

Torbay Motor Club



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The Torbay Trial
11th April 2021
ACTC 'Trial of the Year' 2018



Best Overall Car 2019 – Aaron Haizelden (Photo - Duncan Stephens)

SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

The Torbay Trial will run as qualifying rounds of the 2021 ACTC and the ASWMC Classic Reliability Trial Championships on Sunday 11th April 2021 and will again cater for Car and Motorcycle Classes.

The Start and Finish will be at Grammacombe Woods, Ashcombe, Nr Exeter; EX7 0QE.

This year's Trial will be shorter than previous events and is expected to consist of approximately 12 Observed Sections, mainly at four Private Venues with some Classic byway sections in areas where we would not normally expect to encounter members of the public. Ashcombe woods will feature significantly in this year's Trial. The timetable for the release of the Covid 19 lockdown has unfortunately meant that car passengers will not be permitted, and we are grateful to Motorsport UK for allowing a dispensation to run cars 'driver-only'.

Nevertheless, the event has proved extremely popular, often reaching full capacity, and to avoid disappointment we recommend that you submit your entry as quickly as possible.

The Covid 19 restrictions also mean that making an entry can only be made online at: www.torbaymotorclub.co.uk/events. The entry system has been significantly revised to make it as clear and easy possible, although we appreciate this is a 'step-change' as we all get to grips with 'going digital'. If you need help, please ask and the team will provide support.

A full refund of the entry fee will be given if the event has to be cancelled due to Covid-19 restrictions.

If you are not planning to compete but can help to Marshal, then please contact Dave Haizelden Clerk of Course – 07841 860121.

Hall of Fame - Previous Torbay Trial Winners

| Year | Overall Car | Best Torbay Member | Best Japanese Car |
|-------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| 2020 | Not run due to Covid-19 | | |
| 2019 | Aaron Haizelden (Scimitar SS1) | Adrian Dommatt | Brian Hampson (Suzuki X90) |
| 2018 | Craig Allen (VW Beetle) | Phil Parker | Nick Deacon (Suzuki X90) |
| 2017 | Brian Andrew (VW Beetle) | Edward Wilkins | Nick Symons (Mazda MX5) |
| 2016 | Craig Allen (VW Beetle) | Phil Parker | Nick Deacon (Suzuki X90) |
| 2015 | David Golightly (Moreton Brett Ford) | Phil Parker | |
| 2014 | Adrian Dommatt (Wolsley Hornet) | Keith Sanders | |
| 2013 | Dean Partington (DP Wasp) | Keith Sanders | |
| 2012 | Mike Chatwin (DP Wasp) | Keith Sanders | |
| 2011 | Nick Farmer (Cannon Alfa) | Dave Haizelden | |
| 2010 | Dudley Sterry (MG J2) | Dave Haizelden | |
| 2009 | Paul Bartleman (Troll) | Keith Sanders | |
| | Event not run between 2000 - 2008 | | |
| 1999 | Nigel Moss (Troll) | | |
| 1998 | Dudley Sterry (MG J2) | | |
| 1997 | Julian Dommatt (Dellow) | | |
| 1996 | Graham Greenwell (Marlin 2000) | Dave Haizelden | |
| 1995 | Ian Moss (Ford Escort) | K West | |
| 1994 | Ian Facey (VW Beetle) | Mike Tucker | |
| 1993 | Mike Workman (GV Special) | | |
| 1992 | Graham Watton (Talbot Samba) | K Tucker | |
| 1991 | Matthew Jones (Dingo) | K Lee | |
| 1990 | No event due to date change (Dec-Mar) | | |
| 1989 | Terry Coventry (V8 Marlin) | | |
| 1988 | Chris Reeson (Troll) | Greg Warren | |
| 1987 | Peter Wilson (VW Buggy) | | |

Torbay Motor Club – The Torbay Trial

SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

1. EVENT ORGANISATION AND AUTHORITY

Torbay Motor Club Ltd. will organise a Classic Reliability Trial on Sunday 11th April 2021. The meeting will be governed by the general regulations of the Motorsport UK incorporating the provisions of the international sporting code of the FIA and by these supplementary regulations, and by any other written instructions that the club may issue for the event.

