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Luton & District MCC presents;

ACU British Vets Championship 2025

Date: 14th & 15th June 2025 Permit Number: #204825 TCC: 24/009

Entries open via go race booking system on 26th Jan 2025 at 8:00pm

Event Location: Old Park Farm, Toddington, Beds, LU5 6HE

1 Jurisdiction: The meeting will be held under the National Sporting Code and Motocross Standing Regulations of the ACU 2025 edition, these supplementary regulations and any further instructions issued or official announcements made.

2 Insurance: Insurance cover for this event is Basic there is no personal accident cover for competitors and liability cover in respect of any claim made by third parties is limited to £10 million. Competitors are recommended to purchase such cover though the ACU.

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4 Officials:

Clerk of Course: Angela Leishman – Licence # 145780

Assistant Clerk of the course: Andy McClurg

Chief Marshal: Harold Nickerson

Chief Technical Officer: Harold Nickerson

Time keeper – Stuart Macey – Licence # 152415

5 Eligibility: Riders holding a current ACU licence and or a One event licence. Machines: as per 2024 ACU handbook. Each category has specified age restrictions and skill level guidance. Riders who finished top 3 in either a novice class or intermediate class in the 2024 ACU British Vets Championship must move up a skill level for 2025. eg if Novice previously then they must move to intermediate or if intermediate previously they must move to championship class. If a rider who has been moved up a skill level class previously, they may move back down if they wish as long as they finished outside of the top 15 in their class in the 2024 ACU British Vets Championships event.

Solo machines as per 2025 ACU handbook *With the expectation of the electric bikes as these are not permitted to race in any of the classes*

For the ACU British EVO Championship Classes

EVO for bikes aged between 1980 - 1989

Super EVO for bikes aged between 1990 and 1999

6 Course: Drop gate start with live engine, clutch type on undulating land 1.8km lap distance. Once a rider has taken his position at the start gate, he cannot change it. A rider is deemed to be under starters orders having been called to the start line, the starter will hold up a green flag from which moment the riders are under his control, until all riders are on the start line. When all the riders are on the start line, the starter will hold up a 15 second board for a full 15 seconds. At the end of the 15 seconds, he will hold up a 5 seconds board and the gate will drop between 5 and 10 seconds after the 5 second Board is shown. No one except **RIDERS** and **OFFICIALS** shall be permitted to the area of the starting gate.

Some races will have 2 classes racing at the same time with each class having its own gate drop. The first class will take starters orders and start their race as described above. The second class of riders will line up behind the start area ready to take up their position on the start gate. Once group one has gone they move into position and take their starters orders 20 seconds after the gate has dropped for the first class. Each class is scored separately with the race distance being the same for each class. (5 laps)

Riders must complete 1 lap to be classed as a finisher.

For the ACU British Vets Championships classes all races will count towards the total points score which will determine the championship positions.

For the ACU British EVO Championship classes each Round will be scored separately. Round 1 will be on day one and the points from the 2 races will be totalled up to decide the results for Round 1. Round 2 will be on day two and the points from the 3 races on this day will be totalled up to decide the results for Round 2 - Trophies will be awarded according to the overall results across the 2 Days. The EVO ACU British Championships will be decided after rounds 3 and 4 take place at the 2 Stroke Festival at Sellindge.

Points will be awarded in the following order for positions

 $1^{st} = 65$, $2^{nd} = 62$, $3^{rd} = 60$, $4^{th} = 58$, $5^{th} = 56$, $6^{th} = 54$, $7^{th} = 53$, $8^{th} = 52$ (points go down from here by 1 point per position down to 1 point for 59^{th}

The race results shown on the Speedhive app live during the meeting are considered Provisional. Race results are checked and penalties/corrections are applied if required, these are then printed and displayed in the marquee.

It is the rider's responsibility to check the official results board/sheets for their finishing position and/or any penalties issued. Any Challenges must be made within 30 minutes of the results posting.

Any challenges or protests to the published results shall be made via the Clerk of the Course, do not approach the timekeepers directly.

The results will not become official until the time limits for protests and appeals have elapsed.

Overall Results

If a tie occurs on points scored, it will be resolved on the highest place finish in the last race. If this fails to decide a tie it will then be decided by the highest place in the second to last race

If a meeting is stopped or abandoned for reasons of safety or force majeure, every race completed will count towards the championship results.

7 Entries: Open on Go Race booking platform: 26/1/25@ 20.00. Entry fee is £125 for the 2 day event plus any additional costs for one event licences (£20) and Transponder hire (£25)

Entries close 10/06/24 @ 18:00.

The club reserves the right to refuse any entry without giving a reason.

ACU/ One Event licence must be shown at signing on along with ID to prove your age.

8 Classes:

- 4 ACU British VET Championship classes
- +30 (riders age 30 and over)
- +40 (riders between the age 40 and over)
- +50 (riders between the ages of 50 and over)
- +60 (riders over the age of 60)

there will be the following support classes

- +30 Novice (for riders aged of 30 and over)
- +30 Inter (riders aged of 30 and over)
- +40 Novice (riders aged 40 and over)
- +40 Inter (riders aged 40 and over)
- +50 Novice (riders aged 50 and over)
- +50 Inter (riders aged 50 and over)
- +60 Inter / Novice (riders aged 60 and over)

** Riders entered in the Over 60 Inter/ Novice class will do a qualifying practice of 5 laps at the start of 14th June. Riders fastest lap times will be used to determine which group the rider races in. The fastest 20 riders will be race in the Over 60 Inter Races and the rest will race in the Over 60 Novice Races. These races take places at different times to each other so please make sure you know which group you have qualified for and be at the gate in time for that race.

