



**LOTON PARK SPEED HILL CLIMB
PRACTICE DAY
SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS
2023**

HAGLEY & DISTRICT LIGHT CAR CLUB LTD

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1. **ANNOUNCEMENT:** Hagley & District Light Car Club will organise Hill Climb Events at Loton Park, Alberbury, SY5 9AG on the following dates:

DATE	PERMIT	APPENDIX APPLYING	NUMBER OF CAR ENTRIES
25 th March	Interclub	1	80

2. **EVENTS:** The events will be held under the General Regulations of Motorsport UK (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA), under these Supplementary Regulations and any other written instructions the organising Club may issue. At present we are unable to accept entries for Hybrid and Electric Cars as we are not able to fully comply with the current Motorsport requirements for safe handling of such vehicles. ALL competitors must wear overalls homologated to FIA 8856-2000, FIA 8856-2018 or FIA 1986 standard **and Gloves, material tested to ISO 6940 (K.14.3(e)) regardless of whether the car driven is classed as a Standard or Road car.**
3. **LICENCE:** The track licence for the 2023 season has been awarded (S/2023_267_01).
4. **COURSE:** The tarmac course is 1,475 yards (1,349 metres) long with an average gradient of 1 in 25 (4%) and steepest gradient of 1 in 7 (14%).
5. **NUMBER OF ENTRIES:** The maximum number of entries is as stated above. The minimum number of entries for any event will be **50**. Should the minimum entry not be reached by Closing Day the event may be cancelled at the discretion of the Club.

6. **ENTRY FEES:**

Permit	Fee: up to & including Closing Day
Interclub	£130

- For this event Closing Day is **as per Appendix 1**.
- Entries may be paid online by Credit/Debit Card or via PayPal or by a cheque made out to HDLCC Ltd. Cheque payments will be subject to an additional £2.50 processing fee.
- It is the responsibility of the Entrant/Driver to ensure that the information given on the entry form is both correct and complete. The Entries Secretary can only act on the information given.
- No entries will be processed until receipt of the fee. Notification of accepted entries will be sent out within 72 hours of the closing date.
- The Club will require a competitor to reimburse any costs arising from a cheque which does not clear at its first presentation. This minimum charge is £30.
- Entry fees include 3 personal passes, subject to Motorsport UK restrictions in place at the time of the event, valid up to 11:00 am. Additional payments required for camping (see **Section 24**).

Enquiries and cheque payments should be addressed to:

Hanna Goodyear – Entries Secretary
 Woodbury Grange
 Home Farm Lane
 Great Witley
 Worcestershire
 WR6 6JJ
 Email: entriesssec@hdlcc.com
 Telephone: 01299 890028 (16:00 – 20:00)

- 7. CANCELLATIONS AND NON-STARTERS:** The cancellation of an event as a result of circumstances beyond the Club's control e.g., insufficient entries, force majeure, foot and mouth disease, viral pandemic, dictates from Government and/or Motorsport UK will result in a refund of the entry fee less £25.
- In the event of a cancellation by a competitor of an entry received by the Entries Secretary the following refunds apply:
 - Up to and including "Closing Day" – a refund of the entry fee less a £10 administration fee.
 - After "Closing Day" – up to 7 days before the event, a refund of the entry fee less a £25 administration fee.
 - Entries cancelled less than 7 days prior to the meeting will receive a refund of £20 only, upon written application to the Secretary of the Meeting.
- 8. RESERVES:** Should an event be oversubscribed then those over the maximum number may, at the discretion of HDLCC be identified as reserves.
- Reserves not informed that they are replacing a withdrawal WILL NOT practice.**
- 9. COMPETITION NUMBERS:** Vehicles will be identified by competition numbers allocated by the organisers and confirmed in the final instructions/provisional entry lists. Numbers should be affixed to **BOTH SIDES** of the car in accordance with (S)9.2.5. which **must** be covered over when driving roadgoing cars on the public highway in accordance with (S)9.2.6.
- 10. PROGRAMME:** The times of practice for this event will be defined in the Final Instructions. Competitors are asked to note the times of Church services. Some car classes, to be announced by the organisers, may run during part of a service. However, there will be a prohibition on running engines in competing vehicles in classes that are NOT being run. Failure to comply with the appropriate official instruction may result in disqualification from the event.
- 11. TYRE CLEANING / SPINNING / TYRE WARMERS:** The spinning of wheels to clean and induce heat into the tyres is **only** allowed within the designated area after the marked pre-start line, however:
- **ALL tyre covers must be removed prior to approaching the start/tyre warming area.**
 - **The use of plastic wrap is prohibited.**
 - **Forward motion** must be maintained on each and every attempt and, any form of brake 'line lock' whether mechanical or electronic to facilitate this is prohibited.
 - The spinning of wheels outside the designated area may result in disqualification from the event.
 - The use of an external device or power source to pre-heat the tyres of competing cars, whether the tyres are fitted to the car or not, is prohibited.
 - Transmission warming/testing shall be strictly in accordance with (K)14.2.
- 12. SCRUTINEERING/CAMERAS:** All competing cars and drivers' safety equipment will be physically scrutineered, as pre-Covid-19 rules, unless Motorsport UK re-issue guidelines for the distanced scrutineering of cars as a result of further Covid-19 outbreaks. Further information will be given in the Final Instructions.