DOT Authorisation Number: T.B.A.

RS Clubman Permit No.: 120399

The event is a round of the ASWMC Championship, and the Registration Number is 39/2021, and Round 5 of the ASWMC/ACTC Championship (National and South Region).

2. ELIGIBILITY AND LICENCE REQUIREMENTS

- 2.1 The event is open to all members of the Torbay Motor Club, competitors registered for the trials championships of either the Association of Classic Trials Clubs (ACTC) or the ASWMC, and members of the following invited Clubs.

Camel Vale MC, Holsworthy MC, Launceston & North Cornwall MC, Ross & District MC, Bristol MC, Exmoor MC, Minehead MC, North Devon MC, Stroud & District MC, Windwhistle MC, Woolbridge MC, Eastwood MC, VSCC, The Motorcycling Club (MCC), South Hams MC, Airedale & Pennine MC.

- 2.2 The driver will need to hold a minimum of an RS Clubman licence.

3. CAR CLASSES

The event will have the eight standard classes as defined in the Motorsport UK Blue Book, rule T10.

- Class 1. Front engine front wheel drive production cars (which from 01/01/2019 includes any FWD cars fitted with torque biasing or LSD).
- Class 2. Production cars manufactured prior to 1941, and the following MGTC, Morgan 4/4 Series 1, HRG 1100cc, HRG 1500cc, Ford Models (upright models to 1959), Ford Engines E04A, E494A, E4930A/B, E93A, E493A, and 103E.
The ACTC publishes Guidelines 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) Front engine production cars built from pre 1941 components and satisfying tyre regulations stated in Motorsport UK 'Blue Book' (except cars in class 2). The ACTC publishes Guidelines 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 is not available 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 original equipment or any other form of traction control as standard equipment, throughout that model range and is not available without it from stock.

c) Front engine, cars manufactured on a limited basis conforming to accepted specification (as defined in ACTC rule 4.2.2).

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 those in Class 7) including those which (i) Have the rearmost part of the front seat cushion(s) rearward of any part of the rear tyres, or (ii) Have a wheelbase of less than 90in (228.6 cm).

Class 90. Suzuki X90 Vehicles, running an original engine block.

4. MANDATORY VEHICLE REQUIREMENTS

4.1 All vehicles must comply with Motorsport UK technical regulations.

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

4.3 Where legally required, the vehicle must have a valid MOT certificate.

4.4 All vehicles must be effectively silenced, and tests may be carried out during the event. Also, if in the opinion of the Clerk of the Course, a competitor is too noisy then they may not be allowed to start, or if started may be asked to remove competition numbers and retire.

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

4.6 All vehicles must have competition numbers in a prominent, near vertical position at the front & rear of the vehicle.

4.7 All tyres, including spares, must comply with the latest ACTC Approved Tyre List and in addition any "Summer" tyre with a max tread gap not exceeding 8mm may be used.

4.8 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.

4.9 All competing cars must carry a fire extinguisher(s) (AFFF) of at least 2kg/1.75 Litre capacity.

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

4.11 All cars must carry a Motorsport UK approved Spill Kit.

4.12 All vehicles must comply with ACTC Rules & Regulations (<http://www.actc.org.uk/info/association/rules-regulations/>); please note there have been some recent changes and additions.

4.13 Cars - if you will have a Camera or Video Recording device mounted this must be declared on the entry form and the mounting security will be checked at Scrutineering.

4.14 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 fitted and used on all cars at all times.

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

- 4.16 **New rule from 2020:** 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.
- 4.17 **New rule from 2020:** Vehicles and occupants must comply with the Motorsport UK Covid-19 guidance which includes the carrying of Hand Sanitiser (min 70% alcohol).

5. START & FINISH

- 5.1 **The Start and Finish** will be at Grammacombe Woods, Ashcombe, Nr Exeter; EX7 0QE (nearest). The entrance off the public road is at MR 192/905796; additional directions will be provided in the Final Instructions. Trailer parking will be available.
- 5.2 Competitors must observe Covid19 social distancing requirements current on the day.

