

# THE VINTAGE MOTORCYCLE CLUB COTSWOLD SECTION



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## **FELIX BURKE WEEKEND 2018**

comprising:-

**SATURDAY SOCIAL RUN**

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> April**

**64<sup>th</sup> FELIX BURKE MEMORIAL**

**ROAD TRIAL**

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> April**

## 1: INVITATION

- 1.1: Entries are invited from VMCC members driving eligible machines (pre-1994 solo and sidecar motorcycles and three-wheelers) for the 2018 Felix Burke Weekend. *Entrants on younger machines may be accepted at the discretion of the Clerk of Course.*
- 1.2: Non-members can take out day membership of the VMCC, see Entry Form for details.
- 1.3: The weekend consists of a gentle non-competitive Saturday Social Run, and Sunday's 64<sup>th</sup> Felix Burke Road Trial. You are welcome to enter either or both of these. The events will be run under VMCC permits and membership cards will be inspected.

## 2: OFFICIALS OF THE MEETING

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## 3: VENUE

- 3.1: Both days will be based at Andoversford Village Hall, Crossfields, Andoversford, Cheltenham, GL54 4LQ (map reference SP 021 194, *OS map 163*).

## 4: ENTRIES

- 4.1: Entries should be submitted on the official Entry Form, accompanied by the correct fee, to reach the Secretary of the Meeting no later than 21<sup>st</sup> March 2018.
- 4.2: Acknowledgements of receipt of entry will be sent to entrants who supply their email address or a stamped addressed envelope.
- 4.3: Entrants or passengers under 18 years of age on the date of the event need the permission of their parent or guardian. A Parental Agreement Form (available from the Clerk of Course) should be completed, and returned with the completed Entry Form.
- 4.4: Entry fees will be returned only in the event of abandonment or postponement.

## 5: WESTERN REGION ROAD TRIALS CHAMPIONSHIP

The results of the Felix Burke Road Trial count towards the VMCC Western Region Road Trials Championship for 2018.

## 6: LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

- 6.1: Drivers and machines must comply with all legal requirements
- 6.2: Drivers shall ensure that their Third Party Insurance cover is valid for these events.
- 6.3: Drivers may be required to produce proof that they comply with the legal requirements at any time during the weekend.

## 7: SATURDAY SOCIAL RUN - Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> April.

- 7.1: There is no entry fee for this. Entrants do not receive a souvenir award, but these may be purchased – see Entry Form.
- 7.2: The run will start from the Andoversford Village Hall at 10:30 hours.
- 7.3: There will be two routes, and route cards will be provided so you can travel at your own pace. The routes will not include green lanes or rough tracks. The Short Route will comprise about 40 miles of roads and lanes, the long route about 70 miles. There will be a tea-break, and a lunch stop where meals will be available, if required.

## 8: **64<sup>th</sup> FELIX BURKE ROAD TRIAL – Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> April**

8.1: The Felix Burke Road Trial is a Navigational Scatter event. The aim is to visit no more than 12 Controls (or checkpoints), including the start and finish, from a choice of 16. Entrants can start at any of the Controls from 10 am and should reach the Final Control by 3 pm. Marks will be gained for each Control visited and there will be additional marks for successful completion of simple tests at each one, please see section 8.4 below. The overall average speed is low, so there will be plenty of time to see the countryside and take a tea-break. Drivers of older and less powerful machines will be able to pick a relatively flat route and will also have the benefit of gaining extra bonus marks.

### **8.2: Entry Fees**

The entry fee is £15.00 for drivers and £7.50 for passengers (see Entry Form for details of concessions). These entry fees include a light lunch after the event and a Souvenir Award (a wonderfully colourful, unique and collectable enamel badge!).

Additional lunches may be ordered at a cost of £4.00 per person.

Additional Souvenir Awards may be ordered at a cost of £2.50 each.

### **8.3: Description**

8.3.1: 16 Controls will be identified on 1:50000 Ordnance Survey Map 163.

8.3.2: Entrants may start at any Control and may visit as many Controls as they wish up to a maximum of 12. The Final Control will be at Andoversford Village Hall.

8.3.3: No Control may be visited more than once with the exception of the Final Control at Andoversford Village Hall, which may also be used as a starting point.

8.3.4: All Controls will open at 10:00 hours.

8.3.5: All Controls except the Final Control will close at 14:00 hours.

8.3.6: The Final Control will open for signing off at 13:00 hours and close at 15:00 hours.

