



HCAAC/GBMC Autumn Sprint

Debden Airfield, Essex, CB10 2YA

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Sunday 27th September 2026

A qualifying round in the New Hope AEMC and ASEMC, Hamilton Motorsport ACSMC, HCAAC, GF&Co Borough 19, Insight Graphics Sevenoaks Speed League, Morgan SCC, and Westfield SCC 7s Speed Series

Introduction

This is the second of two Debden sprints organised by the Herts County Auto & Aero Club in 2026 (our 123rd year), co-promoted by our colleagues at the Green Belt Motor Club, using our usual long anti-clockwise course.

New drivers are encouraged in our Junior (14-16 years) and Intro (over 16) classes, using "Standard Cars" with an RS Clubman licence (available free from Motorsport UK).

Our club regularly invests in maintaining the course at Debden Airfield and has carried out extensive surface repairs over the summer. The airfield is separated by a security fence from Carver Barracks, to which we have no access. Each person attending will be emailed a pass which must be printed out or displayed on a smartphone at our sign-posted gateway, which is different from the main entrance to Carver Barracks.

Overnight camping is permitted; please contact andrewrusack@outlook.com for details.

If you cannot compete, have you thought about marshalling? As spectators will not be allowed, marshalling will ensure that you can enjoy a good day's sport. As an incentive, all marshals signing online will receive a lunch voucher for use at our catering vehicle. Plus, we will have a cash prize draw for marshals. No experience is necessary, as we have a competent leader controlling each of our marshalling posts. If you are interested, please contact John Davie at jc.davie@btinternet.com 01525 405521 (preferred), or 07894 642854.

Dogs, spectators and smoking are not permitted at this meeting

Unmanned aerial drones are strictly forbidden as per National Competition Rules (NCR) A.12

Special Notice

We co-operate with the MoD and the Environmental Health Department of Uttlesford District Council for the safe use of Debden Airfield for our motor sport events. Our agreement includes several goodwill gestures such as:

- ☐ No competitor should attempt to arrive before 07.30 hours.
- ☐ Modified and Racing cars shall not run engines before 09.00 hours.
- ☐ Timed practice will not start before 09.00 hours.
- ☐ No tyre warming will be permitted.
- ☐ A minimum 30-minute lunch break shall be provided.
- ☐ The timed runs must be complete by 17.30 hours.

See Section 12 of these supplementary regulations for details of the noise limits. Competitors' co-operation with the above will help us to continue providing you with this much-enjoyed venue.

We wish to acknowledge the help received from T&J Fire Protection in Welwyn Garden City, who have supplied and serviced the safety equipment for Debden sprints for many years.

Supplementary Regulations

1. Announcement

Herts County Auto & Aero Club will organise an Interclub Permit Sprint co-promoted by the Green Belt Motor Club on Sunday 27th September 2026 at Debden Airfield, Wimbish, Saffron Walden, Essex, CB10 2YA. What3Words: deadline.shape.swooning

2. The Meeting

The Meeting will be held under the National Competition Rules of Motorsport UK - "NCR" - (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA), these supplementary regulations, and any other written instructions that the organisers may issue for the event.

3. Permit

Motorsport UK Interclub Permit No.: 208269

4. Participants

The event is open to all fully elected members of the organising clubs, members of all clubs affiliated to the ACSMC, AEMC, AEMC & EMAMC regional associations, Anglia Motor Sport Club plus members of these invited clubs: Hill Climb & Sprint Assn, BARC (Midlands), Brighton & Hove MC, Borough 19 MC, Classic Marques, 750 MC, Farnborough DMC, Harrow CC, Peterborough MC, Shenstone & DCC, Tunbridge Wells MC, TR Register, Woolbridge MC, Nottingham SCC, Ginetta OC, Austin Healey Club, Morgan Sports CC, RSSOC, VSCC, TVR and all Lotus car clubs.

5. Championships

The event is a round of the following sprint championships:

New Hope AEMC & AEMC Speed Championship, ACSMC Sprint Championship, BARC Midlands, Borough 19 Speed, 7Oaks Speed League, Ginetta OC, MSCC, RSSOC Speed, TR Register, Lotus Cup UK Speed plus all Caterham & Lotus 7 Club Speed Championships.

6. Licences

All competitors must produce as a minimum an MSUK RS Interclub (Intro Class may use RS Clubman) valid Competition Licence (NCR 6.2. Chart2) plus a valid MSUK registered club membership card.

NOTE: Failure to produce licence (NCR 6.1 Art 12.2), 50% of licence fee capped at £120.

Motorsport UK confirms that disqualification from holding or obtaining a driving licence under the Road Traffic Acts ('RTA') following conviction for offences under that legislation is incompatible with the holding of an ASN Competition Licence (NCR 2.6 Art 1.6e).