6. RUNNING TIME & ORDER.

- 6.1 The running order and numbers will be advised in the Final Instructions.
- 6.2 Classes may be mixed in the running order to allow those travelling long distances the option of a later start time.
- 6.3 The first competitor will start at 9.00 a.m. There is no time schedule for the road route and no penalty for late arrival at a section, except as stated in 6.5 and 9.7.
- 6.4 Any competitor passed by the official back marker/course closing vehicle will be deemed to have retired.

7. TRIALS CHAMPIONSHIP STATUS

This event is a round of the ASWMC Championship, Registration Number 39/2021, and provisionally Round 1 of the 2021 ASWMC/ACTC Championship.

8. COURSE & SECTIONS

- 8.1 The route will cover approximately 55 miles on public roads and private land.
- 8.2 Approximately 12 observed sections are expected to be run, plus at least 1 observed test.
- 8.3 Observed Test(s) will count as tie decider only. A penalty of slowest time in class plus 10 seconds will be added for failing the test – such as hitting a marker or taking the incorrect route etc. Test will be timed by hand-held stopwatches to 0.1 seconds.
- If this still does not resolve a Tie, then the “longest cleanest” principle will be applied.
- 8.4 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 191, 192 & 202.
- 8.5 Route 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). Failure on any section that is not subdivided will carry 6 marks for failing to clear, or 12 points for failing to get away from the start line.
- 8.7 Knocking the numbered markers (12-1), back markers or Restart Boards will be deemed a failure at that point. At the Marshalls discretion there may be some allowance where lightly touched. The “all wheels out” rule applies (must not leave & re-join the section). (See also 9.3)

- 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 two 'R' boards. On drop of flag, restart, without rolling back, within approximately 10 seconds.
- 8.9 Tyre pressures restrictions may be imposed for some classes at some or all sections, dependent on weather conditions. These will be advised in the route book and/or in writing on Notice Board at the start or by the Marshall at the Section Start.
- 8.10 To be classified as a Finisher 75% of the Observed Sections must be attempted and vehicle must return to the Finish venue under its own power for Competitor to Sign-off.

9. IDENTIFICATION, PENALTIES & MARKING

- 9.1 Competition numbers will be supplied at the start and must be fixed in prominent position at the front and the rear of the vehicle.
- 9.2 These numbers must be legible throughout the event and be removed at the finish, or on retirement from the event, and handed in.
- 9.3 Marking and penalties will be in accordance with Motorsport UK regulation MSA T6.4.3 (See also 8.7)
- 9.4 In the event of a tie the quickest observed test time will decide the winner. If a tie still exists, the vehicle with the smaller engine will win (Forced Induction multiplier being 1.4). If a tie still exists, then the winner will be decided on who went "furthest cleanest" from first hill.
- 9.5 A 12-mark penalty will be awarded to any competitor who does not observe the country code. If you meet a horse & rider exercise extreme caution and if necessary, **STOP and switch off your engine.**
- 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 Penalties may be incurred by competitors who finish significantly later than others relative to their competition number.
- 9.8 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

- 10.1 The maximum number of entries will be 80, initially allocated as 40 Cars and 40 Motorcycles but the organisers may transfer unused entry slots. If there are less than 50 entries in total, Torbay Motor Club reserves the right to cancel the trial.
- 10.2 The minimum number of entries for each class is 3. If this is not reached the classes may be amalgamated for the purpose of Awards.
- 10.3 The entry list opens on publication of these regulations and closes at 5pm **Friday 2nd April 2021**, or before if the entry is full.
- 10.4 **The entry fee is £38.00 (excluding on-event Insurance – see 11.1, below).**
- 10.5 **Entries will be submitted online** at www.torbaymotorclub.co.uk. Please log-in to your account on the website, enter and save your entry details, submit your documentation, and pay by Faster Payment Transfer (FPT).

