

2017 VCR OFFICIAL ENTRY REGULATIONS

1. ANNOUNCEMENT

1.1. The Royal Automobile Club will promote the **2017 Bonhams London to Brighton Veteran Car Run supported by Hiscox (VCR)** which will take place on Sunday 5 November. This annual commemoration of the Emancipation Run of 1896 is a demonstration of reliability and endurance, not of speed.

1.2. The length of the Run is approximately 60 miles (97km) and will start from Hyde Park in central London and finish at Madeira Drive, Brighton.

1.3. The event is organised and promoted by Goose Live Events Limited (Organisers) on behalf of The Royal Automobile Club under a Certificate of Exemption and authorisation from The Motor Sports Association No: XXX and held under the General Regulations of The Motor Sports Association (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA) and these Supplementary Regulations.

1.4. The Organisers invite entries from Wednesday 29 March 2017 to the VCR by invitation subject to entrants fulfilling these entry regulations and requirements.

2. ELIGIBILITY

2.1. The event is open to four-wheeled cars, tri-cars and motor tricycles manufactured before 1st January 1905 and the subject of a valid Dating Certificate (showing the date of completion of the vehicle as 1904 or earlier) or a valid VCC Veteran Passport.

2.2. The following four-wheeled cars, tri-cars and motor tricycles may also participate at the sole discretion of the VCR Steering Group:

2.2.1. Vehicles which are the subject of a valid Dating Certificate or Certificate of Eligibility (showing the date of completion of the vehicle as 1904 or earlier) issued in the past by the Dating Committee of the Veteran Car Club of Great Britain or the Dating Panel of Veteran Car Services Limited and have participated on a previous Run;

2.2.2. Vehicles which are the subject of a valid Eligibility Certificate or Composite Certificate (showing the date of completion of the vehicle as 1904 or earlier) issued by the Veteran Car Company Limited; (A Composite Car is defined as one whose major parts are car parts not necessarily from the same manufacturer provided they were made before 1st January 1905).

2.2.3. The VCR Steering Group reserves the right to accept cars of interest to the Run.

2.3. Entrants of vehicles without a current valid Dating Certificate or VCC Veteran Passport must apply, no later than Friday 28 July 2017, to the Veteran Car Company Limited Dating Advisory Committee for a Dating Certificate or a VCC Veteran Passport which, if approved, will be valid for two consecutive VCR events from date of issue and valid for the original applicant of the Passport only. The VCC may extend this Passport where full dating is awaited. Applications for the Dating Certificate or VCC Veteran Passport must be made direct to the VCC via website: www.vccofgb.co.uk Tel: +44(0)1462 742 818 Fax: +44(0)1462 742 997 or email: hq@vccofgb.co.uk.

2.4. Unless already held by the Organisers the entrant is required to submit a copy of the vehicle's valid Dating Certificate or VCC Veteran Passport at the time of entry or by Friday 25 August 2017 at the latest. An entry will not be confirmed or accepted for participation in the 2017 VCR until the Organisers are in possession of the above. To avoid entry fee penalty clauses (see Regulation 6) an entrant is advised to submit their entry early and forward the certificate/passport copy as soon as possible.

2.5. Acceptance of a vehicle in this or a previous VCR is not necessarily considered as proof of its age or eligibility.

2.6. It is the entrant's responsibility to ensure that the vehicle is in a road-worthy condition. All cars must meet the legal requirements to run on public roads in the UK. Trade Plates are not permitted.

2.7. All participating cars must have front (white) and rear (red) lighting either fitted to the car or temporary lights that can be attached in poor light conditions. Temporary lighting can be of modern manufacture.

2.8. Commercial vehicles (vans, lorries, buses) and motorcycles (with or without sidecar) are not eligible to participate unless specifically invited to do so by the VCR Steering Group.

2.9. Entrants of steam vehicles are required to have had their vehicle checked by a competent inspector of steam within the past 5 years.

2.10. The nominated driver(s) of the vehicle must hold a driving licence valid for use in the UK. Any entry proposed by a legal entity will be deemed to be represented by the nominated driver in all matters.