13. **PRACTICE:** Competitors are strongly recommended to walk the hill in their own time up to 15 minutes before the start of practice after which the hill must be clear for official vehicles. All drivers that have not previously competed at Loton Park **MUST** attend the **MANDATORY “NEW DRIVERS” BRIEFING** on the startline 15 minutes before the start of the meeting and must confirm that they have walked the course (H)32.1.3. Any driver who fails to attend, or who reports late for this meeting will be fined as detailed in (G)5.3.8.
14. **START PROCEDURE:** Cars will start singly at intervals. The starting signal is a red light followed by a green light. The method of timing is electronic by breaking a light beam at the start and finish. No more than two people at any time, in addition to the driver and Officials are allowed in attendance on each car in the identified start area, (S)9.3.5.
15. **RED FLAG:** If the Red Flag (or red-light signal) is displayed, competing cars shall come to a standstill when practicable and await further instructions from the marshals (S)9.3.7(a). At **Triangle Bend** and **Fallow Bend**, the red flag may be augmented with flashing red lights. **Penalties may be applied (C)1.1.6. for any contravention of Flag or Light Signals**
16. **FINISH PROCEDURE:** The finish line will be indicated by chequered boards. After crossing the finishing line follow the track to the holding paddock. Brake testing or practice starts are not allowed in the approach to or in the holding paddock. Return down the hill to the main paddock when directed to do so by an official. A static red flag will be displayed to indicate caution, drive slowly and be aware of marshals on, or in close proximity to, the course. If a red flag is waved **STOP IMMEDIATELY**. Competitors are required to wear ALL safety gear for the return downhill. Failure to do so is in contravention of (S)9.2.1.
17. **JUDGES of FACT:** Will be appointed (G)10.1, to adjudicate on the following:
- (S)9.5.8. (a) Unsatisfactory or False Starts.
 - (S)9.5.8. (b) Not following correct course, or dislodging a marker (flip-flop).
 - (S)9.5.8. (c) Balking
 - (S)9.5.8. (d) Noise
18. **RECOVERY:** In the event that a stricken car has to be recovered using the available Recovery Unit, equipment or marshals, care will be taken to minimise any further damage during the recovery. However, the Club disclaims any responsibility for any such consequential damage. Towing point(s) of adequate strength and size are mandatory, as per (S)10.2.15.
19. **RESULTS:** Times will be displayed in or on the Results hut adjacent to the Paddock. Results will be emailed or posted to all competitors within 7 days. Protests must be lodged in accordance with Motorsport UK Regulations.
20. **AWARDS:** There are no awards for Practice Days.
21. **SUPPORT CREW:** Competitors are deemed to be responsible for the actions of their support crew. Any transgressions of these Regulations by support crew may result in the **disqualification** of the competitor at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course.
22. **MARKERS & PENALTIES:** As defined in (S)9.5.4, the boundaries of the track at Loton Park are indicated by temporary markers (i.e., FLIP-FLOPS). Any competitor striking and dislodging a Marker/Flip Flop will have a one second penalty added to the time of their run for each dislodged marker. The third such penalty at any meeting will be either disqualification from the event or the timed run disqualified, at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course.
23. **ACCESS:** Loton Park (SY5 9AG) is located 9 miles west of Shrewsbury on the B4393 in the village of Alberbury. The gates into the park will be opened at 12:00 noon on the day before the event. Loton Park is a deer park, and the gates must be closed during the hours of darkness. If you arrive after nightfall, please ensure the gates are closed behind you.