8.3.7: About a week before the event, entrants will be sent details of the Control locations and their six figure map references. The onus of finding a route and the chosen Controls rests with entrants.

8.3.8: Each Entrant will be given a Control Card and it will be his or her responsibility to ensure that it is correctly marked at each Control visited, and is handed in at the Final Control before 15:00 hours.

### **8.4: Marks Allocation**

8.4.1: One mark will be awarded for each mile travelled up to a maximum of 60 miles. A mileage chart will be provided showing the distances between Controls, to assist with route planning.

8.4.2: Five marks will be lost for each mile travelled in excess of 60 miles.

8.4.3: Five marks will be awarded for each Control visited up to a maximum of 12.

8.4.4: Drivers will be asked motorcycling related questions at each Control visited (except the finish). A maximum of four marks will be awarded for correctly answering questions. Assistance from passengers or others is not allowed. Some Controls will be adjacent to Green Lanes or Fords. At these Controls drivers may choose to drive the Green Lane or Ford for three marks, instead of attempting questions.

8.4.5: Passengers will be asked general knowledge questions to determine the winner of the Passenger Award. Passengers will not be awarded marks for accompanying the Driver on a Green Lane or a Ford.

## 8.5: Bonus Marks

Some Entrants will be eligible for bonus marks. Please claim these on the Entry Form.

8.5.1:	For each year before 1926	1 mark
8.5.2:	Pre-1946 solo machine under 151 cc	4 marks
8.5.3:	Pre-1946 solo machine 151 cc to 250 cc	2 marks
8.5.4:	1946 to 1975 solo machine under 151 cc	2 marks
8.5.5:	Pre-1931 sidecar or three-wheeler	5 marks
8.5.6:	1931 to 1960 sidecar or three-wheeler	2 marks
8.5.7:	Any sidecar or three-wheeler under 501 cc	5 marks
8.5.8:	Single gear	10 marks
8.5.9:	Two speed	6 marks
8.5.10:	Three speed, belt final drive	4 marks
8.5.11:	No clutch	4 marks
8.5.12:	Belt rim, wheel rim or contracting band brakes	2 marks per brake
8.5.13:	Rider under 25 years of age on April 8 <sup>th</sup> 2018	5 marks
8.5.14:	First time rider on the Felix Burke	4 marks

*Other bonus marks may be awarded at the discretion of the Clerk of Course.*

## 8.6: Entry Number

A numbered card will be provided and must be clearly displayed at the front of the machine, and removed immediately after the event.

## 8.7: Classes

- 8.7.1: Pioneer & Veteran machines made before 1<sup>st</sup> January 1915.
- 8.7.2: Vintage machines made between 1<sup>st</sup> January 1915 and 31<sup>st</sup> December 1930.
- 8.7.3: Post Vintage machines made between 1<sup>st</sup> January 1931 and 31<sup>st</sup> December 1945.
- 8.7.4: Post-war machines made between 1<sup>st</sup> January 1946 and 31<sup>st</sup> December 1960.
- 8.7.5: Post-1960 machines made between 1<sup>st</sup> January 1961 and 31<sup>st</sup> December 1975.
- 8.7.6: Post-1975 machines made between 1<sup>st</sup> January 1976 and 31<sup>st</sup> December 1993.\*

\* *Later machines may be permitted at the discretion of the Clerk of Course – please ask.*

## 8.8: Teams

- 8.8.1: Teams of three may enter for the team award.
- 8.8.2: Teams must nominate a captain, responsible for the return of any team award.
- 8.8.3: No-one may be a member of more than one team.
- 8.8.4: There is no additional entry fee for a team.

## 8.9: Awards

8.9.1:	Best Performance by a pre-1931 Machine (excluding machine bonus points)	The Felix Burke Shield
8.9.2:	Best Performance by a Pioneer Machine	The Ann Read Trophy
8.9.3:	Best Performance by a Veteran Machine	The Ron Cresswell Cup
8.9.4:	Best Performance by an Early-Vintage Machine	The Arthur Lewis Salver
8.9.5:	Best Performance by a Late-Vintage Machine	The Joe Major Cup
8.9.6:	Best Performance by a Post-Vintage Machine	The Arthur Whitmarsh Cup
8.9.7:	Best Performance by a Post-War Machine	The Burke Bros. Cup
8.9.8:	Best Performance by a Post-1960 Machine	The Post-1960 Solo Cup
8.9.9:	Best Performance by a Post-1975 Machine	The VMCC Cup
8.9.10:	Best Performance by a Sidecar or 3-Wheeler	The Ray Newell Cup
8.9.11:	Best Performance by a Single-Speed Machine	The VMCC Cup
8.9.12:	Best Performance by a Two-Stroke Machine	The Two Stroke Cup

