

Oxford Motor Club

Bocardo Autosolo and Production Car Autotest Sunday 24th April 2022 Finmere Airfield, Nr. Bicester, Oxon.



Steve Boyle competing on the 2020 Oxford MC Boanerges Autosolo Photograph courtesy of John Blackwell

A round of the Autosolo Championships for:
Association of Central Southern Motor Clubs
Cotswold Motor Sport Group
BTRDA

And a qualifying event for the BTRDA All Rounder's Championship

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1. Announcement.

Oxford Motor Club will organise a Clubman Autosolo and a Production Car Autotest (PCA) on Sunday 24th April 2022, at Finmere Outdoor Market Area, Bicester, Oxfordshire. MK18 4BH

Access on the roundabout junction of the A421 & A4421 south of Finmere village on the Tingewick Bypass. Venue access entry reference: OS map reference 152 [or 165] 639 324. Sat Nav N 51.59'10 - W 1.04'14

Google Maps: https://goo.gl/maps/tGd3f2JEYcGR29eKA

Venue access What Three Words - FUZZ, RESPOND, DRAMATIC.

2. Jurisdiction

The meeting will be held under the General Regulations of Motorsports UK (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA), these Supplementary Regulations and any written instructions issued by Oxford Motor Club, including notices will be posted on the official notice board.

3. Authorisation

Autosolo - Motorsport UK permit No **124864** has been issued. Production Car Autotest - Motorsport UK permit No **124865** has been issued.

4. Officials

Clerk of the Course Colin Minchin. Tel: 07876 681395 email: colin.minchin@gmx.co.uk

Entries Secretary Shirley Blackwell. Tel: 01788 339500 or 07842 205453 email: entries@oxfordmotorclub.co.uk

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Please do not telephone officials after 21:00.

5. COVID-19 Officer.

Covid Regulations are continually changing and Motorsport UK had announced that there is no need for a Covid Officer. The Club will continue to maintain a safe environment for all people involved with the event.

6. Eligibility

The event is open to members of the organising club and Championship contenders in;

- ACSMC
- BTRDA
- CMSGCC

plus the following clubs

- Boundless by CSMA
- Chelmsford MC
- Dolphin MC
- Falcon MC
- Farnborough & DMC
- Loughborough MC
- OUMFMC
- Rugby MC
- 7 Oaks
- Witney MC

If you wish to enter but are not a member of an invited club please contact the Secretary of the Event to arrange a possible invitation

Membership to Oxford Motor Club is also available.

CMSGCC membership can be obtained without charge with a valid 'own-Club' Membership card, providing 'your' Club is a member of the Group. Oxford Motor Club is a member of this group and a list of other member clubs of the CMSG can be found on the CMSG website (www.cmsg.co.uk)

A competition licence is required being a minimum of RS Clubman event.

All Clubman competitors and passengers must produce, as a minimum, a Motorsport UK RS Clubman licence and a qualifying Club Membership Card

A free RS Clubman licence can be obtained by following this link https://rsclubman.motorsportuk.org. Currently RS Clubman licences are issued by email, copy to your phone or print.

7. Championships

7.1 The Autosolo event is a round of the ACSMC, CMSG and BTRDA Autosolo Championships and Oxford Motor Club Championship. The event also counts towards the BTRDA All Rounder's Championship.

8. Entries

Entries open at **19.00 on the 16th March 2022** and close at **18:00 on Wednesday 20th April 2022.** The entry fee is **£50.00** per entrant.

8.2 Method of entry is to complete this On-line entry form and pay by Bank Transfer.

Oxford Motor Club 2022 Bocardo Autosolo Entry Form

8.3 Method of payment is to make a bank transfer payment to our Autosolo account at **Lloyd Bank**

Sort Code 30-99-78 Account no. 56537068

Reference payments with Solo-followed by your surname i.e. Solo-Blackwell

- 8.4 Entries will only be accepted when a <u>fully completed entry form and full payment</u> has been received and will be accepted in the order of the payment being received. Partially completed entry forms will be treated as reserves until all details are provided

 Entries received on the electronic entry system will be classed as reserves until payment has been received.
- 8.5 Entries will be acknowledged by email or phone. Entries will not be confirmed until payment is received.
- 8.6 Telephone entries will not be permitted.
- 8.7 The Entries Secretary address is:

Shirley Blackwell, 14 Matlock Close, Rugby, Warwickshire. CV21 1LB 01788 339500 or 07842 205453 (please do not telephone after 21:00)

Email: entries@oxfordmotorclub.co.uk

8.8 The maximum number of starters for the event will be **50.** The minimum is **30**.

Any entries above the **50** will be classed as reserves.

