



Darlington & District Motor Club

Easter Monday Sprint incorporating the SBD Motorsport British Sprint Championship

Croft Racing Circuit – 17<sup>th</sup> April 2017

## FINAL INSTRUCTIONS

This meeting is organised by the Darlington & District Motor Club governed by the general competition rules of the MSA, incorporating the provision of the FIA, additional supplementary regulations and any written instructions the organisers issue for the event.

These final instructions should be read in conjunction with any further instructions or bulletins issued by the organisers.

### Section 1 - Permits

This event will be held under the following MSA Permit Number(s): NAT A 98810 & NAT B 98811

### Section 2 - Officials

➤ MSA Steward	A Couper
➤ DDMC Stewards	T Curran, H Tinkler
➤ Clerk of The Course	D Swinton
➤ Deputy Clerk of the Course	B Wright
➤ Secretary of the Meeting	C Hope, K Dartnall
➤ Chief Timekeeper	C Winstanley
➤ Chief Scrutineer	N Armstrong
➤ Chief Medical Officer	TBC

### Section 3 - Passes

Tickets and passes will be distributed to competitors via DDMC. Competitors will be issued with 4 passes for circuit entry and 1 vehicle pass. Passes cannot be left on the gate for collection.

### Section 4 – Venue Access

Access to the venue and garages will be from 10am until 11pm on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> April. Vehicles may be offloaded quietly.

### Section 5 – Pits, Paddock and Garages

- 5.1. Garages will be in use at this event and have been allocated to Competitors as shown on the attached entry list. Competitors located in the garages must be present for scrutineering between 7.00am and 9.00am. Failure to be in attendance will result in the vehicle having to be taken to the scrutineering bay.

- 5.2. Each competitor will have a specific parking area, indicated by their competition number. There will be sufficient space for a car, trailer and the competing vehicle. All other vehicles must be parked as directed by security staff.
- 5.3. Any competitor/Team who may have stationed themselves in the incorrect place in the paddocks and has refused to move when asked by a DDMC official or co-ordinator will be reported to the Clerk of the Course.
- 5.4. Under no circumstances may competition vehicles be driven around any part of the circuit premises until the commencement of scrutineering.
- 5.5. Any reports of undue noise, antisocial behaviour or failing to comply with instructions issued by the circuit security may result in exclusion from the meeting.
- 5.6. Competitors, Marshals/Officials bringing Transporters, Motor homes, caravans or tents to the site are reminded that no waste, water, oil or effluent of any description can be deposited anywhere. At some meetings oil containers and/or effluent tanks may be provided and used of which could incur a charge.
- 5.7. Teams are responsible for ensuring that members of the public do not wander through their pit garages and into the pit lane.
- 5.8. There is a speed limit of 10mph on access roads and paddock areas. No racing engines may be run before 09.00am and after 18.00pm. Paddock bikes scooters etc, except those towing tyres or tools, are not allowed at any time. Generators should not be run between 23.00pm and 06.00am.
- 5.9. No-one under the age of 16 is allowed in the Pit Lane. There must be absolutely no smoking in the pit lane. The Pit Wall adjacent to the Start Line and from the Start Line is a prohibited area for all but Officials.

#### Section 6 – Signing on for Competitors

Sign on for competitors will be available from 07.00am on Monday, this will be located in the administration office in the race control building. Drivers must sign on prior to scrutineering and practice. The scrutineers will not inspect the car of any driver who has not signed on.

- 6.1. All Competitors/Entrants must provide at Signing on:
  - Competition Race Licence / Entrants Licence where applicable  
***Non Presentation of a valid licence carries an MSA fee of £67***
  - A Valid club membership card.  
***Drivers are reminded that licences, medicals and upgrade cards must be valid, bearing a recent photograph and be signed by the driver before presentation to the officials at signing on.***
- 6.2. Competitors under the age of 18 years must be accompanied by his / her guarantor or guardian who must also sign on.

#### Section 7 – Scrutineering

Except those in garages, all scrutineering will take place in the scrutineering bay on Sunday between 14.00pm and 16.00pm and Monday between 7.00am and 9.00am in class order with priority being given to competitors in their running order. The competitor or their representative must be present with the car along with the signing on slip, overalls and helmet.

