

# Association of North East and Cumbria Car Clubs

## N.E.Autocross Championship 2017

### Championship Regulations 2017

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### 1. SPORTING REGULATIONS - GENERAL

#### 1.1 Title & Jurisdiction: Championship Permit number CH2017/SO97

The A.N.E.C.C.C. Autocross Championship is organised and administered by the Association of North East and Cumbria Car Clubs in accordance with the General Regulations of the Royal Automobile Club Motor Sports Association (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA) and these Championship Regulations.

**Championship Permit number is CH2017/SO97**

#### 1.2 Officials:

##### 1.2.1 Co-ordinator:

Miss Kim Gooden

11, Mount View

Glanton, Alnwick

Northumberland NE66/4AZ

##### 1.2.2 Eligibility Scrutineer: **Colin Salkeld**

##### 1.2.3 Championship Stewards: Any 3 of the following may adjudicate –

Steve Hart - Alan Davison - Paul Morrison

#### 1.3 Competitor Eligibility:

1.3.1 Entrants must be a fully paid up member of a member club of the A.N.E.C.C.C. and in possession of a valid 2017 MSA Entrants Licences.

1.3.2 Drivers and Entrant/Drivers must be a fully paid up member of a member club of the A.N.E.C.C.C. be Registered for this Championship and be in possession of valid 2017 Competition licence (National B minimum requirement).

A competitor shall not take time off school to participate in motor sport without the prior written approval of their school. If participation in the Championship requires absence from school, Drivers in full time school 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 Competitors must register for the championship on the appropriate registration form duly signed and dated and with the correct monies and sent or given to Miss Kim Gooden the ANECCC NE Autocross Championship Co-ordinator either by post or handed to the Co-ordinator at one of the events.

1.4.2 **There is a £20.00 registration fee**

1.4.3 Competitor may register at any time prior to the penultimate round. Points will only be awarded to competitors after they have registered for the championship

**Championship numbers will only be allocated by the Championship Co-ordinator.**

## **1.5 Championship Rounds:**

### **1.5.1 Number of Rounds 12**

- The Championship will consist of a maximum of 12 rounds.
- Competitors can compete in all the rounds but their total points from 10 rounds count towards the championship.
- A competitor can count their best 5 scores from rounds 1, 4, 6,8,10.  
Their remaining best 5 scores will be from rounds 2, 3,5,7,9  
No competitor may score from more than 5 rounds of either group.
- If ten or less rounds are held then one round will be dropped from both groups.
- Any changes to the published rounds D11.1.3 will apply.

**The calendar of events for 2017 is:-**

Date	Round Number	Organising Clubs
23 <sup>rd</sup> April	1	Cramlington & district motor club
14 <sup>th</sup> May	2	Alnwick & district motor club
11 <sup>th</sup> June	3	<b>SEE NOTE</b>
25 <sup>th</sup> June	4	Cramlington & district motor club
9 <sup>th</sup> July	5	Cramlington & district motor club
30 <sup>th</sup> July	6	Tynemouth & district motor club
13 <sup>th</sup> August	7	Cramlington & district motor club
27 <sup>th</sup> August	8	Cramlington & district motor club
10 <sup>th</sup> September	9	Berwick & district motor club
24 <sup>th</sup> September	10	Border Ecosse car club
15 <sup>th</sup> October	11	Cramlington & district motor club
29 <sup>th</sup> October	12	Alnwick & district motor club / Berwick & district motor club Finals

Where a championship permit has been issued, championship sporting and technical regulations may not be amended after publication unless the MSA and all competitors registered for the championship agree in writing to the alteration. Such amendments must be circulated to all registered competitors, championship stewards, eligibility scrutineer, clubs organising rounds of the championship and to the MSA

The calendar may be subject to change due to conditions existing beyond the control of the organisers.

**(NOTE) ROUND 3 WILL ONLY BE COUNTED IN THE EVENT OF CANCELLATION OF ROUND 1 OR 2**

#### **1.5.4a**

- Organising clubs will be supplied with a list of the contenders prior to their event for the purpose of sending event regulations to each registered competitor by either post or E-mail.
- Each event organiser **must** distribute regulations to all registered competitors and championship officials at least 14 days prior to the event taking place.
- Clubs organising championship events must furnish the championship co-ordinator with extra sets of regulations.
- All results and other relevant documentation, including any late entries, must be given to the co-ordinator or a championship committee member on the day of the results becoming final.
- Championship positions will be updated within seven days and the onus is on the competitor to report any errors or omissions within the following 7 days after which the championship positions will become final and no further protest will be allowed. .

