOR MOTORBIKES, COMBINATIONS AND THREE-WHEELER CARS

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The 2023 Northern Classic Trial has a compact route of about 54 road and 13 forestry miles around the Northern Lake District visiting many of the sections from previous years including Routen Romp and the infamous Sandale. We will use diversions and a few restarts to make the trial more enjoyable for all competitors. The start venue is at the Hope's Auction Mart in Wigton, they are geared up for farmers and we fit in well. Hot food and drinks will be available before the start and after the finish.

All riders wishing to enter must hold an ACU trials licence/registration and be a member of an ACU affiliated club

This year's event is Round 4 (Cars) and Round 3 (Motorcycles) of the ASWMC/ACTC National Championship. It is a great opportunity to score some points in very spectacular scenery

Should you be unable to enter this year, perhaps you would be willing to marshal. We can promise you an enjoyable day in the country, interesting cars and bikes, good company and great atmosphere.

Contact Myke Pocock at fsacnct@yahoo.co.uk or phone 01228 530555.

Up to date details of the trial can be found on our website www.fellsideac.co.uk
Whatever you ride, we are looking forward to seeing you on the 18th February.

1. EVENT ORGANISATION AND AUTHORITY

The Association of Classic Trials Clubs will organise a Classic Reliability Trial on Saturday 18th February 2023 in accordance with these Supplementary Regulations and any Final Instructions that may be issued. Motorsport UK, ACU and Department of Environment route authorisations have been applied for.

Motorsport UK Permit TBA

ACU Permit TBA

2. ELIGIBILITY AND LICENCE REQUIREMENTS

Motorcycles, Combinations and Three Wheelers

The event is open to all members of clubs affiliated to the ACU (see **15. ACU AFFILIATION MEMBERSHIP**)

3. MOTORCYCLE CLASSES

There will be 8 motorcycle classes.

- A** Solo motorcycles of British manufacture (engine and frame) (Including Indian built Royal Enfields)
 - B1** Solo motorcycles up to and including 225cc.
 - B2** Solo motorcycles from 226 up to and including 450cc.
 - B3** Solo motorcycles, not eligible for classes B1 or B2. These are: Montesa 4Ride, TRRS XTrack, GasGas Randonne, GasGas Connect, Ossa Explorer, Scorpa Long Ride and Honda TLR
 - C** Solo motorcycles over 450cc.
 - D** Motorcycles with touring or trials sidecars complying with ACU Regulation TSR8 -
 - E** Three Wheeler cars
 - OC** Novices, less trial prepared bikes and less rugged riders
 - 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.
 - X** Any road-legal solo motorcycle or motorcycle sidecar outfit that does not comply with Classes A to E, running for fun only – no awards
- Machines in Classes B1, B2 & C must have a minimum seat height of 700mm as presented at the start.

4. MANDATORY VEHICLE REQUIREMENTS

- 4.1 All machines must be taxed and insured for the event (see item 11)
- 4.2 Where legally required, the machine must have a valid MOT.
- 4.3 All machines must be effectively silenced. A noise check may be made.
- 4.4 All machines must have provision for the fixing of competition numbers in a prominent, near vertical position at the front and rear.
- 4.5 Any machine failing to comply with roadworthiness requirements will not be allowed to start. Vehicles which do not comply with class requirements will be moved to another class or excluded from the results.
- 4.6 The ACTC prohibits the use of advertising decals and commercial displays on competing vehicles.

MOTORCYCLE TYRES – ACTC SPECIFICATIONS

Tyres used on ACTC events must be suitable for On Road use. The Association wishes competitors to join in the spirit of the event by choosing tyres that are non-aggressive in appearance or destructive in use.

Tyres shall comply with the description and dimensions given in ACU Regulation TSR8.

Three-wheelers, if accepted in an event, may use motorcycle tyres as defined in ACTC Regulation B1.3 or tyres on the current ACTC Approved Tyre List for Cars, providing that the vehicle manufacturer's standard tyre section is not exceeded.

