

**BTRDA®**

**Car Trials Championship - 2018**

**PROVISIONAL CALENDAR OF QUALIFYING EVENTS**

New!

			<u>Club contact &amp; 'phone no</u>	
March	3	Spring Trial	Windwhistle MC	07843 657848 Paul Brooks
	4	Golden Springs	Woolbridge MC	01305 260124 Mervyn Brake
April	8	Basil Elkington	Sevenoaks & DMC	01474 873628 Chris Judge
	15	Ivinghoe Spring	Falcon MC	(tba) Colin Reid
May	6	Warwickshire	Coventry & Warks MC	07814 809457 Steve Burn
	26 Sat	Derwydd	Bala & District MC	01490 420789 Emyr Hall
	27 Sun	Matthews Auto Salvage Trial	Caernarvonshire & Anglesey MC	07778 905571 Lee Matthews
June	10	Wyre Forest	Kidderminster MCC	01562 752950 Mac Roath
	24	Wye Valley	Ross and District MSL	01531 820761 Simon Harris
July	21 Sat	Cymru	N Wales CC	01492 584872 Dave Thomas
	22 Sun	HCC Wales	Clwyd Vale MC	07738 457471 Peter Williams
Sept	2	Ernest Owen	Owen MC	01527 576123 Tim Beard
	9	Gaby Mohr	Wolverhampton & SSCC	01902 844399 John Fox
Oct	7	<b>GRAND FINAL</b>	c/o Woolbridge MC	0115 9291728 c/o Neil Mackay

Championship contenders need to start in a minimum of five qualifying events and compete in the Grand Final Trial to contest the Championship awards. (please refer to the full Championship Rules at [www.btrda.com/about-car-trials/](http://www.btrda.com/about-car-trials/))

Whilst registered contenders in the BTRDA Car Trials Championship should automatically receive Regulations and Entry Forms for events, they will also be available on [btrda.com/championship/car-trials/events](http://btrda.com/championship/car-trials/events). Responsibility rests with competitors to ensure that events are entered as required.

The BTRDA promotes the most widely supported national Car Trials Championship, in conjunction with the best trials available and a format to suit all competitors. To compete, entrants will need to be members of the BTRDA and register for the Car Trials Championship, have a suitable MSA competition licence, a suitable car and a passenger (who will need to be a member of one of the invited clubs or BTRDA). BTRDA membership, including discounted special Trials Passenger Only Membership, is available online and by paper application from the following contacts:

**CAR TRIALS CONTACTS:**

[www.btrdamembership.com/](http://www.btrdamembership.com/)

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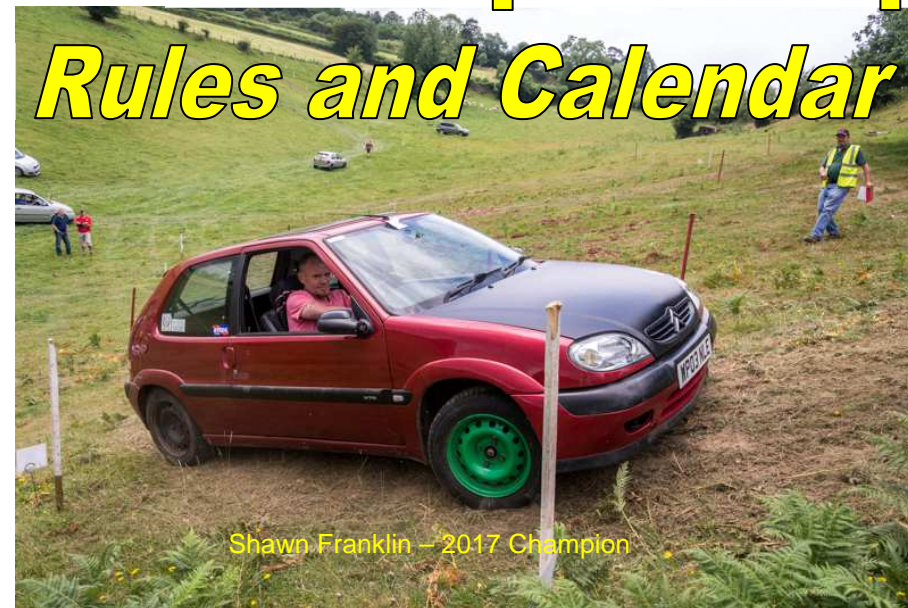
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# 2018 Car Trials Championship

## Rules and Calendar



Shawn Franklin – 2017 Champion

- \* Newcomers & Novices Welcomed \*
- \* Championships for all Grades of Drivers \*
- \* Class & Special Awards \*
- \* Classes for Classic Trials Cars \*
- \* Wide Choice of Events Geographically Spread \*
- \* Available for BTRDA® Allrounders Points \*

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## Car Trials Championship Rules 2018 (abridged)

The full version of our Championship Rules are available at [www.btrda.com/about-car-trials/](http://www.btrda.com/about-car-trials/) (downloads) and are available upon request from the contacts listed on the back page.

