

Blackbushe 2019 Race Information Pack



Dear Team Manager. Thank you for your entry to the Blackbushe race weekend. The entry list and race timetable is below, please check that your team is correctly represented and contact me if there are any errors.

Many thanks too to Camberley Kart Club for letting us use their fabulous venue once again. It is much appreciated and of course we couldn't run this event at all without their generous support. www.camberleykartclub.com

If you need to contact me my phone number is 07802 350556 or email: blackbushe@pedalcarracing.info

If you don't already know, we have a website at www.pedalcarracing.info and a facebook group at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/128453854681/> (search for "British Pedal Car Championship")

Thank you all and I look forward to seeing you there!

Dave & Rose Ralphs

Race Organisers

1. Rules and Regulations

These events are run under the auspices of the British Federation of Pedal Car Racing and form part of the British Pedal Car Championship. as published at <http://pedalcarracing.info/information/rules-regulations/>

2. Camping for 2019

There is limited camping on site, with limited facilities, toilets only, please try to restrict water usage in toilets as much as possible and note the water is **NOT FOR DRINKING**. Alternatively some Scout teams are camping at Earleywood Campsite (<http://www.earleywood.org.uk/>) or there are Travelodges or similar in the immediate area

Tents should be pitched away from the outside of corners on suitable grassed areas. All vehicles should be parked in the car park and not parked in the pits or alongside the track.

3. Pedallers' Retreat Catering Menu

We are offering a catering option which must be pre-ordered see leaflet or it can be downloaded at <http://pedalcarracing.info/download/races/blackbushe/Blackbushe-Menu-and-order-form-2019.pdf>

4. Circuit: location & information

The race circuit is Blackbushe Kart Track, home of Camberley Kart Club, just off the A30 to the west of Camberley and Blackwater.

Google Maps link:

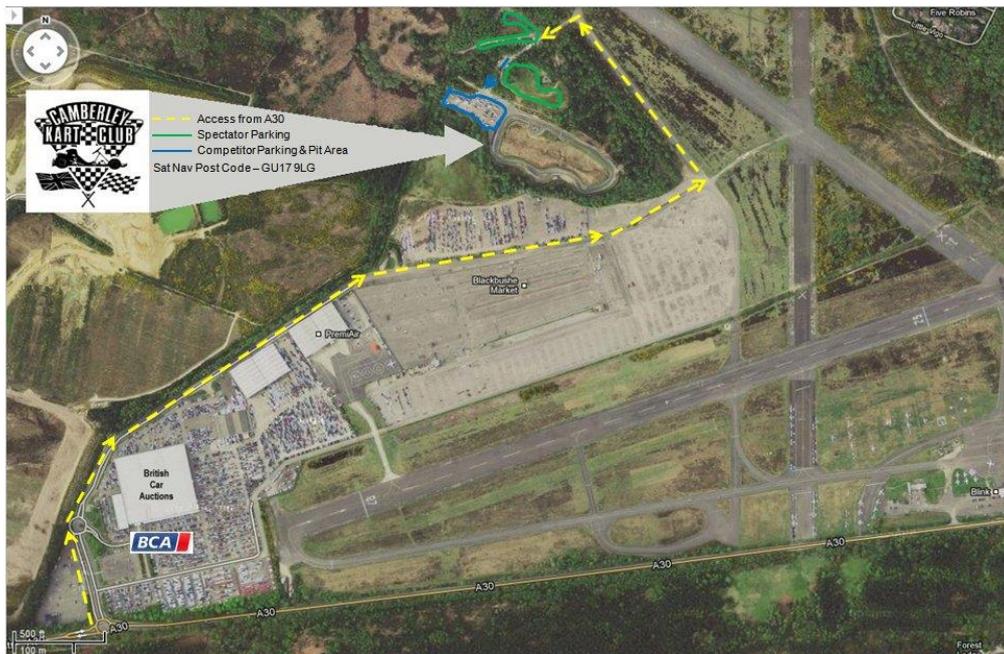
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Or search Google Maps for “Blackbushe entrance @51.322486,-0.861461”

The roundabout on the A30 that is the entrance to Blackbushe can be found by searching your SatNav or Google maps for a latitude/longitude of “51.320716, -0.860968” or +51° 19' 14", -0° 51' 39"