- 8.9.13: Best Performance by a Passenger The VMCC Award
- 8.9.14: Best Team Performance The Team Shield
- 8.9.15: Best Hand-knitted Motorcycling Jumper The Rosina Burke Award
- 8.9.16: Concours d'Elegance Awards for the best machine in each class.
- 8.9.17: No entrant may win more than one award for performance with the exception of the Team Award.
- 8.9.18: To be eligible for any award, entrants must comply with these regulations, be recorded as having passed through each Control visited and have travelled the entire distance by the power of their machine, the exertion of themselves or their passengers, or by natural causes.

## **8.10: Retirements**

- 8.10.1: Entrants arriving at the Final Control before 13:00 hours will be deemed to have retired. This rule will be strictly enforced.
- 8.10.2: Entrants exceeding an average speed of 30 mph will be deemed to have retired.
- 8.10.3: Entrants visiting more than 12 Controls, including the Final Control, will be deemed to have retired.
- 8.10.4: Entrants handing in their Control Cards at the Final Control after 15:00 hours will be deemed to have retired.
- 8.10.5: Helmet-mounted cameras or webcams are not permitted, nor is the use of hand-held cameras whilst driving (cameras are permitted if they are fixed to the machine). Entrants in breach of this will be deemed to have retired.
- 8.10.6: This is a friendly event which should be undertaken in the right spirit. Entrants are expected to show good humour, respect and consideration to all other road users, pedestrians, fellow entrants, marshals and officials. Entrants failing in this respect will be deemed to have retired.

## **8.11: Ties**

In the event of a tie, the following tie deciders will be applied in order:

- 8.11.1: The older machine, for teams the greater total age of all team machines.
- 8.11.2: The lower capacity machine, for teams the lower total capacity of all team machines.
- 8.11.3: The lower number of machine bonus marks, for teams the lower total of machine bonus marks for all team machines.

## **8.12: Concours d'Elegance**

Judging will take place at the finish until 16:00 hours.

## **8.13: Protests**

These must be made in writing to the Secretary of the Meeting within seven days of publication of the results, and accompanied by the Protest Fee of £5.00. The protest fee will be returned only if the protest is upheld or considered reasonable.

## **8.14: Refreshments**

A light lunch will be provided for all entrants and passengers at the finish. Please order and pay for any additional lunches required with your entry. The bar will be available until 17:00 hours.

## Support the LARA Fighting Fund.

The Land Access & Recreation Association (LARA) is the organisation recognised by the Government as representing motoring groups and clubs with interest in countryside access for motor sport and recreation.

When the Deregulation Bill was being debated, LARA successfully upheld the rights of motorists to continue to use country roads and green lanes.

When it became an Act in 2015 the Government promised that outstanding issues between motoring and non-motoring organisations would be sorted out by negotiation. But because of Brexit this has now become a low priority for the Government with a very real risk of loss to our access by default. LARA remains vigilant and is playing its full part in this on our behalf.

With austerity measures affecting all local and national authorities, plus the clamour for exclusive access to parts of the countryside for walking, riding and cycling and to limit motoring use, LARA is needed more than ever.

LARA's fighting fund finances all of this work.

You can help by including a donation to LARA's fighting fund together with your entry fee.

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### **Cotswold Section Calendar for 2018 – Selected Highlights**

*More details and the full Cotswold Calendar are available at [www.vmcc-cotswold.org](http://www.vmcc-cotswold.org)*

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- 21<sup>st</sup> Jan Sporting Trial, Denfurlong Farm, Chedworth, GL54 4NQ
- 27<sup>th</sup> Jan Awards Dinner, Brickhampton Court Golf Club, GL2 9QF
- 28<sup>th</sup> Jan Winter Wandering (lunchtime), The Haw Bridge, Tirley, GL19 4HJ
- 7<sup>th</sup> Feb Section Library viewing evening, Churchdown Club, GL3 2ER
- 18<sup>th</sup> Feb Winter Wandering (lunchtime), Gloucester Old Spot, Piffs Elm, GL51 9SY
- 14<sup>th</sup> Mar St Patrick's Night Quiz, Churchdown Club, GL3 2ER
- 18<sup>th</sup> Mar Winter Wandering (lunchtime), Sherbourne Arms, Northleach, GL54 3EE
- 4<sup>th</sup> Apr Mid-week afternoon social run and evening rally, The Aviator, Staverton, GL51 6SP
- 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> April \*\*Felix Burke Weekend\*\***
- 11<sup>th</sup> Apr Mid-week evening rally, Fagin's Inn, Brookthorpe, GL4 0US
- 15<sup>th</sup> Apr Summer meeting (lunchtime), Royal Spring, Lydbrook, GL17 9RL
- 18<sup>th</sup> Apr Mid-week evening rally, Shutter Inn, Gotherington, GL52 9EX
- 25<sup>th</sup> Apr Mid-week evening rally & BBQ, The Haw Bridge, Tirley, GL19 4HJ