Admission is by a uniquely numbered pass only. This will be emailed to each competitor (together with final instructions), for printing or displaying on a smartphone at the entrance gate. If another pass is needed for a vital helper (e.g. starter battery person for single seaters), full details must be submitted so we can trace who is on site.

Signing on and **scrutineering** will be controlled in accordance with NCR regulations in force at the date of the event, which may be electronically before the event. All other NCR regulations of the MSUK apply as electronically written.

7. Timetable

Timetable for the meeting will be:

07:30 Gates open for officials and competitors.

07:30 Scrutineering begins (numerical order, in collecting area or bays for Class C&D).

07.30 - 08.30 Competitors are allowed to walk or pedal-cycle the course.

08:30 drivers' briefing.

08:50 marshals to be ready at their posts, with a radio check.

09:00 practice Runs (one per driver) commence.

After the completion of practice, the first timed competition run will start. This will be followed by the second, third and fourth timed competition runs (time and weather permitting). A minimum 30-minute lunch break will be taken at an appropriate time.

There may be further competitive timed runs, which will not be scored if any drivers are unable to finish before 17:30 hours.

VENUE DAMAGE: *The competitor is responsible for full reimbursement of any costs incurred in repairing damage caused to the venue. For example, if you have a puncture or spillage anywhere on the tarmac, DO NOT CONTINUE: Please stop immediately for recovery. Offenders may be called to the Clerk of the Course and reported to Motorsport UK.*

8. Classes

Classes shall be as follows:

Class A: Standard Cars, Series Production Road Cars, Specialist Production Road Cars (NCR 14.4.13-14). (excluding cars in Appendix 1)

1. 'Standard Cars' up to 1600cc, 2wd only, list 1a tyres only
2. 'Standard Cars' from 1601cc to 2000cc, 2wd only, list 1a tyres only
3. Up to 1600cc, 2wd only, list 1a or 1b tyres only
4. From 1601cc to 2300cc, 2wd only, list 1a or 1b tyres only
5. 2301cc and over, 2wd only, list 1a or 1b tyres only
6. 4-wheel drive cars of all capacities, list 1a or 1b tyres only
7. Road-Going Kit Type and Replica Cars (including cars in Appendix 1)
8. Up to 1800cc, excluding motorcycle-engined cars, list 1a or 1b tyres only
9. Over 1800cc, including motorcycle-engined cars, list 1a or 1b tyres only

Class B: Modified Series & Specialist Production Cars (NCR 14.4.15), Rally Cars conforming to NCR13.16 and NCR 13.17 plus Rallycross Cars & derivatives conforming to NCR Chapters 16A and 16 (excluding cars in Appendix 1)

10. Up to 1400cc
11. 1401cc to 2000cc
12. 2001cc and over
13. Kit Type and Replica Cars (including cars in Appendix 1)
14. Up to 2000cc
15. 2001cc and over, plus all motorcycle-engined cars

Class C: Sports Libre Cars (NCR 14.4.16)

16. Sports Libre Cars up to 1800cc, motorcycle-engined cars up to 1100cc
17. Sports Libre Cars over 1800cc, motorcycle-engined cars over 1100cc

Class D: Racing Cars (NCR 14.4.17) and Hill Climb Super Sports Cars (see Appendix 2)

18. Up to 1100cc, plus racing cars conforming to Formula Ford specifications
19. 1101cc and over

Class E: Electric Vehicles (NCR 14.1.3) Road Cars unmodified other than approved safety equipment, with a vehicle passport

20. All Electric: propelled by one or more electric motors, with a collector charged from external electricity
21. Hybrid: with an internal combustion engine and an electric drivetrain, with on-board electrical charging

Class F: Marque Classes (Logbooks may be required to comply with Motorsport UK regulations)

22. Reliant Scimitar & Sabre Owners Club
23. Morgan Sports Car Club
24. Lotus Championship contenders: with appropriate sub-classes tba
25. TR Register

In the event of more than 6 entries, Marque classes may be formed at the Organiser's discretion

Class G (26): Allcomers (Any other vehicle: Logbooks may be required to comply with Motorsport UK NCRs)

Class In (27): Intro-Class (NCR 14.2. Art 1.12) RS Clubman licence. Run separately to other classes, using NCR 8.4. List 1a tyres

Class J (28): Junior Sprint (NCR 14.2. Art 1.9-10): RS Interclub licence. Standard Car 110bhp maximum in compliance with NCR 14.4. Art 13-16. The class will run separately to any other session.

Appendix 1: (Two-seater road-going kit-type and replica cars)

Caterham, Westfield, Sylva, Fisher, Lotus 7, Elise, Exige, 340R, Vauxhall 220, X-Bow and similar derivatives

Appendix 2: (Formula Ford racing cars using Kent, Zetec or Duratec engines).

