

BERT HADLEY MEMORIAL CHAMPIONSHIP REGULATIONS 2025

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SPORTING REGULATIONS - GENERAL

1.1 The Bert Hadley Memorial Championship – 2025 is organised and administered by The Pre-War Austin Seven Club in accordance with the General Regulations of Motorsport UK (Incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA) and these Championship Regulations.
Motorsport UK Championship Permit Number CH2025/ (Grade D)

1.2 OFFICIALS

Organiser : MRS SHIRLEY TULL (Contact: sjtull46@gmail.com)

1.2.2 Eligibility Scrutineer : ROBERT BASSETT

1.2.3 Championship Stewards : GEOFF ROE, ROD DAINTY & JOHN SKEAVINGTON

1.3 COMPETITOR ELIGIBILITY

1.3.1 Entrants must be fully paid-up valid membership card holding members of The Pre-War Austin Seven Club and in possession of a current Motorsport UK Entrants Licence.

1.3.2 Drivers and Entrant/Drivers must be fully paid-up valid membership card holding members of The Pre-War Austin Seven Club, be registered for the Championship and be in possession of a current Competition RS INTERCLUB Status Licence as a minimum.

A competitor shall not take time off school to participate in motor sport without the prior written approval of their school. If participation of the Championship requires absence from school, drivers in full time education are required to have the approval of their head teacher and a letter stating such approval from his/her school, in order to fulfil registration for the Championship.

1.3.3 All necessary documentation must be presented for checking at all rounds when signing on.

1.4 REGISTRATION

1.4.1 By written application, bank transfer, or by email to the Championship Organiser:
Mrs Shirley Tull. Chapel Gate, Chapel Street, Goxhill, Barrow-Upon-Humber, North Lincs,
DN19, 7JJ. Mobile 07826 518999. Email : sjtull46@gmail.com

1.4.2 A registration fee of £20.00 (cheques payable to Pre War Austin Seven Club Limited) should accompany the completed application

1.4.3 Entry into the Championship commences from the confirmed date of Registration and points will not be awarded retrospectively. Registration does not imply or guarantee acceptance of an entry in a nominated event. Competitors should be fully registered at least seven days before the first round in which they intend to compete.

1.5 CHAMPIONSHIP ROUNDS **All RS Interclub Status**

1. Sat.29 March	S	Cadwell Park	B.A.R.C. Midlands
2. Sun. 13 April	H/C	Shelsley Walsh	Midland Automobile Club
3. Sat. 26 April	S	Mallory Park	Bentley Drivers' Club
4. Sat. 10 May	H/C	Wiscombe Park	500 Owners' Association
5. Sat. 17 May	H/C	Doune	Lothian Car Club
6. Sun. 15 June	S	Three Sisters	Longton & District Motor Club
7. Sat. 28 June	S	Curborough	Nottingham Sports Car Club
8. Sat. 12 July	H/C	Loton Park	Hagley & District Light Car Club
9. Sat. 19 July	H/C	Barbon	Liverpool Motor Club
10. Sun. 27 July	H/C	Scammonden Dam	Mid-Cheshire Motor Racing Club
11. Sat. 2 August	H/C	Gurston Down	B.A.R.C. South West
12. Sun. 24 August	H/C	Harewood	B.A.R.C Yorkshire

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13. Sat/Sun 30/31 Aug	H/C	Forrestburn (Scotland)	Monklads Sporting Car Club
14. Sat. 6 Sept.	H/C	Bo'ness (Scotland)	Bo'ness Sporting Automobile Club
15. Sat. 27 Sept.	S	Blyton Park	Nottingham Sports Car Club
16. Sat. 4 Oct	H/C	Prescott Hill	Bugatti Owners' Club

1.6 SCORING

1.6.1 Competitors will receive points based on their best time at an event. The times will be published at the end of the event. Irrespective of the Format of any specific event with regard to practice and timed runs, for Championship scoring purposes, all times achieved after the first practice run will be used to calculate championship scores.

1.6.2 Each round will be scored in Classes

For the class awards, 'Road Car' and 'Track Car' results will be separated (see 4.2) Points will then be awarded as follows :- 1st – 10 pts. 2nd – 8 pts. 3rd – 6 pts. 4th – 5 pts. 5th – 4 pts. 6th – 3 pts. 7th – 2 pts. 8th onwards 1 pt. each

Points obtained from a minimum of five of the qualifying rounds will count to establish final placings. Where applicable, the best five scores obtained will be regarded.

