



Motorsport

# AUTUMN RACE MEETING

## SNETTERTON 200

1<sup>st</sup>/ 2<sup>nd</sup> OCTOBER 2016

## FINAL INSTRUCTIONS

This meeting is organised by The MG Car Club and is governed by the general Competition Rules of the MSA. Incorporating the provisions of the international Sporting Code of the FIA, additional supplementary regulations and any written instructions the organisers issue for the event. These Final Instructions should be read in conjunction with the MGCC Standing Race Regulations and any further instructions or bulletins issued by the organisers.

The Meeting will be run under MSA Permit Nos. Clubmans 93045 and National B 93046 (all other UK invitation races). The events are open to all fully elected members of the organizing club and to members of the following invited clubs: PCGB, FISCAR, MSCC, MGOC, Ferrari Owners Club, BRSCC, BARC, AROC, 750 MC, CSCC, VSCC, AMOC, HSCC, STOC, and to registered competitors in any of the Championship/Series races. The circuit will be the Snetterton 200 circuit.

### 1. TICKETS

**E-Tickets for this event will be sent directly to the competitors E-mail address before the event. It is the responsibility of the competitor to print these off and bring with them to the event. Car passes are not required. Additional tickets can be purchased from MSV at a reduced price prior to the event.**

### 2. PADDOCK

A paddock plan is enclosed. Whilst this is not mandatory the organisers urge you to park in the area allocated for your championship or race. We request that you minimise the presence of all non-essential vehicles (road cars, trailers, caravans, motorhomes etc.) and park these in the dedicated area as indicated.

**THERE WILL BE NO REFUELLING ALLOWED IN THE GARAGES.**

**PLEASE NOTE: The Fire Lane at the rear of the Pits is to be kept clear at all times.**

### 3. SIGNING ON

Signing on will take place in the paddock office below race control from 07.30 on Saturday & 07.30 on Sunday. Drivers in the Relay Race only may sign on from 10.30 on Saturday. Competitors who are subsequently unable to take part in any of their practice or races **must** complete an official withdrawal form, available from signing on.

### 4. SCRUTINEERING

Scrutineering will take place in scrutineering bay situated next to Parc Fermé. Access is very limited and hence, competitors are asked not to attend before their allocated time. Competitors who arrive too early **will be turned away**. Please refer to the timetable for your correct time slot.

### 5. BRIEFINGS:

#### DRIVERS BRIEFING

**There will be a Mandatory Drivers Briefing for all MG Trophy Competitors on Saturday at 10.00 am in MGCC Welcome Centre.** All MGCC Competitors are required to attend a mandatory Briefing on Saturday at the foot of Race Control at 12.40.

#### RELAY TEAM MANAGERS BRIEFING

There will be a drivers briefing for ALL Team Managers in the Welcome Centre at 11.00 on Sunday. Failure to attend may result in penalties being applied.

#### RELAY DRIVERS BRIEFING

There will be a mandatory drivers briefing for ALL drivers at the foot of the stairs to Race Control at 13.15 on Sunday. Failure to attend may result in penalties being applied.

### 6. DRIVERS NEW TO THE CIRCUIT (Incl. Novices)

Drivers who have not raced at Snetterton in its current configuration before must attend one of the Briefings, **before** they are allowed to qualify. These will take place in the MG Welcome Centre, above the circuit office, at 08.00 & 09.30 on Sat. 1<sup>st</sup> & 08.00 on Sun. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Failure to attend may result in a fine, licence endorsement or exclusion from the meeting (**G5.3.8**).

### 7. QUALIFYING & RACE

Please familiarise yourself with the layout of the Paddock and Assembly Areas. You must form up in the Assembly Area 20 minutes before the start of your Practice and Race (listen for the PA announcements). At the conclusion of each you should leave the circuit via the pit lane – and parc fermé as instructed. The Club reserves the right to run continuous qualifying - Please see over for an explanation. **Please see over for Specific Details regarding the Relay Race Qualifying and Race Numbers**

### 8. AMENDMENTS TO SUPPLEMENTARY REGS.

Currently there are no amendments.

### 9. AWARDS AND GARLANDS

Trophies and garlands for all MGCC Races will be presented 30 minutes after the race, (or second race for double headers), in The Club's 'Welcome Centre' situated on the first floor above the circuit office.

### 10. ENTRY LIST

Entry lists for all races are available for download from the Club's web site; see Quick Links on left side of the home page.

### 12. OFFICIALS

MSA Stewards: John Arnold  
Club Stewards: Geoff St John Mitchell, Howard Gosling  
Senior Clerk of the Course: Andy Green  
Clerks of the Course: Ron Gammons  
Deputy Clerk of the Course: Terry Scannell  
Chief Medical Officer: Dr Mark Errington  
Chief Timekeeper: Clare Cletheroe (TSL Sport Timing)  
Chief Scrutineer: Bob Towse  
Chief Marshal: Paul Stilling  
Secretary of the Meeting (Races 1 – 15): John Hutchison  
Secretary of the Meeting (Race 16): Valery Gammons

### 13. IN CAR CAMERAS

Cameras **MUST** be in place for scrutineering.

### 14. RACE LENGTHS

All races at this meeting will be determined by time - see enclosed timetable.

### 15. TRANSPONDERS

Competitors are reminded that their car must be fitted with a Red AMB Transponders and its number must be advised to the organisers before the meeting. A limited number will be available for hire at the circuit.

### 16. START PROCEDURE

Standing starts will be used for all races except BARC Saloons and BARC Tin Tops, which will have a rolling start. Please see over for procedures. The grid for the second race of a double header will be in accordance with the relevant Championship Regulations. Please see over for specific procedures.

### 17. PRE RACE TESTING

This is available on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> Sept. Please contact MSV direct on 0843 453 2000.