3. PROGRAMME

Wednesday 29 March - Entries Open

Friday 26 May - Early Bird Entry Fee Deadline

Friday 28 July - Advance Entry Fee Deadline

Friday 25 August, 3.30pm - Publication of Entrants in Programme

Friday 22 September - Standard Entry Fee Deadline and Close of Entries

Sunday 5 November

6.00am - Paddock Opens, Hyde Park

7.02am - First cars start, Hyde Park (Official Sunrise Time)

8.45am - Hyde Park, Start Closes

10.02am - Madeira Drive, Brighton Opens

4.30pm - Madeira Drive, Brighton Closes

4. FORMAT

4.1. Assembly and Start:

4.1.1. Vehicles will assemble and start in Serpentine Road, Hyde Park, London. A souvenir plaque will be awarded to the first driver of each car starting.

4.1.2. The starting order will be determined by a combination of age and the horsepower of vehicles entered. The earliest vehicles will start first. The published starting order is definitive. The start numbers will be issued on Friday 25 August at 3.30pm. Should you apply to enter after this date your vehicle will be deemed a late entry and will not appear in the Official Souvenir Programme.

4.1.3. The first cars will start at Official Sunrise Time (7.02am) with cars departing in batches at intervals of no more than two minutes. Participants' start positions will be published in

the souvenir programme and on the official website (www.veterancarrun.com).

4.1.4. All cars must be in their allocated assembly area 30 minutes before their start time.

4.1.5. Non-participating veteran cars, trailers and commercial vehicles are not permitted inside the boundary of Hyde Park, at the Official Crawley stop or Madeira Drive finish under any circumstance.

4.1.6. Exceptionally the unloading of trailers is permitted on South Carriage Drive, Hyde Park between 6.00am and 8.30am on Sunday 5 November. Parking is not permitted; any unattended vehicles could be clamped or towed away by the authorities.

4.1.7. Any vehicle that differs from the information given on the entry form may not be permitted to start the Run.

4.1.8. Anyone under the age of 17 participating as a passenger on the Run must remain with their guardian or veteran car at all times whilst inside the Hyde Park, Crawley and Brighton paddocks. The Organisers strongly recommend that anyone under the age of 17 wears a high-visibility safety vest.

4.2. The Route:

4.2.1. The length of the Run is approximately 60 miles (97km) and will be sign-posted with yellow RAC signs from the Start at Hyde Park to the Finish at Madeira Drive. Participants will receive details of the route with the official coffee stop and check point at Crawley. All participating vehicles in the Run MUST pull into the check point at Crawley to have their route card stamped. Any vehicle not having their route card stamped at the Crawley check point will be considered as not having taken the correct route and judged as not having finished the Run.

4.2.2. The maximum average speed permitted is 20mph. This will be determined from the participant's start time to their arrival at Madeira Drive, Brighton. Arriving before their allowed time has elapsed will result in the entrant's exclusion.

4.3. Driving Standards:

4.3.1. All drivers are required to obey the Highway Code and all instructions of Police Officers and Officials of the event.

4.3.2. Driving Standards Observers appointed by the Organisers will monitor the progress of the entrants along the route. Their reports may result in penalties (see Regulation 14) being applied by the Clerk of the Course in cases where driving is considered to be in a manner likely to bring the event into disrepute. Penalties include exclusion and disqualification on the day and for future VCR events.

4.3.3. Police Officers and Event Officials are "Judges of Fact" and their reports on any driver's poor standards of driving and/or lack of respect for the Highway Code will be taken as fact and acted on accordingly.

4.3.4. All entrants/drivers are reminded that the Run is NOT A RACE and that they act as ambassadors for the VCR.

4.4. The Finish:

4.4.1. The official finish of the event will be at Madeira Drive, Brighton which closes at 4.30pm. The driver of each car finishing before the official closing time at Madeira Drive will be awarded a commemorative medallion on the day. Where possible, a professional colour photograph of their car arriving at Brighton and an individual certificate will be supplied in the Finisher's Pack sent by post to the entrant after the event.