Must comply with the appropriate Formula Ford technical regulations approved by Motorsport UK for that particular car and year of production.

Cars in classes A, B, E, In and J must be taxed, insured and MOT tested (where necessary), and road legal in all respects. Documentation must be supplied online to verify this. Vehicles in Classes C, D, F or G that are not road legal (if allowed by the appropriate marque championship) will require a Motorsport UK Logbook/Vehicle Passport. On-board cameras must be secured mechanically. Suction mounts are not permitted.

9. Engines

Forced induction shall be classified as a capacity increase of 40% (70% for Standard Cars). Turbo anti-lag systems are **not permitted**. A rotary engine shall be subject to a 50% increase in capacity.

In the event of a dispute concerning the compliance of a vehicle to the regulations for the event, the onus will be on the competitor to prove the compliance to the organisers. Any vehicle may switch to Class G.

10. Safety Requirements

All vehicles shall comply with safety regulations NCR 14.4. Art 1 and 2 (regulations for Sprints & Hill Climbs) and the relevant sections of Ch. 7 as referred to in Ch. 14. Vehicles with electrical systems above 60V DC / 120V AC must display a sign beside competition numbers (NCR 7.5.4) and all batteries require "EC" markings (NCR 7.5.4).

11. Competition Car Logbooks

These shall be required for all Hill Climb and Sprint cars unless the car is currently taxed and insured for use on the public highway and competing at the event in a standard or road-going class (NCR 14.4.2).

12. Silencers

All vehicles including single seaters must be always fitted with silencers and these must reduce the noise produced to below the maximum quoted in NCR 7.13. An Environmental Scrutineer will attend and will test all vehicles at two-thirds maximum RPM: this will be carefully monitored. Any car exceeding the noise limits (including random drive-by tests) will be excluded.

13. Competition Numbers

Vehicles shall be identified by competition numbers allocated by the organisers and confirmed in the final instructions. Numbers must be displayed in a durable manner and be black, of a minimum size of 23cm high with stroke width of a minimum of 3.8cm on a white background measuring not less than 48cm x 33cm which must extend at least 5cm beyond the outline of the numbers. Alternatively, the numbers may be displayed on a white circular background provided that the background extends at least 5cm beyond the outline of the numbers. They must be affixed to both sides of the car complying with NCR 7.10. Art 1.1-1.8. Numbers will **not** be available from the organisers. Any means of identifying individual cars during a competition **must** be removed at the end of the event (NCR 14.2.3.2).

14. Timing

All vehicles must have a timing strut in accordance with NCR 14.4.11. The vertical timing strut should be mounted so that no other part of the vehicle may cut the beam first, even if the vehicle is not square to the line. This is mandatory.

15. Starting

Cars shall start singly when the preceding competitor has cleared the agreed safe point on the course. The starting signal will be a green light. Timing will be automatic and commence when the timing beam is cut. A competitor who makes a premature start or rolls forward into the timing beam will not be entitled to a re-run (unless the rear axle does not cross the start line). The start line marshals will not touch or hold any vehicle to prevent it creeping forward.

16. Finish

Will be indicated by a 'FINISH' board. Timing stops when the finish light beam is cut. Competitors should slow to 10 mph ASAP after the finish and always travel under 10mph in the paddock area.

17. Course

The course is approximately 1.66 miles on tarmac. Each driver will have one practice run and four timed competition runs. If circumstances prevent any drivers completing a third or fourth run, the awards will be based upon all the previously completed timed competition runs. If there is time, additional timed runs may become available.

Markers

Times shall incur a 5 second penalty for each course marker struck during a timed run (or carried forward into a re-run). No time will show for competitors taking the Wrong Route/Four Wheels Off.

18. Judges of Fact

Vehicle eligibility	Chief Scrutineer
Exceeding noise limit	Environmental Scrutineer
False Starts	Timekeepers and Start-line Marshals
Track limits/penalty markers	Chief at each marshal post

Any changes in officials and identification of will be notified in the Final Instructions or Official Notice Board complying with NCR 12.3.2.4. Competitors are reminded that MSUK empowers the Clerk of the Course to authorise a Medical Officer to conduct spot checks on any driver/official/marshal to ascertain whether drugs or alcohol have been consumed.

19. Double Entries

At the discretion of the organisers, a driver may enter more than one car (NCR 14.2.5.1). A car may be entered twice by two different drivers (double drive), swapping safely in the paddock between the runs (NCR 14.2.5.2).

20. Drivers' Attire

Applicable MSUK approved Helmets, Overalls and Gloves must be worn by drivers while on track (see below). All items must be inspected & approved at scrutineering (NCR Ch14. App 2. Art 4.3).

