

GRASS TRACK

ACU Eastern Grass Track Championship

2024. DATE AND VENUE Club and Venue and Date to be Advised at a later date

1. MEETING

This competition will be held each year over meeting(s) to be selected by the ACU Eastern Grass Track Sub Committee and approved by the Competitions Committee and catering for all classes. Watering facilities should be available on the day.

2. TITLE

Each meeting shall be entitled the "ACU EASTERN GRASS TRACK ONE DAY CHAMPIONSHIPS CHAMPIONSHIP Round No. '..'" to appear on all documents and advertising.

3. ELIGIBILITY

Open to any rider who is a member of an ACU Affiliated Clubs (ACU Eastern Club or in the case of a Regional Restricted Permit, any Club or Centre that is included within the Regulations of that Permit). Where the club is within the boundaries of the ACU Eastern, the riders shall score points for that club, which shall be that declared on their first entry for the championships. Once a rider has declared himself in this way to be a member of a particular ACU Eastern Club he may not score points for any other ACU Eastern Club during one championship year unless his former club shall have ceased to exist in the course of that period. If the riders club is not within the boundaries of the ACU Eastern then no points for the Club Championship shall be awarded.

If requested by an organising club, or if they consider it appropriate in the best interests of the sport, the Eastern Centre Competitions Committee may, at their discretion, declare any rider ineligible to compete in any Centre Championship event (of any discipline) where the rider has been the subject of a formal disciplinary enquiry by any part of the ACU and had their competition licence withdrawn for a period of at least six months and/or fined more than £500 .

4. CLASSES

There shall be four solo and two sidecar classes as follows:

Solo: 250cc, 350cc, 500cc Upright* GT 140*

Sidecar: 500cc & 1000cc - Right Hand

*Upright Solo - Engine placed in upright position, air cooled, and must be "*within the spirit of the class*" as determined by the ACU Eastern Grass Track Sub Committee.

*GT 140 Solo must be 140cc 26mm Carb 2 Valve Head 22inch rear wheel and 23-inch front wheel, no knobby tyres otherwise run under the Standing Regulations of Track Racing. Number Background Black Number will be White

5. START POSITIONS

In all races except finals the start position will be decided by ballot and printed in the Official Programme.

In the finals the highest points scorers will have first choice of the start position, 2nd highest 2nd choice etc.

6. NUMBER OF LAPS

All races shall be over 4 laps.

7. MAXIMUM NUMBER of COMPETITORS IN A RACE

Qualifying heats Solo 12 Sidecar 6

Finals Solo 10 Sidecar 6

8. QUALIFYING POINTS

(a) There will be three qualifying points-scoring legs per class for each class.

Where, in any class, fewer competitors than the number of positions available in the final has entered the meeting the Championship points will be awarded over the aggregate of four legs and no final will be run. However, if, in any class, after the first leg has been run, the number of competitors is found to be less than the number of positions in the final, the starting format of three legs and a final shall continue to run.

Leg points will be awarded as follow:-

Solos 1st 12 points, 2nd - 10 points, 3RD 9 points, 4th 8 points, 5th 7 points, 6th 6 points

7th 5 points 8th 4 points 9th 3 points 10th 2 points 11th 1 point 12th 0 points the highest ten Point scorers will go through to the final

Sidecars 1st - 7 points, 2nd 5 points 3rd 4 points 4th 3 points 5th 2pts 6th 1 point. the highest six Point scorers will go through to the final.

If the club organising the One Day Championship Meeting wishes to award all legs and finals points together for the overall winner of the Race meeting this must be stated in the programme.

Then the Centre Championships Winners should have a separate Podium with any finals run the Positioning when they cross the chequered flag will scored the points.

9. TIES ON QUALIFYING POINTS

In the event of a tie on qualifying points, the following will be used:-

- (a) In favour of the driver gaining the highest number of first places, then second places, and so on if necessary.
- (b) The highest points scored in the last leg, failing which the previous leg & so on
- (c) Any tie for the last position in the final shall be decided by a run-off.

10. CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS

Championship points will be awarded to each driver for the final only (or the aggregate qualifying points over 4 legs) of each class at each round according to the following scale: -

Solos 1st (10 points), 2nd (9 points), and so on to 10th (1 point)

Sidecars 1st (10 points), 2nd (9 points), and so on to 6th (5 points)

Should there be a dead heat in a final the points will be shared, e.g. dead heat for 2nd position in the solo class, each get 8.5 points ($9+8=17 / 2 = 8.5$).

Should there be a dead heat on qualifying points after four legs have been run the tie break rules on qualifying points shall apply. If there is still a tie after this then the Championship points will be shared.

11. TIES ON OVERALL CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS

In the event of a tie on the total number of championship points scored after all the meetings have been run, the individual Champion will be decided as follows:

- (a) In favour of the driver gaining the highest number of Championship first places, then second places and so on if necessary.
- (b) The highest Championship points scored in the most recent Championship meeting, failing which the previous Championship meeting and so on.
- (c) Any tie not resolved by the above will be decided by a run-off which shall take place as soon as possible.

If two or more clubs gain the same total points, the Club whose scores have been amassed from the highest number of first places, the second places and so on shall decide. If a tie still persists, the Club gaining the highest points in the most recent meeting, then the previous meeting, and so on, shall decide.

12. RESULTS

The driver gaining the highest number of Championship points from the meetings will be declared the ACU Easterncc Class Grass Track Champion.

The ACU Eastern Grass Track Sub Committee due to only running a one day championships they will awarded the Centre Shield to the best event run in the season.

However, if the three rounds were reintroduced then the following rule will apply to the champion shield The Champion Club shall be that which, based on the aggregate scores of up to a maximum of three of its drivers per Championship class at each Round, shall gain overall highest Championship points. For this purpose, each Championship class at each Round shall be scored separately and the respective scores per club totalled over the rounds.

13. ABANDONMENT OF MEETING

Where, for unseen circumstances, the finals (or all four legs) are not run, provided two or more legs have been completed, Championship points will be awarded on the aggregate points scored in the qualifying legs. If only one leg has been run before the meeting is abandoned NO Championship points will be awarded for that class.

14. RECORDING OF RESULTS

It is the responsibility of each club organising a Championship Round to furnish a completed programme and official results (*including Riders Club*) to the Centre Recorder within seven days of the event. Where possible programmes should include the current positions of drivers in each class, details of which will be supplied by the Centre Recorder to the Secretary of the Meeting.

15. AWARDS

The Centre Annual Trophies, as described below, will be awarded to the individual Champions and may be held by the champion until requested for return by the centre, they may not be won outright. The ACU Eastern may require a written undertaking to return the trophy when requested. Replicas, for permanent keepsake will be given to the Champions.

Should the Individual Champion not be resident within the Centre boundaries? the trophy will be engraved with the name of that Champion and may be presented to the winner at the Centre Function.

However, the trophy will be returned immediately that evening to the Centre for safe keeping as it will not be permitted to leave the Centre boundary.

250cc Solo Champion	Alf Hagon Trophy
350cc Solo Champion	Braintree Trophy
500cc Solo Champion	R.G.Hadler Trophy
Upright Solo Champion	Frank Copestake Memorial Shield
GT 140 Solo Champion	Donated by the Foskew Family
500cc Sidecar Champion	Jack Hubbard Trophy
1000cc Sidecar Champion	Hubbards Motors Trophy
Best Event in the Season	Centre Shield (Selected by ACU Eastern G.T Sub Committee)
Champion Club	Centre Shield (If three rounds would run go on club points)
Most Improved Youth Rider	Dusty Miller Trophy (Selected by ACU Eastern G.T Sub Committee)

16. ADJUDICATION

The decision of the ACU Eastern on all matters relating to these Championship competitions shall be final.

17. ACU Eastern Grass Track Sub Committee for 2024

Chairman Mr Alan Foskew

Vice Chairman Mr George Wilby

Mr Julian Sayer, Mr Peter Baker, Mr Andy Driver

Steward's Co-ordinator Mr Alan Foskew

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