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# **PHIL COLLINGS MEMORIAL SOUTH DOWNS STAGES**

**Sponsored by Towncross Engineering**

**SATURDAY 8<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2019  
GOODWOOD MOTOR CIRCUIT**

**SOUTHSEA AND BOGNOR REGIS MOTOR CLUBS**



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# FOREWORD

A warm welcome to both our regular competitors and to those of you joining us at Goodwood Motor Circuit for the first time for the sixteenth running of the Phil Collings Memorial South Downs Stages.

We are delighted to have the continued support of Towncross Engineering as sponsor of the event. Without their support and that of our many other partners we wouldn't be able to bring you an event of this standard.

We are also grateful for the continued support of Goodwood Motor Circuit who are excellent hosts and always welcome us with open arms. We couldn't ask for a more supportive team at a venue that throws up some unique challenges.

The event will retain its familiar format of circa 33 miles of competitive rallying over 9 stages. The majority of the stage mileage will be on the circuit. Goodwood's natural bends are a challenge in themselves with some chicanes on the straights to spice things up. We will also be using a small amount of off-circuit roads similar to previous years.

Permit fees for 2020 are well documented and see a sizeable rise. Whilst we are grateful for the generosity of our sponsors we can't afford to absorb the rise and have therefore had to raise the entry fee to £260.

The event is a round of the Hamilton Classics ACSMC Tarmac Rally Championship and the Jelf Motorsport AEMC/AEMC Rally Championship.

If you are one of our regular 'family' of competitors we look forward to seeing you again, if this is your first time we are equally happy to welcome you to an event which has a reputation of being one of the friendliest. For a taste of what to expect you can find plenty of in-car footage from previous events on YouTube.

Families and friends of competitors are very welcome and entry to the event for all spectators is free. To the best of our knowledge there is no other venue in the UK where spectators can see a single venue stage rally and come and go throughout the day free of charge.

All information about the event is available on the website [www.southdownsstages.co.uk](http://www.southdownsstages.co.uk) and we are active on facebook, twitter, and also instagram @southdowns\_stages so please do interact with us and share your experiences.

Once again we wish everyone involved with the event an enjoyable day and hope you will be back for more.

*The organising team*

## 1. **Announcement**

Southsea Motor Club Ltd will organise an Interclub Permit sealed surface Multi-Use Special Stage Rally at Goodwood Motor Racing Circuit on Saturday 8th February, 2020. The event will be organised in association with Bognor Regis Motor Club Ltd

## 2. **Jurisdiction**

Held under the General Regulations of Motorsport UK (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA), and the Supplementary Regulations, along with any other written instructions that the Organising Clubs may issue for the event.

## 3. **Sponsor**

The main sponsor for the event is **Towncross Engineering**

## 4. **Authorisation**

Motorsport UK Permit Number - TBC

## 5. **Eligibility**

5.1 The event is open to all fully elected members of the promoting clubs and clubs listed below:

All clubs affiliated to:

The Association of Central Southern Motor Clubs  
The Association of South Western Motor Clubs  
The Association of South Eastern Motor Clubs  
The Association of Eastern Motor Clubs

5.2 Competitors are reminded of the requirement to produce valid Competition Licences, Club Membership Cards and Entrants Licences (if applicable) at signing on.

5.3 All vehicles must possess a valid MOT certificate (if applicable) and a Motorsport UK Rally Car log book.

5.4 Vehicles will NOT be required to be taxed or insured for the public highway.

## 6. **Championship**

The event is a round of the Hamilton Classic ACSMC Tarmacadam Rally Championship and the ASEMC/AEMC Jelf Motorsport Stage Rally Championship.

## 7. Timetable & Locations

7.1	Tue 10 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	Regulations published
	Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	Entries open
	Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> January 2020	Entries close
	Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> February 2020	Entry list & Final Instructions emailed
	Sat 8 <sup>th</sup> February 2020	
	07:00 to 09:00	Noise, Scrutineering & Documentation
	08:30	Driver's briefing
	09:00	First car due at MTC 1
	18:40	Approx time of last car at last MTC
	19.10	Approx time of awards presentation

7.2 Details of the locations of Noise Test, Scrutineering, Driver's Briefing and Documentation will be advised in the Final Instructions.

