

# **Bedford Car Club**

## **CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP**

### **THE CHAMPIONSHIP RULES**

The Bedford Car Club will promote a championship system for its members in order to foster and encourage interest in its own events and in motor sport in general.

The Championship will run annually from 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> December inclusive. Points will be awarded in accordance with the system shown herein throughout the year and be totalled at the end of the year to determine annual champions in the disciplines set out here.

The Championship Points table will be published from time to time on the Club Web site.

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### **CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS**

Events deemed to count towards the Club Championship are as follows:-

- Events holding an MSA Permit.
- Events qualifying for an exemption or waiver of permit to which Bedford Car Club is invited.
- Events not requiring a permit to which Bedford Car Club members are invited and which are publicised in the Bedford Car Club Newsletter in order to give all members an opportunity to take part.
- All other events organised by Bedford Car Club.

### **THE CHAMPIONSHIP DISCIPLINES AND TROPHIES**

There will be individual championships as follows.

The trophies currently awarded for each Championship are listed alongside:-

|                               |                        |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| Stage Rally Driver            | Nicholls Cup           |
| Stage Rally Co Driver         | Turner Trophy          |
| Road Rally Driver             | Spinney Moor Trophy    |
| Road Rally Navigator          | Navigation Cup         |
| Mini Rally Driver             | Allen Cup              |
| Mini Rally Navigator          | K S Sagoo Shield       |
| Off- Road Driver              | Thurburn Challenge Cup |
| BCC Autotest Driver           | tba                    |
| Kart Grands Prix              | tba                    |
| Treasure Hunts & Night Trials | Crawley Bowl           |
| Organiser                     | Pater Cup              |
| Marshall                      | Sanders Bowl           |
| Social Champion               | The Simmons Cup        |

There will be four overall championships as follows.

The trophies currently awarded for each Championship are listed alongside:-

|                 |                           |
|-----------------|---------------------------|
| Club Champion   | Enfield Cup               |
| Lady Champion   | Barford Cup               |
| Novice Champion | Nicholls Novice Cup       |
| Junior Champion | Richardson Challenge Cup. |

The individual champion in all cases will be deemed to be the claimant with the most points at the end of the year. Any tie at the end of the year will stand and the trophy held by each of the joint champions for an equal period throughout the ensuing year.

Trophies will normally be held for eleven months from the date of presentation. They should then be returned to any current Officer or Committee Member ready for presentation to the next winners. Trophies will only be awarded to fully paid up members of the Club at the date of presentation. Trophy holders must return trophies immediately if they cease to be members of the Club.

**THE STAGE RALLY DRIVER CHAMPIONSHIP**  
**THE STAGE RALLY CO-DRIVER CHAMPIONSHIP**  
**THE ROAD RALLY DRIVER CHAMPIONSHIP**  
**THE ROAD RALLY NAVIGATOR CHAMPIONSHIP**  
**THE MINI RALLY DRIVER CHAMPIONSHIP**  
**THE MINI RALLY NAVIGATOR CHAMPIONSHIP**

Those who compete on these events will score points according to Appendix A and Appendix B of these rules.

The number of scores that will count towards the Mini Rally Championships will be one less than the total number of Mini Rallies run in the year, with the lowest score being dropped.

In any particular competition only the nominated driver and co-driver / navigator will be eligible to score points, no matter how many occupants the competing vehicle may have.

Members entering a Mini Rally solo, will only score to one championship, but may nominate to which championship they wish their points to be counted

(Note that members who constitute service crew will score points according to, and on, the Marshalls Championship.)

**THE KART GRANDS PRIX CHAMPIONSHIP**

Events counting towards this championship are the events organised by Bedford Car Club for its members. Any other form of Karting will count towards the Off Road Championship.

Those who compete on these events will score points according to Appendix A and Appendix B of these rules.

**THE BCC AUTOTEST CHAMPIONSHIP**

Events counting towards this championship are the events organised by Bedford Car Club for its members. Participation in events run by any other club will count towards the Off Road Championship.

Those who compete on these events will score points according to Appendix A and Appendix B of these rules. Passengers who are not signed on as drivers for an event will score 5 points towards this championship.

**THE OFF ROAD DRIVER CHAMPIONSHIP**

Events counting towards this championship include autocross, sprints, hillclimbs, circuit racing, drag racing, trials, etc. as well as Karting and Autotests not organised by the Club..

Those who compete on these events will score points according to Appendix A and Appendix B of these rules.

Where a claimant drives more than one car in the event, points will only be scored by their highest placed car.

**THE TREASURE HUNT & NIGHT TRIAL CHAMPIONSHIP**

Those who compete on these events will score points according to Appendix A and Appendix B of these rules. In any particular competition all the occupants of the competing vehicle will be eligible to score points equally.

