

2020 VCR OFFICIAL ENTRY REGULATIONS

Veteran Motorcycle and Veteran Cycle Supplementary Regulations

1. ANNOUNCEMENT

1.1. The Royal Automobile Club will promote the **2020 RM Sotheby's London to Brighton Veteran Car Run (VCR)** which will take place on Sunday 1 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 St James's 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.

1.4. The Organisers invite entries to owners of veteran motorcycles and veteran cycles, the latter members of the Veteran Cycle Club, to this year's Run only subject to entrants fulfilling these entry regulations and requirements.

2. ELIGIBILITY

2.1. The event is open to motorcycles and to two-wheel cycles 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). Motorcycles must have been dated by the Sunbeam Motor Cycle Club and conform to the original manufacturer's specifications.

2.2. The VCR Steering Group reserves the right to accept motorcycles and cycles of interest to the Run. Entry numbers for both motorcycles and cycles will be restricted to 15 for each.

2.3. The entrant is required to submit a copy of the motorcycle's or cycle's valid Dating Certificate at the time of entry or by Friday 25 September 2020 at the latest.

2.4. It is the entrant's responsibility to ensure that the motorcycle or cycle is in a road-worthy condition. All motorcycles and cycles must meet the legal requirements to run on public roads in the UK.

2.5. All participating motorcycles and cycles must have front (white) and rear (red) lighting either fitted. Temporary lighting can be of modern manufacture.

2.6. No pillion passengers will be allowed in the case of motorcycles.

2.7. Motorcycle riders must hold a full motorcycle driving licence valid in the UK.

3. SCHEDULE

Monday 27 July – Entries Open

Friday 25 September – Close of Entries

Sunday 1 November

6.00am – 6.30am All motorcycles and cycles to gather at a pre-allocated assembly point, to be advised, but which will be outside of Hyde Park and outside St James's Park

6.45am – 6.50am All motorcycles and cycles to pass through rolling start point on The Mall, St James's Park

9.55am – Madeira Drive, Brighton Opens

4.30pm – Madeira Drive, Brighton Closes

4. FORMAT

4.1. Assembly and Start:

4.1.1. Motorcycles and cycles will assemble at a pre-allocated point, to be advised, but outside of Hyde Park and outside of St James's Park.

4.1.2. It is the responsibility of motorcycle and cycle entrants to pass through the rolling start line on The Mall during the nominated start time slot. Officially entered motorcycles and cycles will not be permitted to enter St James's Park from Hyde Park Corner before 06.40am nor after their allocated start time slot.

4.1.3. Non-participating motorcycles and cycles and all trailers and commercial vehicles are not permitted inside the boundary of St James's Park or within the Madeira Drive finish area and paddock under any circumstance.

4.1.4. Any motorcycle or cycle that differs from the information given on the entry form may not be permitted to start the Run.

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 in London to the Finish at Madeira Drive. All participating motorcycles and cycles in the Run **MUST** follow the official route for the 2020 Run.

4.3. Driving Standards:

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

4.3.2. Veteran cars do not have rear view mirrors and may be unaware of veteran motorcycles or cycles on their near side. Veteran motorcycles and cycles must allow plenty of road room to veteran cars and must ride on the left hand side of the carriageway close to the kerb and not obstruct veteran cars, particularly on hills, at traffic junctions or traffic lights.

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 12) being applied by the Clerk of the Course in cases where riding 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 Stewards and their reports on any rider's poor standards of riding and/or lack of respect for the Highway Code will be taken as fact and acted on accordingly.

4.3.4. All entrants/riders 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 rider of each motorcycle or cycle finishing before the official closing time at Madeira Drive will be awarded a commemorative medallion. Where possible, a professional colour photograph of their motorcycle or cycle arriving at Brighton will be supplied in the Finisher's Pack sent by post to the entrant after the event.

5. ENTRIES

5.1. Entries for the VCR may be made online at www.veterancarrun.com or alternatively by completion of the Official 2020 VCR Entry Form. The declaration must be signed and posted or emailed to the Organisers by the

closing date shown in Regulation 3 and must include the Entry Fee (see Regulation 6).

5.2. The Organisers require all entries to be accompanied by one electronic copy photograph of their vehicle. It is the responsibility of the entrant to ensure that the Organisers have the right to use the photograph provided, that it is **copyright free** or that the copyright is owned by the entrant. This is for the purposes of publicity as each motorcycle or cycle accepted will feature on the official website. By providing entrant and rider details and the photograph of the entered vehicle, entrants grant permission to the organisers to publish this information on the event web site and in other promotional material relating to the Run. The Organisers will retain this photograph, which must be a 3/4 front picture.

5.3. The Organisers require each new entry to be accompanied by a copy of an eligible Sunbeam Motor Cycle Club Dating Certificate. 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 will be sent by Friday 21 August at the latest. An entry cannot be officially accepted into the Run until a copy of the Certificate has been received. In this regard the entrant grants permission to the organisers to share motorcycle or cycle and entrant details with the Sunbeam Motor Cycle Club, with the Royal Automobile Club and with the VCR Steering Group, as necessary. For vehicle eligibility criteria refer to Regulation 2.

6. ENTRY FEES

6.1 The entry fee per motorcycle will be £120.00 and per cycle £30.00 and is non-refundable in the case of entrant withdrawal.

All entries require payment in UK Sterling ONLY.

All fees include VAT at 20%

6.2 For motorcycle entrants only, 50% of the entry fee will be refunded in the case of the event being cancelled due to any UK Government restriction or directive on or before Sunday 4 October 2020. If participants would rather donate the 50% refund to the Veteran Car Run, this would be gratefully received, or it can be carried over as a deposit against the 2021 Run entry fee. There will be no refund of the entry fee in the case of the event being cancelled due to any UK Government restriction or directive after Sunday 4 October 2020.

6.3 The Organisers reserve the right to refuse the entry of an entrant, rider and/or motorcycle/cycle, without giving reasons for refusal.

7. IDENTIFICATION

8.1. Participants will be provided with one alphabetic plate (approx. 7.5" x 5.8"/19cm x 15cm), which must be clearly displayed in forward position on the veteran vehicle for the duration of the Run.

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

8. EXITING MADEIRA DRIVE AFTER THE EVENT

9.1. Exit from Madeira Drive is only via Dukes Mound or as directed.

9. OUTSIDE ASSISTANCE (TENDER VEHICLES)

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

9.2. Each entrant will be issued with a tender vehicle window identification sticker. This will link the tender vehicle to the veteran motorcycle or cycle 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.

9.3. 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 motorcycles or cycles are permitted only one tender vehicle. They will also receive details of the official tender vehicle route.

9.5. 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.

9.6. Riding 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 motorcycle or cycle entrant and/or rider concerned forfeit of the finisher's award for this year's event.

9.7. The entrant/rider is deemed responsible for the conduct of their tender vehicle.

10. OFFICIALS OF THE MEETING

Event Manager – Neil Carr-Jones

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Chief Official, Redhill – Hesketh Emden

Chief Official, Hammer Hill – John Hilton

Chief Official, Clayton Hill – Richard Hilton

Chief Official, Brighton – David Charrington

11. GENERAL INFORMATION

11.1. Entrants and all riders 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.

11.2. 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.

11.3. The annual RM Sotheby's London to Brighton Veteran Car Run (VCR) is owned by The Royal Automobile Club and advised by its Steering Group for the event which includes elected members of the participants.

12. PENALTIES

12.1. 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

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

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