If payment is not received within 72hrs of entry the competitor will be placed at the end of the reserve list and the place offered to the next qualifying entry.

We will not reserve places.

- 8.9 Cancellations must be made in writing to the Entries Secretary either by post or E-mail and must be received before the entry list closes at **18:00 on Wednesday 20th April 2022.**
 - In such cases the entry full fee will be refunded. For cancellations after the closing date, refunds will be at the discretion of the organisers.
 - If the event is cancelled for any reason, entry fees will be refunded less any unavoidable expenses.
- 8.10 Final Instructions will be emailed to all given email addresses as soon as possible after entries close.
- 8.11 Full membership to Oxford Motor Club is available at £15.00 [until December 31st 2022].

Family membership to Oxford Motor Club is available at £2.50 per person [until December 31st 2022]

Family membership covers any person, at least 12 years old, living at the same address as a full member.

On line applications can be completed at Oxford Motor Club On-Line Membership Form/
There is also a postal membership form available on the web site.

8.12 Any membership fees can be paid with your event entry fee.

9. Classes

9.1 The minimum for each class is 3 and, if that number is not reached, we reserve the right to amalgamate classes as necessary.

9.2 Class A. Series Production Cars — Saloons up to 1400cc

Class **B**. Series Production Cars — Saloons 1401cc to 2000cc

Class **C**. Series Production Cars — Saloons over 2000cc

Class **D**. Series Production Sports Cars – including MX5, Lotus Elise, Vauxhall VX220.

Class **E**. Specialist Production Cars including Kit cars [Caterham, Westfield, etc.]-and all other vehicles not eligible in classes A, B, C & D.

Class F: Production Car Autotest [PCA] -

PCA cars can be trailered to the event and need not be taxes or hold a current MOT but the vehicle, in the opinion of the scrutineers, must be in safe condition to participate in the event.

A Passenger must be carried on all timed tests.

Extra Rulings

- 9.4 Petrol engined cars with forced induction in classes A and B will move up one capacity class.Rotary engined cars will be classed at 1.5 times their nominal capacity.Diesel cars with or without forced induction will run in the class corresponding to their engine capacity.
- 9.5 In classes A to D, cars must retain the original panel and window materials although additional panels such as wheel arch extensions are permitted. Cars in these classes must have full trim and seats, although trim may be changed. Also, in classes A to C, the engine must be of original manufacture and original basic type and must be fitted in the original position. The engine may be modified and may be of a different capacity provided that the car is entered in the class corresponding to its actual capacity.

 Cars not meeting these requirements are eligible for Class D or E but only if road legal.
- 9.6 Cabriolet / Sports cars can compete without a hood or a fitted hard top.
- 9.7 Cars that are transported to the event are to be in Class F [PCA].
- 9.8 Cars modified to hand controls and require a passenger are to be in Class F [PCA], otherwise they will be in the class appropriate to their engine size.
- 9.9 The individual Championship scorers will adjust these Championship class scores if classes vary between the Event and Championships.
- 9.10 The driver, and where carried, the passenger must wear a properly fastened and approved seat belt at all times during the tests, except where competing in a Period Defined vehicle [Non-Rally] categories A-F. [M21.4 Page 225].
- 9.11 At this time, electric/hybrid vehicles cannot be accepted due to the special safety and training requirements needed in the event of an accident.
- 9.12 A car may not be entered to compete for the same award more than twice, unless otherwise specified in the SR's, and, in all circumstances, it must be driven by different drivers. [M.11.3 Page 224].

10. Passengers.

- 10.1 Passengers under 18 old will not be considered as Competitors for the purpose of Club Membership [M.10.3 Page 224] but must have a Motorsport UK Clubman licence.
- 10.2 Passengers <u>will be allowed</u> in the Clubman Autosolo but, if over 18 years old, they must be in possession of a qualifying club card and must have a Motorsport UK Clubman licence.
- 10.3 Passengers are <u>compulsory</u> under PCA regulations but, if over 18 years old, they must be in possession of a qualifying club card and must have a Motorsport UK Clubman licence.

