

**Heritage Sprint at Betteshanger Park**

**Sandwich Road, Deal, Kent CT14 0BF**

**9/10th August 2025**

**MACHINE AND RIDER REGULATIONS**

1. CLASSES.

There are seven classes that cover all machines entering. In all classes there is a **maximum 100bhp** permitted

1. ***ALL HISTORIC MACHINES – pre 1985*** *(the regulations approximates to those of ACU Vintage and Classic classes*)–The classes combine any race or road legal machines.

* Any cc - pre 1950 **Class 1**
* between 1/1/1950 and 31/12/1965
  + up to 500cc - **Class 2**
  + over 500cc - **Class 3**
* between 1/1/1966 and 31/12/1985.
  + up to 500cc – **Class 4**
  + over 500cc – **Class 5**
* All Sidecars any cc - pre 1985 - **Class 6**

1. ***MODIFIED ROAD LEGAL*** *(Regulations applied are broadly those outlined in the ACU’s “Run What Ya Brung” Category)*

* Machines with a maximum 100bhp in original or modified form. Any age but must be Customised. *ie Tracker, Café Racer, bobber etc. styles.* Entries in this class should be considered as “interesting” customisations and will be accepted at the organiser’s discretion. An image of the proposed machine **must** be submitted to the Race secretary prior to entry - **Class 7**

1. ***LADIES.*** *Full DVLA licence required****.*** Machine Regulations as those in Class 7 above -except
   1. Machines can be of any age and do not need to be modified. 100bhp limit applies - **Class 8**
2. ***JUNIOR SPRINT*** (Riders between 15 and 18 years)

* Any age machine up to 250cc - **Class 9**

**Trophies will be awarded in Classes 2/3/4/5/8/9 provided that class has a minimum of 5 entrants.**

1. All MACHINES

**General Regulations (for all classes and demo bikes)**

2.1 Chain guards or Shark fins must be fitted

2.2 If a fluid (e.g. oil, water) breather or overflow pipe is fitted, it must discharge into a secure catch tank/bottle.

2.3 All machines must carry a Heritage Sprint round sticker (supplied) on the front number plate or headlight (not demo bikes) and must pass the technical inspection.

2.4 Bikes must not have any visible fluid leaks or lose components.

2.5 All glass lights must be taped up.

2.6 All stands must be wired or taped up (cable ties are acceptable)

2.7 Machines with electronic fuel pumps (e.g. fuel injected) must have a kill switch on the handlebars and a tip-over sensor switch installed. All other bikes must have easily accessible fuel control taps on all supply lines from the fuel tank.

2.8. There is a maximum noise limit of 108db (fly by). Any machine that is deemed to exceed this may be excluded at the discretion of the clerk of the course.

1. CLASSES 1-6 and 9

3.1 Treated tyres must have a minimum moulded treat depth of 2mm and show no signs of sidewall cracking. Slick tyres are permitted. Studded or spiked tyres are not permitted.

3.2 Electronic operated gear-changers are not permitted

3.3 Wheelie bars are permitted

3.4 For all classes, expect class 9, petrol or methanol may be used.

* Nitromethane is not allowed
* The addition of alcohol or octane boosters is permitted
* Chemical based fuels such as C14 are not permitted
* Nitrous oxide is not permitted
* Class 9 may only use petrol

1. CLASSES 7 and 8

4.1 Tyres must have a minimum moulded treat depth of 2.5mm, be road legal and appropriate speed and machine weight rating and show no signs of sidewall cracking. Racing tyres, slick tyres and cut slicks are not permitted.

4.2 Electronic operated gear-changes are permitted

4.3. Wheelie bars are not permitted

4.4 Fuel must be the petrol only, no additives are permitted, including nitrous oxide.

4.5 Working suspension must be fitted if part of the machines original specification.

1. RIDERS (competitors and demo riders)

5.1 Protective closing. Competitors must wear a complete leather suit of at least 1.2mm in thickness (on all parts of the suit). Two-piece suits that zip together around at least 75% of the waist are acceptable.

5.2 Non-leather material may be used if it meets the requirements laid down by ACU racing standing regulations.

5.3 Footwear must be of leather (i.e outer hide) or an approved substitute material, and a minimum height of 200mm to provide, with the suit, complete protection (no exposed areas).

5.4 Gloves must be leather (or an approved substitute material), providing with the suit complete protection. No areas of skin to be left exposed.

5.5 Helmets bearing the current ACU gold stamp must be worn by all riders and passengers when on track.

Note: for Demonstrations, some discretion, appropriate to bike and demonstration, maybe applied by the technical inspection or clerk of the course.

**PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE**

(please note any timetable updates will be emailed to the contact address supplied)

Friday

Sign on and Technical Control – 17.00- 20.00

Saturday

Sign on and Technical Control – 08.00- 10.00

Rider Briefing – 09.30

Track use - 10.00 – 17.30

Lunch break - 12.30 – 13.15

Sunday

Technical Control – 09.30 -10.30

Track use - 10.30 – 16.30

Lunch break -12.30 – 13.15

**FINAL INSTRUCTIONS**

* All riders must attend a briefing by the organisers to be held outside the signing-on office located in the main building prior to 09.30am. Full details will be notified on the day.

* All movement of bikes within the paddock should be at walking pace and with rider astride if the engine is running.

* It is the responsibility of all participants to ensure that the vehicle to be used is in a suitable condition to be driven at high speeds on the circuit for the duration of the activity.

* Access to the track will be under the direction of the assembly area official, whose instructions should be followed at all times. Information regarding Health and Safety Regulations are displayed in the signing-on office from where copies are available. All participants must familiarise themselves with these.

**\*\*\*\*Please ensure all competitors’ vehicles, equipment, gazebos and rubbish is off-site by Sunday 8pm\*\*\*\***