Item	Standard Cars	Road Cars & EVs	Modified, Sports Libre and Racing Cars
Helmet	Mandatory (NCR 9.0.7)	Mandatory (NCR 9.0.7)	Mandatory (NCR 9.0.7)
Overalls	Optional: but arms & legs must be covered	Required (NCR 9.0.3)	FIA 1986 Standard, 8856-2000 or 8856-2018
Gloves/Boots (NCR 9.0.12)	Recommended	Recommended	Flame resistant required
Balaclavas (NCR 9.12.3)	Recommended	Recommended	Flame resistant required

21. Awards

Awards will be presented as follows:

Fastest Time of the Day	A Special Award
Fastest in each class	First Class Award (Not given if awarded FTD)
Second Fastest in each class (min. 5 cars).	Second Class Award
Third Fastest in each class (min. 7 cars).	Third Class Award
Spirit of the Event	A Special Award
Best Presented Car (Chosen by scrutineers)	A Special Award

At the discretion of the organisers, a Special Award will be given to an HCAAC member for Best Performance and presented at the annual awards evening. All other awards must be collected at the end of the Meeting. Classes may be amalgamated at the discretion of the organisers;

22. Results

Individual times will be displayed live in the paddock if possible, and provisional results will be published online throughout the day. Protests and appeals should be in accordance with NCR 6.1, 2.4, 2.9 and 2.10.

Results will be published online on the event noticeboard during the event at <https://webapp.sportity.com/event/DEBDENAUTSPRNT26/ba85b3c1-9d14-4ac8-aada-a745d0291454>

You agree that we may wish to publish your personal data as part of the event results. We may pass such information to Motorsport UK, national governing body and/or the FIA or any affiliated organisation for the purpose of insurance, safety, licences or combined with other events. Results include (but are not limited to) name, club affiliation, competition times, occupation and age category.

23. Number of Entries

The maximum is 110; the minimum is 50. Competitors should fully complete an online entry by midday Friday 19th September 2026: <https://mtc1.uk/Entry/DebdenAutumnSprint26/EntryForm.php>

Late entries can be accommodated up until Thursday 24th September subject to an additional late entry fee of £10. Please contact the Event Secretary on 07920 840689 or at chris.deal@greenbeltmc.org.uk

24. Entry Fee

£115.00 (HCAAC/GBMC members £110.00) paid electronically to Bank Sort Code 20-29-37 (Account No. 70460753). The online entry system will automatically give you a temporary admin number until the closing date, after which a seeded entry list will be published showing the competition number for sticking on your car.

Late entries after the closing date will require an additional fee of £10.

Entries in the Junior class (class J) will benefit from a discount of £50. So their entry fee shall be £65 if non-members of HCAAC/GBMC or £60 if HCAAC/GBMC members.

An email will automatically confirm if your entry has been received or needs more detail.

Any entries unable to be completed online should be sent to the Event Secretary:

Chris Deal. tel: 07920 840689 e-mail: chris.deal@greenbeltmc.org.uk

25. Officials of the Meeting

Motorsport UK Steward	TBA
Event Stewards	Christine Sharp, Cathie Gwilliam
Event Secretary (and Entries Secretary)	Chris Deal
Clerk of the Course	Chris Gwilliam
Deputy Clerk of the Course	Sarah Munns
Radio Control	Chris Gwilliam
Safeguarding Officer	Evelyn Gibbs
Sustainability Officer	Mike Hurst
Chief Scrutineer	Howard Downes
Assistant Scrutineer	Mike Betts
Environmental Scrutineer	David Barnes
Chief Timekeeper	John Sharp
Assistant Timekeeper	Simon Sharp
Chief Marshal	John Davie
MSUK Rescue Unit	RSR Sandy Rescue
Chief Medical Officer	Michael Joyce-Knowles
MSUK Recovery Unit	Tiger Recovery

26. Racing with Respect

A socially minded standard of behaviour is expected from everyone within the motorsport community. By participating in a Motorsport UK event in any capacity, you agree to follow the values of the Respect Code.

RESPECT FAIR PLAY
INTEGRITY
SELF-CONTROL
GOOD MANNERS



You pledge to #RaceWithRespect and:

- Contribute to a welcoming and friendly environment that ensures the safety and welfare of all participants
- Always behave with integrity and uphold fairness in the sport, playing a part in keeping the sport safe through your actions.
- Treat everyone with respect, regardless of their gender, ethnic or social background, language, religious beliefs, disability, sexual identity or other status
- Recognise that we all represent the sport and therefore have a duty to be polite and respectful to all staff, officials, fellow competitors, volunteers, as well as fans and supporters
- Respect the rules, regulations and authority of the officials and Motorsport UK.

Any breach of these obligations may result in disciplinary action from Motorsport UK.

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