

Classics on the Common

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Dear Fellow Enthusiast

Guidance Notes for Entrants

Thank you for joining us at Classics on the Common this year. Please read these Guidance Notes as they are designed to help you and to maximise the enjoyment of everyone at the event. A map is attached to assist you as well as a document with guidance for your own safety.

Access for Classic Vehicles

Ensure that you arrive with your ticket clearly displayed in the windscreen of your vehicle. If not clearly visible, you will be directed to the spectator parking area in Cravells Road. Access to the Main Common for Group B (blue) and Group C (pink) tickets will be available from **11.00am** and NOT before. Access to the Main Common for Group A standard entry (white) tickets will be from **1.00pm** and NOT before. In order to avoid unnecessary congestion at the vehicle entry/exit points, it would be greatly appreciated if you could arrive by 4pm at the latest and, if possible, please do not leave until after 5.30pm. When the Main Common is full, vehicles will be directed to park on the Harpenden Arms triangle.

Substitute vehicles

Your ticket displays your vehicle's registration number. If you need to come in a substitute vehicle (4-wheel or 2-wheel) it must be a minimum of 25 years old (except motorcycles and scooters) and you must provide full details, including registration number, **in advance**, by emailing info@classicsonthecommon.com or by writing to Classics on the Common, 67 High Street, Harpenden AL5 2SL. From 20 September, please ring: 07986 067 842. Do **not** alter the registration number on your ticket. If the substitute vehicle does not meet the minimum age requirement a spectator car park must be used.

Uneven Ground – a Warning

If your vehicle has limited ground clearance, please be warned the surface of Harpenden Common is uneven in places. This could result in grounding and damage. If practical, you may want to inspect the Common beforehand.

Traffic Control

We will install barriers in the road and to the side of the A1081 to improve safety and we would ask that you take extreme care in these areas. The movement of vehicles and traffic control around the Bull Road roundabout will again be controlled by a traffic management company and they will direct traffic to assist pedestrians crossing the A1081 and Bull Road.

Parking for Classic Vehicles

Once on the Common, please park as directed by the marshals and observe the 5 mph speed limit. If you wish to park with friends who are fellow classic vehicle owners, please arrive together. Do not try and save space for later arrivals as this simply delays the parking of subsequent vehicles.

Barbeques and the erection of gazebos are not allowed on the common.

Sharing information about your Classic Vehicle

Many spectators like to view a classic vehicle's engine so please consider opening your bonnet. An A4 sheet on the windscreen with a description and the history of your vehicle is also of great interest to the majority of our spectators.

Safety

Please drive slowly on the Common, be directed by the marshals as to where to park and watch out for pedestrians and picnickers when manoeuvring your vehicle. There will be a 5 mph speed limit clearly indicated on the Common.

Spectators

We implore spectators who are able to reach the event on foot, or by using public transport, to do so. Traffic in Harpenden will be very heavy. For those arriving by car, subject to ground conditions, free spectator parking will be provided on Harpenden Rovers football field with entry and exit in Cravells Road. Access to this area may be closed due to wet ground conditions, in which case spectators will have to park in the town or station

car parks. The Harpenden Hopper will provide a shuttle service from the Cravells Road Car Park from 1pm until 6pm. Please note that all other car parks will be 'pay and display' as normal. Rothamsted Research (AL5 2JQ) also allows spectator parking after 6pm and this time limit will be strictly enforced.

Motorcycles and Scooters

All two-wheeled vehicles must enter the Main Common via the main entrance opposite the Silver Cup Public House and will be directed to the Baa Lamb Trees area via a dedicated route immediately on the left. **No tickets will be available at the event and any motorcycle or scooter arriving without a ticket will not be admitted.** With the permission of the police, there is likely to be "ride out" by motorcycles and scooters.

Plaques

The free souvenir plaque will be available at the Control Point for each entrant on a first-come, first-served basis **but you must produce your ticket.** We are indebted to Bennett's Car Parts for sponsoring the plaques.

Charity Collection

As Harpenden Common is common land on which the public can roam freely we encourage spectators to make a voluntary donation for charity. They receive a lapel sticker to show that they have supported us. We appreciate that classic car entrants have already made a contribution and to avoid you being approached again you will be given two lapel stickers when you pick up your plaque from the Control Point. The total raised at our last event in 2019 exceeded £32,000 and we hope to raise a similar amount this year.

Our main charities for 2021 will be: The Harpenden Trust, Hope and Homes for Children and Harpenden Spotlight on Africa (HSoA). A proportion of the funds collected will be allocated to other good causes supported by Rotary in Harpenden.

Yours sincerely

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