4.5. Results:

4.5.1. A list of entrants who completed the Run, having visited the checkpoints and arrived at Madeira Drive, Brighton before the control closed, will be available on the official website (www.veterancarrun.com) after the event.

4.5.2 Those participating in the Run will automatically be entered into the Regularity Time Trial (see Regulation 7). The opportunity for participants to opt-out is given at time of entry to the Run.

5. ENTRIES

5.1. Entries for the VCR may be made online at www.veterancarrun.com or alternatively by completion of the Official 2017 VCR Entry Form. The declaration must be signed and posted or emailed to the Organisers by the closing dates shown in Regulation 3 and must include the Entry Fee (see Regulation 6).

5.2. The Organisers are intending to be able to accept all valid entries, but reserve the right to limit the number of starters in the interest of safety. The maximum entry to be accepted is 450. In the event of the 450 entry level being exceeded, a reserve list will be held by the Organisers. Should an entry on the reserve list be accepted to the Run in place of a withdrawn entry, then the entry fee charged will be that applicable at the time of the reserve entry's registration for the current year's Run.

5.3. The Early Bird entry fee deadline is on Friday 26 May. From Saturday 27 May to Friday 28 July the Advance entry fee applies. From Saturday 29 July to Friday 22 September the Standard entry fee applies. Entry after Friday 25 August will only be accepted after consultation by the Organisers with The Royal Automobile Club and may not be listed in the official programme and will start at a time designated by the Organisers.

5.4. The Organisers require all entries to be accompanied by one photograph of their vehicle. This is for the purposes of publicity as each car accepted, by Friday 25 August, will feature in the official programme and website. Photographs received after this date may not feature in the official programme. The Organisers will retain this photograph, which must be a 3/4 front picture and must be copyright free. Electronic copies are preferred as they are higher quality.

5.5. The Organisers require each new entry to be accompanied by a copy of either an eligible Veteran Car Company Limited Dating Advisory Committee Dating Certificate or VCC Veteran Passport. If not available at time of entry, the Entry Form should be completed and returned as required with a covering note advising that a copy of the certificate/passport will be sent by Friday 25 August at the latest. An entry cannot be officially accepted into the Run until a copy of the Certificate/Passport has been received. For vehicle eligibility criteria refer to Regulation 2.

6. ENTRY FEES

The entry fee structure is based on the age of the vehicle and the date by which the vehicle is entered. To encourage the entry of older vehicles, cars dated pre-1900 are offered a discount on the entry fee. To encourage cars to enter in good time a three tier entry fee structure based on the date the car is entered is in place.

6.1 Entry Fee (per vehicle) - Early Bird Entry Fee – Wednesday 29 March to Friday 26 May

6.1.1. All four-wheeled cars and tri-cars entered manufactured up to **31 December 1899** = £274.00

6.1.2. All three-wheeled single-seat motor tricycles entered manufactured up to **31 December 1899** = £137.00

6.1.3. All four-wheeled cars and tri-cars entered manufactured from **1 January 1900** = £383.00

6.1.4. All three-wheeled single-seat motor tricycles entered manufactured from **1 January 1900** = £191.00

6.1.5. A £10.00 admin fee on the above entry fees will be charged for entries not entering online via the Veteran Car Run website: www.veterancarrun.com

6.2 Entry Fee (per vehicle) - Advance Entry Fee – Saturday 27 May to Friday 28 July

6.2.1. All four-wheeled cars and tri-cars entered manufactured up to **31 December 1899** = £374.00

6.2.2. All three-wheeled single-seat motor tricycles entered manufactured up to **31 December 1899** = £237.00

6.2.3. All four-wheeled cars and tri-cars entered manufactured from **1 January 1900** = £483.00

6.2.4. All three-wheeled single-seat motor tricycles entered manufactured from **1 January 1900** = £291.00

6.2.5. A £10.00 admin fee on the above entry fees will be charged for entries not entering online via the Veteran Car Run website: www.veterancarrun.com