**1.5.4b** Any competitor who has entered a championship event who notifies the organisers that they will not be able to compete at least three days before the event shall, at the organising clubs discretion, have their entry fee refunded, less three pounds (£3) administration fee.

**Any entry received after the event closing date will be subject to an additional late entry fee of five pounds (£5) and will automatically forfeit any championship points they may score on that round.**

#### **1.5.4c Course requirements:**

- Organisers must make four lanes from the start (minimum of 8 feet wide) for a distance of 50 yards.
- The first corner must be at least 70 yards from the start and be of no more than 90 degrees.
- The minimum width of track is 15m (maximum 25m).
- Any competitor moving out of their lane will incur a 10 second penalty for the first offence followed by exclusion for any subsequent offence. A judge of fact will be appointed in the final instructions.
- Course marking flags should be in a contrasting colour to the background.
- Penalty markers will be kept to the minimum necessary to define the inside of the corners of the track. These markers will be at least twice the height and a different colour to the course markers, and must be completely knocked out of the ground to incur penalties.
- A full list of other requirements is as per the 2017 MSA yearbook section N1 onwards.

#### **1.5.5 Race order:**

- Race order will be determined by pre-set grids, which must be displayed prior to the commencement of each timed heat.
- Shared cars should have a minimum of four races between drivers.
- Competitors, wherever possible, should not be required to race against the same competitors in each heat. However In certain circumstances due to i.e.: entry numbers and or shared cars, it may be necessary to seek the permission of other drivers to allow them to compete in the same heat.
- Competitors must draw for start lane positions.
- No driver will be allowed to run singly in a heat, as this would be deemed an unfair advantage.
- The heat starting order, wherever possible, will run with mixed classes except for classes 6 and J.
- Class 6 cars will run 4 at a time with single car staggered start.( this may be amended at the discretion of the clerk of course)
- Class J cars will run 4 at a time (this may be amended at the discretion of the clerk of course).

## **1.6 Scoring**

### **1.6.1 Class points will be scored as follows:**

- 1st =10pts, 2nd =9pts, 3rd =8pts, 4th =7pts, 5th =6pts, 6th =5pts, 7th =4pts, 8th =3pts, 9th =2pts, 10th = 1point - all other entries will score 1 point provided they have completed a practice run with a valid time.
- The times for the classes will be the aggregate of the best two timed runs for each event.
- The single fastest run will decide any ties.
- Class position points will only be awarded on the completion of two timed runs.
- **Class 6 and J are not eligible to compete in the event finals and will be awarded class points only.**
- *Any Driver Excluded from a meeting will receive "EX in their championship results and this **cannot** be classified as a dropped round. Any driver who is Excluded from 3 Championship meeting, in that current championship year, will be reported to the Championship Stewards who will expel the driver from the championship.*

#### **1.6.1.1 Championship Joker Card:**

- Double points will be awarded to all finishing class positions and top sixteen overall, in the event designated as the championship round you can play this any time you wish to do.
- The final round counts as one of the 12 events that count towards the final points for the championship.

### 1.6.1.2 General

- A competitor may only drive in one car and score points in one class at any one meeting.
- Only one championship entry per competitor will be accepted.
- **Points will not be awarded to competitors who fail to display supplied championship decals.**

### 1.6.1.3 Championship positions

- The overall championship positions will be determined by a series of four finals at each event.
- Sufficient finals must be run to ensure that the fastest sixteen competitors, on the day, participate.
- Four cars must compete in each final.
- Any competitor, either unable or unwilling to compete, will forfeit their place to the next highest placed competitor.
- Should both drivers of a shared car qualify for the same final then the lowest placed driver of the two will move down to the next final.
- All four final grids are to be assembled in the dummy grid area prior to the running of the first final.
- An additional three cars (made up of the next three fastest overall times) will be required to form at the rear of the grids in case of any late retirements before the finals begin.
- *Should a final competitor inform the Clerk of Course that they intends to run, and then fails to take their place on the grid it will be deemed that the competitor has sought to gain an advantage through deliberate non-participation in the finals and will be excluded from the meeting (see 1.6.1)*

