

Saturday 4 July (Meeting 409): Rounds 9 & 10 of the Gurston 2026 Championship and Round 5 of the Top Ten Challenge

Sunday 5 July (Meeting 410): Rounds 11 & 12 of the Gurston 2026 Championship and Round 6 of the Top Ten Challenge

FINAL INSTRUCTIONS

V1.3 11:00 27 June

***** PLEASE SEE IMPORTANT POINT 3 ABOUT DRIVERS BRIEFING *****

***** BALACLAVA mandatory reg, and Vehicle Passport Note for drivers of Modified, Sports Libre and Racing Cars *****

Meetings will be held under the National Competition Rules (NCR) of Motorsport UK (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA), the Season Supplementary Regulations (SRs) and any Competitor Bulletins / Final written instructions the Club may issue for the events.

Event Officials:-

Motorsport UK Steward: Kim Bannister
Clerk of the Course (Saturday): Jamie Buchanan, deputy Paul Webster
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Event Stewards: Chris Cannell, Mark Walker, ~~Phil Price~~
Chief Scrutineer: Paul Wright
Chief Timekeeper: Kevin Chaffey, TSL
Chief Marshal: David Patrick
Event Secretary: Tony Magson
Chief Medical Officer: TBA, Acute Medical

Motorsport UK Event Permit Interclub Grade: **205187**

Safeguarding: A number of officials within the club are appointed as Safeguarding Officers and they are available to deal with problems which may arise or are brought to their attention. Issues can be raised by contacting the Senior Clerk of the Course at an event or contacting a Safeguarding Officer via safeguarding@gurstondown.co.uk

Entrants both days have been limited to 150 drivers.

1. **ARRIVAL / PARKING / DEPARTURE:** There will be NO admittance for competitors before 12 Noon on Friday, please do not arrive before this time or queue on the road at the bottom of the drive. Please use the trailer park beyond the bottom paddock, and below the Motorhomes. No parking in the Officials/Camping field by the start line or in any of the farmyard.

Tow cars, trailers or support vehicles cannot remain in any part of the paddock or farmyard. Competitors arriving after 8.30 a.m. must unload in the trailer park.

Please do not bring trailers into the paddock before the end of the meeting. There is an exit from the trailer park. **Please leave via the camping field side lane accessed at the south end of the barn in the main paddock (by space D1). If you have to depart before the end of the meeting please use this exit, to avoid the paddocks during the meeting.**

2. **PADDOCK PLAN**

The entry list has a column indicating your paddock bay. Please refer to the plan below:-