6.3 Entry Fee (per vehicle) - Standard Entry Fee – Saturday 29 July to Friday 22 September

6.3.1. All four-wheeled cars and tri-cars entered manufactured up to **31 December 1899** = £474.00

6.3.2. All three-wheeled single-seat motor tricycles entered manufactured up to **31 December 1899** = £337.00

6.3.3. All four-wheeled cars and tri-cars entered manufactured from **1 January 1900** = £583.00

6.3.4. All three-wheeled single-seat motor tricycles entered manufactured from **1 January 1900** = £391.00

6.3.5. A £10.00 admin fee on the above entry fees will be charged for entries not entering online via the Veteran Car Run website: www.veterancarrun.com

Notes:

All entries must be accompanied by the applicable entry fee. All entries require payment in UK Sterling ONLY.

All prices where appropriate include VAT at 20%

6.4. Entrants of four wheeled cars and tri-cars entered will receive 4 personnel passes, 2 participant vehicle numbered plates, 1 route time card, 1 official programme and a maximum of 4 complimentary evening function tickets to the Saturday evening reception if requested. Additional personnel passes (limited to a maximum of 2 per vehicle entered) may be purchased at £30.00 per pass. Entrants of three-wheeled single-seat motor tricycles will receive 1 personnel pass and a maximum of 2 complimentary evening function tickets to the Saturday evening reception if requested.

6.5. The entry fee will be refunded in full, in the case of the event not taking place, or in the case of an entry deemed as not eligible for a Dating Certificate or a VCC Veteran Passport (less an Administration Fee of £50.00). The event is deemed to have taken place once the first participating veteran car has crossed the start line of the event.

6.6. In the case of an entry being withdrawn by Friday 28 July, a full refund less an Administration Fee of £50.00 will be made. After this date, no refund will be made.

6.7. It is the responsibility of the entrant to contact the VCR Organisers if formal acknowledgement of any entry form is not received within 21 days of submitting.

6.8. The Organisers reserve the right to refuse the entry of an entrant, driver and/or car, without giving reasons for refusal.

6.9. Any changes of vehicle must be notified to the Organisers in writing. No change of vehicle can be made after 5.00pm on Friday 25 August.

6.10. Any formal Entry Withdrawal must be notified in writing (post or email) to be received by the Organisers by 5.00pm on Friday 20 October.

7. REGULARITY TIME TRIAL

7.1. Entry into the 2017 Regularity Time Trial is automatic for all entries with an option to opt out at the time of registering for the VCR. There is no cost for entry into the 2017 Regularity Time Trial. All entrants will be issued with a Regularity Time Trial identification plate which must be displayed in its entirety on the front of the veteran car.

7.2. The Start of the Regularity Time Trial will be the Crawley half-way check point, for 2017 based in the High Street, Crawley, and the Finish of the Regularity Time Trial will be at the Burgess Hill check point, on the south side of the town, a distance of 13 miles. Both will be clearly marked on the day.

7.3. The Regularity Time Trial will contain at least one Intermediate Waypoint, the location of which must not be given to Competitors in advance in accordance with the MSA Blue Book governing the running of the VCR.

7.4. Competitors will not be required to stop at the Intermediate Waypoint.

7.5. Adherence to the time schedule in the Regularity Time Trial will be assessed by comparing the time of arrival at the Final Time Control Point with the time recorded leaving the Crawley check point. Timing will be at the moment the car passes the Final Time Control point 'Regularity Time Trial Finish' sign.

7.6. There is no requirement to stop at the Final Time Control Point.

7.7. Competitors will not be required to maintain an average speed in excess of 20 mph. Given the variance in horse power and power source of the cars entering the VCR, competitors must nominate, prior to the Run, the average miles per hour (mph) they estimate they will take to complete the 13 mile Regularity Time Trial. The average mph options are 8 mph, 10 mph, 12 mph, 14 mph, 16 mph and 18 mph. These mph speeds equate to the following minutes to complete the Regularity Time Trial:

8 mph = 97 minutes 30 seconds

10 mph = 78 minutes 0 seconds

12 mph = 65 minutes 0 seconds

14 mph = 55 minutes 42 seconds

16 mph = 48 minutes 48 seconds

18 mph = 43 minutes 18 seconds

A default of 12mph will be set if no average speed is entered.

