

# The 2020 demon tweeks BTRDA<sup>®</sup> Autotest Championship REGULATIONS



2019 Gold Star<sup>®</sup> Champion Alastair Moffatt

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## **GENERAL**

### **1.1 TITLE and JURISDICTION**

2020 demon tweaks BTRDA® AUTOTEST CHAMPIONSHIP. The Championship is organised and administered by the BTRDA® Ltd., in accordance with the General Championship Prescriptions of Motorsports UK and these Championship Regulations. The Championship is subject to the BTRDA® General Championship Rules.

### **1.2 OFFICIALS**

- 1.2.1 Championship Contact: Steve Layton, 9 Brookside Drive, Catshill, Bromsgrove, Worcs. B61 9LD  
1.2.2 Championship Marking Official: Mike Sones, 14 Turton Close, Alrewas, Staffs, DE13 7HA  
1.2.3 Championship Stewards: As per the BTRDA® General Rules.

### **1.3 COMPETITOR ELIGIBILITY**

- 1.3.1 Drivers must be registered in the Championship and be in possession of a valid MSUK Competition License.  
1.3.2 Points cannot be claimed before registration is made and acknowledged.  
1.3.3 Competitors will be provided with at least one championship decal, which must be displayed in a prominent place on the outside of the car for points to be scored in the Championship.

### **1.4 REGISTRATION**

- 1.4.1 Registration is by completing the form, which can be found on the BTRDA® Membership website [www.btrdamembership.com](http://www.btrdamembership.com), or by sending a hard copy, complete with the appropriate membership and championship registration fees, to The BTRDA® Membership Secretary.  
1.4.2 Registration Fee for 2020 is £16.00.  
1.4.3 All registrations will be acknowledged by the issue of a Membership Card confirming registration.  
1.4.4 The Championship registration does not guarantee an entry to qualifying events and the BTRDA® Ltd cannot enter into any correspondence or discussion on the matter of event entries.

### **1.5 CHAMPIONSHIP CALENDAR**

- 1.5.1 A provisional list of qualifying events forms part of this leaflet. Any changes will be notified to all registered Contenders and published on the BTRDA website.

## **The FLATHER GOLD STAR® Championship**

- 2.1 The Flather Gold Star® Championship will determine the Overall winner of the BTRDA® Autotest Championship series.  
2.2 Points will be awarded as given in Rule 6.2 below.

### **2.3 AWARDS**

to the overall Champion: The FLATHER STAR Autotest Trophy and Award and a BTRDA® Gold Star;  
to the runner-up: The FRANK LIVINGSTON Memorial Trophy and an Award.

## **The SILVER STAR® Championship**

- 3.1 Registration for this Championship is open to all Championship drivers except as follows: 1) those who have finished in the top 10 of the Flather Gold Star® Championship in any of the previous 5 championship years; or 2) those who have ever won the Flather Gold Star® Championship.  
3.2 Points will be awarded as given in Rule 6.3 below.  
3.3 **AWARDS**  
to the winner: The A.C. WESTWOOD Trophy and an Award and a BTRDA® Silver Star;  
to the runner-up: The CASTROL Trophy and an Award.

## **The BRONZE STAR® Championship**

- 4.1 Registration for this Championship is open to all Championship drivers except those who have won the Bronze Star® (or IAN MANTLE Trophy) already, or by the first of January of the championship year have won a First in class, where there was a minimum of three starters in the class, in an Autotest of National Championship status. The 'non-expert' status is retained throughout the year for BRONZE STAR® scoring purposes only.  
4.2 Points will be scored as given in Rule 6.3 below.  
4.3 **AWARDS**  
to the winner: The IAN MANTLE Trophy and an Award;  
to the runner-up: An Award.  
An extra award to the driver, not qualifying for the above, with the best 4 scores having only competed in 4/5 events.

Award winners in the BRONZE STAR® are also eligible for other awards in the Championship, as appropriate.

