



# **GENERAL DRIVERS' BRIEFING NOTES**

## **Thruxton Circuit - 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> July 2021**

### **Welcome**

On behalf of the BARC, welcome to Thruxton for what we hope will be a very enjoyable race weekend.

### **Briefings**

Whilst the individual championships may have their own briefings, please read these notes together with any previously issued season briefing notes and Final Instructions (which can be found on the BARC website for the event <https://www.barc.net/event/barc-race-meeting-thruxton/>).

If you have any questions, please contact either Anita Joy or myself via email using the addresses below.

I will also be available to answer questions on Saturday and Sunday morning between 0800 and 0815 prior to the start of the meeting outside Race Control.

All questions and answers will be shared with all competitors via email where possible.

### **Contact Details**

The contact details for this event are as follows:

Clerk of the Course	David Cartwright	e-mail: <a href="mailto:dcartwright.barc@gmail.com">dcartwright.barc@gmail.com</a>
Secretary of the Meeting	Anita Joy	e-mail: <a href="mailto:ajoy.barc@gmail.com">ajoy.barc@gmail.com</a>

### **Official Notice Board**

The official notice board can be found online at [https://www.barc.net/online\\_noticeboard/thruxton-july-3-4/](https://www.barc.net/online_noticeboard/thruxton-july-3-4/)

### **Circuit Access**

Please listen for tannoy announcements for each session.

### **Practice and Qualifying sessions**

All categories' Cars/Trucks must go to the Assembly Area at least 20 minutes before the start of their session.

Competitors will be released from the assembly area in to the Pit Lane and onto the circuit via the Pit Exit at the start of their session.

### **Races with Rolling Starts (Except Trucks)**

- Welsh Sports & Saloon Car Championship

All cars must be ready to go to the Assembly Area at least 20 minutes before the start of their race. The Countdown will take place in the Assembly Area, and the Formation (Pace) Lap will commence once you leave Assembly Area.

Cars must be in 2 x 2 start formation by the Brooklands/Woodman Hill. If the Clerk of the Course is happy with the formation, the Safety car will extinguish its lights and enter the Pit Lane. The Car in Pole Position controls the pace of the pack until the start signal is given.

The Start Signal is given when the Red Lights are switched off.

### **Races with Rolling Starts (Trucks)**

Details for the BTRC will be detailed in their specific Championship Briefing Notes.



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### **Races with Standing Starts:**

- Caterham Graduates Racing Club Championship
- Carbon8 Coupe Cup with Toyo Tires
- Lancaster Insurance MG Owners Club Championship
- Mighty Minis Championship
- BARC Red Series

All cars must be ready to go to the Assembly Area at least 20 minutes before the start of their race. The Countdown will take place in the Assembly Area, and the Green Flag lap will commence once you leave the Assembly Area. Once you reach the grid and it is formed, you will receive the 5 second board, the Start Lights will come on and the Start will be given when the lights go out.

### **End of Sessions / Circuit Egress / Parc Fermé**

At the end of all practice, qualifying sessions and races, competitors will take the chequered flag, complete a slowing down lap and enter the Pit Lane, making their way to the Parc Fermé area at the end of the Pit Lane, adjacent to the Assembly Area. At all times, follow the directions of the marshals and belts/helmets must remain fastened/on until the vehicle has come to a stop in Parc Fermé.

Remember that until you are released from Parc Fermé, the following applies:

- No work on the car may take place of any kind, including reviewing camera footage;
- No team personnel, except the driver, may enter the area.

### **Timing**

There will be no grid sheets or results produced on paper at the event. You are advised that these can be found on the TSL website at <http://www.tsl-timing.com>. You should make sure that you are aware of your grid position before going to the assembly area.

All timing is done automatically; you must have a working transponder fitted or you will not be timed.

### **Track Limits and Judges of Fact**

Instances of drivers exceeding track limits may be reported by appointed Judges of Fact.

### **Start Lights**

The start lights are positioned on the main gantry above the track.

### **Control / Timing Line, Flag Signals/Chequered Flag etc.**

The flag signals from Race Control, Chequered Flag/Black and White Flag etc. are shown from the Flag Point at the end of the Pit Wall outside Race Control.

This is also the location of the timing line.

### **Pole Position**

Pole position is on driver's right, nearest the Pit Wall, for both standing starts and for rolling starts.

### **Judicial Process**

The judicial rules and regulations are described within the Motorsport UK Yearbook; however, no physical paperwork will be issued, with all decisions being issued electronically and sent by email to your registered email address.

If you are called to Race Control, for a judicial hearing, you should bring any additional camera footage you wish to present on a USB 'memory stick' or laptop to play it on.

If you want to query if an incident is being investigated, you can contact me through the e-mail address.



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In line with the current Covid-19 guidelines it is not permitted to come to Race Control unless requested to do so.

### **Health & Safety**

You should follow the BARC Health & Safety Guidelines and BARC Competitor Guidance in line with the revised Motorsport UK regulations and MSV Guidance for Resumption of Motorsports. These can be found on the BARC website on the relevant event page.

I would however like to remind you of the following:

- The wearing of a face mask or covering which covers both the nose and mouth, (not a visor), is mandatory for everyone at all times while within the venue assembly area, pit lane, pit garages, pit wall and grid plus in any enclosed space unless alone or while eating or drinking within a designated area. Masks or face coverings are required in Parc Fermé and the paddock where it is not possible to maintain 2m social distancing. There are no exceptions for health considerations, as might previously been the case, if anyone is unable to comply then they should not attend the event.
- Symptoms of coronavirus are persistent cough, high temperature, feeling unwell, breathlessness and a loss of taste or smell.
- Participants who feel unwell with any of the symptoms of coronavirus, however mild or who feel they may have been exposed to a risk of infection must not attend the event. If someone is already at the event and exhibits any symptoms should leave the venue, advise the Secretary of the Meeting and call NHS 111.
- Please always remember that you have to take responsibility for your own and others safety, protecting yourself from the virus by following the competitors and government guidelines.

I wish you a safe and successful weekend.

David Cartwright  
Clerk of the Course