Motorcycles in Class C (only) are permitted to use Continental TKC80 tyres or Michelin T63 tyres

5. START & FINISH

- 5.1 The start and finish will be at the Hopes Auction Mart, Syke Road Wigton, Cumbria CA7 9NS. (Map Reference 85/NY266473, (W3W workshops. variation. memory) Hot food and drinks will be available at the start and finish. Fuel is available near the start of the event. Fuel will be available along the route, with a short diversion. Trailer parking will be available at the start
- 5.2 Competitors must complete an electronic signing on sheet, a scrutineering declaration during the week prior to the event. Details will be advised in the Final Instructions.
- 5.3 The following documents should be carried for inspection if requested – Club membership card, ACU trials licence/registration and MoT certificate if applicable.

6. RUNNING TIME & ORDER

- 6.1 The event running order will be announced in the Final Instructions
- 6.2 The order will be in order of receipt of the entry forms.
- 6.3 The first competitor will depart from the start at 08:01 am and the remainder at intervals in numerical order.
- 6.4 There is no time schedule for the event and no penalty will be awarded for late arrival at a section, except as stated in 6.5.
- 6.5 Any competitor passed by the official back marker will be deemed to have retired.

7. TRIALS CHAMPIONSHIP STATUS

The event is a round of the 2023 ACTC Trials Championship.

8. COURSE & SECTIONS

- 8.1 The route will cover approximately 54 miles on public roads plus about 13 miles on forestry and private tracks.
- 8.2 At least 12 observed sections will be run, and 1 observed test. Competitors in Class OC will attempt at least 10 sections, plus 1 observed test.
- 8.3 Observed tests will count as sections and as a tie decider:-
 - 8.3.1 In sections that are observed tests, a penalty of 6 points will be given for hitting a marker or for stopping except astride or across a line, as detailed in the route book, and a time equal to the slowest time in the class + 10 seconds will be given.
 - 8.3.2 Observed Test times will be used only to decide ties.
 - 8.3.3 The times of the observed tests will be aggregated.
 - 8.3.4 Observed tests will be timed by hand-held stop watches to 0.1 seconds.
- 8.4 An electronic editable route card will be issued prior to the start and the use of maps is unnecessary. The official route must be followed throughout the event. The onus for finding the correct route rests with the competitor and any competitor failing to do so will be liable to exclusion. The route is entirely covered by OS Landranger maps 85, 89 and 90.
- 8.5 Route and speed checks may operate during the event.
- 8.6 Most sections will be sub-divided (12-1). Unless specified in the route book, sections may not be inspected (see 9.6). Walking beyond the Section Begins board of any section is prohibited. Failure on any section which is not subdivided will carry 6 marks.
- 8.7 Except for observed tests, there is no penalty for striking markers, but you must not leave & re-join the section.
- 8.8 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 2 'R' boards. On drop of flag, without rolling back, restart within 6 seconds. Footing will be temporarily allowed but only up to the white 'footing end' post.

9. IDENTIFICATION, PENALTIES & MARKING

- 9.1 Competition numbers will be supplied by the organisers and must be fixed in a prominent position at the front and the rear of the vehicle.
- 9.2 These numbers must be legible throughout the event and must be removed at the finish, or on retirement from the event.
- 9.3 Marking and penalties will be in accordance with MSUK regulations T6 & T7, see also item 6.4 of these SRs
- 9.4 In the event of a tie, the lower or lowest aggregate time of the observed tests will decide the winner. If a tie still exists, the time in Test 1 will decide, and if still tying the vehicle with the smaller engine size will win.
- 9.5 A 12 mark penalty will be awarded to any competitor who does not observe the country code.
- 9.6 A 12 mark penalty will be made for any member of the crew walking past the Section Begins board of any section.
- 9.7 A 6 mark penalty may be made to any competitor who finishes significantly later than others relative to their competition number.
- 9.8 Any competitor deemed to be exceeding speed limits will be retired and disqualified from the event.