A competitor winning the Gold Star® Championship is not eligible to win the Silver or Bronze Star® Championships and the winner of the Silver Star® Championship is not eligible to win the Bronze Star® Championship.

## **The CLASS Championship**

- 5.1 There will be a CLASS Championship within the BTRDA® Autotest Championship series, using the following classes:
- (A) Saloon Cars under 11ft overall length (inc. Minis with non-original engine and transmission layout driving the front wheels);
  - (B) All other Saloon Cars;
  - (C) Sports Cars & Sports Kit Cars;
  - (D) Specials;
  - (E) Roadgoing Series Production Cars\*;
  - (F) Roadgoing Kit Cars\*;
  - (H) Junior Drivers;
  - (J) Jubilee Drivers;
  - (L) Lady Drivers.

Cabriolets must run in the appropriate saloon car class with roof/hood up, or class C or E with the roof/hood down, as appropriate. All lengths refer to the overall length, which will be determined by the Parkers Car Price Guide (January edition of the championship year) for the car concerned or, if not quoted, by the manufacturer's specification. A list of approved Sports Kit Cars eligible for class C is held by the Secretary and any additions to this list will be at the discretion of the BTRDA® Autotest Committee.

**\*Roadgoing Series Production Cars** – All Saloons, and Sports Cars produced in quantities of not less than 1000 over a 12 month period, are eligible for Class E. All vehicles in this class will be capable of being driven on the road, currently registered (no trade plates), taxed, insured and where applicable in possession of a valid MOT; which will be checked at signing on.

**\*Roadgoing Kit Cars** - Recognized commercially produced vehicle kits, or 'Seven' replica to 'Locost' specification. All vehicles in this class will be capable of being driven on the road, currently registered (no trade plates), taxed, insured and where applicable in possession of a valid MOT; which will be checked at signing on. Vehicles must comply with the following: Engine/transmission unit: configuration as original, but may be repositioned forwards/rearwards; Engine type: free, make & capacity may be changed or modified; Transmission/final drive: all gears to remain in working order, but 'blanking off' on higher ratios permitted by temporary mechanical means; Dimensions: as manufacturer's specification, 'Seven' replicas & 'Locost' types must retain the following minima: 1500mm wheelbase and 3350mm overall length.

**Please Note that Electric and Hybrid Vehicles are not currently eligible for the Championship.**

- 5.2 Points will be scored as given in Rule 6.3 below. To be eligible for a Class Award, a driver must comply with Rule 6.4 and have scored at least 20 points.
- 5.3 **AWARDS** (Further additional awards may be presented at the discretion of the Committee).
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| Winner of Class | (A) The ANDREW LARKIN Memorial Trophy and an Award; |
|                 | (B) The MOTORSPORT Trophy and an Award;             |
|                 | (C) The RICHARD SQUIRE Trophy and an Award;         |
|                 | (D) The RIFLEMAN Trophy and an Award;               |
|                 | (E) The FIONA Cup and an Award;                     |
|                 | (F) An Award;                                       |
|                 | (H) The DARBYSHIRE Trophy and an Award;             |
|                 | (J) The JOHN LARKIN Jubilee Trophy and an Award;    |
|                 | (L) The LADIES AUTOTEST Trophy and an Award.        |

The following additional awards will be presented:

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| Class A. | The highest placed car with a capacity up to 1100cc or in the case of no such eligible competitor, the runner up in the class will be awarded "The Harrow 79 Trophy" and an Award;       |
| Class C. | The highest placed car with a capacity up to 1500cc or in the case of no such eligible competitor, the runner up in the class will be awarded "The Trevor J. Smith Trophy" and an Award; |
| Class D. | If the winner is not in a Front Engine / Rear Wheel Drive vehicle there will be an award for the leading points scorer with a vehicle of such configuration;                             |
| Class J. | If the winner is not aged 65 or over there will be an award for the leading points scorer who is 65 or over on the first of January of the championship year.                            |
- 5.4 The DARBYSHIRE Trophy for junior drivers. The driver shall be at least 16 years old but not having reached his/her 25<sup>th</sup> birthday on the 1<sup>st</sup> of January of the championship year. Any size and type of car is eligible, without handicap, subject to any Motorsport UK regulations, which may apply to any age group. Drivers in Class H will, for scoring SILVER and BRONZE STAR® points only, be reclassified into the appropriate class for the car from A to E. A driver will be ineligible for Class H having won the Championship class for a third time.
- 5.5 The JOHN LARKIN Jubilee Trophy for Senior Drivers. The driver shall be at least 55 years of age on the 1<sup>st</sup> of January of the championship year.
- 5.6 The LADIES AUTOTEST Trophy. All lady entrants in the BTRDA® Autotest Championship will be eligible for this award and no further registration is necessary.