## 8. Classes

8.1 Cars will be split into the following classes:

A1	Up to 1000cc
A	1001 - 1400cc
B	1401 - 1600cc
C	1601 - 2000cc
D	2001cc and over
E	All four wheel drive cars

8.2 For engines with a forced induction system (turbocharger or supercharger, etc) a multiplication factor of 1.7 will be applied to the actual engine capacity and then the appropriate class determined by the new engine capacity.

**8.3 THE USE OF ANTI-LAG SYSTEMS ON TURBO CARS IS NOT ALLOWED. IF FITTED THE SYSTEM MUST BE SWITCHED OFF. Per SR15.2(v), the penalty for use of anti-lag systems is exclusion.**

8.4 The event is open to all cars complying with GR R46 to R49. All vehicles must comply with Motorsport UK Regulations. The organisers reserve the right to re-classify any vehicle where they deem it fair to do so.

## 9. Route & Format

9.1 The event will take place entirely within the grounds of Goodwood Motor Racing Circuit. The route will comprise 9 stages of approximately 33 miles total.

9.2 The correct route will be defined by Stage Diagrams.

9.3 At chicanes or other hazards chevron type marker boards will be used to define the correct entry point as per R29.1.1

## 10. Controls & Timing

10.1 Any competitor not signed on 30 minutes before their due start time may be excluded without refund and their place may be allocated to a reserve entry.

10.2 Stages may start at one minute or 30 second intervals. Unfortunately we can only run single lap stages at 30 second intervals because of Goodwood restrictions regarding the number of cars allowed on the circuit at any one time. This is due to the implications that it has on noise build up within a given period, which is how the circuit and local council measure noise.

10.3 Competitors will be timed to an accuracy of 1 second.

10.4 Stages will be timed by digital clocks operated by marshals under the control of the Chief Timekeeper. Should the clocks fail the organizers reserve the right to use any other available means for timing.

10.5 Crews must present themselves with their cars at all controls and it is their responsibility to ensure that all entries on their time cards are correct and handed in when and where required. Should any entry not be legible or not appear authentic, the organisers reserve the right to use any means at their disposal to establish a valid entry.

10.6 A bogey time will be set on all stages at 75mph as per R28.2.1 and a stage maximum time at approximately 30mph.

10.6.1 The stage start will be controlled by automatic lights driven by a single clock and will operate as follows:

15 secs before start	– Red Light
10 secs before start	– Red & Amber Light
5 secs before start	– Red light extinguished and the amber clusters count down.
Start time	– Green light

10.6.2 False starts will be detected by the use of a timing beam placed approximately 30cm in front of the start line as per R25.7.3. Competitors should position their car as directed by the start line marshals and should be aware that false starts will be recorded and reported to the Clerk of Course

10.6.3 The flying finish will be indicated by a red chequered flag board.

10.6.4 Each crew will be given their time at the stage finish (SSF) control in hours, minutes and seconds. Any crew who fails to stop at the stage finish control must not, under pain of exclusion, reverse to the stop line but must return on foot.

10.7 To be classified as a finisher, competing crews must report to the final control within the maximum lateness specified, with the car in which they started the event, without incurring the penalty of exclusion.

10.8 Time Cards must be handed in after each stage, the last card being accompanied by a completed Damage Declaration Form. Any competitor retiring during the event is requested to inform the Competitor Liaison Officer

or Secretary of the Meeting as soon as possible, and is required to hand in a completed Damage Declaration Form.

## 11. Awards

Awards will be presented as follows:

1 <sup>st</sup> Overall	Two awards
2 <sup>nd</sup> Overall	Two awards
1 <sup>st</sup> in class	Two awards
2 <sup>nd</sup> in class	Two awards (subject to min of 5 entries)
3 <sup>rd</sup> in class	Two awards (subject to min of 10 entries)
Highest classified Southsea Motor Club crew	Two awards
Highest classified Bognor Regis Motor Club crew	Two awards
Best performance by a Novice* crew	Two awards
Spirit of the Rally Award**	One award

\*A novice is defined as any crew in which both members have not taken part in more than three Stage Rallies before they start this event, in the role in which they are entering. The organisers may check past results to confirm eligibility.

