



VINTAGE MOTOR CYCLE CLUB LIMITED REGULATIONS for the 75th BANBURY RUN

SUNDAY 8th June 2025

British Motor Museum, Banbury Road, Gaydon, Warwickshire. CV35 OBJ

A **Club Restricted Motor Cycle Competition** held under the National Sporting Code of the Auto-Cycle Union, the Standing Regulations together with these Supplementary Regulations and to run concurrently with the above a **VMCC Untimed Run** over the same routes.

1 Officials:

- 1.1 Event Organisation – Annie Durrant – e-mail: banbury@vmcc.net or annie@vmcc.net
- 1.2 Chief Marshal: Annie Durrant – e-mail: banbury@vmcc.net or annie@vmcc.net
- 1.3 Secretary of the Meeting: [tba] (ACU Clerk No.xxxxx) – email: banbury@vmcc.com
- 1.4 Clerk of the Course: Harry Wiles (ACU Clerk No.139574) e-mail: harry.wiles1@ntlworld.com
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- 1.6 Breakdown Officer: [TBA]
- 1.7 Trophies – [TBA] - events@vmcc.net
- 1.8 Signing On Team Leader: - Karen Tyler
- 1.9 Autojumble Organiser: [TBA] – banbury@vmcc.net
- 1.10 Steward of the Meeting: Ted Sutton – Tel: 01869 810316
- 1.11 Judges: Bill Phelps, Ken German, TBC
- 1.12 Timekeeper: Martin Marmoy
- 1.13 Commentator: Jono Yardley

To contact any of the above officials by telephone: 01283 540100, e-mail or write to VMCC, Allen House, Wetmore Road, Burton on Trent, DE14 1TR.

2 The Venue:

The event will start and finish at the British Motor Museum situated 12m north of Banbury on the B4100 north of Gaydon, Warwickshire and just 2 minutes from J12 on the M40.

3 Eligibility:

The event is open to CURRENT members of the VMCC riding a motor cycle solo or sidecar, tricycle or three-wheeled cyclecar manufactured before 1st January 1931.

4 Entries:

- 4.1 The Entry List of 500 machines will open on 1st January 2025 and close on 27th April 2025 or the date when 500 entries is met.
- 4.2 The entry procedure will be on a first come first served basis, aiming to send out all Veteran machine entrants first. The entry list will be limited to 500 entries – there will be a reserve list to fill places cancelled before April 27th 2025.
- 4.3 The Entry List will be published on our website www.banbury-run.co.uk in the first week of May 2025. (Please put this in your diary)
- 4.4 Only persons proposing to ride may make the entry. Acceptance will be entirely at the discretion of the Secretary of the Meeting.
- 4.5 Entrants for the Team Award (best timed performances from a team of three riders with one rider in each Class) must choose a name for their *Team* and use this name on all three entry forms.



These entry forms should be sent in the same envelope.

- 4.6 Requests to share a group start time will be considered - both Timed and Untimed are acceptable. These entry forms must be sent in the same envelope, and must state the name of your *Starting Group* on each form. *Starting groups* must opt to follow the same route (A, A1, B or C). Groups of great than five (5) will be have split but adjacent starting times.
- 4.7 Any incomplete Entry Forms such as missing VMCC membership number, Registration Number or without the correct fee may be refused and returned. Beware that it may then be too late to re-enter.
- 4.8 Entry fees:
For riders of Veteran machines:
Timed Run £48;
Untimed Run £48.
For Riders for vintage machines:
Timed Run £48.
Untimed Run £48.
For pillions and passengers both adult in either run is £5 each and children (under 18) are free. Payment must be included with your entry form (Do not send an envelope for your final instructions).
- 4.9 Entry fee refunds can only be considered for cancellations received before the 27th April 2025 and will be subject to a £10 administration charge.
- 4.10 Entrants will receive their final instructions in May.
- 4.11 Entrants must produce their current VMCC membership card when signing on.

5 Classes:

- 5.1 Class A: Veteran:
Machines manufactured before January 1st, 1915.
Average speed to be maintained: 15mph = 4 minutes per Mile. Please note this route excludes an accent of Sun Rising Hill.
- 5.2 Class A1: Veteran:
Average speed to be maintained: 18mph = 3.33 minutes per Mile.
- 5.3 Class B: Early Vintage:
Machines manufactured between 1915 and January 1st, 1925.
Average speed to be maintained: 20mph = 3 minutes per Mile.
- 5.4 Class C: Late Vintage:
Machines manufactured between 1925 and January 1st, 1931.
Average speed to be maintained: 24mph. = 2½ minutes per Mile.
- 5.5 One of the following three concessions, which are not available to Team entries, can be requested on the Entry Form.
- 5.6 Riders of 60 years of age or over may enter any Class irrespective of age of machine.
- 5.7 Riders may enter any Class higher than the machine eligibility.
- 5.8 Riders of machines of 250cc or less and any sidecar combinations or three-wheelers may enter one Class lower than the machine age eligibility.