#### Section 8 – Drivers Briefing

There will be a drivers briefing in the pit Lane at 8.30am, all competitors must attend.

#### Section 9 – Competition Numbers

Your number is shown on the published entry list. The responsibility of numbering vehicles rests solely on the competitor. A limited supply of numbers will be available for a Fee at Signing On.

## Section 10 – Programme

The formation of the runs will be specified in the programme unless circumstance dictate otherwise. Any alterations will be posted in the Administration Office on the day. However, the organisers reserve the right to amend or amalgamate classes at their discretion. The Clerk of the Courses' decision is final.

## Section 11 – Practice Sessions

- 11.1. There will be an opportunity for two practices. Competitors will join the circuit from the end of the Pit Lane having entered the Pit Lane adjacent to Garage 1, turned right and travelled the 'wrong way' down the Pit Lane. At the end of each run, competitors will pass the finish line indicated by a red flag board, travel slowly around the Hairpin and pass back into the Pit Lane. Cars will be directed behind the garages to return to their paddock position.
- 11.2. Practice Times will be recorded for vehicles that practice in accordance with the timetable displayed in the Administration Office.
- 11.3. Competitors are warned that anyone reported illegally practicing in any part of the Paddock may be excluded from the meeting.

## Section 12 – Start Procedures

Competitors will line up on the race circuit prior to the start line. Practice starts to warm tyres may only occur between the assembly point and the Start Line. Competitors will be moved up to the starting position and will be given a red light followed by a green light. The green light indicates that the timekeeper is ready and the competitor may leave the line in their own time. Should a competitor stall they will not be given a restart if the rear wheel(s) have crossed the start line.

## Section 13 – Shared Cars

The onus is on the Competitor to ensure that the turn-round of shared vehicles is carried out as quickly as possible. It is suggested that the second driver accompany the first driver to the end of the Pit Lane and wait there for the vehicle to complete its run. Instead of returning to the Paddock, the vehicle may be driven to the assembly area and the transfer take place there. Competitors may decide which one of them is to go first, the numbering does not relate to this. Re-fuelling must be undertaken under supervision of a marshal, only in the designated area behind the queue for the startline, the area will be marked out with two fire extinguishers on the grass on the outside of the track. Competitors must advise the marshal that they are re-fuelling.

## Section 14 – Red Flag Procedures

Only the Red Flag will be used. If it is displayed, competitors must immediately cease driving at racing speeds and proceed slowly, without overtaking and with maximum caution, to the start line for a re-run, obeying marshals instructions and being prepared to stop if the track is blocked.

## Section 15 – Corner Cutting

Any competitor reported for persistently corner cutting will have their time disallowed.

## Section 16 – Withdrawing from a Race or the Event

At any time during the event should any competitor find that they are withdrawing from any session would they please advise Race Administration as soon as possible.

## Section 17 – Judges of Fact

These will be judges to determine false starts (S9.4.4-6) and finishes (S9.5.3), MSA Timekeepers, Eligibility Scrutineers, Technical Commissioners, Noise Inspectors and any other named Officials.

## Section 18 – Timetable

Competitors should sign on as follows:

- 7.00 – 7.20 Porsche, 4 & 5
- 7.20 – 7.40 Class 3
- 7.40 – 8.00 JDC, Morgan, TVR,
- 8.00 – 8.20 Classic marques, TR, Class 2, 1 & SA

Competitors will have the opportunity to walk (or bicycle) the course up to 8.50am. Practice will commence at 9.05am with Times Runs following on. Due to planning requirements, there will be a lunch break at a convenient point between 12.00 noon and 13.30pm.

There will be two practices followed by times runs. It is intended to give three timed runs however the run process at 14.30pm will be deemed to be the final run. This will be followed by the Top Twelve Run Off.

The running order for times runs will be as follows: 5E, 5D, 5C, 5A, 4B, 4A, Porsche Classes, 3K, 3H, 3G, 3F, 3E, 3D, 3C, 3B, 3A, JDC, Morgan's, TVRs, Classic Marques, TR, 2D, 2C, 2B, 2A, 1E, 1D, 1C, 1B, 1A, SC, SB, SA (cars have in the main, been numbered accordingly).

For practice purposes Class 5 will run after the Porsches.

## Section 19 – Circuit Map