The Bert Hadley Memorial Cup will be awarded to the competitor with the highest Class score.

1.6.3 If required, the following tie-break procedure will apply :

The times from 5 best scoring events of the tied competitors will be expressed as a percentage of the class record (Record Time/Best Time x 100). The highest sum of the percentages would be the winner.

Should **this method not** be effective, the Championship Stewards will specify the means to reach a solution. In all cases their decision will be final.

1.6.4 Any Championship points appeal will be decided by the Championship Stewards. Any competitor wishing to appeal points awarded, must appeal directly to the Championship Stewards. They should apply in writing (email) outlining why they think the scoring has not followed the Championship regulations. The Championship Organiser cannot be part of any appeal as they may also be a competitor. *(Note that times can only be disputed at the event with the event Stewards **before** they are declared at the end of the event).*

1.7 AWARDS :

1.7.1 **Overall Winner:** 'The Bert Hadley Memorial Cup' (Donated by Clive Hadley).

1st Track Class : 'The Murray Jamieson Trophy'. (Anonymous Donator) **1st Road Class** : 'The Shelsley Award'. (Donated by Jenny Wilcox) **These trophies are awarded to second in class should the BHMC Cup be awarded to the winner.**

Best Newcomer : 'The Newcomer's Cup'. **Awarded to the Newcomer completing 5 events with the highest Class score.**

Best Lady Driver : 'The Kay Petre Award'.

Most Improved : 'The Brooklands Cup' to be awarded to the highest Class points improvement over 5 rounds from the previous year

1.7.2 Cash prizes : not applicable

1.7.3 Bonuses : not applicable

The awards to be held for 11 months then returned, in good order, to the Championship Co-ordinator. Other awards will be issued for class placings etc. The date and venue of the presentation will be advised later in the year.

2. SPORTING REGULATIONS – JUDICIAL PROCEDURES.

2.1 Rounds : in accordance with **Chapter 2** of the 2025 Motorsport UK **National Competition Rules**

2.2 Championship : in accordance with **Chapter 2** of the 2025 Motorsport UK **National Competition Rules**

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3. SPECIFIC CHAMPIONSHIP SPECIFICATIONS

- 3.1 By registering for the Championship, all competitors and their associates commit to positively promote and demonstrate the Motorsport UK's Respect Code which is appended to these regulations (Appendix 1).
- 3.1.1 Where any reports of disrespectful conduct is judged to be well founded, the Championship organisers may issue warnings or require remedial actions and/or report the matter to the Championship Stewards who may impose appropriate penalties which can include loss of championship points and/or race bans through to Championship Expulsion and referral to Motorsport UK.
- 3.1.2 It is imperative that we promote the safety and wellbeing of young people and adults at risk. In addition to this, all participants must be aware of their behaviour and conduct at all times, and abusive language and harmful behaviour will not be tolerated. Any such incidents must be reported to the Championship Co-Ordinator and/or Safeguarding Officer who will relay the report to Motorsport UK. Details of the Motorsport UK Policies and Guidelines are available at www.motorsportuk.org/resource-centre by selecting "Policies and Guidelines".
- 3.2 Due to both safety and environmental concerns, vehicles **must not** be left unattended under any circumstances when the engine is running.

4. TECHNICAL REGULATIONS :

- 4.1 Eligible vehicles : Any Austin Seven of 1922-1939 origin, production car, modified production car, 'reproduction' or 'special' based upon the Austin Seven and to incorporate all of the Austin Seven main assemblies including chassis and quarter-elliptic rear suspension, engine, gearbox and rear axle. Front Suspension design is free. Any body type of period appearance, suitable materials and construction.
- 4.2 Classes : Eligible vehicles will be divided into two classes :-

'ROAD CARS', Must compete in a genuine road-legal order (including tyres and silencing) with fitted mudguards, working lights, horn and dynamo. An operable starting handle or working electric starter must be fitted as well as a reverse gear. **The car must have a current and valid road tax.** It must have at least two seats, including the driver's. The front passenger seat should be of suitable size & construction to be fit for purpose; loose cushions should be strapped or fastened securely. Cars must compete with either a full glass windscreen or at least one aero screen. Spare wheel(s) must be removed.

