



Farnborough District Motor Club

September AutoSolo
Sunday
8th September 2024

Barton Stacey Parade Ground



Introduction

Welcome to the FDMC September Solo, which continues our long running enjoyable, low-cost form of Motorsport for road-going cars. This event is part of the Motorsport UK "StreetCar initiative and we welcome any and all #StreetCar registered members to take part or to come along and watch to find out more. We feel certain you will not be disappointed!

This, the fourth round of our popular Solo Challenge for 2024, is at Barton Stacey Parade Ground (SO21 3RQ) - click for [Google Maps](#).

Invited Clubs and Championships (where applicable) are listed in these regulations, or if joining FDMC to enter, there's an application form on our website, to be submitted with your entry. And there's a reduced entry fee for drivers under the age of 21 – see Section 9.

The Club has adopted a priority entry policy where FDMC members, Streetcar members and ACSMC Championship drivers will have priority entry for the first 48 hours after the publication of these regulations.

Please note the closing date for entries is Thursday 5th September. The exhaust silencing requirements in Section 6, will be **strictly** enforced. We look forward to seeing you on 8th of September, and as ever we expect this event to be popular, so enter in good time.

FDMC September Solo 2024

Supplementary Regulations

1. Farnborough District Motor Club Limited (FDMC) will promote a Clubman AutoSolo event on Sunday 8th September, at Barton Stacey Parade Ground, Hampshire.
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 2021 Motorsport UK Motorsport UK 2024 Year Book (*Blue Book*). A Motorsport UK Permit has been granted Number **12345**.
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.
The event is a round of the 2024 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 online for a Competition Licence, there is no cost, and you will get a Competition Licence number by return email: [RS Clubman Licence Application](#).
3. As per GR M22 (see page 211), drivers aged 14 and over and any driver not holding a full RTA licence at date of the event may enter, except for those disqualified, 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, and 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 will be face to face on the day, unless requested beforehand to be self-certified by email. Signing will be face to face on the day, unless requested to be self-certified by email in advance of the event.** Event timetable:
 - Gates will open from 07:30.
 - Signing on and scrutineering will start from 08:00
 - Tests are planned to start from 9.00.
 - Latest recommended arrival is 7.50, when the entry gate will be locked; and any competitor not ready by 8.30 may be excluded.
 - There will be a drivers safety briefing at 08:30.After arrival, go to the Paddock, space out with about a cars space between you all, attached your numbers. You can then walk the course.
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 5th September. **Details of the tests will be issued at the same time; you will need to print them out.**
5. **Classes and eligibility:** (Classes A to E, see additional eligibility requirements below, and note the class capacity splits).
 - A Historic; 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)
 - B Other saloons / estates / 4 seat coupes, up to 1400cc
 - C Other saloons / estates / 4 seat coupes, 1401 to 1800cc
 - D Other saloons / estates / 4 seat coupes, 1801 and over
 - 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 150). 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, and 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, one-off specials or kit cars of an 'off-road' nature, 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 1C (starting on page 200) may not be used, nor may tyres marked 'competition use only', or manufactured without a full tread pattern. 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 5.9.6 (page 148) and GR L2, 2.1 & 2.3 (page 196), whether or not the tyres in use are on List 1A.

At any time during the event, and in the view of the officials, a tyre deemed to have damage to the side wall, no tread pattern remaining or any layers below the tread compound showing, may not 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 an 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. If in doubt, or needing guidance, please contact the Clerk or Secretary before the day of the event.

6. As per GR M24 (page 211): 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 proof of MOT (for cars over 3 years old and built less than 40 years ago) 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.
- 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).
- 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 Best Young Driver award, the times will be factored by the following Index of Performance, based on the results of recent FDMC Solos:

Class	A	B	C	D	E	F
%	92	94	96	97	99	100

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

The Entries Secretary is

Neil Brown, Tel: 07808 863 755 up to 8pm, email: neilbrown@fdmc.org.uk

Methods of entry and payment

a. Web Entry ONLY

On the FDMC website [Calendar page](#), 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 £55 per driver or £15 for drivers under 21 on the day of the event.

Entries sent after Thursday 29th August must add a £5 late entry fee

The maximum entry is 60 and the minimum is 24.

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 Thursday 29th July; 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 members, StreetCar members and Championship driver entries will have priority for the first 48 hours after publication of these Regulations.

If joining FDMC to enter, there is an [application form](#) on our website, to be submitted by post, with the membership fee, at the same time as your entry. Sorry; at present, we cannot accept on-line membership applications, but maybe one day.

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 29th August '24..

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.

9. Other Officials of the meeting are:

Clerk of the Course:	Neil Brown	neilbrown@fdmc.org.uk
Secretary of the Meeting:	TBA	
Chief Scrutineer:	TBA	
Safeguarding Officer:	Jessica Castle	jessicacastle90@hotmail.co.uk
Event Steward:	Geoff Wade	geoffwade@fdmc.org.uk

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

10. Final Instructions Part 2 will be issued as part of the Signing On process, and will confirm details of the courses, the number of entries and competition numbers allocated that are changed.
11. Media: Photographs and video footage may be recorded at FDMC events. Any such media may later be used in our marketing, website, social media and other such activities. If you do not wish your picture to be used, please advise the Event Secretary by email at least 48 hours prior to the day of the event.
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 the 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. Bring some tape for the leading edge if required.
13. It is planned that competitors will have the opportunity for three attempts at each of the four tests, with the best two performances from each test counting towards the results. Marking and penalties will be as per [GR Table M.7](#) (page 212), 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 211), 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 or pay the entry fee to gain site entry (due to restricted on-site numbers). **No passenger may be carried by other competitors while competing.**

15. 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 70-1) by email.
16. Practising or driving unsafely anywhere on the site may result in exclusion. The “Off Course” site speed limit is a maximum of 10mph.
17. Cars must not be driven anywhere on the site by unlicensed or under-age drivers, unless competing in accordance with SR 3, when they **must** be accompanied by the nominated passenger.

18. Directions & Facilities

The finals will include Google map directions,

ANY QUESTIONS? EMAIL THE ENTRIES SECRETARY (SEE SECTION 9).

ENTER & PAY ONLINE:

www.fdmc.org.uk/septembersolo24

The FDMC Event Organising Team:

Club Committee

Clerk of Course

Secretary of Meeting

Entries Secretary

Timekeepers

Safeguarding Officer

Event Steward

Scrutineer

Equipment Officer

Venue Liaison Officer

StreetCar Ambassador

Media Officer

Could you help out at our next event? Then please talk to the Event Steward on the day about how to get involved – thank-you!