6 Rules and Regulations for riders and machines:

- 6.1 All machines must carry an operative horn or other audible warning device.
- 6.2 The Machine must comply with all legal requirements, have a current MOT Certificate (if applicable) and Riders must possess valid insurance cover.
- 6.3 The rider of any machine found not to comply with legal requirements and these supplementary regulations or bearing trade plates will not be permitted to start.
- 6.4 Riding Number cards, yellow for timed riders and white for untimed riders, will be supplied when signing on. They are to be clearly visible on the front of the machine, for the duration of the event including concours judging. Timed entrants will also receive their Time Check Cards please remember to collect them.



- 6.5 All machines must be on their marked plots by at least 9.30am. On their return bikes must stay in the Assembly Area until 3pm.
- 6.6 Riders will start at the times shown in the programme. The first entrant will start at 10.00 am.
- 6.7 Riders may elect to cross the Start Line with a dead engine and start the machine on the course.
- 6.8 The same machine must be used throughout the Run.
- 6.9 Time checks for timed riders will be at the Gaydon Start and enroute. The final time check will be at the Gaydon Finish line.
- 6.10 Any Timed rider receiving outside assistance to learn the locations of the en-route time checks, such as a friend driving ahead, will be disqualified.
- 6.11 Any Timed rider found to be using an accompanying pacemaker machine, electronic speedometer, GPS device or any aid other than a watch and contemporary speedometer will be disqualified. Any timed rider observed to be stationary at the approach to a time check will have the observed time recorded.
- 6.12 Any rider reported to have exceeded the national speed limit or for driving in a manner liable to cause public criticism anywhere on the course will be disqualified and banned from the event for life.
- 6.13 Failure to sign off at the Finish leads to automatic exclusion from the results and awards.
- 6.14 **Entrants must follow the directions and instructions of marshals at all times.** Any entrant behaving in abusive or discourteous manner towards event officials or museum staff may be excluded from the event. Crash helmets **must be worn at all times** while riding anywhere on site at Gaydon.
- 6.15 The use of webcams fixed onto helmets is not permitted. Any entrant wearing a helmet camera will not be permitted to start. Webcams are permitted if fixed to the machine only.

7 Routes:

- 7.1 The course will be approximately 40 miles for Class A and A1, 60 miles for Class B and 70 miles for Class C, all over roads of good or reasonable surface. *The A route will avoid steep hills wherever possible such as Sun Rising Hill.*
- 7.2 The onus for following the correct route will rest with the rider. Mileages used for results are calculated to the nearest 1/10th mile.
- 7.3 The course will be traversed by travelling marshals and a breakdown service will be provided (their number will be on the route sheet).
- 7.4 The route sheets will be in the 'Tulip' or 'Sketch' format. Use of a route roller is advisable.
- 7.5 The Organisers cannot be held responsible for changes to road signs after final checking seven days before the event.

8 Rules and Regulations for the meeting:

- 8.1 Only riders and passengers entering the Timed Competition will be covered against Personal Accident risks whilst taking part in this event.
- 8.2 The premium for such insurance will be paid by the Organisers and is included in the entry fee (for full details see the ACU Handbook, latest edition).
- 8.3 The Meeting will be run under the National Sporting Code of the Auto-Cycle Union, the Standing Regulations, these Supplementary Regulations and any Final Instructions issued for the meeting.

9 Awards: Rules:

- 9.1 Awards are held for one year.
- 9.2 To qualify for a **Timed Award**, riders must comply with the following regulations: -



- 9.2.1 Enter the Timed Event and cross the starting line on time.
- 9.2.2 The machine must have travelled the prescribed route under its own power, the exertion of the rider and passengers or natural causes.
- 9.2.3 The rider must have had the Time Check card stamped at all controls after the start and signed off at the finish. Failure to comply will lead to exclusion from the results.
- 9.2.4 Riders complying with all the rules and being not more than three minutes early or five minutes late at all time checks will be awarded a Gold Award.
- 9.2.5 Riders complying with the above and finishing the course, being not more than three minutes early or fifteen minutes late at all time checks will be awarded a Silver Award.
- 9.3 All Competitors and their Passengers must Sign Off at the Finish. They may then collect their Souvenir Award.