## **THE ORGANISER CHAMPIONSHIP**

Those who organise events for Bedford Car Club will score points as follows:-

|                                      |                     |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| National A                           | 20 points per entry |
| National B                           | 15 points per entry |
| Clubman / Clubsport / Closed to Club | 10 points per entry |
| Mini Rally                           | 5 points per entry  |
| Treasure Hunt                        | 5 points per entry  |
| Social events                        | 2 points per entry. |

The points scored according to the above system constitute the total number of points awarded for the event. Where there is only one organiser all the points are awarded to him/her. If there is more than one organiser and / or official (e.g. Clerk of the Course, Secretary of the Meeting, Scrutineer) then the total number of points awarded for the event will be divided among these officials, on merit at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course or other principal organiser, or the Points co-ordinator.

Marshalls will score points separately on the Marshalls championship.

## **THE MARSHAL CHAMPIONSHIP**

Those who marshal on any event, act as service crew for stage rally entrants or assist the organisers of any event without fulfilling a specific role for which points would otherwise be scored on the Organisers championship will score points as follows:-

|  |          |
|--|----------|
| “All day” or all night events<br>(Including Autotests)     | 8 points |
| “Half Day “events<br>e.g. 12-car rallies                   | 5 points |
| Social events<br>Including Mini Rallies and Treasure Hunts | 3 points |

## **SOCIAL CHAMPIONSHIP**

Those who attend Club social events advertised in the Club Newsletter will score 4 points in this championship.

In addition:

- Those who take part in any game or competition of skill or judgement in such a social context will score points on this championship according to Appendix B.
- Those supporting Club events but not actually competing will also score 4 points.

### **THE OVERALL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS**

All those who take part in or attend any Club activity will score points on the overall Club Championship according to Appendix C of these rules.

### **CLUB CHAMPION**

The overall Club Champion will be deemed to be the member with the most points on the overall Club Championship at the end of the year.

### **LADY CHAMPION**

The Lady Club Champion will be deemed to be the female member with the most points on the overall Club Championship at the end of the year.

### **NOVICE CHAMPION**

The Novice Champion is awarded at the discretion of the Committee. It will normally be awarded to the member with the most points on the overall Club Championship at the end of the year, who has joined the Club for the first time during the current or previous championship year, but has not won any other Club Championship during that time.

### **JUNIOR CHAMPION**

The Junior Club Champion will be deemed to be the member with the most points on the overall Club Championship at the end of the year, who was under the age of 18 years at the beginning of the championship year.

### **CLAIMS FOR POINTS**

Organisers of Club events must inform the Points Co-ordinator of the names of organisers, marshals, officials and event results as soon as possible after the conclusion of the event. Members need not therefore make individual claims for Bedford Car Club events as points will normally be credited automatically.

Where non-Club events are concerned, claims for points to count towards the Club Championship must be made by individual members to the Points Co-ordinator in each case. In the case of competitive events, the claimant should enter under Bedford Car Club where the event regulations allow for this. Claims for points for non-Club events should normally take the form of a copy of the results and/or entry list, demonstrating the number of starters for the event, the grade of the event, and the claimant's finishing position.

Claims for points must reach the Point Co-ordinator within one calendar month of the event. In exceptional cases where this is not possible (in cases of protest, for example) the Points Co-ordinator must be informed of the circumstances within one calendar month of the finish of the event so that the Committee may make any special allowance as they see fit.

### **QUERIES AND DISPUTES**

Any queries or disputes concerning these Rules or their application should normally be brought to the attention of the Points Co-ordinator in the first instance, but may be put to any Officer or Committee member of the Club. If necessary, the Committee will consider any such item in the light of the existing rules and in a spirit of fair play and, if they further deem it necessary, make decisions concerning such items and communicate them to interested parties as soon as is reasonably possible. Any such decision made by the Committee is however, final and binding and not subject to further appeal.

### **AMENDMENTS TO THE CHAMPIONSHIP RULES**

In the interests of fair play and to allow for unforeseen circumstances and situations not covered by these rules, the Committee reserves the right to add to, amend or delete any part of the Club Championship as it sees fit at any time and without prior notice. Such additions, amendments or deletions will be notified to members as soon as is reasonably possible.

Notwithstanding the above, the Committee will normally only make additions, amendments and deletions at the start of a championship year.

The Committee welcomes any comments or observations on these Rules at any time, but particularly towards the end of any championship year so that they may be considered for the forthcoming year.

### **APPENDIX A**

Points will be scored commensurate with the status of the event started (NB: not just entered) by the claimant, according to the following scale:-

|                             |    |
|-----------------------------|----|
| International               | 60 |
| National A                  | 40 |
| National B                  | 20 |
| Clubman (except as below)   | 15 |
| Clubsport (except as below) | 10 |
| Closed (except as below)    | 10 |
| Night Trials                | 5  |
| Mini Rallies                | 2  |
| Treasure Hunts              | 2  |

### **APPENDIX B**

One point will be scored for each of the total number of starters listed for the event, less points equal to the overall position attained by the claimant in the results for the event.

### **APPENDIX C**

The overall championships will be determined by a separate system with points awarded as follows:-

The first placed scorer in each of the individual discipline championships will be awarded 50 points; the second will be awarded 49 points, the third 48 points and so on, down to 0 points.

The points so obtained from all the individual championships will then be totalled to determine the overall championships.