\*\*This award will be presented to the crew or individual the organisers feel best demonstrates the ethos and competitive spirit of club rallying

## 12. Entries

12.1 Entries for the rally open on the 13<sup>th</sup> December 2019 and close at 23:59 on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020

12.2 The organisers reserve the right to accept entries after this date should the maximum number not be reached.

12.3 The entry fee is £260.00

12.4 Entries should be completed on the on-line entry system at [www.southdownsstages.co.uk](http://www.southdownsstages.co.uk) and accompanied by the correct fee. Handwritten entry forms will also be accepted, and these can be downloaded from the above website.

12.5 Entry fees may be paid by on line bank transfer/BACS (details given on the entry form or when you use the on-line entry), or via cheque.

12.6 All cheques should be made payable to The South Downs Stages. Post-dated cheques will not be accepted. Competitors intending to pay by cheque are requested to notify the entries secretary at the time of entry that they intend to pay by this method. Failure to do so could affect the speed of your entry acceptance.

12.7 The maximum entry for the rally is 55 cars. The minimum is 40 cars. Should the minimum number not be reached the organisers reserve the right to cancel the event.

12.8 Entries will be accepted on a first come first served basis with the exception of 1 place which shall be reserved and allocated at the discretion of the organisers. Entries will be confirmed in order of payment received. An entry

will not be confirmed as part of the 55 car entry until a completed entry form and full payment has been received.

12.9 Entries cancelled in writing, or by email, up to and including the closing date will be refunded in full. Entries cancelled after that date will receive a full refund if the place can be taken by a fully paid up reserve. Cancelled entries after the closing date that cannot be replaced by a reserve will be considered for partial refund at the organiser's discretion.

12.10 Entry fees may not be refunded to any entry who fails to start or meet the noise or scrutineering requirements.

12.11 Competitors will start in the entries list order based upon the seeding information received. If, during the event it becomes apparent that a competitor's performance is substantially greater or less than that which he is seeded, the Clerk of the Course or Deputy Clerk of the Course may re-seed that competitor on safety grounds.

12.12 Final instructions will be sent to the co-driver unless otherwise requested. **All final instructions will be sent by email**, so please provide a valid email address on the entry form.

### 13. Officials

The officials of the meeting will be:

Event Co-ordinator Mark Collings 07824 634424 / 02392 666309  
[info@southdownsstages.co.uk](mailto:info@southdownsstages.co.uk)

Secretary of the Meeting Mark Collings  
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Clerk of the Course Steve Castle 07976 388849  
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Deputy Clerk of the Course Michael Weeks

Stage Commander John Taylor

Deputy Stage Commander TBC

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Chief Marshal Judy Derisley  
[chiefmarshal@southdownsstages.co.uk](mailto:chiefmarshal@southdownsstages.co.uk)

Event Safety Officer Matt Fowle

Spectator Safety Officer TBC

MSA Steward	TBA once appointed by Motorsport UK
Club Stewards	TBA
Radio Controller	Sue Fielding
Chief Medical Officer	Chris Attfield
Chief Timekeeper	John Broughall
Chief Scrutineer	Vic Palmer 023 9266 4637 palmixer@aol.com
Scrutineers	Vic Palmer, Mark Palmer, Dave Rawlings, Nick Tall, Keith Shepherd
Results Team	John Stringer, Rachel Lawrence, Jill Collings
Service Area Co-Ordinator & Competitor Liaison	Ian Collings
Child Safeguarding Officer	Kevin Lawrence
Chief Equipment Officer	Richard Arnold
Rescue	Hawk Rescue
Recovery	Westbourne Motors

**Please do not phone officials later than 21:30**

## **14. Venue & Service**

14.1 Servicing is defined as work being carried out on the competing car by any person other than the competing crew, or the use of any parts or tools not carried in the competing car.

14.2 Servicing is only permitted in the service area. ANY ACTIVITY DEEMED BY THE ORGANISERS AS SERVICING IN ANY OTHER AREA WILL RESULT IN EXCLUSION. Service crews will not be permitted to go to the assistance of competing cars which break down on a Special Stage. The organisers will try to recover stranded vehicles between stages, but this cannot be guaranteed.