- 10.4 Passengers carried in both events must occupy the front seat alongside the driver. No other passengers are allowed. In both events the same passenger when nominated must be present on every test.
- 10.5 Passengers taking part in the Autosolo and PCA event must comply with M16-16.5 page 224 with specific notice of Cabriolet / Sports cars with or without a hood or a fitted hard top.
- 10.6 The passenger in a Touring Car, or a Cabriolet/Sports Car **with** the hood erected or a hardtop fitted, must be aged 12 years or over and be at least 135cm in height. [M.16.4 Page 224].
- 10.7 The passenger in a Cabriolet/Sports Car **without** the hood erected or hardtop fitted must be aged 16 years or over and be at least 135cm in height [M.16.5 Page 224].
- 10.8 Where a PCA driver is accompanied by a passenger who is competing as an Autosolo driver, the Autosolo driver must complete their competitive drives first on each test. The driving order will be amended by the Clerk of the Course on the day if needed.
- 10.9 Passengers can only be changed with the permission of the Clerk of the Course.

11. Programme of the Meeting

11.1 Entries open at **19.00 on the 16th March 2022**.

Wednesday 20th April 18.00 Entries Close and final instructions emailed to competitors.

Copies of all licences and club cards to be with the Entries Secretary before

this date.

Sunday, October 3rd Gates Open 07:00

Visual scrutineering starts at 07.15

Gates Close 08.45

First car starts Test 1 at 09:00.

There will be a short break for lunch after Test 2.

12. Signing On.

- 12.1 Signing on and self-declaration scrutineering will be accepted by completion of the Sapphire Solutions Entry Form.
- 12.2 A qualifying Club membership card [unless Oxford MC member] and a Motorsport UK RS Clubman or above <u>MUST</u> be emailed to the Entries Secretary before 18.00 on April 20th 2022.
- **12.3** Competitors failing to produce a qualifying Club Membership Card will be asked to join the organising club.
- 12.4 The minimum age for drivers in the Clubman Autosolo events is 14. [M 22 a,b,c Page 225]
- 1256 The minimum age for drivers in the Production Car Autotest is 14. [M 17 a,b,c Page 224].
- 12.6 The Final Instructions, Test Diagrams, Vehicle Identification Numbers Template, Test / Marshalling running order, an entry list and a link to the LIVE results will be sent to each competitor by email after entries close Vehicle numbers must be displayed throughout the competition as instructed by the organisers.
 - > If the weather is wet, we request that the numbers be placed in a plastic waterproof pouch.

It will be the competitor's responsibility to print these documents and bring them with them.

No spares will be available on the day.

13. Marshals.

- 13.1 Competitors will be split into 3 groups [Red, Blue, Green]. At any one time one group will be competing, a second group may be marshalling and a third group will be preparing to marshal / drive.
- 13.2 Groups will be identified by colour indicated on the entry list and start number.
- 13.3 All officials, and competitors while acting as marshals, will be Judges of Fact to adjudicate on false starts, hitting cones and not following the correct course.
- 13.4 Test Marshalling points will be issued with a red flag and radio.
- 13.4 Timekeepers will allow sufficient time for a competitor to start and then stand clear of the area before the next competitor starts.

14. Scrutineering.

- 14.1 Unless Motorsport UK regulations regarding change, all scrutineering of competing vehicles will be by a self-certified declaration on the Sapphire Solutions event entry form with only external visual checks on the day.
- 14.2 All vehicles must comply with Motorsport UK Technical Regulations.
- 14.3 All vehicles entered in the AutoSolo must be taxed and insured for the public road.
- 14.4 The validity of the Tax and MoT for the competing vehicle will be checked by the organisers online with the DVLA. Failure to have a valid Tax or MoT will result in exclusion.
 MoT exemption can only be given to vehicles less than three years old or the vehicle was built or registered more than 40 years ago.
- 14.4 PCA vehicles are exempt from the requirement for Tax and MoT but the vehicle, in the opinion of the scrutineers, must be in safe condition to participate in the event.

All vehicles entered in the AutoSolo MUST be driven to the event via the public highway.

15. Tyres.

- 15.1 The Tyres in list 1A are regarded by the Manufactures as STANDARD ROAD TYRES. (Section L pages 212 to 220).
- 15.2 Tyres from the Motorsport UK Lists 1B and 1C are not permitted for Autosolo events. [page 218].
- 15.3 Tyres marked 'for competition use only', manufactured without a full tread pattern, or in an un-roadworthy condition will not be acceptable.
- 15.4 A list of 1B & 1C tyres is available https://www.motorsportuk.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/Blue-Book-2022 Reduced.pdf Section L pages 210 to 218 and will be displayed on the event noticeboard and be with the scrutineer..