10. ENTRIES

- 10.1 The maximum number of entries will be 70 and the minimum 50. If there are fewer than 50 entries, FSAC reserves the right to cancel the event.
- 10.2 Entries will be selected in order of receipt.
- 10.3 The minimum number of entries for each class is 3. If this is not reached the classes may be amalgamated.
- 10.4 The entry list opens on publication of these regulations and closes on Saturday 11th February 2023 or before, if fully subscribed.

- 10.5 The entry fee is £55.00 for entries received by 23:59 hours on 22nd January 2023 and £60.00 thereafter. Payment via bank transfer is preferred: Account Name: Fell Side Auto Club Ltd, Sort Code: 09-01-29, Account Number: 34101869 Reference NCT and your surname (e.g. NCT Pyke). Cheques should be made payable to "Fell Side Auto Club Ltd".
- 10.6 Entry fees will be refunded (less an administrative fee of £5) provided that the entry is withdrawn on or before the closing date.
- 10.7 If the event has to be cancelled your entry fee will be refunded less £5
- 10.8 Entries must be made on the official online entry system, www.fellsideac.co.uk on the official entry form. If a copy thereof or an electronic copy is used it must be signed and accompanied by the correct fee. Motorcycle entrants must complete the ACU entry form in addition to the Fell Side form.
- Postal entries to be sent to:**
Mrs. Diane Veevers, 2 Barn Croft, Newby West, Carlisle CA2 6QY
- 10.8 Entries will be acknowledged **only** by dispatch of the Final Instructions one week before the event, **unless** your entry is accompanied by a stamped addressed envelope or a **valid email address** is added to the entry form. Results will be sent by e-mail where a valid e-mail address is provided, if you require results by post, please include an ADDITIONAL stamped addressed envelope

11. INSURANCE

- 11.1 Motorcycle competitors will have RTA Insurance provided by ACU. This will provide Third Party Liability cover that complies with the Road Traffic Act.

12. OFFICIALS

SECRETARY OF THE MEETING:	Fred Mills
ENTRIES SECRETARY:	Diane Veevers
CLERK OF THE COURSE:	Craig Asbridge ACU Licence 119608
CHIEF SCRUTINEER:	Chris Veevers
CHIEF MARSHAL:	Myke Pocock
CLUB STEWARD:	Peter Dive ACU Licence 14030
SAFETY OFFICER:	Alexander Jefferson
ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY OFFICER:	Alexander Jefferson
SAFEGUARDING OFFICER	Peter Dive

13. RESULTS & AWARDS

- 13.1 Provisional results will be published as soon as possible after the event.
- 13.2 Protests must be lodged in accordance with MSUK regulations and made to the Clerk of the Course.
- 13.3 Awards will be made for **1st, 2nd and 3rd Overall** and in each class as follows:-
First in Class (subject to there being at least 3 starters in the class)
Second in Class (subject to there being at least 7 starters in the class)
Third in Class (subject to there being at least 12 starters in the class)
 Other awards will be announced in the Final Instructions
- 13.4 No competitor may win more than one award,

14. PLEASE NOTE

- 14.1 This event is routed along and/or across public rights of way. **Competitors must exercise caution and reduce their speed accordingly near other path users. Be especially careful near horses - slow down, stop and switch off your engine.**
- 14.2 On official public rights of way, other users have priority.
- 14.3 Competitors are required to follow the 'Country Code'. Failure to observe this code may incur a 12 mark penalty and lead to disciplinary action. Special care must be exercised near livestock and gates **MUST** be closed after every competitor
- 14.4 Arrangements at the start venue are still to be confirmed, depending on the latest Covid-19 guidance at the time of the event.

15. ACU AFFILIATION MEMBERSHIP

Motorcycle competitors must have an ACU Competition Licence or ACU Trials Registration to enter this event and be a member of a club affiliated to the ACU. Fell Side Auto Club is affiliated to the ACU. If you have not already applied to the ACU and require assistance please contact Peter Dive 07484271245.

Accommodation in the Carlisle/Wigton Area

We aren't qualified to recommend any particular accommodation, however there are many hotels, guest houses and campsites in and around Carlisle and North Cumbria, details of which can be obtained from Carlisle Tourist Information Centre: 01228 598596.

Golakes.co.uk is an alternative site for accommodation.