### 1.6.1.4 Event Finals points will be scored as follows:

- 1st = 10pts, 2nd = 9pts, 3rd = 8pts, 4th = 7pts, 5th = 6pts, 6th = 5pts, 7th = 4pts, 8th = 3pts, 9th = 2pts, 10th = 1pts 11th = 1pts 12th = 1 point - all other finalists will also score 1 point providing they started in the final.
- The competitor with the fastest time of the sixteen finalists will be awarded first place, the second fastest second etc. and any non finisher will be placed in the final positions (16, 15, 14, etc.) depending on distance covered.
- If a final is red flagged it must be rerun to a conclusion.
- The first placed competitor in the finals, irrespective of class will be the fastest time in the finals.
- **Class 6 and J are not eligible to compete in the event finals and will be awarded class points only.**

### 1.6.1.5 General – adverse conditions:

Should adverse conditions prevent the running of four heats then the following will apply: -

- Where only two qualifying runs take place, class positions will be decided on the single fastest run.
- In such case, a minimum of one point will be awarded to any competitor completing a run. Where only one heat takes place, competitors starting a run will receive a minimum of one point.
- Finals will be run to determine “the top sixteen”.
- The award for the event winner will then be the fastest finals time.
- Where conditions of poor visibility make the running of two at a time in the heats necessary, the finals will also be run on a two at a time basis.
- The fastest registered pair would race in the “A” final; the second fastest pair in the “B” final etc.,
- Points will be awarded to the top sixteen registered competitors.
- Again sufficient finals will be run to enable the top sixteen championship positions to be calculated.

### 1.6.1.6 General – abandonment of championship round:

In the event of a championship round being abandoned before the scheduled completion of the meeting, the following will apply:

- Where all drivers have had the opportunity of at least one timed run the round will count towards the championship.
- b) Where the round is abandoned before the completion of the first timed run, that round will not count towards the championship.
- Where case (a) applies the class, team and overall championship positions will be decided on the single fastest time (including penalties).
- No finals will be run, the driver with the single fastest time will be awarded first overall, second fastest second overall etc. to sixteenth position.
- The class positions will be decided in the same manner.

### 1.6.1.7 Championship results & positions:

- All Championship round positions will be decided on the final published event results.

#### **1.6.1.8 Awarding of points:**

- Points will only be awarded to competitors for rounds they have competed in after registration.
- Competitors must be a member of an A.N.E.C.C.C. registered club.

#### **1.6.2 Ties**

- On each event ties for class position will be decided by the single fastest run.
- Ties in class at the end of the season will be decided firstly by considering the number of class wins, then second places, then thirds etc. Failing this the highest position at the final.
- Ties in overall position will be decided in the same manner.

#### **1.6.3. Final championship Results / Appeals:**

- Final championship results will be published by post or E-mail to all registered competitors within ten days of the final round having run and will remain provisional for 7days.
- If a dispute over the published results arises, **(MSA 2017 Yearbook C6.5, C6.5.1.)** will apply and reference to the master results held by each of the organising club may be used to settle any dispute or appeal.
- Amended results if required will be reissued as "Revision A" and will be dated and signed by the championship co-ordinator. These results would then be provisional for a further seven days.
- Any appeals over the published provisional results must be made in writing with the relevant fee, **(MSA 2017 Yearbook Fees- Appendix 1 section 13.3 page 392)** to the Championship Co-ordinator within the seven-day period.

#### **1.6.4 Interpretation of rules:**

- The Championship Stewards may adjudicate on any dispute concerning the interpretation of championship rules. The competitor must write to the championship co-ordinator seeking a formal hearing. The relevant fee as shown in MSA 2017 Yearbook Fees- Appendix 1 section 13.3 page 392 must be enclosed.

#### **1.7 Awards:**

- Competitors in each round must receive the trophy for each award they are entitled to.
- Other awards may also be distributed at the organiser's discretion.
- FTD award will refer to the fastest single time of the day.
- At the end of the season the ANECCC NE Autocross Championship Committee will award trophies for the competitors finishing in 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> place in each class.
- Trophies will also be presented to competitors achieving the highest points for the overall championship.
- Trophies will be presented to 12<sup>th</sup> place overall.