## 1.0 GENERAL (extract)

- 1.5 The Grand Final Trial is open to registered contenders who have qualified by starting in a minimum of five qualifying events in the Championship year. This minimum number may be reduced at the Car Trials committee's discretion in the light of any changes to the number or dates of qualifying of qualifying events; any reduction will be notified to contenders. See 4.4 Scoring.

## 2.0 CLASS ELIGIBILITY:

All cars must comply with Regulation T 9. Hereafter the term Production Car shall be taken to mean Series Production Car or Specialist Production Car as defined in Regulation B.

- Class 1: 2WD PRODUCTION CARS - CARRYING NO BALLAST  
2 wheel drive production cars, first registered on or after 1 January 1998, taxed for road use, carrying no ballast and having no modifications save as follows:
- the fitting of a sump guard weighing no more than 10kg (including fittings);
  - the replacement of wheels in accordance with Regulation T 11.12;
  - the replacement of tyres in accordance with Regulation T 11.12.5.
- Minimum tyre pressures on driven wheels: (see Notes 1 & 2)  
FWD cars: up to 1,200cc: 12 psi, up to 1,400cc: 14psi, over 1,400cc: 16psi  
FE RWD cars: 12 psi RE cars: 20 psi

- Class 2: FWD PRODUCTION CARS (Front wheel drive production cars not eligible for Class 1)  
Minimum tyre pressures on driven wheels: (see Notes 1 & 2)  
up to 1,200 cc: 12 psi up to 1,400 cc: 14 psi over 1,400 cc: 16 psi

- Class 3: (a) RWD PRODUCTION CARS (Rear wheel drive production cars not eligible for Class 1)  
These cars must have an overall first gear ratio which is numerically less than 17:1.

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Minimum tyre pressures on driven wheels: (see Note 1)

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| FE Sports cars up to 1,800 cc: 16 psi | FE Sports cars over 1,800 cc: 22 psi |
| FE Saloon cars up to 1,800 cc: 14 psi | FE Saloon cars over 1,800 cc: 20 psi |
| RE cars up to 1,000 cc: 22 psi        | RE cars over 1,000 cc: 26 psi        |

(b) KIT CARS AND MODIFIED PRODUCTION CARS (2 wheel drive cars not eligible for Classes 1 or 2) as set out below:  
These cars must have an overall first gear ratio which is numerically less than 17:1.

- o Front engine Production Kit Cars to approved MSA specification (Regulation B);
- o Front engine Kit Cars (where modified beyond Regulation T11) modified no further than the limits specified in Regulation T10 Class 7(c) and complying with Regulation T10 (except for T10.1 – MoT not required off-road) and with the ACTC approved specification (written evidence of such specification to be produced on demand to any event or eligibility official or Championship representative);
- o Modified Production Cars (not eligible for Classes 1 or 2) complying with Regulation T10 (except for T10.1 – MoT not required off-road) and modified no further than the limits specified in Regulation T10 (Classes 1 - 6).

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Minimum tyre pressures on driven wheels: (see Note 1)

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| FE Kit cars: 24 psi | FWD cars: 16 psi | FE RWD cars: 22 psi | RE cars: 26 psi |
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- Class 8: NON-PRODUCTION CARS  
(2 wheel drive cars modified beyond Regulation T11, modified no further than the limits specified in Regulation T10 Class 8 and complying with Regulation T10) (except for T10.1 – MoT not required off-road).  
CARS IN THIS CLASS WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR OVERALL PLACINGS (INDEX OF PERFORMANCE) OR THE GOLD STAR®, SILVER STAR® OR BRONZE STAR® CHAMPIONSHIPS BUT WILL BE ELIGIBLE TO COMPETE ON QUALIFYING ROUNDS (SUBJECT TO EVENT SR's) AND FOR THE CLASS AWARD ON THE GRAND FINAL TRIAL (SUBJECT TO THE CHAMPIONSHIP RULES).  
Minimum tyre pressures on driven wheels: (see Note 1)  
FWD cars: 22 psi FE RWD cars to ACTC Specification: 22 psi FE Kit cars: 26 psi RE cars: 26 psi

## Class Notes:

- Note 1. Any car fitted with a torque biasing differential or any other form of mechanical traction control as catalogued for that car must have tyre pressures set at 4 psi above the specified Class pressure. Any car fitted with an unmodified original equipment electronic traction control system will be allowed without the 4 psi tyre pressure penalty.
- Note 2. Cars with an overall length of 166 inches and over in Classes 1 and 2 may reduce tyre pressures by not more than 4 psi, subject to an absolute minimum pressure of 12 psi.

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## 3.0 NOTES:

- 3.1. The organisers of some events may include sections which are timed, have split routes, have different starts, have restart sections or other tests of a similar nature.
- 3.2 For Championship scoring purposes, Classes cannot be amalgamated.
- 3.3 Classes 1-3 and tyre pressures and regulations are consistent with those of the 2018 MSA British Car Trial Championship.