14.3 All servicing must be carried out on a non-porous sheet which exceeds the size of the car.

14.4 Due to the fixed layout of the paddock area at Goodwood there will only be room for the competing car and one service vehicle in the service area. Trailers and other associated vehicles must be parked in the designated areas. Information to this effect will be provided in the final instructions.



To assist with our planning, the organisers would like to request that any competitors bringing a large service vehicle (such as 7.5T lorries, camper vans, etc) notify us in advance.

As a condition of the use of the circuit refuelling may only be carried out in the designated areas. All competitors and their service crews are reminded of the requirements under the Health & Safety At Work Act regarding the refuelling of vehicles. Penalties will be applied as detailed in SR15.2

14.5 All entrants/competitors must ensure that all persons connected with their entry have read and fully understood the following statement: *'Every person participating in this event, whether employed or voluntary, shall take reasonable care for health and safety of themselves or other people who may be affected by his/her acts or omissions during the operation of the event'*

14.6 It is a condition of the circuit that no fires, barbecues or naked flames are permitted in the service area. Anybody found contravening this regulation not associated with a competing crew will be asked to leave the venue, and if found to be associated with a competing crew, penalties will be applied to the competing crew as per SR15.2(u)

14.7 Contravention of any of the above may result in a 3 minute penalty or exclusion as per SR15.2(u).

## 15. Marking & Penalties

15.1 Timing and marking will be as per GR R31

15.2 Penalties will apply as per R32 except for the following which are modified or added:

(m) Excessive vehicle sound (Article 16)	Exclusion
(o) Breach of GR R38.1.2 to R38.1.4	Exclusion
(t) Hitting or driving through chicane/course markers	15 seconds (1st offence)
(u) Contravention of SR 14.3 - 14.6	3 mins (1 <sup>st</sup> offence), Exclusion (subsequent offenses)
(v) Contravention of SR16.2	Exclusion
(w) Contravention of SR18.1	Exclusion
(x) Contravention of SR 22.5	Exclusion

15.3 R32.2(c) is deemed to include deliberately hitting a chicane in order to gain an advantage (2nd and subsequent offences) and taking wrong routes at split junctions.

15.4 Competitors who miss a control will now receive a 30 minute penalty as per R32.2 (a).

## 16. Modifications to General Regulations

16.1 H30.1.3(e) Competitors will be required to carry advertising material supplied by the organisers on behalf of their sponsors.

16.2 J5.17.8 Competing cars may be subject to additional noise tests at any time during the event.

**ALL CARS MUST BE ABLE TO PASS BOTH THE STANDARD MOTORSPORT UK NOISE TEST (100dB at 4500 RPM) AND THE GOODWOOD NOISE TEST OF 105DB AT 3/4 MAX REVS.** Any vehicle failing to meet the required level will be given up to 30mins to effect permanent repairs (eg wire wool is not acceptable). If after that time the vehicle still fails the noise test it will be excluded from the event. **Cars will also be subject to a drive-by test with a maximum level of 101db.** Any vehicle producing spurious noises (eg backfires or popping of any kind) may be subject to immediate withdrawal until eliminated.  
THE USE OF NOISE GENERATING ANTI-LAG SYSTEMS IS SPECIFICALLY PROHIBITED. USE OF SUCH DEVICES WILL RESULT IN IMMEDIATE EXCLUSION.

As per R24.9.1, Judges and/or DSOs will be appointed to report on sound levels. Excessive sound will include instantaneous occurrence of noise such as that produced by backfiring caused by anti-lag systems. The penalty for excessive sound may go as far as exclusion.

If any competitor has any concerns about the noise of their vehicle, or the testing methods in use, they should contact the Event Manager prior to entering to discuss the matter.

16.3 R30.1.1 Controls will open at the due time of Car 0.

16.4 R31.2.5 Maximum lateness will be 5 minutes which is penalty free.

16.5 Additional awards may be presented at the discretion of the organising clubs. Awards will be presented as soon as possible after the finish of the rally. To be eligible for the first placed Southsea MC or Bognor Regis MC awards you need to be a member of that club on publication of these SRs.