- 2<sup>nd</sup> May Mid-week a'noon social run and evening rally, Kings Head, Birdwood, GL19 3EF  
 6<sup>th</sup> May Founder's Relay Rally, Jet Age Museum, Staverton, GL2 9QL  
 9<sup>th</sup> May Mid-week evening rally, Colesbourne Inn, Colesbourne, GL53 9NP  
 13<sup>th</sup> May Summer meeting (lunchtime), Duke of York, Berrow, Malvern, WR13 6JQ  
 16<sup>th</sup> May Mid-week evening rally, Yew Tree Inn, Chaceley Stock, GL19 4EQ

**20<sup>th</sup> May \*\*Signpost Rally\*\* Kempsford, Gloucestershire.**

*Details from : [veloskins@sky.com](mailto:veloskins@sky.com)*

- 23<sup>rd</sup> May Mid-week evening rally, Black Horse, Naunton, GL54 3AD  
 30<sup>th</sup> May Mid-week evening rally, The Haw Bridge, Tirley, GL19 4HJ  
 6<sup>th</sup> June Mid-week a'noon social run and evening rally, The Daneway, Sapperton, GL7 6LN  
 13<sup>th</sup> June Mid-week evening rally, White Hart Inn, Broadoak, GL14 1JB  
 20<sup>th</sup> June Mid-week evening rally, Cross Keys Inn, Bredon's Hardwick, GL20 7EE  
 27<sup>th</sup> June Mid-week evening rally, The Haw Bridge, Tirley, GL19 4HJ  
 4<sup>th</sup> July Mid-week a'noon social run and evening rally, Seven Tuns, Chedworth, GL54 4AE  
 11<sup>th</sup> July Mid-week evening rally, The Village Inn, Twyning, GL20 6DF

**14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> July \*\*Cotswold Weekend\*\* Westbury-on-Severn.**

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- 18<sup>th</sup> July Mid-week evening rally, Severn Bore, Minsterworth, GL2 8JX  
 25<sup>th</sup> July Mid-week evening rally, The Haw Bridge, Tirley, GL19 4HJ  
 29<sup>th</sup> July Summer meeting (lunchtime), Carpenters Arms, Miserden, GL6 7JA  
 1<sup>st</sup> Aug Mid-week a'noon social run and evening rally, Old Badger, Eastington, GL10 3AT  
 8<sup>th</sup> Aug Mid-week evening rally, Half-way House, Kington, GL54 5UG  
 12<sup>th</sup> Aug Summer meeting (lunchtime), Plough Inn, Ford, GL54 5RU  
 15<sup>th</sup> Aug Mid-week evening rally, The Old Forge, Whitminster, GL2 7NY  
 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug Mid-week evening rally, Hunters Inn, Longford, Tewkesbury, GL20 6AR  
 29<sup>th</sup> Aug Mid-week evening rally, The Haw Bridge, Tirley, GL19 4HJ  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept Summer meeting (lunchtime), Walwyn Arms, Much Marcle, HR8 2LY  
 5<sup>th</sup> Sept Mid-week a'noon social run and evening rally, Beacon Hotel, Haresfield, GL10 3DX  
 12<sup>th</sup> Sept Mid-week evening rally, Royal Oak, Andoversford, GL54 4HR  
 19<sup>th</sup> Sept Mid-week evening rally, Bell Inn, Shurdington, GL51 4XQ  
 26<sup>th</sup> Sept Mid-week evening rally, The Haw Bridge, Tirley, GL19 4HJ

*Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of this list, inevitably however the calendar is subject to change – it's always a good idea to check the latest version from the Cotswold Section webpage [www.vmcc-cotswold.org](http://www.vmcc-cotswold.org) before setting out.*

Notes:

Re 8.9.15: - must get knitting!