16. Tests

- 16.1 The event consists of all forwards tests, on sealed surfaces with the Autosolo and PCA events using the same course.
- 16.2 The event will consist of at least 4-test layouts applied to one test area. Time will be allowed to walk the course before the start of each test.
- 16.3 If time restricts the event the organisers reserve the right to reduce this to three tests.
- 16.4 Competitors will have three timed [but not less than two if time restricts the event] runs on each test with the best two runs to count.
- The STOP signal may be displayed because of an instruction on the course, whether this is object or personnel. A competitor must stop immediately on the deployment of the STOP signal.
 If a test is stopped on the grounds of safety any baulked competitors will be allowed another run.
 Competitors causing an obstruction and forcing a rerun for others will not be allowed a rerun
 The START method and STOP signal [Red Flag] will be demonstrated at the drivers briefing.
- 16.6 The route to be followed on each course will be designated using cones supplemented by yellow cones laid on their side to show which side to pass each marker. Numbered boards will show the order in which each marker is to be passed. Course layouts will be issued at signing on. The separate start, finish and stop lines will be indicated on the course diagrams.
- 16.7 Timing will start when the front wheels cross the start line and stop when the front wheels cross the flying finish line. Competitors must then reduce speed and stop at the STOP line to obtain the time and return to the paddock at walking speed.
 Competitors failing to stop at the STOP line must park and walk back to the control to obtain their time.

17. Timing

- 17.1 Timing will be utilising the Sapphire Electronic timing system. This is paper free so NO physical timecards will be used.
 - Competitors will be issued with a timecard for their own use and will also be able to access the 'live' results using the Sapphire app.
- 17.2 On each test the timing marshal will verbally indicate to the driver that they are able to commence. The driver will then start in their own time.
- 17.3 On each test the finish timing marshal will record the time taken, add any penalties and allow the competitor time to record their time [if wanted] before submitting the time.
- 17.4 Timing will be by hand-held electronic devises at the Start and Finish. Timing will be in Seconds to the previous tenth of a second $(1/10^{th})$.
- 17.5 Results will be determined by discarding the worse time recorded on each test.
- 17.6 In the event of a tie, the fastest run on the first course will determine the tie, then the second fastest run on the first test, then the fastest run on the second test etc until the tie is resolved.
- 17.7 To be classed as a finisher, a competitor must start at least two runs at each test bar one i.e. if there are four tests, a finisher must attempt at least two runs of each of the first three.

18. Penalties

Maximum time is the quickest time in class for that test plus **30** seconds.

The following penalties will be applied.

18.1	Not reporting at signing on	Exclusion
18.2	Not reporting at a time control in a reasonable time	+10 seconds

18.3 Taking an incorrect route on any test Fastest class time + 30 seconds (WT)
[however, returning to the point of departure from the correct route and then completing the correct route, so long as the correction does not impede the next car will not Incur a penalty

Striking a direction barrier or test division
 Striking a cone or pylon
 Not completing a full marshalling stint
 Reversing back after failing to stop at the stop control
 Not wearing seatbelts [if fitted] during a test

19. Results and Awards

19.1 Provisional results will be published as soon as possible following the end of the event, and declared final after 30 minutes as in D26.3 page 86.

Protests and Queries must be lodged in accordance with C 5.1 to 5.7, page 72.

Any protest must be lodged in accordance with G.C.R. C5.1 to 5.7. To avoid physical contact, this will be via the nominated email address and phone number provided within the final instructions.

- 19.2 It is anticipated that the results will be available during the course of the day via a dedicated website. The address will be included within the Final Instructions.
- 19.3 We will be presenting awards after the results are declared final.

First Overall Driver FTD

First Driver in each Class (subject to 3 starters).

Second Driver in each Class (subject to 6 starters).

Third Driver in each Class (subject to 10 starters).

Best Oxford MC Driver

- 19.4 No competitor may win more than one award in any event other than the Best Oxford Motor Club Driver.
- 19.5 If the minimum numbers are not reached in any class we reserve the right to amalgamate classes as necessary.

20. Toilets, Food and Fuel

- Hot and cold food will be available throughout the day.
- Toilets will be provided and water is available.
- The nearest fuel is in Buckingham, approximately 4 miles.
- Please dispose of your rubbish in the On-Site containers or take it home with you.
- Contaminated waste MUST be removed from site.

ALL REFERENCES TO REGULATIONS REFERRING TO THE MOTORSPORT UK YEARBOOK CAN BE FOUND AT

https://www.motorsportuk.org/assets/bb2022completemed-res.pd
A copy of the year book will be available at signing on.