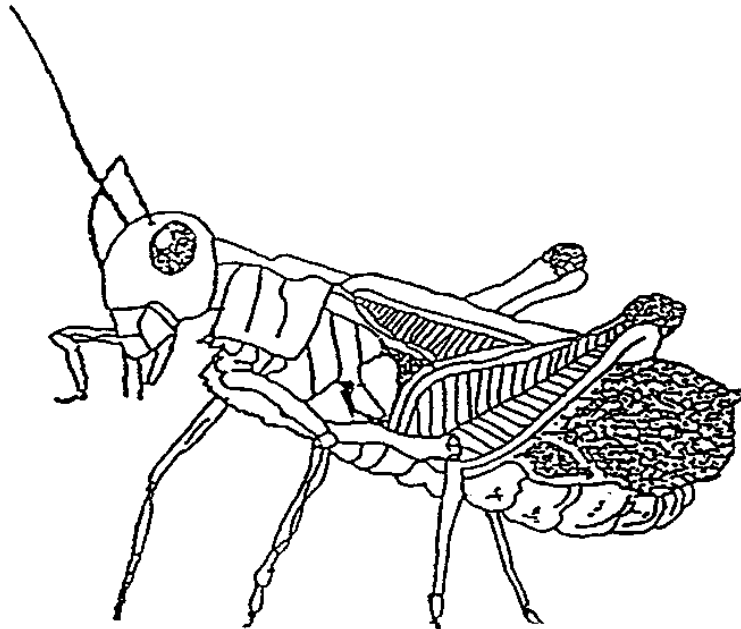


**Sunday 11th July 2021**

# **Grasshopper Autotests**



**Clubmans Autotest – NO passengers allowed**

**Production Car Autotest – passengers allowed (same household)**

**Venue: Berkhamsted**

## INTRODUCTION

After our new field last month, we now have another new grass field at our disposal, this time with a bit more room. Your standard car is all that is needed together with your ability to handle it! Mike Biss will be C of C and promises some straightforward tests to test your skill at handling the car (not your memory) so is ideal for the Beginner and the Novice. You will have three goes at each test, with the best two times to count.

**Clubmans:** Entries are also accepted from drivers who are 16 or do not hold a full RTA licence. In this case, the vehicle must be by definition a 'touring car' of max 1400cc (forced induction not permitted).

**PCA:** Entries are also accepted from drivers who are 14-16 or do not hold a full RTA licence. In this case, the vehicle must be by definition a 'touring car' of max 2000cc and the passenger must hold a full RTA licence and be experienced in Autotesting.

All you need is a current club membership card and a Motorsport UK RS Clubman licence (free) and a road going car. It is running as a dual permit event Autotest/PCA, due to the current COVID restrictions, so those who want/need to carry a passenger (same household only) can enter the PCA. Car sharing will still be allowed, with a clean down between drivers required.

All this for a modest entry fee of £27, reduced to £15 for juniors (under 17). Enter on-line at:-  
[Competitor Entry Form](#) (Autotest – no passengers)                      [Competitor Entry Form](#) (PCA – with passengers)

If you cannot enter but would like to act as a marshal, please register (sign-on) using the link below, so I can get the details to you in good time! [Marshal Registration](#)

Mike Biss - Secretary of the Meeting/CofC

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## COVID-19 REQUIREMENTS

*In order to run our Autotest safely in the current environment, it has been necessary to continue with the restrictions introduced last year and bring in a number of changes for the safety of not just the competitors but also the marshals and organisers. These regulations have been compiled taking into consideration the current Motorsport UK and Government Guidelines.*

*A summary of the measures introduced are:*

- *No spectators allowed and a maximum of three persons with each entrant to reduce the numbers present.*
- *Double/Treble drives are allowed, but if drivers are from separate households, then masks must be worn and all touchpoints sanitised between drives.*
- *Online entry and payment only.*
- *Print your own entry packs (Course Diagrams, Competitor Numbers, etc).*
- *Electronic Signing-on in advance.*
- *A self-certified declaration for scrutineering with only external visual checks on the day.*
- *Copies of Club Cards and Motorsport UK licences to be emailed prior to the event.*
- *App timing system.*
- *Online results with no physical awards ceremony.*
- *A requirement that competitors don't enter if they, or anyone they've been in contact with, have displayed symptoms in the 14 days prior to the event and to sign a declaration to that effect.*
- *A dedicated COVID-19 officer to ensure adherence to the measures put in place.*