24. OVERNIGHT CAMPING:

- Health & Safety regulations require a minimum gap of 6 metres between parked motorhomes, caravans etc. This regulation must be observed.
- The cost of camping is **£10.00** per unit.
- Payment of this fee is a condition of camping. Those wishing to camp should complete the relevant section of the entry form for themselves and their support crew, where appropriate. Arrangements for the payment of camping charges will be confirmed in the Final Instructions.
- Camping passes should be displayed on the side of the unit facing the access road.
- The Park must be vacated within two hours of the completion of competition on the second day. Camping is not allowed on the last night after the completion of the meeting.
- Trailers must be unhitched. Tow vehicles must be parked at 90° to the access road to allow parking spaces for other competitors. Any competitor found parking parallel to the access road will be asked to move.
- **It is forbidden to use the on-site amenities for the disposal of any waste material from Caravan, Motorhome, or any other camping cassette toilet. All waste so contained in these systems must be removed from the site for disposal. Anyone found to be failing to comply with this instruction may be asked to leave the event.**

25. DOGS:

Members of the public will not be permitted to bring dogs into Loton Park (with the exception of Registered Guide Dogs).

Our landlord has agreed to allow competitors to bring dogs into the park on the following basis:-

- a. From one hour before the programmed commencement of runs to 30 minutes after the final run, dogs must be kept in the motorhomes or caravans out of sight of the public. **It is not acceptable to leave dogs in cars or vans.**
- b. Dogs may need to be exercised in the middle of the day and this must be done outside the park. Wherever possible such dogs should be removed from, and returned to, the park by car. Identifying this intention to the gatekeeper will avoid embarrassment on return.
- c. Outside the hours identified in a., dogs may be exercised in the park within the area leased by HDLCC, identified by signage within the parking areas and not to the east or south of the track.
- d. **Dogs must be on a lead at all times when outside a motorhome or caravan and, when being exercised.**

The Club is grateful to Loton Park Estates for granting this concession, but it must be pointed out that it will be withdrawn if competitors do not abide by the rules. In the event of an incident involving a dog brought in by a competitor or their support crew, the offender will be required to remove the dog immediately. Should an unleashed dog worry game, the Gamekeeper will be within his rights to take appropriate action.

FAILURE TO ABIDE BY THE RULES ON DOGS AT LOTON PARK WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION AND REMOVAL FROM THE VENUE.

26. PADDOCK DISCIPLINE: In parts of the tarmac surfaced paddock, trailers, or tow vehicles (but not both) may be parked adjacent to competition vehicles. Competitors' cars or support vehicles must not be parked at the top of the paddock in the area designated for Officials and parking for the Disabled. Cooking appliances e.g., BBQs, gas/primus stoves etc. are not to be used in the paddock. Smoking is discouraged in the paddock because of the presence of fuel. Canopies are to be securely weighted in position. There are to be no fixings into the tarmac surface.

- When returning to the paddock after a run, **please drive forwards** into your allocated paddock space to prevent congestion and delays. Cars may be turned around later, provided no disruption is caused.

CAUSING DISRUPTION BY REVERSING INTO A PADDOCK ON RETURN FROM A RUN MAY RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION OR LOSS OF A RUN.

- Competitors wishing to leave the venue prior to the completion of the event must seek permission from the Clerk of the Course. However, **NO** trailers or tow cars may be brought back into the main paddock before the end of the event because of blocking access to other competitors preparing for their runs and access for emergency vehicles through the paddock to the venue access/exit. A pass-out will be issued by the gate staff to competitors or service crew wishing to leave the venue for a short time during the event.