7.8. Any significant delay caused by adverse traffic or weather conditions may be taken into consideration by the Event Organisers.

7.9. Cars arriving early at the end check point will be penalised 2 points per minute. Cars arriving late at the end check point will be penalised 1 point per minute, with a maximum of 30 minutes. An additional 30 penalty points will be applied for stopping short and in sight of the end check point if earlier than the equivalent nominated time. Cars which do not pass the Intermediate Waypoint may be disqualified.

7.10. The overall winner will be determined by the least penalty points being applied to each participating car. This award will be made at the VCC Dinner Celebrating the Bonhams London to Brighton Veteran Car Run supported by Hiscox scheduled for the evening of the VCR.

7.11. The Regularity Time Trial does not constitute a speed trial. It is the responsibility of all those who enter the Regularity Time Trial to check with their insurance broker/company that they are covered to do so.

8. IDENTIFICATION

8.1. Participants will be provided with two vehicle numbered plates (approx. 7.5" x 5.8"/19cm x 15cm), which must be clearly displayed in forward and reverse facing positions on the veteran vehicle for the duration of the Run. Provision of a suitable mounting is recommended.

8.2. No advertising, trade sign or promotional display may be carried on the participating vehicles, other than that on the official numbers supplied by the Organisers or at the discretion of the Organisers.

9. EXITING MADEIRA DRIVE AFTER THE EVENT

9.1. From 4.00pm to 5.00pm only, participants in their Veteran cars will be formally permitted to exit Madeira Drive under the FINISH arch in the direction towards the Pier and Aquarium Roundabout. At any other time exit from Madeira Drive is via Dukes Mound or as directed.

10. OUTSIDE ASSISTANCE (TENDER VEHICLES)

10.1. For the purpose of these regulations, a tender vehicle is deemed as any vehicle supporting, assisting, delivering or picking up a participating veteran vehicle before, during or after the VCR. A tender vehicle can be a vehicle with a trailer or a commercial vehicle transporter.

10.2. Each entrant will be issued with a tender vehicle window identification sticker. This will link the tender vehicle to the veteran car entrant and is for identification purposes only. If you have a tender vehicle driving the designated tender route this sticker must be displayed in their windscreen. NOTE – this does not give access to the tender vehicle car parks at Crawley and Brighton.

10.3. If a tender vehicle pack is purchased an official vehicle pass will be sent to you. This must be displayed in the windscreen when arriving at the car parks in Crawley and Brighton. NOTE – this pass will be in addition to the vehicle pass all tender vehicles will receive. Participating cars are permitted only one tender vehicle. They will also receive details of the official tender vehicle route.

10.4. Participants and tender vehicle crews will be provided with identity passes to enable them to gain access to the paddocks at Hyde Park, Crawley and Madeira Drive. NOTE – tender vehicle access is prohibited to these paddocks. These should be worn at all times as admission will not be granted without one.

10.5. Tender vehicles are not permitted on the official veteran car route of the event. The presence of these vehicles following the route is a major cause of delay to participants.

10.6. Driving Standards Observers on the route will report tender vehicles causing unnecessary obstructions to the Clerk of the Course. Infringement of this regulation could result in the associated veteran car entrant and/or driver concerned being excluded from the results and forfeit of the finisher's award for this year's event.

10.7. For tender vehicles parking on Madeira Drive, Brighton, on the Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday a tender vehicle pack must be purchased. This requirement will be strictly enforced. All vehicles parked in this area must not arrive before 6.00pm on Thursday 2 November and must be removed by 12.00pm (midday) on Monday 6 November to avoid clamping/removal and related fees. Security and parking staff will be in attendance.

