





# Maidstone & Mid-Kent Motor Club Ltd.

# THE STEPHEN STRINGER MEMORIAL AUTOTEST

# SATURDAY 20th APRIL 2024



Remembering Stephen Stringer

British Autotest Champion in 1976 & 1978 Runner-up in 1977

19/04/50 - 23/09/23

As Stephen would say - "Bugger"

# **REGULATIONS**

Maidstone and Mid Kent Motor Club Ltd are delighted to be back running a round of both the BTRDA® Autotest Championship and the Motorsport UK British Autotest Championship, for 2024.

The venue is the **Ashford Livestock Market** with a smooth concrete surface that we have been successfully using for our series of Winter 'Tarmac' Autotests.

The event will also be a round of the **2024 Southern Autotest Championship**.

#### Ashford Livestock Market,

Orbital Park, Monument Way, Willesborough, Ashford, Kent, TN24 OHB. Just off Junction 10 of the M20.

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- Flowing tests
  - Smooth concrete
    - We're BACK!
      - JUST DO IT!

# THE STEPHEN STRINGER MEMORIAL AUTOTEST

- 1. The Maidstone and Mid Kent Motor Club Limited will promote a Clubmans permit Autotest on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at Ashford Livestock Market, Ashford, Kent.
- 2. The meeting will be held under the General Regulations of the **Motorsport UK** (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA), these Supplementary Regulations and any written instructions that the organising Club may issue for the Event.
- 3. The Event will be run under Permit No. 135498 issued by **Motorsport UK**, which will be on display on the day.
- 4. The Event is open to entries from :
  - a) All fully elected members of the Maidstone & Mid Kent Motor Club Ltd;
  - b) Fully elected members of the **BTRDA**®:
  - c) Registered entrants in the 2024 Motorsport UK British Autotest Championship;
  - d) Registered entrants in the **2024 demon tweeks** *Direct I* **Best Fed BTRDA**® Autotest Championship;
  - e) Registered entrants in the BTRDA® Allrounders Championship 2024;
  - f) Registered entrants in the 2024 Southern Autotest Championship.
- 5. The **Autotest** Event is a round of:
  - a) The **Motorsport UK** British Autotest Championship 2024 (CH2024/A001);
  - b) The demon tweeks *Direct* / Best Fed BTRDA® Autotest Championship 2024;
  - c) The BTRDA® Allrounders Championship 2024 (CH2024/Rally023(D));
  - d) The 2024 Southern Autotest Championship. (CH2024/A011(E)).
- All competitors must produce for inspection at signing-on a valid Motorsport UK Competition Licence, Championship Registration Card and Club Membership Card. (Note – anyone who is disqualified from holding a RTA Driving Licence cannot hold a Motorsport UK Competition Licence).
- 7. The programme of the meeting will be:
  - Scrutineering starts at 08.30 am
  - Any Competitors not signed on by **10.30 am** may be disqualified.
  - First car starts at 10.30 am.
- 8. The **Autotest** will consist of 5 classes as follows:
  - A. Touring Cars under 11' overall length (including Minis with non-original front mounted engine and transmission layout driving the front wheels)
  - B. All other Touring Cars
  - C. Sports Cars and Sports Kit Cars
  - **D.** Specials
  - E. Roadgoing Series Production Cars and Road Going Kit Cars

#### Note:

All vehicles must comply with the Motorsport UK Technical Regulations.

All vehicles in Class E must comply with Motorsport UK Technical Regulations and be taxed for the public road. A current MOT certificate must be produced at scrutineering, exemption can only be given to vehicles less than three years old and then proof of registration date will be required.

Cabriolets must run in the appropriate touring car class with roof/hood up, or class C or E with roof/hood down, as appropriate.

All lengths refer to the overall length, which will be determined by the Parkers Car Price Guide (January 2024 edition) for the car concerned or, if not quoted, by the manufacturer's specification.

Vehicle eligibility for all classes will be in accordance with the 2024 BTRDA<sup>®</sup>. Autotest Championship Regulations.

13. Awards will be presented as follows:

FTD The Stephen Stringer Memorial Trophy\* & an

Award

Best BTRDA® competitor BTRDA® crested spoon

Best Performance by a full member The Haynes Brothers Challenge Trophy\* & an

of the Maidstone & Mid Kent Motor Award

Club

First in Class An Award

Second in Class An Award (subject to 5 or more starters)
Third in Class An Award (subject to 10 or more starters)

Best Novice An Award

(\* These awards are to be held for 11 months only)

No competitor may win more than one award, other than the Haynes Brothers Challenge Trophy.