## Car Trials Championship Rules 2018 (abridged)

## 4.0 CHAMPIONSHIPS:

Championship Contenders are eligible for the Gold Star® and may be eligible for the Silver Star® or Bronze Star®. The order of precedence for the awards is as listed below; with the exception of Special Awards 1 to 4, no contender may win more than one award.

## 4.1 GOLD STAR®

- 4.1.1 All registered contenders are automatically eligible.
- 4.1.2 Scoring: (See below)
- 4.1.3 Award: To the overall Champion: The FLATHER PRODUCTION CAR TRIAL Trophy and an Award.

## 4.2 SILVER STAR®

- 4.2.1 The following drivers are ineligible for registration in this Championship: (i) those who are eligible for the Bronze Star® Championship; (ii) those who have within the previous 10 years won outright either the BTRDA Gold Star® or MSA British Car Trial (or PCT) Championships.
- 4.2.2 Scoring: (See below)
- 4.2.3 Awards: To the overall Champion: The PETER EASTON Trophy & an Award.  
To the runner up: The ALAN EADON Trophy & an Award.

## 4.3 BRONZE STAR®

- 4.3.1 The following drivers are ineligible for registration in this Championship: (i) those who, at the commencement of the Championship year, have won two or more 1st in Class or Overall awards in BTRDA Car Trials Championship events in the last two consecutive years; (ii) those who have within the previous 10 years won outright the BTRDA Bronze Star® Championship; (iii) those who have ever won the BTRDA Gold Star®, BTRDA Silver Star® or MSA British Car Trial (or PCT) Championships.
- 4.3.2 Scoring: (See below)
- 4.3.3 Awards: To the overall Champion: The MIKE HARRISON MEMORIAL Trophy & an Award.  
To the runner up: The DUDLEY Trophy & an Award.

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## 4.4 SCORING – GOLD STAR®, SILVER STAR® &amp; BRONZE STAR® CHAMPIONSHIPS

Scoring for the awards will be on the competitor's best six qualifying events plus the Grand Final Trial, the latter counting double. The winner of the Grand Final Trial (on index of performance) will also receive 5 bonus points. Points will be awarded from the Class positions on the following basis:

1st in Class	-	10 points	}	
2nd in Class	-	9 points	}	Points scored at the Grand Final
3rd in Class	-	8 points	}	Trial will be double
4th in Class	-	7 points and so on down to a minimum of 1.	}	

If there are fewer than four starters in the Class, the points score will be reduced by one point. Ties will be decided in favour of the competitor who is placed highest on index of performance at the Grand Final Trial.  
If the minimum number of events a contender needs to start is reduced per Rule 1.5, then the number of qualifying events to count will re-align therewith.

## 4.5 CLASS AWARDS: - To the winner of each Class at the Grand Final Trial:

- Class 1: The COLIN VALENTINE Trophy and an Award  
Class 2: The EADON MORRIS Trophy and an Award  
Class 3: The BILL MOFFATT Trophy and an Award  
Class 8: an Award.  
Second in each Class - with ten or more competitors in the Class at the Grand Final Trial: an Award.

## 4.6 SPECIAL AWARDS:

- 4.6.1 The MAC HAZLEWOOD Trophy and an Award to the competitor scoring the highest total number of points taking all qualifying events into account. Points will be awarded from the Class positions on the following basis:
- |              |   |  |
|--------------|---|--|
| 1st in Class | - | 10 points                                  |
| 2nd in Class | - | 9 points                                   |
| 3rd in Class | - | 8 points                                   |
| 4th in Class | - | 7 points and so on down to a minimum of 1. |

If there are fewer than four starters in the Class, the points score will be reduced by one point. A tie will be decided in favour of the driver starting in the greatest number of qualifying events, then in the event of a further tie in favour of the driver with the greatest number of 1st in Class places, etc.

- 4.6.2 The JACK WILLIAMS Trophy and an Award to the competitor scoring the least number of scratch penalty points in any five qualifying events plus the Grand Final Trial. If the minimum number of events a contender needs to start is reduced per Rule 1.5, then the number of qualifying events to count will re-align therewith.
- 4.6.3 LADIES AWARD: The NANCY MITCHELL CHALLENGE Trophy and an Award to the female contender scoring highest on index of performance at the Grand Final Trial only.
- 4.6.4 CRESTED SPOON to the BTRDA member finishing highest on the published index of performance position in each of the qualifying events.
- 4.6.5 The MIKE STEPHENS Trophy to the Motor Club which, in the opinion of the Car Trials Committee, organised the best event of all meetings qualifying for the current year's Car Trials Championship. This award may not be won by the same Club three years consecutively. The Trophy may be retained by the winning club for nine months from the date of official presentation.

## 4.7 CHAMPIONSHIP NOTES:

- 4.7.1 All named trophies remain the property of The British Trial & Rally Drivers Association Ltd and may be retained by the winner for nine months from the date of official presentation.
- 4.7.2 References herein to BTRDA Gold Star®, Silver Star® or Bronze Star® are confined to this Championship only.