

THE 69th ANNUAL TAVERNERS ROAD TRIAL **SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 20th 2026**

The Taverners Section of the Vintage Motor Cycle Club present the 69th annual running of the Taverners Road Trial for all classes of motorcycles, combinations and three wheelers manufactured prior to 1st January 2001. Machines manufactured after that date will be accepted for entry, provided that the riders are full or temporary members of the VMCC.

Eligibility

The event is open to all fully paid up members of the V.M.C.C. **Please note that current membership cards must be shown when signing on or entry may be refused.** One day membership (£3-00 additional to entry) may be taken out on the day. A competition licence is not needed

Entries

Entries will be accepted by the secretary of the meeting on receipt of the entry form duly completed. A change of rider or machine or route will be permitted up to the time of the start, but the secretary must be informed.

Description

- ❑ There will be a choice of either a Road Route or a Green Lane Route suitable for standard solo road machines. A shorter 'eased route' will be available for veteran or low-powered machines.
- ❑ The morning and afternoon routes will start from **Wymondham Windmill, Butt Lane, Wymondham, Melton Mowbray LE14 2BU**
- ❑ The first rider on the Green Lane Route will start at 9:30 am and the first road route rider at 10:00am, riders leaving at one minute intervals.
- ❑ The courses will be a circular route beginning and ending at ***Wymondham Windmill*** both in the morning and afternoon.
- ❑ The course will consist of morning and afternoon routes with approximately 95 or 75 miles total mileage. Route cards will be issued at the start, together with a numbered card which must be displayed at the front of the machine at all times.
- ❑ Although the given routes will be 'swept' to assist in the case of breakdown, **the onus of following the correct route lies solely with the rider** and the Taverners Section cannot be held responsible for riders who stray from the given route.

Payment

Entry is free for pre 1939 vehicles. (Your entry still includes the lunch and includes a meal for any passenger)

Entry costs **£20.00** for all riders of post 1939 motorcycles (**£20.00 for rider plus £12.00 each per passenger**) who register before the day and £20.00 on the day. The entry fee includes the cost of a ticketed lunch. Passengers on a pre 1939 machine also get free entry and lunch.

Cheques etc. should be made payable to '**The Taverners**'

Please enclose 2 SAE's with one at least 5"x7" in size with your entry form to the address below.

Mark Wills, 63 Newton Lane, Wigston, Leics LE18 3SF

We will be happy to accept scanned entry forms and payment by PayPal to the email address below. All correspondence will be by email afterwards if you use this option. Please write your full name and 'Road Trial' in the PayPal comment box and send as a 'friend or family gift' option to:

markwills@outlook.com

Secretary to the meeting: **Mike Bemrose 07747 805531 / mike.bemrose@ntlworld.com**

Awards

Trophies will be awarded for:

1. The best achievement in each of the classes for both Green Lane and Road Route riders.
2. The most senior entrants completing in the Green Lane and Road Routes.
3. The Taverners Members' Memorial Trophy, awarded for the greatest age difference between machine and rider (old machine, young rider) to an entrant who completes either route.
4. Non-finishers will not be considered for an award.
5. Any protests or appeals must be written on a £20 note and will be given due consideration and thought before we use it for buying a round of beer for the helpers. Our aim is to have a light hearted easy going day out.

Team Award

1. A team award will be given for the best combined achievement by a team of three riders, who may be comprised of riders on any route.
2. Teams may be decided at any time up to the start and there will be no separate team entry fee.
3. Marks for the three riders will be combined. A team that includes a non-finisher will not be considered for an award.

