



2023 Gravel PCA Series-Wern Ddu

12 February, 9 April, 24 & 25 June, 24 September, 29 October, 12 November and 10 December 2023.

SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

This unique event is aimed at entry-level. Standard cars, road rally cars and smaller powered stage cars are all welcome. The event is held completely on gravel and is suitable for standard cars but sump guards are highly recommended. The track will be available to walk before the event. Test diagrams will be sent to all entered competitors by email and published on the Wern Ddu PCA Facebook group, before the event

The first car on track will be 9:00 AM. To maximise track time available for all competitors the target is a minimum of 8 runs, of up to 3 minutes each, with course layout changes.

Camping overnight is charged at £7.50 and must be pre-paid in advance with the entry fee. Arrivals from 4:00 PM Saturday. Due to the location, car transporter trailers are welcome-please park in the trailer park. Please arrive in time for scrutineering; late arrivals may not be able to access the paddock after the event has started.

This is a non-spectator event and venue however you are very welcome to come along and help marshal if you can. Onsite Catering is available from 8:00 am. Details are available on our social media pages.

The Taster class is designed as an introduction to new competitors and is open to anyone over 14 years old with no driving experience. Drivers without experience will be permitted to enter this class with experienced co-drivers only. Please contact [Andrew Crawley](#) for more details and the use of the club car. The Taster event costs £25 per person and includes family membership of Warrington & DMC and 3 untimed runs of the course.

All event regulations apply to class T. A Motorsport UK RS Clubmans licence is also required. This licence is free and can be obtained via this link: [RS Clubman Licence - Motorsport UK](#). Places are strictly limited so please book early to avoid disappointment.

1. WARRINGTON & DMC GRAVEL PCA

Warrington and District Motor Club will organise Clubman Production Car Autotest events on 12 February, 9 April, 24 & 25 June, 24 September, 29 October, 12 November and 10 December at Wern Ddu quarry (disused) Near Gwyddelwern, Corwen LL21 9SD off the A494.

The meetings will be held under the General Regulations of The Motor Sports Association Ltd (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA), these Supplementary Regulations and any written instructions the promoting club may issue for the event.

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The following Motorsport UK Clubman Permits have been issued:

Event	Permit Number
12 February	129130
9 April	129131
24 June	129132
25 June	129133
24 September	129134
29 October	129135
12 November	129136
10 December	129137

2. ENTRY

The PCA entry fee is £50 per competitor. All entries must be made on the official online entry form and are considered provisional until fully paid. Please click on each event date below for the entry link. Entries for the February event open on publication of these SR. Entries for all other events open the day after the previous event (or at least 6 weeks before the next event) and close 2 weeks before each event date.

Event	Closing Date for Entries
12 February	31 st January 2023
9 April	26 th March 2023
24 June	10 th June 2023
25 June	10 th June 2023
24 September	10 th September 2023
29 October	15 th October 2023
12 November	30 th October 2023
10 December	26 th November 2023

The maximum entry for the meeting is 36 PCA + 2 Taster entries. The minimum entry is 24. The minimum entry for each class is 3. Should either of the minimum entries not be reached the organisers reserve the right to cancel the event or amalgamate classes as necessary.

The organisers reserve the right to refuse any entry at their discretion. To qualify for a full refund of the entry fee, written notice must be received (H30 and H31) by the Entries Secretary no later than **2 weeks** before the event date. Entries withdrawn later than this date may be entitled to a refund if it is possible to substitute your entry with a reserve. Please note that this will only be possible up to 2 weeks before the event.

In the event of cancellation due to Covid-19 regulations, all paid entries will be offered an entry for the next event date. If this date is not suitable a full refund will be offered.

3. ELIGIBILITY

The events are open to fully elected members of the promoting club, members of Bala MC, Wigan MC, Caernarfon & Anglesey MC and all registered ANWCC/SD34MSG Championship contenders. Entry is also open to up to an additional 10 Motorsport UK registered clubs and is allocated on a first-come-first-served basis.

All entries are provisional until fully paid and priority will be given in order of receipt of fully paid entries (D11.1). All drivers and passengers must be signed on using the official online entry form.

Each event will be a round of the ANWCC PCA Championship 2023, the ANWCC All-rounder Championship 2023 and the SD34 Championships. A copy of these regulations is also available online at anwcc.co.uk and SD34 Motorsport Group.

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A Motorsport UK RS Clubmans licence is required (as a minimum) for all drivers and passengers. This licence is free. Please visit [RS Clubman Licence - Motorsport UK](#) for more information and details on how to apply.