10.6 'Signing-on' will be by self-certification. The Motorsport UK digital Signing-on, and Covid 19 and Scrutineering Declarations will be accessed from within the on-line entry process. Please note that ticking the box to 'Accept' and completing the relevant fields of the on-line entry form are both required to comply with this requirement. You are NOT required to complete the information fields in the pdf declaration file itself.

Competition Licence details may be validated with Motorsport UK.

10.7 Entrants will also need to upload images of their competition licence (both sides for Interclub or higher), club membership card and championship registration cards as appropriate. Guidelines for compiling these images into one document are available in a downloadable pdf file on the Torbay MC website, here:

<https://www.torbaymotorclub.co.uk/events/>.

Any further details required will be advised in the Final Instructions.

If you have difficulty in entering online, and/or do not have access to internet banking, please email David Arnold (vicechair@torbaymotorclub.co.uk) with your phone number and he will call you back.

10.8 Withdrawals are to be sent by e-mail to the Entries Secretary named in the event SRs or the Event Secretary (if different) only, (copy to fd@torbaymotorclub.co.uk), giving the reason for withdrawal.

10.9 Entries withdrawn before the closing date will receive a full refund of the entry fee.

10.10 Entries withdrawn after the closing date and up to 48 hrs before the start of the event may be subject to an administration fee of 10% of the entry fee.

10.11 Entries will be acknowledged by dispatch of the Final Instructions approx. 5 days before the event.

11. INSURANCE

11.1 Insurance valid for this event is mandatory.

Torbay MC will obtain a blanket certificate of insurance from REIS 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 (discounted rate negotiated by ACTC) is **£15.00** inclusive of tax.

If you wish to use the REIS scheme, and you comply with all the following Declaration points, it is only necessary to pay the fee and 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 criteria:

- Age 19 years or over
- Has held a full 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.
- The vehicle must hold a valid MOT Cert, current road insurance, and Road Tax, unless exempt from doing so.
- Anyone aged less than 19 years old will also be accepted at the same price should their co-driver be a more senior member of their family or over 25.
- All Competitors must be a named driver on the road insurance.

Anyone falling outside these limits can be referred directly to Reis Motorsport Insurance by calling 0115 965 1040 at least one working day prior to the event commencing – only in extreme conditions will insurance be refused, or the premium loaded.

- 11.2 Car competitors may make their own insurance arrangements, but this must include RTA cover while competing in this event.
- 11.3 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.

12. OFFICIALS

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| Club Stewards: | Dennis Greenslade, Rupert Barker & t.b.a. |
| Clerk of Course (Cars): | Dave Haizelden. |
| Dep Clerk of Course & Results: | Keith Sanders |
| Event Secretary, Entries and Results: | Keith Sanders & Dave Arnold |
| Marshal & Equipment Co-ordinators: | John Manser & Adrian White |

13. JUDICIAL PROCEDURES:

- 13.1. As far as practical, all judicial procedures will be managed digitally in the first instance and by open air meeting if necessary.
- 13.2 Competitors must ensure that a contact mobile phone number has been provided to the Event Secretary by 1800 hrs on Thursday 15th April; this will be used to make contact if required. Queries or protests to officials must be made in the first instance by SMS text to **07398 225880**.

14. RESULTS & AWARDS

- 14.1 Provisional results will be published and posted as soon as possible.
- 14.2 Protests must be lodged in accordance with Motorsport UK regulation O.5 and made to the Clerk of the Course.
- 14.3 All Car entries will influence ACTC & ASWMC Championship points regardless of being registered for these championships or not.
- 14.4 All car entries are eligible for the following awards.
Torbay Motor Club 1st Overall Car Award.
This will remain the property of Torbay Motor Club and must be returned by date of the Trial the following year. (A Permanent award will also be made for winner of this trophy to keep).
1st in Class award (subject to 3 or more class entries).
2nd in Class award (subject to 5 or more class entries).
Where there are insufficient entries classes may be amalgamated for the purposes of awards.
- 14.5 Discretionary Torbay Motor Club Awards will be given as follows.
Best performing Torbay Motor Club (car) member.
- 14.6 No competitor may win more than one award.
- 14.7 Awards will be available from approximately one month following the Trial.