## **2 SPORTING REGULATIONS - JUDICIAL PROCEDURES**

**2.1 Rounds:** In accordance with Section C of the 2017 MSA Yearbook and 1.6.3 & 1.6.4 of these regulations.

**2.2 Championship:** In accordance with Section C of the 2017 MSA Yearbook.

### 3. TECHNICAL REGULATIONS

#### PLEASE NOTE THE WORDING OF MSA REGULATION J5.1

3.1 .1 the championship is open to all eligible vehicles complying with the vehicle regulations **J1.1 to J5.20.13** and N4.1 to N 21.14 of the MSA Yearbook 2017

3.1.2 The silencing requirements and the rules regarding hand cut or racing tyres cannot be changed. Only tyres carrying an 'E' mark with sizes, road markings and for road use will be permitted.

3.1.3. All vehicles must be fitted with 2 fully functional brake lights.

- The brake light must be clearly visible.

3.1.4. Except for classes 7 & 8 - All cars must run an original silhouette (N4.10.3) and must run with all panels and bumpers attached at all times, including classes 7 & 8.

- Tow bars are not permitted.
- Bracing to the front and rear bumpers is not permitted.

3.1.5 Any competitors unsure of any regulations should contact the Championship Co-ordinator or the Championship Eligibility Scrutineer for clarification. Details of which can be found on the first page of the regulations.

3.1 .6 Details of permitted modifications are in section (N) of the MSA 2017 Yearbook, modified as follows:

N4.10.4 - N4.10.5 applies to class 2 - 5 and classes 7 - 8

N4.15 reverse gear is optional in autocross specials class 7

All other MSA regulations apply as written.

### 3.2 Classes

Vehicle classes are modified from section N4.9 - 4. 9.4 Of the MSA 2017 Yearbook which is replaced as follows:

#### **Class J: Junior Autocross this is an Age Restricted Class, (14 to 17 years old).**

As per MSA 2017 Yearbook **N4.21 to 4.21.14**.

Junior competition regulations (these regulations are not permitted to be altered)

**Class 1. Production Vehicle up to 1600cc 16v 2 WHEEL DRIVE - FRONT OR REAR**, with standard production unmodified engine in original position, Cars must run standard carburettor, inlet manifold and exhaust manifold applicable to the vehicle. Fuel injection is permitted with standard injectors and ECU but only to cars fitted as standard. Forced induction is not permitted (no turbochargers or superchargers). Suspension is free, no body kits, no space framing or alterations to make the car lighter will be permitted, no fibreglass or alloy panels. Car dashboard to remain as standard and in original position. Additional instruments and warning lights may be fitted. Petrol tank is free for modification or relocation. The silhouette of the vehicle must not be altered. Standard unmodified gearbox and differential applicable to the vehicle must be used, (limited slip differentials are allowed if fitted as standard)

**Class 2. Production Vehicle up to 2000cc 2 WHEEL DRIVE - FRONT OR REAR**, with standard production unmodified engine in original position, Cars must run standard carburettor, inlet manifold and exhaust manifold applicable to the vehicle. Fuel injection is permitted with standard injectors and ECU but only to cars fitted as standard. Forced induction is not permitted (no turbochargers or superchargers). Suspension is free, no body kits, no space framing or alterations to make the car lighter will be permitted, no fibreglass or alloy panels. Car dashboard to remain as standard and in original position. Additional instruments and warning lights may be fitted. Petrol tank is free for modification or relocation. The silhouette of the vehicle must not be altered. Standard unmodified gearbox and differential applicable to the vehicle must be used, (limited slip differentials are allowed if fitted as standard)

**Class 3. Modified Production Vehicle, up to 1500cc 2 WHEEL DRIVER - FRONT OR REAR**, the engine must be located in the original position, the engine; Gearbox and Exhaust are free to modification. Body kits including wide arch kits (including kit spoiler **that conform to J5.2.7**) are allowed as is lightening, fibreglass and alloy panels are permitted as long as they are for that vehicle, limited slip differentials are allowed and torque bias differentials (**NO TURBO OR SUPERCHARGED VEHICLES**)

