



Middlesex County Automobile Club

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THE HUNTER'S NIGHT TRIAL



13th/14th November 2004

Originally scheduled for 16th/17th October 2004

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The event will again follow the traditional Hunter's format with a few minor modifications as detailed below. This event will entail visiting the usual combination of manned controls and roadside checks in an attempt to collect enough marks to achieve a maximum score.

The start and finish will be in the Maidenhead area and Novices will be given their Route Cards ten minutes before everyone else to give them a little assistance with the navigation. As this is a scatter type event, competitors may choose their own route and visit whichever points they wish. It will not be necessary for all points to be visited and varying marks will be awarded according to the difficulty of navigation solved.

In an effort to continually improve the event by listening to feedback from previous year's events, we intend to make the navigation a bit easier, while at the same time still providing a challenge for the experts. In order to encourage novices, the collection of all codeboards defined by the Easy navigation (all map references) will allow the collection of a final bonus codeboard. In addition there will be more Route Checks defined by Medium type navigation than Hard navigation.

We look forward to seeing you on the night.

John, Pete & DT

A potted history of MCAC

The Club, originally called the North London Automobile Club, was formed in March 1905 when some half-dozen enthusiasts decided to form a motor club. Within a couple of years, the membership had risen to over 50 and the name was changed to the North Middlesex Automobile Club. Then, in December 1909, the Secretary of the Royal Automobile Club, supported by the Chairman of Middlesex County Council, suggested that in view of the Club's growing membership and influence, the name should be changed again to Middlesex County Automobile Club. The council chamber at the Middlesex Guildhall was made available for a meeting of members, who unanimously agreed to the new title.

Throughout its life the Club has faithfully carried out its pledge to afford members such protection, privileges and benefits as could be arranged. In the early days, the Club did, in fact, have its own free legal defence scheme until the RAC established the current general scheme. We were also the first Club to obtain written permission from the Police to hold a Hill-Climb on a public road.

Present day events bear little resemblance to the earlier Speed Judging, Hill Climb or Village Seeking competitions, but the Club has certainly moved with the times and the experience gained in running our own Brooklands Race Meetings, Driving Tests and Reliability Trials has maintained our position as the premier motor club in Middlesex.

Currently, we have around 350 members and, during the course of the year, we organise 2 single-venue stage rallies and an autocross (at our own venue near Cambridge), a grass autotest (at the Uxbridge Autoshow), 2 night trials, 3 12-car rallies and a mildly competitive treasure hunt/'fun run'/barbecue for all the family. In addition, we co-promote a sealed-surface autotest and a multi-venue forestry stage rally, as well as marshal on many events, including the Network Q Rally of Great Britain, the MSA Classic and the Goodwood Festival of Speed.

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SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

1. ANNOUNCEMENT:

Middlesex County Automobile Club Limited will promote a navigational scatter event on 13th/14th November 2004 which will be held under the General Regulations of the RAC Motor Sports Association Ltd (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA) these Supplementary Regulations and any written instructions issued by the organisers. An MSA permit has been applied for.

2. ELIGIBILITY:

The event is open to all members of MCAC, together with members of the following invited clubs:

Windsor Car Club	Guildford Motor Club
Nat West Bank Motor Club	Cranleigh Motor Club
Hants & Berks Motor Club	Hart Motor Club

The event is a round of the MCAC Challenge.

3. START AND FINISH:

The Start and Finish will be the car park at Pinkneys Green at MR 175/85459055. Scrutineering of the car for road-worthiness and legality will start at 19.00. Competitors must be signed on by 19.30. Club Membership cards will be inspected. Route cards and Road Books will be issued to Novices at 19.50 and to Semi-Experts and Experts at 20.00. The finish will be open from 01.00 to 02.00. but there will be penalties for arriving after 01.30. Any crew not handing in their Road Book by 02.01 will be deemed to have retired.

4. COURSE AND EQUIPMENT:

The event will be on maps 175 and 165, and it should not be necessary to exceed 100 miles.

The equipment required is:

OS 1:50,000 Landranger sheets 175 (edition C1) and 165 (edition D); Romer; Ruler; Map Cover; Tracing Paper; Car; Drawing & Magnetic Compasses; Protractor; Reliable Torches; Suitable Clothing and Footwear.

Competitors are reminded that scatter events encourage the use of standard road cars and modified cars will be discouraged. Competitors parking inconsiderately and leaving lights on main beam at route checks or marshal points may be penalised.

5. QUIET ZONES:

All drivers should extinguish auxiliary lights (not to include fitted spotlights which cannot be extinguished separately from main beam), use the highest gear possible and drive slowly.

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6. CLASSES:

Will be as follows:-

Expert: A crew in which any member has finished in the top two positions in an event based on OS maps (other than Closed to Club events and driving in road navigation and stage rallies) in the last three years.

Semi-Expert: A crew classed as neither Expert nor Novice.

Novice: A crew in which no member has won a novice class in any two events based on OS Maps (other than Closed to Club events) where the Novice entry has been five or more.

If in doubt about your class refer to the organisers.