### 18. OPERATION OF SAFETY CAR

A safety car will be on standby during both qualifying & racing. It will be deployed from the slip road onto the Senna straight in any race upon the sole decision of the Clerk of the Course. The latest MSA operation procedure will be used. (MSA Competitors and Officials Yearbook Section Q Appendix 2).

### 19. RACE STOPS

Competitor's attention is drawn to the procedure operated by the Club in the event of any race being stopped. This is set out in full in the Club's 2016 **Standing Race Regulations**, which are available for download on the web site. A copy will also be available in the signing on office.

### 20. SAFETY GUIDANCE

Guidance notes on safety at the circuit are also available for download on the web site and will be available at signing on. Please study these and comply with them at all times.

John Hutchison - Secretary of the Meeting



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### Notes: Race Qualifying and Start procedures:

**Timetable.** All times are provisional and may be **changed** without notice. It is the competitor's responsibility to watch the progress of the meeting and to be in the Assembly Area no later than 20 minutes prior to the start of qualifying or their race. Failure to comply may result in your space being given to a reserve, or the session/race may start without you! Please be aware that the Green Flag Lap for your race will commence approximately 6 minutes **BEFORE** the time shown for the race start.

**Safety Car.** A Safety Car may be brought into operation to control or neutralize qualifying sessions and races upon the sole decision of the Clerk of the Course. The latest MSA operation procedure will be used. (MSA Competitors and Officials Yearbook Section Q Appendix 2)

**Continuous Qualifying:** At the end of each session's allotted time the chequered flag will be shown and cars should exit the circuit via the pit lane and return to the paddock or parc fermé as directed. Once the previous session's cars have cleared the circuit the next session will be released from the assembly area onto the circuit. Any vehicles that have failed to return to the pit lane under their own power will be left in place if considered safe, and/or recovered at the Clerk of the Course's discretion. (Usually after 2 or 3 qualifying sessions have been completed). The next session(s) may be controlled with Hazard Boards (Q.5.1.1. & Q15.1.3).

**Assembly:** for qualifying and races will be in the main assembly area. Please make sure you are there AT LEAST 15 minutes before your due time. **With continuous qualifying your session may run EARLIER than indicated.** Please watch the progress and listen for Tannoy announcements!

**Standing Starts:** The initial countdown will take place in the assembly area, following which all competitors will complete a green flag lap behind the Safety Car. On completion of this lap the safety car will peel off into the pits and cars will line up on the grid, in order. Please make sure you know which grid number you are on, and which side that is! Once all cars are stationary they will be given a 5 second board, prior to the race start. Approximately 5 seconds after this board is withdrawn the red lights will be switched on; after between 2 seconds and 7 seconds; they will be switched off to start the race. In the event of the failure of these lights a National Flag will be used to start the race. Should it be necessary to have two green flag laps drivers will be advised before leaving assembly. In that instance the race time will start from the commencement of the second green flag lap.

**Rolling Starts:** Cars will initially be gridded in the assembly area and then sent out onto the track to form up in position on the grid. They will then be shown a 1 minute & 30 second board followed by a green flag and released to complete a green flag lap behind the pace car. The pace car will turn out its yellow lights at the end of 'Bomb Hole' and will then turn into the pit road; competing cars must hold their position and speed until the start line red lights are extinguished, denoting the start of the race. (Q12.1.(b)).

**Race Stops:** Should the need arise to stop any race or practice, RED LIGHTS will be switched on at the Start line and RED FLAGS will be displayed at the Start line and all Marshals Signalling Points around the Circuit. This is the signal for all drivers to cease circulating at racing speeds, to slow to a safe and reasonable pace and to return to the starting grid area, which will automatically become a Parc Fermé area. Cars may **not** enter the Pits unless directed to do so. Work on cars already in the Pits must cease when a race is stopped;

If the leader of the race has completed less than two laps that part of the race will be null and void and the race will restart from the original grid positions. Competitors unable to take the restart may be replaced by reserves that will start from the back of the grid in reverse order. Gaps on the grid should not be closed up. The Clerk of the Course will determine the length of the restarted race.

If the leader of the race has completed more than two laps, but less than 75% of its distance or duration, the race will re-start from a grid determined by the finishing order of part one as per Q.5.4.2. The result of the race will be the finishing order at the end of part 2. The Clerk of the Course will determine the length of the restarted race and at his discretion whether to run the second part of the race at the end of the published program if time is available.

If the leader has completed more than 75% of the race distance or duration, it shall not be re-started and the results will be declared in accordance with MSA Regulation Q.5.4.3.

### RELAY QUALIFYING AND COMPETITION NUMBERS:

It is your responsibility to see that the correct number and letter is displayed on your car. Teams competing in the 4 hour Relay race will be issued with a set of letters for each car in their team, which should be collected by team managers from race control when they sign on. Cars competing in the Relay should display ONLY their team number & letter during this qualifying and race, ALL other numbers must be removed or fully covered up – placing a cross through them is not acceptable. Adhesive numbers (£1.) and backgrounds (£2.) will be on sale at signing on. Front numbers must face to the LEFT hand side when sitting in the car and all numbers must comply with MSA Regulations [J4.1].

### Relay Race Qualifying:

Qualifying for the relay race will start at 11.45 on Sunday and all competitors MUST complete 3 laps at race speed to qualify. Each member of a team will have been allocated a letter from A to F and will practice in the following sequence:

Letter 'A'	11.40 to 11.55
Letter 'B'	11.55 to 12.10
Letter 'C'	12.10 to 12.25
Letter 'D' 'E' & 'F'	12.25 to 12.40

A chequered flag will be shown two minutes before the end of **each** qualifying session and drivers must return to the pits after passing this. The club will operate continuous qualifying, see above for details.