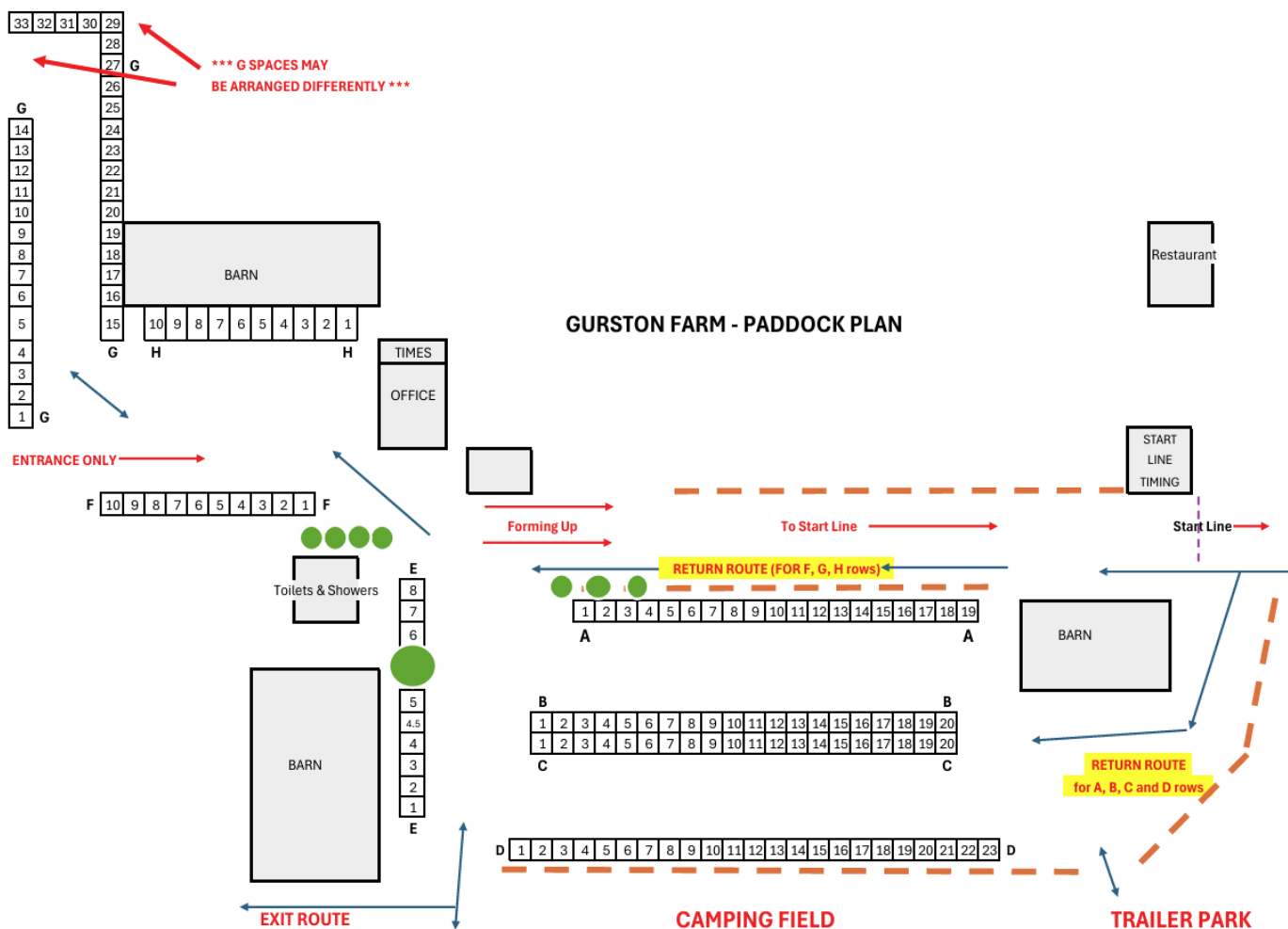
Main Paddock – Rows **A 1-19, B 1-20, C 1-20, D 1 – 23** and **E 1-8** (E6-8 in front of the main toilet block).

The Farmyard (by office) is numbered row **F 1-10**, row **H 1-10**, marked by cones.

The Top Farmyard (left side on arrival) row **G 1-14** on the left and **G 15-27** on the right, marked by cones.

G SPACES 28-33 IN UPPER FARMYARD WILL BE POSITIONED WHERE POSSIBLE, MARKED BY CONES

Paddock Marshals will assist you if you need help finding your space and will call you to the forming up area.



3. Signing on has been done digitally prior to the meeting, according to the information you submitted. **NOTE: Drivers who have not been at Gurston already in 2026 will be required to line up outside the office from 07:30, for a Motorsport UK licence validity check (card or phone app QR code are ok). BARC Membership, where appropriate, will also be checked.**

***** There will be a short briefing for all drivers at 08:10 outside the office. Drivers who have not driven at Gurston before will be given additional hill familiarization after this. *****

***** Modified Cars, Sport Libre and Racing Car drivers must wear the mandatory Flame resistant balaclava as detailed in NCRs Ch.14 App.2 Art.4.3. *****

No entry passes are being sent out.

4. **SCRUTINEERING: Scrutineering will start at 07:30** The information you submitted has been passed to the scrutineers. Scrutineers are present at the meeting who will check all cars and documents. Please remember to bring your Competition Licence, club membership card, Vehicle Passport / Log Book (if applicable), MOT Certificate (if applicable) as these may be requested and examined.

Please also note from Scrutineering that all old style Competition Car Log Books (CCLB) from before 31 December 2025 have now expired, they need to be replaced with the new style Vehicle Passport (VP). Come prepared (with car pics etc) to get the process started with Paul Wright's scrutineering team, who may be able to start on a new VP for you. Refer to NCR Ch14 App2 Para4.3

If a driver is collecting signatures towards upgrading their license, please present your signed upgrade card at the office by 08:30 on the day. Please remember to collect it at the end of the day.