## 17. Judges of Fact

17.1 Judges of Fact will be appointed as per GR G10 to adjudicate and report on breaches of GR R24.7, R24.7.3, R24.7.6, R24.7.8, R24.9 and R25.6

17.2 Named Judges of Fact will be displayed on the official notice board.

17.3 The start line marshals will be judges of fact with respect to false starts. The marshals at the split and merge junctions will be judges of fact with respect to splits and merges.

## 18. Safety

### 18.1 30 second starts and split junctions

Since competitors may start Special Stages at 30 second intervals and each stage may consist of more than one lap, there will be several cars circulating at one time. There will be a split junction and a merge on some stages.

Countdown markers will be positioned at 200 and 100 yards before these. Competitors should ensure that they know which route to take on each lap. A Marshal will be placed on each of these junctions; any crew who overshoots and reverses will be EXCLUDED and licences may be endorsed

Additionally, crews who overshoot the split must not cut through the cones to take the other route – penalty for this will be 30 minutes for the first offense, Exclusion for the second.

#### 18.2 Red Flags

On any special stage where extreme circumstances make it necessary to authorise the movement of non-competing or rescue vehicle before the stage is cleared of competing cars, a system of Red Flags will be used. In accordance with R.25.6.4 on passing a Red Flag displayed by a marshal wearing a marshals' tabard, the driver MUST immediately and significantly reduce speed. The driver will then maintain this reduced speed, whilst being prepared to stop, until the end of the special stage and follow the instructions of any marshals and/or stage safety personnel. Failure to comply with this rule will incur a penalty at the discretion of the stewards.

### 19. Cameras

19.1 In-car cameras for personal / non-commercial use are permitted. Any cameras must be fitted in their intended position, in a secure mounting, before the car is presented for scrutineering, and the mounting must be approved by the scrutineer.

19.2 Any footage taken must be made available to the organisers if requested, for either promotional or judicial purposes.

### 20. Results, Ties and Protests

20.1 Interim results will be displayed on a large screen in the Jackie Stewart Pavilion throughout the day and on the website [www.southdownsstages.co.uk](http://www.southdownsstages.co.uk) Provisional and final results will be displayed on the official notice board in the Jackie Stewart Pavilion.

20.2 Ties will be resolved in accordance with R40.1.2

20.3 Protests must be in accordance with GR C5 and Appeals in accordance with GR C6.

### 21. Damage Declaration

Competitors at the conclusion of the event shall sign a declaration to the effect that they have not been involved in any accident that may have caused damage to persons or property, or alternatively give details of such incidents. Failure to comply will be penalised under R15.1.3 and may be reported to Motorsport UK for further action. Competitors who retire will be required to submit this form to the Secretary of the Meeting within 72 hours of the event. Failure to return this form may be penalised by a fine of up to £100. Competitors causing damage to any third party property will be liable for any excess the organisers have to pay to the Motorsport UK insurers.

## **22. Additional Information**

22.1 Competing cars are required to carry identification numbers in accordance with J4.1 For 2019 these will be provided by the organisers and issued at the venue.

22.2 Stage maps, seeded entry list and time schedule will be available via the event website approximately 7 days before the event. It should be noted that this information will be for planning purposes and should be treated as provisional only.

22.3 Competitors may wish to fit auxiliary lighting as stages may be run in the dark. These must be fitted for scrutineering.

22.4 Any misbehaviour deemed as bringing motor sport into disrepute may result in the removal of team members from the venue.

22.5 No dogs are permitted in the service area or anywhere on the inside areas of the track. Goodwood welcomes dogs on the spectator banking on the outside of the track.

## **23. Services**

Catering will be provided by the circuit's official supplier 'The Chuck Wagon'.

Permanent toilets are available on site.

No fuel is available at the site. The nearest petrol stations are Sainsburys at 197/876057 or on the Chichester By-pass Eastbound at 197/860037

## **24. Acknowledgements**

We thank the following people and companies for their support of the rally.

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MARSH PLANT  
THE SAFETY & RESCUE CREW  
M&H PHOTOGRAPHY  
ALL MARSHALS  
ALL OFFICIALS

## **25. MARSHALS**

As always on an event like this an army of marshals will be required to enable the event to run smoothly and on time. We particularly need to be able to make alterations to the layout of the stages quickly and will therefore need some competent helpers to achieve this. If you or anyone you know are able to help please contact us.



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