**Class 4. Modified Production Vehicle, 1501cc to 1800cc 2 WHEEL DRIVER - FRONT OR REAR**, the engine must be located in the original engine compartment, the engine, gearbox and exhaust are free to modification, body kits including wide arch kits (including kit spoiler **that conform to J5.2.7**) are allowed as is lightening, fibreglass and alloy panels are permitted, locked, limited slip and torque bias differentials are also permitted, **NO TURBO OR SUPERCHARGED VEHICLES**

**Class 5. Modified Production Vehicle, 1801cc – Unlimited - 2 WHEEL DRIVE FRONT OR REAR**, the engine must be located in the original engine compartment, the engine, gearbox and exhaust are free to modification, body kits including wide arch kits(including kit spoiler **that conform to J5.2.7**)are allowed as is lightening, fibreglass and alloy panels are permitted, locked, limited slip and torque bias differentials are also permitted, **NO TURBO OR SUPERCHARGED VEHICLES**

**Class 6.** Economy Standard Production Saloons as per MSA Regulation N4.9.3  
**FRONT OR REAR WHEEL DRIVE**

Rally and Road going vehicles complying with the road traffic act, a current MOT certificate and registration document must be produced (headlamps may be removed or covered).

**Class 6X.** - Rallycross cars (MSA logbook to be produced at scrutineering)

**Class 6R.** - Stage rally cars (Rally logbook to be produced at scrutineering)

The vehicle need not have a current road fund licence. **NO TURBO OR SUPERCHARGED VEHICLES**

**Class 7.** Specials and any motorcycle engined vehicle. 2 wheel drive only any vehicle which does not comply with the above mentioned classes (buggies must have safety nets fitted, turbo and superchargers are permitted, Also autogross vehicles are permitted as long as they meet the minimum requirements for autocross (**mud flaps, window mesh of 2.5cm as per N4.10 must be fitted to all windows if glass or polycarbonate is not fitted, doors must not be welded closed see N4.7 and fire extinguisher as per K3.1.2**).

**Class 8.** All 4 wheel drive vehicles unlimited cc, any vehicle which does not comply with the above mentioned classes, turbos and superchargers are permitted

**Class 9.** Production Vehicle Diesel, 2 WHEEL DRIVER FRONT OR REAR

Standard diesel and turbo diesel vehicle only, the engine must be located in the original engine compartment, the engine, gearbox and exhaust are free to modification, body kits including wide arch kits are also permitted as is lightening, fibreglass and alloy panels are permitted, locked, limited slip and torque bias differentials are also permitted

#### **Vehicle eligibility**

- The onus is always on the competitor to provide proof of the eligibility of their vehicle.
- **Provision for engine sealing must be made.**
- Competitors suspecting an irregularity on another competitor's vehicle may approach the Championship Committee / Eligibility Scrutineer for clarification.
- **PLEASE NOTE:** any competitor, who, by their actions, brings the sport into disrepute, will be referred to the Championship Stewards for adjudication and for any penalty to be issued.
- **3.2 Mandatory Championship Safety Requirements**

**3.2.1** It is compulsory for all vehicles must be fitted with a 6 point roll cage. See section K appendix 2 drawing 5 in the 2017 MSA Yearbook. Except for Economy Standard Production Saloons as per MSA Regulation N4.9.3 3, these cars will run singly and have staggered start.

**3.2.2** All cars must be fitted with a minimum of a 4 point safety harness for the driver as per K2.1.2.

**3.2.3** All cars must be fitted with a high backed competition driver's seat as per K2.2 to K2.2.3.

**3.2.2** Competitors are advised to be aware of the MSA regulations [N3.5-N3.5.4] regarding fireproof race overalls, helmets, goggles, visors and gloves.

#### **Completion Numbers**

**As blue book 4.1, 4.1.1, 4.1.2, 4.1.4, 4.1.5, 4.1.8**, also **high visibility numbers may be used on rear quarter window (but to blue book size)** this helps the marshals identify the vehicle in poor weather conditions

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Plus one nominated representative from each club. This will form the general committee and written notice of any changes will be given to the competitors and clubs.

**CHAMPIONSHIP STEWARDS:** (Any three of the named stewards may reach a decision).

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