Entries may be accepted from drivers of 14 and over at the date of the event, but they may only drive a touring car up to 2000cc and the passenger must hold a full RTA licence and be a person experienced in autotesting.

For saloon and cabriolet/sports cars with hood erected or hardtop fitted if the driver holds a valid non-provisional RTA licence the passenger must be 12 years or over, be a club member, be at least 135cm in height and must have signed on (M16 and M21). See Motorsport UK General Rules regarding eligibility.

N.B. The PCA event is not recommended for a complete beginner without some driving experience- it is recommended for the first event a competitor should take part in the Taster event.

All drivers are required to carry a signed-on passenger in all Timed Tests. The passenger must occupy the seat alongside the driver and wear a properly fastened and approved seat belt at all times during the test. No other passenger is allowed.

All drivers and passengers will be expected to marshal during the day and help clear the course and event equipment at the end of the event.

4. PROGRAMME

The meeting programme will be:

- Scrutineering will open at 7:30 am
- Registration opens at 7:30 any competitor not signed on by 08:45 may be disqualified.
- The first test starts at 09:00. The event is scheduled to finish at approx. 16:00.

5. CLASSES

Class A	Production Saloon and Sports Cars (Hood up only) up to 1400 cc with MoT.
Class B	Saloon and Sports Cars (Hood up only) over 1400 cc. to a maximum of 2500cc with MoT.
Class C	Road and Stage cars and cars with no seats or trim and not driven to the event. Maximum 2500cc
Class T	Touring car up to 2000cc (Taster Event aged 14 and over with no driving experience)

6. TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

- a. Production Saloon and Sports Cars in class A or B can be driven to the event and should be currently registered/MOT or entered into class C. A trailer may be used.
- b. All Class A and B cars must comply with the Road Traffic Act and the relevant Motorsport UK Technical Regulations and you may be asked to produce documentation at scrutineering.
- c. Stage rally-prepared cars need not be taxed, insured, MoT or driven to the event but must present a Motorsport UK passport.
- d. Four-wheel drive vehicles are not allowed.
- e. ALL Production Saloon and Sports Cars that are not taxed or MoT or insured will compete in Class C only. (Cars must still comply with major MoT items of condition and no removal of structural components of a standard car is allowed)
- f. ALL Cars must compete on road-legal tyres. Gravel tyres are acceptable.
- g. The maximum noise permitted from any competing vehicle is 96dB and will be checked during scrutineering.
- h. ALL convertible cars must have rear ROPS (rollover protection system).

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- i. ALL cars fitted with ROPS must have suitable padding fitted to all accessible areas of the roll cage around the driver's and passenger's head
- j. Standard manufacturers seats and safety belts are permitted, but full harnesses are recommended and are mandatory if non-standard seats are used. All harnesses and seats and mounting points must meet MoT standards and conditions, but do not need current Motorsport UK dates.
- k. For Class C vehicles, interior carpets, rear seats and interior trims are not required. The dashboard must be standard and operational
- l. ALL cars must have all windows fitted and operational windscreen wipers – plastic side and rear windows are permitted.
- m. ALL cars must run tests with the side windows with a gap of no more than 4" (100mm)
- n. ALL cars must be presented in good condition and be structurally complete. For this event, the removal of structural components is not permitted.
- o. Turbocharged petrol cars are subject to a 1.7 multiplier. Diesel cars have no multiplier.

7. AWARDS

For each event:

- Fastest Time Overall (FTO) - Trophy
- 1st in each class -Trophy
- Euan 18 Trophy - fastest competitor under 18yrs
- Other awards are at the discretion of the Clerk of Course

For the Warrington DMC Gravel 2023 PCA Series:

- The best scores from a maximum of 5 events count towards the 2023 Gravel PCA Championship.
- The overall Champion will be the competitor with the highest number of Championship points gained.
- Points will be calculated according to a Performance Index for each event class.

$$\text{Performance Index} = (\text{Class Average}/\text{Competitors Time}) \times 10$$

The Class Average is calculated from the best 5 competitors in that class. If there are fewer than 5 competitors in a class then the fastest time will be added in the required number of times to make up the 5 best competitors times necessary to calculate the average.

- Awards will also be given to 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each class.
- The Euan U18 Award will be presented to the competitor with the highest number of Championship points gained who is under 18yrs on the date of the first event of the series.
- Other awards are at the discretion of the Clerk of Course.
- Competitors may receive only one award.