Ordnance Survey map sheet 175, grid reference SU794585

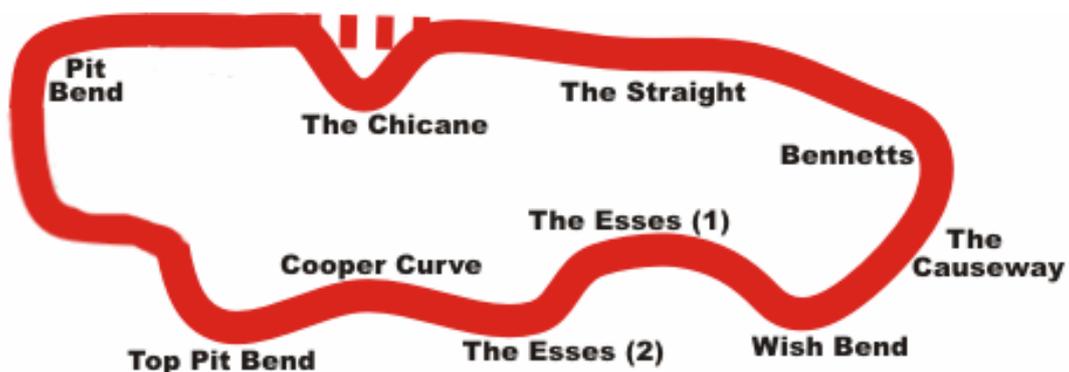
Once at roundabout proceed to security gate and follow map below



Motor vehicles may be brought on to the circuit for unloading. Vehicles carrying only people and their kit should be left in the car park - it's not far to walk. Please unload as quickly as possible and then remove your motor vehicles as this will help us keep to the race timetable.

ALL MOTOR VEHICLES ON THE CIRCUIT ARE RESTRICTED TO WALKING PACE AND MUST PROCEED WITH HAZARD LIGHTS FLASHING. Please do not drive over the timing mat.

5. Circuit plan



All races will be run clockwise and will use The Chicane.

The lap counting / finish line is shortly after the exit of “The Chicane”; pits are along “The Straight”, on the infield (right hand) side of the track.

6. Facilities

Toilets are now in the cabin by the pit bend but the **water supply is unsafe to drink**, and is limited so please use sparingly. Please make all team members aware of this. Please bring your own drinking water and food. Please take your litter home with you due to wildlife on site.

If you bring a generator, you must also bring suitable and adequate fire-fighting equipment.

7. Volunteer helpers

Each team may be requested to provide a volunteer for short periods during the weekend, to help set up or take down the circuit, keep an eye on the lap counting, and marshalling to wave a flag, etc.

8. First Aid

First aid will be provided by Race control. If there are any incidents, please call the first aiders immediately rather than trying to treat the injured person yourself

9. Pit allocation

Pits may not be marked out but as space is limited please be sensible so everyone can fit in. Please do not pit in the dip through Bennets. In the event of significant rain, the stream through the site can flood this area.

10. Pit Lane

The pit lane is NOT part of the race track. The pit lane will be “open”, i.e. cars can enter and leave the pit lane at any safe point and it is the drivers responsibility to ensure this is safely executed. Please park at the very edge of the tarmac, to leave as much space for moving cars as possible and If you need to do repairs, please remove your car from the tarmac and into your pit space.

11. Scrutineering

All cars must pass scrutineering on each day. Scrutineering is to check cars for a bare minimum safety standard and rule compliance. In all cases, the Scrutineers word is final.

12. Race formats and grid order

Saturday sees 5 x 1hr sprint races running into dusk. Sunday has a single 100 mile race (286 laps) with a 5½ hour time limit. In 2010, the leading team completed this distance in 5 hours.

The grid for Race One on Saturday will be in PC1 Championship order: Any additional late entries not listed above will start at the back of the grid. The grid for each subsequent race, including Sunday, will be the finishing order of the previous race. Any cars that did not compete in the previous race will start at the back of the grid.

There is only a 20-minute break between most of the Saturday races, therefore as soon as the grid order is known for the next start, cars will be called to the grid. Cars can be worked on in the grid, at any point up until the Race Controller instructs the grid to be cleared. At this time, all support personnel must leave the track. Any car not capable of taking the start at this point, either mechanically or due to an absent driver, must also be removed to allow the race to start.

If a driver has a problem on the grid (or during racing), please wave a hand clearly to alert following cars.

13. Racing etiquette

Racing etiquette forms part of our racing rules and will be covered by the Race Controller at the Race Briefing each morning; however, here are some key points for those new to the BPCC, which may differ from pedal car races you have previously experienced.

1. No push starts! It is forbidden to give your car a push-start from the pits.
2. It is the faster driver's duty to overtake safely. The driver of the slower car is free to take any reasonable racing line but must not deliberately impede any other car..
3. If you have a complaint about a team or driver, tell the Race Controller as soon as possible.
4. Remember, you cannot win a race in the first corner, or on the first lap - but you can lose it!
5. Flags and/or lights will be displayed to warn of incidents etc. Yellow means slow down and be prepared to stop, Red means stop and await instructions. A black flag shown to a driver means proceed to pits and fix issue with car or drivers helmet/clothing. Green means incident/track is clear.