- The riding of cycles or scooters or use of any wheeled appliance such as skateboards or hoverboards or Segways is not allowed at Loton Park for the duration of the event.
 - No competing or non-competing vehicles are allowed on the track out-of-hours unless on HDLCC business relating to the running of the event and authorised by the Clerk of the Course.
27. **CATERING:** On-site catering will be available, but competitors are reminded that Motorsport UK empower the Clerk of the Course, under Regulation (D)25.1.14, to authorise a Medical Officer to conduct spot checks on any competitor to ascertain whether alcohol or prohibited substances have been consumed.
28. **DRONES:** Drones or small unmanned aircraft are **NOT** allowed at this venue. Loton Park is within Low Flying Area N^o 9 allocated to RAF Shawbury as a Helicopter Training Area.
29. **LOCAL ACCOMMODATION:** Details of local accommodation can be found on the Internet.
30. **RACE with RESPECT:** By registering for the event all competitors and their associates commit to positively promote and demonstrate Motorsport UK's Respect Code which is appended to these regulations (**Appendix A**) underpinned with a code of conduct which is available here: -<https://www.motorsportuk.org/racewithrespect/>.

All competitors and their associates, Officials and Marshals must be aware of their behaviour and conduct at all times and any abusive language or harmful behaviour will not be tolerated. Any incidents must be reported to the Event Officials or Safeguarding Officer who will also relay the report to Motorsport UK.
<https://www.motorsportuk.org/racewithrespect/>.

31. **OFFICIALS OF THE MEETING:** Any changes will be notified in the Event Final Instruction.

Motorsport UK Steward	TBA	Chief Timekeeper	MMTS
Event Stewards	TBA	Chief Medical Officer	Adam Galluzzo
Clerk of the Course	Paul Richardson / TBA	Chief Marshal	Jamie Mould
Chief Scrutineer	Steve Walker	Secretary of the Meeting	Sue Thompson
Child Safeguarding Officers	John Mould/ Martyn Silcox	Entries Secretary	Hanna Goodyear

THESE PRACTICE DAY REGULATIONS ARE CORRECT AT THE TIME OF PRINTING HOWEVER ALTERATIONS MAY BE MADE BASED ON GOVERNMENT AND/OR MOTORSPORT UK UPDATES.

APPENDIX 'A'



A socially minded standard of behaviour is expected from everyone within the motorsport community.

By participating in a Motorsport UK event in any capacity you agree to follow the values of the Respect Code: [Motorsportuk.org/racewithrespect](https://motorsportuk.org/racewithrespect) #RaceWithRespect.

The Values:

- Respect
- Good Manners
- Self-Control
- Fair play
- Integrity

I pledge to #RaceWithRespect and:

- Contribute to a welcoming and friendly environment that ensures the safety and welfare of all participants.
- Always behave with integrity and uphold fairness in the sport; play your part in keeping the sport safe through your actions.
- Treat everyone with respect, regardless of their gender, ethnic or social background, language, religious or other beliefs, disability, sexual identity, or other status.
- Recognise that we all represent the sport and therefore have a duty to be polite and respectful to all staff, officials, fellow competitors, volunteers, as well as fans and supporters.
- Respect the rules, regulations and authority of the officials and Motorsport UK.

Any breach of these obligations may result in disciplinary action.

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APPENDIX 1: Interclub Permit Events

- 1.1 PERSONS ELIGIBLE:** All fully paid-up members of Hagley & District Light Car Club, holding a valid Motorsport UK (MSUK) Interclub or higher competition Licence.
ALL competitors shall declare their licence type on the Entry Form and bring the relevant document to the meeting.

1.2 PERMITS:

DATE	PERMIT
25 th March	Interclub

- 1.3 ENTRIES:** Open on publication of these Supplementary Regulations. Closing Days are:

EVENT	CLOSING DAY (MIDDAY):
25 TH March	11 th March (or when the maximum number of entries is reached)

1.4 ENTRY FEES:

Fee up to and including Closing Day **£130**