10 Award details:

- 10.1 **Performance Awards** for which only timed entrants complying with paragraph 9.2 are eligible:
 - 10.1.1 **The Bill Moore Trophy:** to the rider who is nearest to their allotted time schedule at one or more checks and having gained a Gold Award.
 - 10.1.2 **Len Wills Trophy:** awarded for the best-timed performance on a Veteran machine.
 - 10.1.3 **Vintage Tyre Scheme Trophy:** awarded for the best performance on an Early Vintage machine.
 - 10.1.4 **Ken Cobbing Trophy:** awarded for the best performance on a Late Vintage machine.
 - 10.1.5 **Rotherham Cup:** awarded to the youngest lady entrant gaining a Gold or Silver Award.
 - 10.1.6 **Joe Tite Memorial Trophy:** awarded to the youngest male entrant gaining a Gold Award.
 - 10.1.7 **The Timothy Smith Memorial Trophy:** awarded for the best performance on a Veteran Triumph.
 - 10.1.8 **The Wootton Trophy:** awarded to the entrant from overseas achieving the best performance.
 - 10.1.9 **The Kevin Thomas Trophy – Team Award:** awarded for the best-timed performances from a team of three riders riding one Veteran, one Early Vintage and one Late Vintage machine. They must ride the A, B and C routes according to the age of their machines.
 - 10.1.10 **The Newcomers Trophy:** awarded to the entrant on their first run achieving the best time.
- 10.2 **General Awards** for which all entrants complying with paragraph 9.2.2 are eligible: -
 - 10.2.1 **The Percy Wheeler Memorial Trophy:** awarded to the entrant whose age plus that of his machine totals the greatest number of years.
 - 10.2.2 **The Susan Moore Memorial Trophy:** awarded to the youngest rider finishing the course and riding in their first Banbury Run.
 - 10.2.3 **The Drayton School Trophy:** awarded to the youngest entrant riding the oldest machine - the greatest difference in years.
- 10.3 **Concours Awards:**
 - 10.3.1 **The Past Masters' Class:** For entrants who have previously won either the Feridax Trophy, the Best Opposite Class Trophy or any of the four Class Concours Awards. The following two awards will be presented:
 - 10.3.1.1 **The Harold Scott Trophy:** will be awarded to the entrant of the solo machine which in the opinion of the judges is in the best condition having special regard to the original specification and to any accessories fitted.
 - 10.3.1.2 **The Arthur Mortimer Shield:** will be awarded to the entrant of the combination or three-wheeler that in the opinion of the judges is in the best condition having special regard to the original specification and to any accessories fitted.
 - 10.3.2 **The Feridax Trophy:** awarded to the entrant of the machine that in the opinion of the judges is in the best condition having special regard to the original specification and to any accessories



fitted. No machine that has previously won this award, the Opposite Class or a Class Concours award will be eligible.

- 10.3.3 **The Opposite Class Trophy:** awarded to the entrant of the machine which is considered to be the Best Opposite Class of machine that wins the Feridax Trophy. No rider who has previously won this award, the Feridax Trophy or a Class Concours award will be eligible.
- 10.3.4 **The Sheldon Trophy:** awarded to the entrant of the machine having in the opinion of the judges the greatest technical interest. No machine previously winning the award will be eligible.
- 10.3.5 **The Brough Superior Award:** awarded to the entrant of the Brough Superior machine that is in the opinion of the judges in the best condition.
- 10.3.6 **The Scott Shield:** awarded to the entrant of the Scott machine that is in the opinion of the judges in the best condition. (No one rider can hold this award for more than three consecutive years).
- 10.3.7 **The Twycross Trophy:** awarded to the entrant of the Veteran machine judged to be in the best original condition.
- 10.3.8 **The Jack Groves Memorial Trophy:** awarded to the entrant of the Vintage machine judged to be in the best original condition.
- 10.3.9 **The Ivor Mutton Founder's Award:** awarded to the entrant of the Royal Enfield that in the opinion of the judges is in the best condition.
- 10.3.10 **The Banbury Town Mayor Trophy:** for the entrant best dressed in period attire in keeping with the machine.
- 10.3.11 **The Miniature Cup:** presented by the late Stan Greenway to the entrant of the best machine not exceeding 200cc or 1³/₄ hp.
- 10.3.12 **Four Class Concours Awards:** will be presented - to the entrants of the best machines in each of the three solo Classes and to the entrant of the best sidecar combination/three-wheeler.

11 Results

- 11.1 **Concours Awards** may only be collected during the prizegiving, to be advised.
- 11.2 **Timed Awards, General Awards and Performance Awards:** confirmation of the calculation timing to be advised.
- 11.3 The full results list will be published on www.banbury-run.co.uk shortly after the event and a summary in the VMCC Journal.
- 11.4 **Timed Awards, General Awards and Performance Awards** the presentation arrangements are yet to be fixed.



Overnight Accommodation:

See our web site at www.banbury-run.co.uk for an accommodation list.

Camping is available at Gaydon for £26 per pitch - for Saturday night only and £34- to include Friday Saturday and Sunday night camping if required - arrive before 8pm. These prices include an advanced payment discount and includes tents, caravans and campers. Prices on the day will be more. Booking in advance is recommended to secure a space. Advance book via – www.britishmotormuseum.co.uk or call 01926 649649 Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm to book.

Please note: a booking fee of £1.50 per booking will apply to all advance tickets or camping purchased from the British Motor Museum.