14. Inclement weather

For those not used to pedal car racing, it is worth pointing out that, in the event of rain, fog, thunder etc the race carries on pretty much regardless.

Please make sure yourselves and your respective teams have appropriate clothing and tentage!

In the event of heavy rain, the inside line through Bennetts will quite probably flood and all bends will be quite slippery.

15. Lap counting and results

Lap counting will be done via the BFPCR's automatic lap counting system. Team Managers must ensure the transponder is securely attached and inform Race Control of any dropped laps as soon as possible.

Go to for online timing and scoring during the race: <http://pedalcarracing.info/livetiming/timing-full.php> (for fast connections) or <http://pedalcarracing.info/livetiming/timing-lite.php> (for mobiles)

Saturday results

Saturday's overall result will be decided on a points system. Each of the 1 Hour races is scored as 1 point for the win, 2 points for 2nd place, 3 for 3rd, etc. Overall victory for the day in each class will be awarded to the team with the lowest combined points score in that class.

In the event of a points tie refer to rule 2.3d in the rulebook

Sunday results

Sunday's race is simple - first to 100 miles (312 laps old track or 286) new track wins!

16. Race Timetable

Saturday timetable – Sprints 5 x 1Hr

We are starting 30 minutes later to give teams time to travel, but will end in dusk, lights may be advisable for your pit and whilst not required on your cars may be useful.

09:30	Circuit gates open.
10:15	Booking in and scrutineering (If possible we will start these earlier).
12:00	All motor vehicles must be clear of the circuit. Drivers Briefing.
12:15	Practice will be permitted once the circuit is declared open, for cars that have passed scrutineering.
13:00	Practice ends, form up grid. Teams not presenting car when called to grid will forfeit their position and start from the back.
13:15 - 14:15	Race 1. 1Hr with 20 min break between races
14:35 – 15:35	Race 2. 1Hr with 20 min break between races
15:55 - 16:55	Race 3. 1Hr with 20 min break between races
17:15 - 18:15	Race 4. 1Hr with 20 min break between races
18:35 – 19:35	Race 5. 1Hr (Will end early if Bad light stops play !)
19:35	Racing Ends – Non camping teams pack up
20:00	Presentations.
20:30	Circuit Closes All non-camping teams off site. Gates Locked at 22:00

If due to weather or delays the light becomes too poor to safely race we may shorten race 5. This will be announced to all teams before race 5 starts

Sunday timetable

08:00	Circuit gates open.
08:30	Booking in and scrutineering; as per Saturday.
09:00	All motor vehicles must be clear of the circuit; Pre-race Drivers briefing.
09:15	Practice as per Saturday.
09:45	Practice Ends, form up grid
10:00	Race starts.
15:30	Race ends if no team has yet completed 100 miles (286 laps on new circuit).
16:00	Presentations will be roughly 15 minutes after the end of racing.
16:30	Circuit Closes - All Teams off site

17. Entry list

The provisional entry list for the weekend, split by age class, is:

Saturday Sprints R4

PC1 (Open)

- 1 Wing Racers
- 2 Apollo Racing
- 3 Royce Too
- 4 Apollo Racing
- 5 Odd Balls
- 6 Royce iii
- 11 Royce PCF
- 17 Odd Balls Too PC1 D
- 41 GWAWR PC1 Z/D
- 47 Cranks
- 51 Matrix Racing
- 58 Octave
- 61 Royce (may the 4th be with you)

PCA (Under 18)

- 8 Swebelli Racing
- 54 Inferno

PC2 (Under 16)

- 10 Swebelli Racing
- 16 Swebelli Racing

PC3 (Under 14)

- 21 Pink Panther (Inspector Clouseau)
- 46 GWAWR - Worm PC3 Z/D

PC4 (Under 12)

- 44 Pink Panther (Kato)
- 52 Trinity Zoomers PCF
- 57 Trinity Zoomers PCF

Total 13 + 2 + 2 + 2 + 3 = 22

Sunday R5 100 Mile

PC1 (Open)

- 1 Wing Racers
- 2 Apollo Racing
- 3 Royce Too
- 4 Apollo Racing
- 5 Odd Balls
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Total 12 + 2 + 2 + 1 + 3 = 20

These details may change up to the start of racing on each day.

For scoring and results purposes, all cars score points in all classes for which they are eligible - e.g. a team of drivers who are all under the age of 12 are all also under the ages of 14 and 16 etc, and therefore score in every class. If a lone 11-year-old female driver won the event she would do so in all age classifications, the female category and the solo and duo categories. And lots of older drivers would be very embarrassed.