## **SCORING**

- 6.1 If 12 or 11 events take place, a driver's best 7 scores will count towards the Championship; if 10 events, the best 6; if 9 events or less, the best 5.
- 6.2 Scoring for the FLATHER GOLD STAR® Championship will be based on the overall positions for each driver at each event. Points will be awarded with 20 points for first overall, 19 for second overall and so on. There will be no reduction of points if less than 20 drivers finish the event.
- 6.3 Scoring for the SILVER STAR®, BRONZE STAR® (Classes A to E only) and CLASS Championships will be as follows, on position in Class:  
1st - 10 points, 2nd - 9 points, 3rd - 8 points, and so on, 10th and lower in Class = 1 point except that in the SILVER STAR® and BRONZE STAR® Championships in the case of there being less than three starters in the Class, points will be awarded as follows:  
i) If there is only two entries the maximum score will be 8 points;  
ii) If there is only one entry the maximum score will be 6 points.  
Scoring for Class J will be 20 points for first, 19 for second overall and so on.  
Competitors in class E will be eligible for points in Gold, Silver & Bronze Star® and Classes H, J and L, provided they have competed on the same tests as the other classes at the event.
- 6.4 To qualify for an award, competitors must have competed in a minimum of 5 events, with the exception of the Bronze Star "extra award" when it is 4.
- 6.5 Ties will be decided in favour of the driver with the greatest number of First places in ALL the Championship rounds; then in the event of a further tie, the driver who has gained the highest number of Second places, and so on. 'Places' will be on overall positions where Rule 6.2 applies and class positions, where Rule 6.3 applies. If there is still a tie where Rule 6.3 applies then overall positions will be used to break the tie.
- 6.6 All drivers, even if not registered for the Championship, in the National B status events will be included when determining the allocation of points and positions. If a driver is entered in two cars then the best score will be used in the Championship.

## **SPECIAL AWARDS**

- 7.1 **The DENIS FLATHER Shield**  
Awarded to the Motor Club, which in the opinion of the Championship drivers who comply with rule 6.4, organised the BEST EVENT in the Championship. Drivers may only vote for events they have competed on. This award may not be won by the same Club more than two years consecutively. The Denis Flather Shield is retained by the Club for nine months from the date of presentation.
- 7.2 **CRESTED SPOON**  
Awarded to the highest placed BTRDA® member in General Classification at each event.

### **PROVISIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP DATES for 2020**

March 8 <sup>th</sup>	Hagley & District LCC
March 29 <sup>th</sup>	Herefordshire MC
April 19 <sup>th</sup>	Boundless by CSMA (North East London)
April 26 <sup>th</sup>	Rhyl & District MC
May 17 <sup>th</sup>	Wolverhampton & South Staffs CC
June 7 <sup>th</sup>	Loughborough CC
June 21 <sup>st</sup>	Alwoodley MC
July 5 <sup>th</sup>	Knutsford & District MC
July 18 <sup>th</sup> (Sat)	South of Scotland Car Club
August 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Caernarfonshire & Anglesey
September 13 <sup>th</sup>	Hartlepool & District MC
September 27 <sup>th</sup>	BTRDA

Keep up to date with the championship on the web site [www.btrda.com](http://www.btrda.com) in the Autotest section.

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