14. The entry list opens on publication of these Supplementary Regulations and closes finally on **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 10.00pm.** The entry fee for the event is £47.50. All entries must be made on the official entry form and must be accompanied by the appropriate fee.

#### Note:

Entries will be accepted from Drivers without a current full RTA licence provided they comply with the requirements of  ${\bf M13}$ 

11. Entries will only be accepted online via the Club Website at www.mmkmc.co.uk

Payment may be made by:

PayPal (following the link on the entry form), or BACS.

#### **BACS** to

Account Name: Maidstone & Mid-Kent Motor Club Ltd.

Sort code : **60-60-08** Account No. : **00045349** 

When paying by BACS, please quote Reference – **SSMA 24** followed by your name.

12. Entry fees will only be refunded if notice of withdrawal is given in writing. Where notice of withdrawal is received before <a href="Maintain:16th April 2024">16th April 2024</a> entry fees will be refunded in full, after that date refunds, up to a maximum of £40, will be made at the discretion of the organisers (H.30.1.2).

## LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

- 13. The Entries Secretary is Andy Jenner (tel: 07584 060447) who will deal with all enquiries regarding entries.
- 14. The maximum entry for the meeting is **40**. The minimum is **20**. The maximum for each class is unlimited. The minimum for each class is 1. Should any of the above minimum figures not be reached, the organisers have the right to cancel the meeting or amalgamate classes as necessary. Entries will be selected as received.

15. Other officials are:

Clerk of the Course:Dave Cook(dave.cook@blueyonder.co.uk)Secretary of the Meeting:Ann Cook(cook.ann@blueyonder.co.uk)

Chief Scrutineer : James Muir
Chief Timekeeper : Andy Jenner
Chief Marshal : Liz Jordan
Event Steward : Bruce Jenkins
Safeguarding Officer : Janet Barlow
Sustainability Officer : Emma Olsen

- 16. Provisional results will be published, and awards presented, as soon as possible following the end of the event.
- 17. Any protest must be lodged in accordance with the **Motorsport UK** Yearbook, **C.5.1.2** Protests.
- 18. Details of tests will be included with Final Instructions.

Each driver will have one run at each test

Timing will be via **Timing App Live** and mobile phones operated by the start marshals The starting signal will be oral.

Order of attempting the tests will be strictly as directed at the drivers briefing.

- 19. All marshals will be appointed as judges to adjudicate on penalties (M.8).
- 20. Practising will **NOT** be allowed (**M6.3**), any competitor, in the opinion of the organisers, speeding, or performing handbrake turns or the like, in the paddock or surrounding area may be **disqualified**.
- 21. Competitors will be identified by numbers; a proforma for printing will be included with Final Instructions.
- 22. Marking and penalties will be as printed in **Table M.7**.:
  - (a) "Not performing a test correctly, etc" +20 seconds
  - (b) "Striking any marker, etc per mistake" + 5 seconds
  - (c) "Failing to cross or stop at any line, etc" + 5 seconds

A Wrong Test will be as defined in **M.7.8.** 

- 23. A Novice will be defined as a driver who has not previously won a class of more than 3 competitors or overall award in an Autotest or similar competition of **Clubman**, equivalent or higher status.
- 24. Pylons may be less than 1 metre in height (M.6.6.).
- 25. As the whole event takes place on private property vehicles need not be licenced (**M.5.1.**), except Class E.
- 26. A vehicle may be entered twice, to be driven by different drivers, but no driver may drive more than one vehicle (**M.11.3.**).
- 27. All other General Regulations of the Motorsport UK apply as written.
- 28. Please make sure your Vehicle is in good mechanical condition. In particular, please make sure that your vehicle complies with **Motorsport UK** regulations **M.4** and in particular **J.5.13**. Also please ensure your engine is properly silenced and complies with the noise requirements of **J.5.17**. and note tyre regulations **J.5.9**.

29. In accordance with latest General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) the information you give us will be used only for the purpose of running MMKMC events and its activities. You will only receive communications from us that are relevant to the events you enter. Photographs may be taken at this event (and others in the programme) and shared, including on social media. Please advise the organiser if you do not wish to have your photograph taken.

# COMPETITORS ARE REMINDED THAT THE USE OF LIST 1B AND 1C TYRES IS NOT PERMITTED (M.4.7).

The MAIDSTONE & MID KENT MOTOR CLUB would like to thank the landowners for allowing the use of the venue.

WOULD YOU PLEASE HELP US TO LOOK AFTER THIS SITE AND KEEP IT CLEAN AND TIDY BY TAKING YOUR LITTER HOME.

**THANK YOU** 

Dave Cook





