

Farnborough District Motor Club

September Solo

Brooklands Motor Circuit

Sunday 10th September 2023



Welcome to the FDMC September Solo 23, which continues our 21st season of this enjoyable, low cost form of motorsport for road-going cars. For this, wour second round of our popular Solo Challenge for 2023, we are at the world famous Brooklands Motor Circuit.

Invited clubs and championships are listed in these regulations, or if joining FDMC to enter, there's an application form on our website (<u>click here</u>). And there's a reduced entry fee for drivers under the age of 21 – see Section 9. Please note the closing date for entries is the Tuesday before the event.

Note that the exhaust silencing requirements in Section 6, will be **strictly** enforced.

We look forward to seeing you on 10th September, we expect this event to be popular so it isrecommend entering in good time beforehand.

The Organising Team

Club Committee	Clerk of Course	Timekeepers	Event Steward	Equipment Officer
Secretary of Meeting	Entries Secretary	Media Officer	Scrutineer	Venue Liaison
Safeguarding Officer	Awards Officer	Toilet Monitor		

FDMC September Solo 2023: Supplementary Regulations

- 1. Farnborough District Motor Club Limited (FDMC) will promote a Clubman AutoSolo event on Sunday 10th September,at Brooklands Motor Circuit.
- 2. The meeting will be governed by the General Regulations of Motorsport UK (incorporating the provisions of the FIA's International Sporting Code); these Supplementary Regulations; and any written instructions that the organisers issue for the event. General Regulation (**GR**) references are to the 2023 Motorsport UK <u>Year Book</u> (*Blue Book*). A Motorsport UK Permit will be issued (ref tba).

The event is open to all members of Farnborough District Motorsport Club (FDMC), Boundless (CSMA), Bournemouth & DCC, Southsea MC, Dolphin MC, Falcon MC, Oxford MC, Basingstoke MC, Southern Car Club, Sutton & Cheam MC, Club Triumph, ACSMC Championship (No: 55/2019).

The event is a round of the 2023 FDMC Solo Challenge & the ACSMC AutoSolo Championship.

Further clubs may be added in the Final Instructions.

All drivers must produce a valid club membership card. A competition licence is required for Clubman events. You can apply on-line for a Competition Licence, there is no cost, and you will get a Competition Licence number by return email. Click here to apply for a RS Clubman Licence.

- 3. As per **GR MR22** (see page 224), drivers aged 14 and over and not holding a full RTA licence at date of the event may enter, providing they meet the requirements of GR M22 a), b) and c), as defined by Motorsport UK and here:
 - GR M22 a) The vehicle used must fit the definition of a Touring car, as defined in GR B (page 62).
 - GR M22 b) The vehicle engine capacity must not exceed 2000cc for normally aspirated engines or 1428cc for engines with forced induction.
 - GR M22 c) A passenger (the same person for the whole event) must be carried who holds a valid, full RTA licence, and be experienced in AutoSOLOs.

The appropriate passenger, as defined in GR M22 c) may enter the event in their own right, but may only act as a passenger for one non full RTA licenced driver.

If there is any doubt or confusion over these rules, please contact the Secretary of the Meeting or the Clerk of the Course for clarification BEFORE the day of the event.

4. Scrutineering and Signing-on will take place before the start of the event.

Gates will open from 08:15. You may bring a friend as pit-crew.

Tests are planned to start from 9.30. Latest recommended arrival is 8.30, when the entry gate will be locked; and any competitor not ready by 9.00 may be excluded.

Details of the location of the entrance to the site will be published in the Final Instructions Part 1, which will be emailed to entrants by Thursday before the event date. Details of the tests will be issued at the same time, you will need to print them for yourselves. On arrival, park in the paddock area and attach your numbers to your car (either race number decals on the doors or clearly printed A4 sheets inside the rear window).

- 5. **Classes and eligibility:** (Classes A to E, see additional eligibility requirements below, and note the class capacity splits).
 - A Historics; any car, registered or manufactured before 01 Jan 1980 (Entrants' vehicles will be classified into appropriate classes below for the purposes of the ACSMC Championship results)
 - B1 Other saloons / estates / 4 seat coupes, under 1000cc, but will be combined with B2 if fewer than 5.
 - B2 Other saloons / estates / 4 seat coupes, up to 1400cc
 - C Other saloons / estates / 4 seat coupes, 1401 to 1800cc
 - D1 Other saloons / estates / 4 seat coupes, 1801 to 2000cc (To be combined with Class D2 for the event results and awards, but combined with Class C for ACSMC Championship results)
 - D2 Other saloons / estates / 4 seat coupes, over 2000cc
 - E Production (open and fixed roof) 2 seat sports cars
 - F Lower volume sports cars, kit cars suitable for road use, and others ineligible for classes A to E due to modifications.