It is down to each rider to choose which skill level class is best suited for them. (eg Novice, Intermediate or Championship) The Top 3 finishers over all in the Novice and Intermediate classes for each age group will have to move up a class for the following year. Eg a Top 3 novice rider would have to move to intermediate group for 2026

In addition to the ACU British Vets Championship Classes the event will also host rounds 1 & 2 of the British EVO Championships. Rounds 3 & 4 will take place at the Apico 2 Stroke Festival in August at Sellinge MX track.

Classes for the ACU British EVO championship will be as follows;

EVO for bikes aged between 1980 - 1989 (riders aged 25 and above)

Super EVO for bikes aged between 1990 and 1999 (riders aged 25 and above)

Both EVO classes will race together on the same gate drop.

** Age of the person is defined as of 13th June 2025 **

9 Prizes

Trophies for Top 6 overall in each Class

10 Practice/ Qualifying / Races:

09:30 First groups head to assembly area

10:00 -1st Qualifying Practice starts – 5 laps

For all riders your practice session will determine your gate pick for the whole race weekend, with the rider with the fast lap time getting first gate pick and so on.

Over 60 Inter/ Novice class riders will do a qualifying practice of 5 laps. The riders fastest lap time will be used to determine which group the rider races in. The fastest 20 riders will be race in the Over 60 Inter Races and the rest will race in the Over 60 Novice Races. These races take places at different times to each other so please make sure you know which group you have qualified for and be at the gate in time for that race. Each British Vets Championships event class will have 1 qualifying practice and 5 races across the 2 days.

Over 50 Inter riders are in a group of 60 riders. In addition to your timed practice determining your gate pick it also determines which gate drop you are on for the rest of the event. The Fastest 40 will start on gate drop 1 and the rest will start on gate drop 2 around 20 seconds later.

Each British EVO Championships class will have 1 qualifying practice and 2 races on day 1 and 3 races day 2.

For the ACU British EVO Championship classes each Round will be scored separately. Round 1 will be on day one and the points from the 2 races will be totalled up to decide the results for Round 1.

Round 2 will be on day two and the points from the 3 races on this day will be totalled up to decide the results for Round 2 - Trophies will be awarded according to the overall results across the 2 Days. The overall ACU British Championships will be decided after rounds 3 and 4 take place at the 2 Stroke Festival at Sellindge

You can only enter and race in one of the British VET classes but if you also want to enter a British EVO class you can.

2 Gate drop Format

Each race will have 2 gate drops. This is a fairly new way of doing things in the UK but this method has been used for years in the USA and worked well at the last 2 years of our event.

In the holding pen will be 2 areas. 1 for the riders in the class that is "Gate drop 1" and the other for the "Gate Drop 2" riders. When the start team are ready, gate drop 1 riders will be asked to take their place on the gate. Gate drop 2 riders will then be asked to line up behind the gate.

Once the COC is ready the Gate drop 1 riders will be put under starters orders – 15 second board, 5 second board then gate drops.

The start team will immediately reset the gate while the gate 2 riders take their position behind the gate.

They are then under starters orders and take the 15 second board, 5 second board and gate drop.

The second gate should drop about 40 seconds after the first. Or sooner if possible.

The Over 50 Intermediate group has 60 riders in so gate drop one will be for the first 40 riders with remaining 20 starting from gate drop 2.

- ** Check the schedule to make sure you know which gate drop you are in**
- 11 Timekeeping: Transponders are required: All machines to be fitted with MyLaps compatible transponder. Transponders can be hired for £25 for the weekend. (a deposit of £30 CASH will be required on top of the hire fee, a fine of £450 will be enforced if the transponder is not returned on time)

12 Penalties

Any offence or breach of the rules contained within the Sporting Code, the relevant discipline regulations, or appendices, or any supplementary regulations; however caused if witnessed by a senior event Official shall be deemed for purposes of disciplinary procedure as a "Statement Of Fact".

Senior event Officials will include:- but not be limited to; Race Director, Clerk of the Course and their Assistants, and Chief Marshal.

Any such Statement Of Fact shall not be subject to protest or appeal.

Statements of Fact shall also include the decisions of Starter and Finish Line Judges and Sound Inspectors.

13 General:

List of races as per race programme.

Solo machines as per 2025 ACU handbook *With the expectation of the electric bikes as these are not permitted to race in any of the classes*

Random Sound control checks may take place as per 2025 ACU handbook

No riding in the paddock of any kind will be tolerated unless in specified rider lanes. Anyone caught riding in the paddock will be automatically docked 3 places from the race result. If the rider is caught for second time they will be excluded from the meeting.

It is compulsory that riders/passengers wear, as a minimum, back and chest protectors.

Flag Signals as per ACU guidelines please note Yellow Waved, great danger prepares to stop, no overtaking. A significant reduction in speed must be seen, jumps should not be attempted. It is the riders responsibility to ensure they are fully aware of what each flag signal means.

Dogs must be kept on a lead at all times

- **14 Technical Control:** Competitors are required to produce their machines to Technical Control. No one is permitted to practice or race unless the Technical Official has passed clothing (helmet) and machine.
- **15 Refund Policy:** Refund given for cancellations within 31 days of the event. After this no refunds will be given for any reason. If the event has to be cancelled for any reason within 30 days of the event then a £25 admin fee will be held back by the organisers.

16 No bike engines to be running between 18.00 – 09.30

Paddock silence from 23:00