10.8. Official event recovery vehicles, in cases of temporary breakdown or steep inclines, may tow the veteran cars on the Run; no penalty applies. If any damage or loss occurs the liability remains with the veteran car entrant.

10.9. The Organisers have arranged for RAC Breakdown to supply a free breakdown and recovery service to all VCR participants during the hours of the Run. This includes for any veteran car deemed not to be repairable to be taken to the next assist point on the official route. Should the owner of the veteran car request that the broken down vehicle be taken beyond the next assist point, then a Private Recovery charge will be applied by the RAC together with a mileage cost. It is the responsibility of the veteran car owner to check as to whether their RAC membership includes cover for onward travel. All costs incurred are the responsibility of the veteran car owner. All veteran cars receiving transportation of this sort will be judged as having retired from the Run.

10.10. The entrant/first driver is deemed responsible for the conduct of their tender vehicle.

11. TENDER VEHICLE PACKAGES: (to be submitted upon entry confirmation)

11.1. PACK 1 – Single towing vehicle with the capacity of no more than one veteran vehicle. Parking will be at the end of Madeira Drive, Brighton. Pack includes "Vehicle" access pass window sticker, tender-route details, one official programme and official identification for two people. One pack per entrant at £70.00.

11.2. PACK 2 – For a towing vehicle and trailer (or commercial vehicle) with capacity for more than one veteran vehicle. Pack includes "Vehicle" access pass window sticker, tender-route details, two official programmes and official identification for four people. One pack per entrant at £133.00.

11.3. Tender vehicle parking on Madeira Drive is restricted to 150 tender vehicles allocated on a first order basis. Please see further bulletins for information on any secondary locations.

11.4. Enhanced security staff levels will be in attendance at the tender vehicle parking area in Madeira Drive, Brighton to check vehicle authority and direct orderly parking.

11.5. Any vehicle left in the tender vehicle parking areas in Crawley or Brighton is done so at their owner's risk. Neither

the Royal Automobile Club nor the event organisers accept any responsibility for any loss or damage occurring.

12. OFFICIALS OF THE MEETING

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Chief Official, Crawley – Nick Ross
Chief Official, Redhill – Hesketh Emden
Chief Official, Hammer Hill – John Hilton
Chief Official, Clayton Hill – Richard Hilton
Chief Official, Brighton – Stewart Croucher

13. GENERAL INFORMATION

13.1. There are many car parks available in central London. Please visit the www.veterancarrun.com website to find a list of car parks. NOTE – parking must be booked directly with the car parks.

13.2. In the sections of the event held on private land, i.e. where the insurance provisions of the UK Road Traffic Act do not apply, participants are protected by the MSA's public liability insurance. This cover will come into effect at the start of the Run and will cease at the end of the Run, or at the moment of retirement or exclusion.

13.3. Entrants and all drivers must have valid insurance covering them against liability for both personal injury and damage to the property of third parties on the public road sections of the Run, in accordance with the Road Traffic Act.

13.4. There are health and safety arrangements in place for the Run and the event areas to manage the hazards and risks identified. All persons involved and attending this event must comply with the safety arrangements in place.

13.5. The annual Bonhams London to Brighton Veteran Car Run supported by Hiscox (VCR) is owned by The Royal Automobile Club and advised by its Steering Group for the event which includes elected members of the participants.

14. PENALTIES

14.1. The following penalties may be applied by the Clerk of the Course for the reasons shown:

Start Refused

- 4. Format – Different Vehicle
- 8. Identification – Advertising
- 8. Identification – Participant number not displayed

Forfeit of Finisher's Award

- 4. Format – Driving Standards
- 4. Format – After the finish has closed
- 10. Outside Assistance (tender/support/pick-up vehicles)

Exclusion

- 4. Format – Time Schedule
- 4. Format – Driving Standards; Unsporting behaviour

14.2. Any participant appeals must be made in writing to the Clerk of the Course by 5.00pm on Sunday 5 November 2017.

15. ORGANISERS (on behalf of The Royal Automobile Club)

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