Classes

VETERAN	Manufactured before 01/01/15
VINTAGE	Manufactured on or after 01/01/15 – 31/12/30
POST VINTAGE	Manufactured on or after 01/01/31 – 31/12/45
POST WAR	Manufactured on or after 01/01/46 – 31/12/60
CLASSIC	Manufactured on or after 01/01/61 – 31/12/76
POST CLASSIC	Manufactured on or after 01/01/77 – 31/12/2000
COMBO / THREE WHEELER	Any motorcycle combination or three wheeler of any age
MODERN	Any machine less than 25 years old

Marking

All entrants will be credited with a basic allowance of 100 marks, plus a half mark for each year of the machine prior to the latest year for the class entered. Three Wheelers will be given marks consistent with their age-class (e.g. Post Vintage)

There will be a number of highway code questions to answer at the start of the morning route
5 marks will be deducted for each incorrect or incomplete answer and 20 marks for failing to stop and answer the questions.

General

1. Machines must comply with the law in every respect. Public liability insurance has been arranged via the V.M.C.C. but personal accident insurance is the responsibility of individual entrant, who must ensure that their Third Party insurance is valid.
2. In the event of a problem please contact us using the numbers listed in your acceptance or route sheet. Vehicles must not follow riders around the course and should inform officials if going to the aid of a rider. Failure to do so may result in the exclusion of a rider from the event.
3. The event will close at 5:00 p.m. Anyone who has not signed off by that time will be deemed a non-finisher. If an entrant decides to abandon the event or require assistance they should inform officials, who will not wait at the start beyond 5:00.
4. The venue will be open from 8:00 serving breakfast and drinks.

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PLEASE COMPLETE AND PRINT ALL SECTIONS

NAME			
ADDRESS			
	POSTCODE		
TELEPHONE NO.		EMAIL	
VMCC MEMB. No.		RIDER'S DATE OF BIRTH	
NAME(S) OF PASSENGER(S)			
OTHER TEAM MEMBERS			
MAKE OF MACHINE		CAPACITY	
REG. No.		YEAR	

CLASS ENTERED (tick one category only)

VETERAN ROAD ROUTE		VINTAGE GREEN LANE ROUTE	
VINTAGE ROAD ROUTE		P. VINTAGE GREEN LANE ROUTE	
POST VINTAGE ROAD ROUTE		POST WAR GREEN LANE ROUTE	
POST WAR ROAD ROUTE		CLASSIC GREEN LANE ROUTE	
CLASSIC ROAD ROUTE		POST CLASSIC ROUTE	
COMBO / THREE WHEELER		MODERN (any route)	

In consideration of being permitted to participate in this event I / we the undersigned declare as follows:

1. I/we hereby declare that I/we have had the opportunity to read and that we understand the Regulations and such supplementary Regulations as have or may be issued for the event and agree to be bound by them in every respect.
2. I/we further declare that I am / we are physically and mentally fit to take part in the event and are competent to do so.
3. I/we confirm that I/we understand the nature and type of event and the risk inherent when entering and agree to accept the same notwithstanding that such risks may involve negligence on the part of the organisers/officials.
4. I/we further agree that I/we shall not seek to claim against the Vintage Motor Cycle Club Ltd. or the Taverners Section thereof, the organisers nor their officials, the landowners, the promoter or other bodies or individuals connected with the event in respect of any damage to my/our property howsoever caused and whether by the negligence or breach of statutory duty of the said bodies or persons.
5. I/we further agree that the machine which I/we enter and ride on shall be suitable and proper for its purpose, shall be insured as required by the Road Traffic Act or equivalent legislation and that it will comply with the regulations in respect thereof, and is as described above.
6. I/we understand and agree that I am / we are required to register my/our arrival by signing-on at the designated area.
7. **If you require a vegetarian option please mark a V in the grey box below**

RIDER	I am / I am not under 18 year of age (delete as applicable). If under 18 state date of birth		D.O.B.	
	Rider's signature		Date	
PASSENGER	I am / I am not under 18 year of age (delete as applicable). If under 18 state date of birth		D.O.B.	
	Passenger's signature		Date	

For each rider and passenger who is under 18 years of age this form must be accompanied by a fully completed Parental Agreement Form or an annual Parental Agreement Card (available on the day).