A crew member may be re-classed at the organisers discretion.

7. AWARDS:

Best Overall	Premier Awards
Best MCAC	Club Trophy and Two Awards**
Best MCAC Novice	Club Trophy and Two Awards**
First in Class	Two Awards
Second in Class	Two Awards*
Best All Lady Crew	Two Awards***

* Subject to 10 starters in class

** Subject to 4 eligible starters

*** Subject to 2 eligible starters

No competitor may win more than one award, other than MCAC awards. Non-MCAC members will be presented with their awards at a Wednesday Club Night to be announced. MCAC members will receive their awards at the Annual Dinner-Dance .

8. ENTRIES:

The entry list opens on publication of these regulations and closes on Friday 12th November 2004 at the standard entry fee of £8.00. Entries will be limited to the first 60 *sic* received and the organisers reserve the right to cancel the event if less than 20 entries are received.

9. OFFICIALS:

Clerk of the Course:	Pete Cook	(01767-651665)
Secretary of the Meeting:	John Roseblade	(01296-641326)
Entries Secretary:	John Roseblade	(01296 641326)

Steward: TBA

10. RESULTS:

Provisional results will be announced as soon after the arrival of the last car as possible, but will be posted to all entrants within 7 days. As this is a sporting event, protests are not encouraged but will be reluctantly accepted if submitted in accordance with Section 0.5 of the General Regulations.

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11. TIMING AND LATENESS:

All marshal's watches will be set to BBC time and the opening and closing times of the controls will be detailed in the Final Instructions. There is no timing on the road, but to qualify as a finisher crews must hand in their Road Books by 02.00:59.

12. MARKING:

The marking will be as detailed in the Final Instructions and Route Cards.

13. TIES:

Ties will be resolved as follows:-

- 1) Lesser number in crew.
- 2) Faster average time at manned control.
- 3) Greater number of higher scoring codeboards.
- 4) Anything else the organisers can think of.

14. RESERVATIONS:

The organisers reserve the right to:

- a) Abandon, cancel or postpone the event or delete part of the course in the event of unforeseen circumstances.
- b) Distribute the awards at their discretion if the event is curtailed for any reason.
- c) Exclude anyone indulging in unfair practices.
- d) Re-classify competitors.

15. DELETED:

16. INSURANCE:

Please check your car Insurance Policy covers you for this type of event.

17. FINAL INSTRUCTIONS:

Final Instructions carrying the same force as these Supplementary Regulations will be issued as soon as possible, but may be distributed at the start.

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ENTRY FORM

ENTRANT:

Name:.....

CLASS: EXPERT / SEMI-EXPERT / NOVICE (Delete as appropriate)

DRIVER:

Name:.....Club:.....

Address:.....

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E-mail:.....Tel:.....

Next of Kin:.....Tel:.....

Address:.....

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NAVIGATOR:

Name:.....Club:.....

Address:.....

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E-mail:.....Tel:.....

Next of Kin:.....Tel:.....

Address:.....

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VEHICLE:

Make:..... Model:.....

CC:..... Colour:..... Reg no:.....

INSURERS:

Name:.....

Address:.....

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ENTRY FEE ENCLOSED: £8.00

Please make cheques payable to MCAC Ltd.

ENTRIES TO BE SENT TO: *John Roseblade*
 Walnut Cottage
 15 Market Hill
 Whitchurch
 Bucks
 HP22 4JB

NB: PLEASE REMEMBER TO SIGN THE DECLARATION OVERLEAF

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THE FOLLOWING INDEMNITY TO BE SIGNED BY ENTRANT AND/OR DRIVER

I declare that I have been given the opportunity to read the General Regulations of the Motor Sports Association and, if any, the Supplementary Regulations for the event and agree to be bound by them. I declare that I am physically and mentally fit to take part in the event and I am competent to do so. I acknowledge that I understand the nature and type of the competition and the potential risk inherent with motor sport and agree to accept that risk. Further, I understand that all persons having any connection with the promotion and/or conduct of the event are insured against loss or injury caused by their negligence.

State your age if you are under 18.....

I declare that to the best of my belief the driver(s) possess(es) the standard of competence necessary for an event of the type to which this entry relates and that the vehicle entered is suitable and roadworthy for the event having regard to the course and the speeds which will be reached.

I understand that should I at the time of this event be suffering from any disability whether permanent or temporary which is likely to affect prejudicially my normal control of my vehicle, I may not take part unless I have declared such disability to the ASN which has, following such declaration, issued a licence which permits me to do.

DRIVER	ENTRANT
Signature	Signature Date
.....	Date

If an entrant is under 18 years of age, THIS FORM MUST BE COUNTERSIGNED BELOW BY THE APPROPRIATE PARENT OR GUARDIAN

**THIS ENTRY IS MADE WITH MY CONSENT.
PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF DRIVER.**

Full name Relationship to driver

Address

..... Signature

Please give the Name, Address and Telephone Number of a Friend or Relative who can be contacted in the event of an accident.

Name..... Telephone

Address

Relationship to driver

**The quick sly fox jumped over the lazy brown
dog**

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