8. MARKING AND PENALTIES.

Time taken to complete the course	Actual time taken
Starting before the 'Go' signal	5 seconds per offence
Striking a cone	5 seconds per offence
Failure to stop astride the stop lines	5 seconds
Taking an incorrect route on any course (Wrong Test) *	60 seconds
If your car fails to continue you may use another car	No points will be awarded

*If a driver returns to the point of their mistake, and then completes the test correctly, a wrong test does not apply.

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9. GENERAL:

- a. Cabriolets/Sports Cars will compete with the hood erected or a hardtop fitted.
- b. Refuelling MUST take place in the designated refuel area.
- c. All servicing MUST take place in an area covered by a ground-sheet. Extreme care must be taken to prevent oil or fuel spills. Please report any spills to HQ for clean-up.
- d. Stop astride points may be included in the tests-please check your diagrams. A 30-second penalty applies for not stopping.
- e. Test diagrams will be published before the event. Any changes on the day will be communicated to the drivers at the drivers briefing. All competitors will have an opportunity to walk each test layout before timed runs start for that course.
- f. The test layouts may vary from event to event, between long courses with a maximum of 2 cars on track or 2 shorter tests run simultaneously. In the case of tests running simultaneously, competitors will progress to the next test only when directed to do so by marshals.
- g. The target is for each driver to have 4 or more runs at each layout, however, the number of predicted runs will be announced at the drivers briefing; runs are dependent on weather conditions and delays on the day.
- h. In the case that all competitors get the opportunity of a minimum of 4x runs in the morning 1x run can be dropped. The same applies to the afternoon course. However, if 4x runs are not available to all competitors no times are to be dropped.
- i. Competitors will start with a countdown as follows 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, GO from the timekeeper. Timing will start on the word 'Go'. Timing will stop when the car is stopped astride the stop line.
- j. A Stop signal will be displayed if there is an obstruction on the course. A competitor must stop immediately on deployment of the signal and a re-run will be allowed. The Stop signal will be displayed at the drivers briefing
- k. In the event of a tie, the fastest run of the first course will determine the tie and then the fastest on the second course, etc until the tie is resolved.
- l. To be classified as a finisher, competitors must start at least one run at all courses or as per Motorsport UK General Regulations.
- m. The competitor will observe all instructions from the marshals and/or officials.
- n. You must start and finish the event in the same vehicle you started in to be eligible for points on the day and the championship.

10. PAPERWORK

It is the competitor's responsibility to print off and bring the appropriate paperwork to the event. No paperwork will be provided at the event.

11. IDENTIFICATION:

Competitors will be identified by numbers clearly displayed as instructed. Numbers will be provided by the organisers.

12. RESULTS:

Provisional results will be available on the TimingAppLive throughout the event. At the end of the event, results will be declared provisional at which point any protest must be lodged correctly within 30 minutes (C5). Otherwise, the results will become final and the awards presented. Results will be sent out by e-mail as soon as possible after the event and published on the [ANWCC](#) website.

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13. OFFICIALS

If you need to contact any officials please do so before 8 pm. If you need assistance in finding the venue, please contact one of the Officials.

Clerk of Course	Stephen Ellison	rallyescort@hotmail.co.uk
Secretary of the Meeting	Andrew Crawley	07495 379928
Entries Secretary	Tracey Smith	07768 904914
Chief Timekeeper	Robert K Smith	
Chief Marshal	Jessica Crawley	
Child Protection Officer	Tracey Smith	
Scrutineer	George Jennings	gajennings@sky.com

14. USE OF MOBILE PHONES

The use of mobile phones by competitors in the test area, whilst queuing before the start of a test or returning to the paddock area is prohibited. Any competitor found to be in breach of this regulation may be disqualified from the event.

15. RACE WITH RESPECT

All Competitors, their associates, Officials and Marshals must be aware of their behaviour and conduct at all times and any abusive language or harmful behaviour will not be tolerated. Any incidents must be reported to the Event Officials or Safeguarding Officer who will also relay the report to Motorsport UK. The Race with Respect Code of Conduct and further information is available on the Race with Respect page on the Motorsport UK website:

<https://www.motorsportuk.org/racewithrespect/>

16. INSURANCE EXCESS

In the event of a claim having to be made for damage caused to third-party property by any Competitor, the Organisers of the event will pass on the insurance excess under the Motorsport UK Master Policies to the competitor(s) involved.

17. GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATIONS (GDPR)

Under the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) the information you give us will be used only to run Warrington and District Motor Club events and its activities. You will only receive communications from us that are relevant to the events you enter. Photographs may be taken at this event (and others in the programme) and shared, including on social media. Please advise the organiser if you do not wish to have your photograph taken.



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