Competitors must:

- **Lodge with the Championship Co-Ordinator, a copy of the DVLA website page showing the car is taxed. This can be printed from the following website address – <https://www.gov.uk/check-vehicle-tax> which can also be found by using Google and searching for "check vehicle tax".**
- **Take responsibility themselves to ensure that their vehicle is suitably insured for use on the public highway**

'TRACK CARS', To have one or more seats. 'Period' racing tyres are permitted, but **all** tyres must have a minimum tread depth of 1.6mm. '**Modern**' low-profile competition tyres, whether treaded, slicks or re-cut slicks are **not** allowed.

'Track' cars are required to have a Vehicle Logbook issued by Motorsport UK or, if applicable, issued by the VSCC.

NOTE: Any Austin Seven – based vehicle which does not comply as to the normal layout or arrangement of the main mechanical assemblies, may be accepted within the Championship, subject to the discretion of the Eligibility Scrutineer and of the Championship Organisers. Their joint decision will be final. Cars based on the

Austin Seven by licence, i.e. BMW - Dixi, Rosengart and American Bantam may also be considered for inclusion.

FUEL : 'Road' cars to run on 'pump' fuel (lead substitute additives permitted). 'Track' cars may use a higher grade petrol but not 'methanol' - as defined in the current Motorsport UK regulations, Section B.

WHEELS : To be of Austin Seven 'style' to choice. Minimum rim diameter : 15" Maximum rim width : 5" 'Twin' rear wheels and/or tyres are not permitted.

TYRES : Cross-ply or radial, as available.

WINDSCREENS : Toughened or laminated glass (subject to S.R requirements.)

SUPERCHARGERS : Any car fitted with a supercharger will incur a 3% time penalty. This will be closely monitored and may be adjusted at any time. If any adjustment is made, all affected competitors will be notified of the new penalty before their next event. Cars fitted with a "pre-war" supercharger or an exact replica of a "pre-war" supercharger will not incur a time penalty.

REPLACEMENT AND/OR UPDATED MECHANICAL COMPONENTS ARE PERMITTED

COMMON TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

All vehicles are to comply with the current Motorsport UK Regulations as they apply to Vintage (Category C) and Post-Vintage cars (Category D) of pre – 1941 manufacture **Chapter 7** (Common Regulations for particular reference to the following :)

- Ch 7 App 2 6.1 Construction of bodywork
- Ch 7 App 4 5.1 Fuel lines passing through driver compartment.
- Ch 7 App 5 1.4 Batteries secured
- Ch 7 App 5 1.5 Have earth lead identified
- Ch 7 App 8 2 Silencing requirements
- Ch 14 App 4.6 Catch tank(s)
- Ch 14 App 4 11.1 Timing strut, size & positioning

4.3 SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

- Ch 7 App 2 8.3 A return spring acting directly onto **each** carburettor throttle spindle
- Ch 14 App 4 5.1 Steel self locking type wheel nuts, fitted over heavy-duty steel flat washers approx. 1 /8" x 1" on dowed wheel centres.
Chamfered stainless steel nuts for raised seating centres (ie some 'West London' types)
- Ch 14 App 4 6.5 Accessible and clearly indicated isolating tap on gravity fuel systems
- Ch 14 App 4 8.1 Accessible and clearly indicated ignition and/ or electric fuel pump switch(es) and 'Off' positions marked
- Ch14 App 4 2.1 A fire extinguisher, securely mounted, **Motorsport UK approved type & capacity** is Recommended but not mandatory.

5. ENVIRONMENT CONCERNS

Not applicable to Pre-War Cars

THE ABOVE REGULATIONS SHOULD BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE EDITION OF THE MOTORSPORT UK **NATIONAL COMPETITION RULES** AND ANY SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS ISSUED BY MOTORSPORT UK AND/ OR THE PROMOTING MOTOR CLUBS.

This Championship was established to enable the sporting Austin Seven owner to engage in keen, but friendly, competition with like-minded enthusiasts. The regulations have been drawn up to serve all intending participants and to meet Motorsport UK requirements. As a Registered Championship Competitor, it is your responsibility to ensure your entered vehicle complies with both the letter and the spirit of the Regulations. The Eligibility Scrutineer may undertake the examination of competing vehicles at any time, to ensure fair interpretation of the above.

Signed Shirley Tull.

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