



The Blackpalfrey Motor Club of Kent welcomes you to the

## Tour of Kent 2017

The event is non competitive with no element of timing, and is intended as an opportunity for you to drive your Pre-1995 pride and joy through the picturesque lanes and villages of Kent. Younger interesting cars will be allowed, at the organisers' discretion.

Although the day has been designed for two people in each car, additional persons may be carried (for an additional fee). You will be given an easy to follow road book to take you along our carefully designed route through pretty Kentish Villages. There will be stops for morning coffee and lunch. The route then winds its way to the finish for a well-earned afternoon tea.

The event has been designed to show you the beauty of Kent, while also allowing you to see some other interesting vehicles and talk to the owners. We hope that you'll enjoy visiting the places that most usually rush past on the M20, on the way to and from the Port of Dover or the Channel Tunnel.

We are supporting the Demelza Hospice for Children again this year, a local Kent charity that provides fantastic support for children and their families. All proceeds from the event will be donated to Demelza and you are invited to make a voluntary donation with your entry. Last year we donated over £1,200 and would love to exceed that figure this year, please give generously, For more information visit [www.demelza.org.uk](http://www.demelza.org.uk)

We look forward to welcoming you to the beautiful Garden of England.

### The Organisers

## Regulations

### ORGANISATION

1. The Blackpalfrey Motor Club of Kent will organise "The Blackpalfrey Tour of Kent", a Touring Assembly, on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2017.
2. The event will be held under a certificate of exemption issued by the Motor Sports Association Ltd., these Regulations & any written instructions that the organising club may issue for the event.
3. The MSA Certificate of Exemption is No 97832.

### ELIGIBILITY

4. The event is open to road cars over 20 years old. Interesting later cars may be accepted at the organisers' discretion.
5. All cars must hold a V5 Registration Document, have up to date vehicle tax, and have a valid MOT certificate where appropriate.
6. Any person may enter the event.
7. All drivers must hold a valid driving licence for the car being driven. A Competition Licence is not required.

## ENTRIES

8. Entries open on the publication of these Regulations, and close on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September. All entries must be made on the official entry form and be accompanied by the entry fee of **£75** if two people will be travelling in the car. Please add **£27.50** for each additional person to cover the cost of meals. Each entry will be acknowledged and will include details of how to pay by bank transfer. Alternatively payments can be made by cheque. Please make any cheque payable to 'Blackpalfrey Motor Club of Kent'. Final Instructions (including an Entry List and directions to the Start) will be posted during the week prior to the event.
9. The entry fee includes one Roadbook and one rigid Rally Plate, lunch and afternoon tea plus access to The Kent and East Sussex Railway. There will also be souvenirs to commemorate the event. Should entrants wish to take time to visit the Castle they may do so at an extra charge payable on the day.
10. The Secretary of the event is:

Tom Ash, 76 Murray Avenue, Bromley, Kent, BR1 3DL
11. The maximum number of cars on the event is sixty-five. The minimum is twenty. Should the above minimum figure not be reached, the organisers reserve the right to cancel the event and entry fees will be refunded in full. Entries will be selected in order of receipt, the running order being decided by the organisers. If an entrant particularly wants to run close to a friend/colleague, then this should be noted in the appropriate space on the entry form.

## ROUTE

12. The event will start at The Moody Mare, Seven Mile Lane, Mereworth, Kent ME18 5QY with easy access from the motorway network (5 minutes from Junction 2a of the M26). Breakfast will be available to purchase at the Moody Mare from 08:00. The Tour will with afternoon tea at High Rocks, High Rocks Lane, Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN3 9JJ. The route will cover approximately 120 miles. The morning coffee stop will be at the Kent and East Sussex Railway at Station Rd, Tenterden TN30 6HE, and Lunch will be at Bodiam Castle, TN32 5UA.
13. Entrants may choose whether to use a easy to follow Tulip Road Instructions or a marked map both of which will be provided in a Road Book which will be issued to entrants at the Start.
14. The first car will leave the start at 09:30. The others will leave at approximately thirty second intervals.
15. Along the route, there may be manned Check Points. At each point the entrant's Route Card will be signed. There may also be unmanned "Code Board" route checks where entrants may record the letters from the Code Board on their Route Card. These are for fun only and there is no requirement to visit these points or penalty for not obtaining a signature or recording a code board.

## TIMETABLE

16. The timetable for the event will be:

25 <sup>th</sup> May		Entries open
24 <sup>th</sup> September		Entries close
25 <sup>th</sup> Sept	1600	Final Instructions posted
1 <sup>st</sup> Oct	0830	Signing on and Scrutineering
	0930	First car starts
	1600	First car arrives at finish

## **DOCUMENTATION**

17. Cars and Entrants must arrive at the start at least 45 minutes before their scheduled start time. The following documents must be available for inspection if required:
  - Driving Licence for the driver
  - V5 Registration Certificate for the car being used
  - Current vehicle MOT Certificate for the car being used (if applicable)
18. A basic vehicle eligibility and safety check may be carried out at the start. Any vehicle which, in the opinion of the organisers, is deemed inappropriate or unsafe, will not be allowed to start.
19. All entrants must ensure that they have adequate insurance to enter the event, and they will be required to sign a declaration to this effect at documentation. The event has no competitive element.
20. After documentation, entrants will be given their Rally Plate (and ties), Road Book, and Route Card. They will also receive their lunch/meal vouchers.

## **OFFICIALS**

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| 21. Clerk of the Course: | Trevor Hawkins                                |
| Secretary:               | Tom Ash                                       |
| Chief Marshal            | Peter Boyce                                   |
| Marshals:                | Blackpalfrey MCK and HRCR members and friends |
| Concours Judge:          | Derek Camp                                    |

## **CONCOURS**

22. Concours prizes will be presented at the finish, at the discretion of the Concours Judges, to those cars judged to be the best prepared.

## **ACCOMMODATION**

23. The organisers cannot be asked to book accommodation.

## **DRIVING STANDARDS**

24. The event is designed to be a relaxing tour through the picturesque lanes and villages of Kent. There is no element of timing and no need to rush. Please be respectful of all other road users and drive sensibly. We want to see you all back at the finish safely. The organisers reserve the right to exclude any entrant for poor or inconsiderate driving.

## **ADDITIONALLY**

25. Any protest is not deemed to be within the spirit of the event, and will not be considered, unless accompanied by an offer of a round of drinks for the organisers.
26. Entrants will be identified by a rigid rally plate, which will be supplied by the organisers. This must be displayed in prominent forward facing position on the vehicle. Cable ties will be supplied to assist.
27. All marshals are deemed to be judges of fact.

**We hope you enjoy your day's Motoring in The Garden of England**