All cars must comply with **GR J5.17 & 5.18** (page 152). In effect, this means that exhausts MUST be silenced to normal road going standards. If, in the opinion of the organisers, a car exceeds an acceptable exhaust noise level, when being driven on the course, it will be excluded. A noise test may be conducted

on specific cars in accordance with GR J5.18.

Cars eligible for Class A shall run in that class, rather than in the corresponding class from B to E, but must also meet the **Additional Eligibility Requirements** as for classes B to E, as stated below.

Class F includes all Caterham, Westfield, Lotus, Clan, Ginetta and similar vehicles.

Diesels, with or without forced induction, will run in the class corresponding to their capacity. A petrol engine with forced induction, in class B or C, will move up one capacity class. A rotary engine will be classed at twice its nominal capacity.

Classes with fewer than 4 entries may be amalgamated for the purposes of allocating event awards.

All cars must retain the original body profile above the hub centreline, apart from accessories such as spoilers and wheel arch extensions.

Cars not conforming to this requirement, or one-off specials, or kit cars of an 'off-road' nature, or electric powered / hybrid electric / other-motor powered cars are not eligible for this event.

Suspension may be modified, within its original configuration.

In all Classes, tyres in Motorsport UK's current **List 1B and List 1C** (starting on page 216) may **NOT** be used, nor may tyres marked 'competition use only', or manufactured without a full tread pattern, be used. At the start of the event, all tyres in use must comply with Construction and Use regulations, having at least 1.6mm of tread across the required width of the tyre, as specified in **GR J5.9.1 to J5.9.6** (page 150) and **GR L2, L2.1 & L2.3** (page 212), whether or not the tyres in use are on List 1A. At any time during the event, **no tyre** in the view of the officials deemed to have damage to the side walls, or no tread pattern remaining, or any layers below the tread compound showing may be used, and shall be replaced with suitable tyres before further participation in the event.

Additional Eligibility Requirements, Classes A to E:

In classes A to E, cars must retain the original panel and window materials although accessories such as spoilers and wheel arch extensions may be added. They must have full trim and the original number of seats fitted although the type may be changed. The engine must be from the original manufacturer and of the original basic type (eg: BMC 'A' series) and fitted in the original position, but may be a different version, may be modified, and may be a different capacity, provided the car is entered in the class corresponding to its actual capacity. The transmission must also be from the original manufacturer and of the same basic type, but ratios and differential type can be changed, including fitting a LSD.

Cars not meeting all the above requirements are eligible only for Class F.

The organisers' decision will be final, regarding the eligibility and most appropriate class for any particular car.

- 6. As per GR M24 (page 225): cars entered in AutoSolos must be UK registered, taxed, insured, MOT tested if applicable, and driven to the event. NB: these requirements will be enforced. Proof of Tax paid from www.gov.uk/check-vehicle-tax; proof of insurance cover, and MOTs (for cars over 3 years old, but built after 1959) must be available at signing on. Trade plates will not be accepted.
- 7. **Awards** will be as follows:
 - First Overall: To the driver with the lowest total time An Award.
 - 1st in Class An Award.
 - 2nd in Class An Award (min 4 entries in class).
 - 3rd in Class An Award (min 8 entries in class).
 - Index award: To the driver with the lowest Index-adjusted total time An Award.
 - Best Young Driver: 1st driver under the age of 17 years on the date of the event (based on the lowest index adjusted time) An Award.

No driver shall win more than one award.

For the Index award and Best Young Driver award, the times will be factored by the following Index of Performance, based on the results of recent FDMC Solos:

Class	Α	В	С	D	Е	F
%	92	94	96	97	99	100

8. **Entries:** The entry list opens on publication of these SRs.