*What we expect from competitors:*

- *Comply with the social distancing of 2 meters at all times including when walking the course.*
- *Comply with any request from the COVID-19 officer.*
- *If you are in a vulnerable category or have been asked to self-isolate please do not enter the event.*
- *If you, or anyone you are in contact with, are unwell before the event, that you notify us and do not attend. If you are uncertain about any of the above measures, please do not enter this time. We will welcome you back in the future but it is a privilege that we are able to run this event at this time. With advice/legislation changing all the time, having to cancel the event is always an option.*
- *Competitors MUST bring their own PPE and sanitisation equipment and, if possible, a Hi-Vis Tabard.*
- *Marshals should bring their own Hi-Vis tabards where possible.*
- *Sanitisation and PPE (face mask and hand gel) for marshals and timekeepers can be provided, although you are free to bring your own.*

## Supplementary Regulations

1. Boundless by CSMA, North East London Group will organise a dual permit Clubmans/PCA Autotest on Sunday 11th July 2021 at Berkhamsted.
2. The meeting will be held under the General Regulations of Motorsport UK (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA), these Supplementary Regulations and any other written instructions that the organising club may issue for this event.
3. Motorsport UK Permit numbers 122119 (Clubmans) & 121496 (PCA) have been issued.
4. The event is open to members of Boundless by CSMA, Bedford CC, Blackbird AC, Chelmsford MC, Club Triumph, Dolphin MC, Falcon MC, Farnborough DMC, Green Belt MC, Harrow CC, HRCR, London Irish MC, Loughborough CC, MGCC, Middlesex County AC and Oxford MC.

All competitors must hold a current club membership card and must also be in possession of a Motorsport UK competition licence. The minimum required is a "RS Clubman", which is free to obtain from <https://rsclubman.motorsportuk.org> Please apply in good time.

Please note the requirement for Boundless members to also have a Boundless Motorsport UK Card and if you haven't got one already, please apply in plenty of time. To request a card, please contact Member Services via email at:- [member.communities@boundless.co.uk](mailto:member.communities@boundless.co.uk)

5. Entries open on publication of these regulations.  
Tuesday 6th July            Entries Close.  
   Latest for copies of club cards and licences to be returned to the Secretary.  
Thursday 8th July        Event paperwork emailed to competitors.

6. Signing-On.

There will be NO Signing-On at the event.

A completed registration form also includes the statement that you have read the Declaration Form and this is now deemed the same as completing signing-on.

Competitors are required to supply visual evidence of a qualifying Club membership card and a Motorsport UK RS Clubman, or above, to the Secretary before 21:00 Tuesday 6th July 2021. Any competitor who has not done so, may be excluded.

The minimum age for drivers in the Clubmans Autotest event is 16, the PCA Autotest event is 14.

Once copies of a Club Card and Motorsport UK licence have been received by the Secretary, the Final Instructions, Test Diagrams, Competition Numbers, test running order, an entry list and a link to the LIVE results will be sent to each competitor prior to the event. Vehicle numbers must be displayed throughout the competition as instructed by the organisers.

**It will be the competitor's responsibility to print these and bring them with them.**

**No spares will be available on the day.**

7. There will be three classes only:-
  - (a) Front wheel drive production vehicles – up to 1400cc
  - (b) Front wheel drive production vehicles – over 1400cc
  - (c) Rear wheel drive production vehicles

Saloons to include hatchbacks and estates. Pickups & vans will NOT be accepted. Hybrid and electric cars will now be accepted, so long as they remain unmodified. Vehicles must comply with Motorsport UK Technical Regulations J.

