

DRIVERS BRIEFING

FIRST: A reminder to consider your fellow competitors and keep Social Distancing in the paddock and around the viewing area.

Thank you for your entry into the MG Car Club Canberra Multiclub Motorkhana. This event is run under a Motorsport Australia permit and the National Competition Rules for Motorkhanas.

The Event: This event comprises two runs at each of six patterns. Your quickest time for each pattern will be used for scoring the event.

As usual, the way onto the competition surface is marked with tall poles. Line up between them and the grass area. You do not have to line ups in driver number order. Watch out for finish garages (red flags) where the cars are coming toward the queueing area. **DO NOT WAIT IN LINE WITH THE FINISH GARAGE.** Proceed to the advice board and wait for the officials to wave you into the start garage (green flags).

When the officials give you the OK to drive round the pattern, follow the layout map and end up in the finish garage. Come to a complete stop for long enough so that the officials can see if your car is totally within the garage. If it is not, then penalties apply. Drive slowly around to the desk and collect your score for the run. The officials will attach it to your score card. You then proceed to the next pattern, or back to the queue, or back to the paddock.

Timing: The time for your run starts when the front wheels start to turn and ends when the front of the car enters the finish garage. Two handheld stopwatches are used and the time taken will be the fastest time of the two recorded. In the case where one stopwatch fails then the remaining time will be taken. In the case where both stopwatches fail, you will be given another run.

Penalties – 5 seconds added to your time for every cone and flag that an official has to reposition/replace.

5 seconds for every cone and flag you hit in the finish garage

5 seconds if the car is not within the garage

If you drive the course incorrectly (a Wrong Direction of WD) then either –

The slowest time for a competitor who completes the course with no penalties plus 5 seconds,

OR

Twice the fastest time for a competitor who completes the course with no penalties plus 5 seconds

(whichever is the least) will be the time applied to your run.

Cars with multiple drivers: Please get into the queue early so that all the drivers can have their runs before the queue becomes empty. Note that all scoring is done using your driver number. Please make sure that your number is displayed and any other driver's number hidden.

Drivers with multiple cars: The same applies to you.

High powered vehicles; too much tyre smoke will not be tolerated. Hand brake turns and controlled acceleration are OK. Doughnuts (defined as going round in circles that are NOT required to complete the course) with much noise and tyre smoke are likely to see you excluded from the event immediately.

Safety: Motorkhana is a very safe motorsport event but problems can occur. In the paddock watch out for other drivers when you are moving a car. People become distracted during an event and don't necessarily watch out for moving vehicles. If you are driving, then you are responsible.

On the competition surface watch out for the officials AND for other competitors. You should have your pattern all to yourself for a run. But strange things happen and it has been known that a driver competing in pattern one decides to use a flag in pattern two. Obviously this is not intentional but it is very dangerous. IF YOU THINK YOU ARE GETTING INTO A DANGER SITUATION STOP THE VEHICLE UNTIL THE OFFICIALS SORT OUT THE PROBLEM. You WILL get a re-run at the pattern.

On the competition surface the officials are in charge and you must obey any direction given by them. If you don't, they are entitled to report you to the Clerk of Course who will treat the matter seriously.

Under Motorsport Australia Covid-19 restrictions passengers will not be permitted unless the co-driver, navigator or passenger is a member of the same household.

General: Please keep the paddock and surrounding area clean and support the Girl Guides who use this fund raising to cover the costs of their events.

Finally: If anything in this briefing requires clarification please approach the Clerk of Course to discuss it.

Once again: Thank you for your entry. Drive Safely and Enjoy the Event.