Entries Secretary is Neil Brown
Tel: 07808863755, up to 10pm
Email: neilbrown@FDMC.org.uk

9. Methods of Entry and Payment

a. Web Entry ONLY

On the FDMC website <u>Calendar page</u>, use the link to the Summer Solo entry page, where an entry form can be completed online and submitted to the Entries Secretary, together with a button for paying via PayPal or credit card. Any problems with making an entry please call the Entry Secretary, as above.

b. Entry Fee

The entry fee is £50 per driver or £15 for drivers under 21 on the day of the event.

Entries sent after Tuesday 5th September must add £5 late entry fee.

The maximum entry is 50, and the minimum 21.

Places can only be allocated to entries received by the Entries Secretary on the official on-line entry form and for which the correct entry fee has been paid.

Entries must be received no later than Tuesday before the event and the maximum may be reached before this date. Entries will be accepted in order of receipt, and in their order of payment, if applicable. FDMC member entries will have priority for the first 7 days after publication of these Regulations.

A list of entries received will be displayed and updated periodically on FDMC's website. Provided you have supplied an email address, entries will be acknowledged by email, and Final Instructions Part 1 will be issued by email by Thursday before the event.

If the event has to be cancelled for any reason, entry fees will be refunded less any unavoidable expenses. If a competitor has to withdraw, and gives reasonable notice, their entry fee will be refunded, as far as possible.

10. **Other Officials** of the meeting are:

Clerk of the Course: Neil Brown
The Secretary of the Meeting: Simon Taylor

Chief Scrutineer: TBA

Safeguarding Officer: Jessica Castle Jessicacastle90@hotmail.co.uk

Event Steward: TBA

Further officials will be named in the Final Instructions, if necessary.

- 11. Final Instructions Part 2 will be issued as part of the Signing On process, and will confirm more details of the courses, the number of entries and competition numbers allocated.
- 12. Timing will be by beam operated timing gear to 1/100 second or by stopwatches to 1/10 second if circumstances require. The starting signal is planned to be a green light, indicating that the competitor should start the test as soon as they are ready, without undue delay. Cones may be less than 1 metre high. Competitors will be identified by numbers allocated. These are to be affixed to an easily visible location on each side of the competitor's vehicle. Inside rear window is good where possible.
- 13. It is planned that competitors will have the opportunity for three attempts at each test, with the best two performances counting towards the results. Marking and penalties will be as per GR Table M.7 (page 226), as follows:
 - The penalty per marker/cone/cone base hit is 5 seconds.
 - A maximum time, eg for a wrong test, will be the fastest in class, on that run, plus 20 seconds.
- 14. As per GR M22 (page 225), a passenger must be carried where the driver is not the holder of a full RTA licence. The nominated passenger must be the holder of, and produce their full RTA licence at signing-on, and must be experienced in Autotest or Solos. They may also compete in the event. However, it must be noted that they will still be required to marshal on the same basis as all other competitors. No passengers may be carried by other competitors while competing.

- 15. The event format requires that all competitors shall also act as course marshals, on a rotating basis. All officials, and competitors while acting as marshals, will be Judges of Fact for the purposes stated in **GR M2.2 & M8** (pages 222/3), and will be signed-on (in advance) as officials of the meeting.
- 16. Provisional results will be published on-line at the end of the event. Any protest must be lodged in accordance with **GR C 5.1 to 5.7** (pages 73-4) by email.
- 17. Practising, or driving unsafely anywhere on the site, may result in exclusion. The "Off Course" site speed limit is strictly 10mph.
- 18. Cars must not be driven anywhere on the site by un-licenced or under age drivers, unless competing in accordance with SR 3, when they **must** be accompanied by the nominated passenger.

19. Directions & Facilities

FDMC's website will include Google map directions, on the Event Location pages. The event entrance should also be arrow'd off the B374.

Hot and cold refreshments will be available throughout the day from a food outlet in the Paddock or from the Sunbeam Café in the Club House. Please give support to this facility.

Toilet facilities are available in the Brooklands Clubhouse and other buildings around the site.

Please make sure you take home any litter or rubbish you generate during the course of the event.

** Your entry fee includes access to the Museum, so make time at lunch time to see a few of the famous exhibits **

20. Race for Respect

In line with this new Motorsport UK initiative, by entering the event all drivers will be bound by it and will be responsible for any crew or helpers they bring to the event too.

ENTER & PAY ONLINE:

www.fdmc.org.uk/septembersolo23