8. Awards will be presented as follows:-
  - (a) Fastest Time of the Day    - Grasshopper Trophy + an award
  - (b) 1st in class                    - an award (subject to 5 starters)
  - (c) 2nd in class                    - an award (subject to 10 starters)
  - (c) 3rd in class                    - an award (subject to 15 starters)
  - (d) Best Novice                    - an award (subject to 5 starters)
  - (e) Best Beginner                - an award (subject to 5 starters)
  - (f) Best Boundless                - an award (subject to 5 starters)
  - (g) Best Lady                      - an award (subject to 5 starters)
  - (h) Best Junior                    - an award (subject to 3 starters)

Note No entrant may win more than one award.

9. The maximum entry for the meeting is 40; the minimum 10. The maximum for each class is 20; the minimum for each class is 5. Should any of the minimum figures not be reached the Organisers have the right to cancel the meeting or amalgamate classes as necessary.

10. Method of entry is to complete this On-line entry form and pay by Bank Transfer.

[Competitor Entry Form](#) (Autotest – no passengers)

[Competitor Entry Form](#) (PCA – with passengers)

Standard entry fee is £27

Junior entry fee is £15

Method of payment is via bank transfer to our account **CSMA (NE London Group)**, using:-

*Sort Code 20-92-54 Account no. 13620034*

Reference payments with **Grass-** followed by your surname e.g. **Grass-Biss**

Entries will only be accepted in the order of the full payment being received. Entries will not be confirmed until payment is received.

11. Officials:-

Clerk of the Course/Secretary - Mike Biss  
19 Dunstable Close, Flitwick, Beds MK45 1JN

[mike.biss@btinternet.com](mailto:mike.biss@btinternet.com)  
Tel: 01525 720299 / 07753 137415

Club Steward - Pete Gregory  
Covid-19 Officer - TBA  
Club Child Safeguarding Officer - Zuzana Bauerova

12. Provisional results will be announced within 30 minutes of the last run of the day. Protests must be made within 15 minutes of the results being announced, otherwise they will be declared as final and the awards will be presented. The final results will be emailed to all competitors.

13. (a) Details of the tests will be sent out with the finals.  
(b) Practising will not be allowed.  
(c) Each driver will have 3 runs per test – best two times to count.  
(d) Competitors will be identified by numbers supplied by the organisers.  
(e) Timing will be by hand held digital timers to the nearest second.  
(f) The starting signal will be given verbally by the start marshal.  
(g) Timing will start on front wheels crossing the start line and will finish when the front wheels cross the finish line. A penalty will be incurred if the front wheels cross the baulk line, which follows the finish line.

14. All other GR's of the Motorsport UK apply as written except for the following, which are modified:-

H35.1.4 A Novice must not have won a Motorsport UK authorised autotest, or 1st in Class award (subject to more than 5 starters), since 11/07/16. A Beginner must not have previously competed in more than three Motorsport UK authorised autotests.

L Tyres To give all competitors an equal chance and to protect the surface of the field, tyres of Town & Country, M&S and 'knobbles' patterns WILL NOT BE ALLOWED.

M4.3 **An effective silencer MUST be fitted at all times.**

M5.1 Cars do not need to have an MOT or be Taxed, but must be a standard car, so no "specials".

M9.4 A wrong test will incur a penalty of 30 seconds + fastest time in class.  
Striking a cone or overshooting the finish line + 5 seconds per offence.

15. (a) Only one entry will be accepted from each entrant, and no car may be driven by more than three persons.  
(b) The organisers reserve the right to cancel the event at any time to avoid damage to the site.  
(c) The organisers reserve the right to change or cancel any of the tests at any time prior to the start of each test.  
(d) The organisers reserve the right to exclude any competitor observed driving at excessive speed whilst not performing a test.  
(e) It is a condition for our use of the site that no dogs be allowed anywhere on the area.  
(f) A litter sack will be sited at the control tent – please use it!

16. In the event of not enough marshals being available for the event, competitors will be asked to help out with the marshalling duties before/after their runs.

17. We will have some proper toilet facilities at the venue.