5. Gurston Down has a **'No Tyre Spinning/Warming'** policy on the way up to the Start Line. The First Offence will result in returning straight back to the paddock forfeiting that run. The second offence will result in exclusion from the event. Tyre wraps etc to be removed and disposed of in paddock bays or assembly / holding area and not in the startline area.
6. **PRACTICE & COMPETITION RUNS** will be in batches:- Your batch is indicated on the BATCHES RUNNING ORDER List, and on display at the office window. Additionally digitally on ALPHA system event noticeboard. Batches will, generally speaking, be run in car number order. Double drivers (in the batch before) at the end of each batch, see below.

PRACTICE - (both days) will start at 8.30am. Please note – **No running of engines before 08.15**

RUNNING ORDER - Our intention is to offer on both days:

1. Two practice runs followed by lunch break (provisional), followed by
2. First Competitive Run,
3. Second Competitive Run,
4. The Gurston Challenge Top 10 run-off between the fastest 12 registered drivers.

Additional practice runs and / or additional timed runs will be permitted if time allows, but will not count towards the results.

Application must be made to the Clerk of the Course for any variation in the running order. We will be operating the standard Gurston starting procedures. However please note:

Cars to remain in paddock spaces until called forward by paddock marshals. **Driving to the line as soon as possible after being called will be much appreciated.**

Printed times are available at terminals at the far end of the office. Times will be available through the Gurston live timing website and timing screen as you enter top paddock.

On returning down the hill on the last run of the day, thanking the marshals with a wave or thumbs up is much appreciated, however please avoid using your car horn, in respect of our neighbours.

Drivers of **all** cars must keep seat belts fastened, wear their helmets, gloves (and FHR if applicable) at all times whilst the vehicle is moving, both in the paddock and on return down the hill.

If you come to a halt on the hill, a marshal will approach your car, face on and at a safe distance, in order to obtain a “thumbs up” signal from you. An intervention (recovery or medical) vehicle will attend if help is required.

7. **DOUBLE DRIVERS** - Double drives are prefixed **7 or 9 or as individually season allocated numbers of visiting championship**. **Please note:-** Would double drives please indicate on arrival in the top paddock by raising their arm in order that the paddock marshals can park them appropriately. The driver without the dual prefix runs in class. The driver with the '7/9' prefix will run in an earlier batch.

Double drivers will be released first to return to the paddock, and **where possible, park in or in front of your paddock bay**, to changeover and run in order as paddock marshals request. Stay in your paddock space until you are called forward.

8. **RESULTS** - Provisional results will be announced at the end of the meeting, formal results will be checked, to be posted digitally and at the office when verified. Should anyone require a paper copy of the results, they are available on request.

There will be awards ceremonies both days around 30 minutes after the end of the meetings, outside the restaurant.

Awards are available for:

Fastest time of the Day (FTD)

1st in class (1 or more in class)

2nd in class (if 5 or more in class)

3rd in class (if 9 or more in class)

9. **CATERING**

Full catering facilities are available at the restaurant during the day and Friday and Saturday evening.

10. **CAMPING**

Camping (motorhomes, campervans, caravans, tents, etc) is permitted at the venue for which there is a £10 charge, per unit, for the weekend starting Friday evening to depart Sunday after the event, or by prior agreement only for early departure Monday morning. This money is contributed to Broad Chalke village funds. The £10 fee will be collected from each driver in the paddock during the meeting.

No Motorhomes in the top Visitors Carpark – Please park your Motorhomes with consideration to others.

Toilets and hand washing facilities are open during the day and night. There are shower facilities.

Paddock bikes etc. are not allowed. Gurston Down is a working farm and the BARC(SW) cannot be held responsible for any damage caused for whatever reason. There will be farm equipment around which could be dangerous so please take care especially with children.

You may be aware that Gurston Down is a large and prestigious shoot. Dogs obviously conflict with these interests. In order for dogs to continue to be allowed to come and camp with you it is imperative that they be kept on a lead at all times and be confined to the camping field. No dogs are allowed in the paddocks or public areas during the meeting. It is also respectfully requested that you have their worming regime up to date as our Landlord has to make a declaration to Farm Assurance to this effect.

11. **Please drive slowly through the villages on approaching and leaving the hill.**
12. Changes including competitor car, class, driver number, running order, changes to named officials etc will be bulletined at the office on the day of each meeting. PA announcements will be made for additional runs.

Please notify Club Stewards / Office or Graham Beale, if you have to withdraw, or by text or leave a message on 07545 922059 if you are unable to compete.

There is a telephone at Gurston for communication on Hillclimb weekends only. Tel: 01722 780340

Please come to the office if you have any questions.

We hope you enjoy your weekend with us.

Richard Morton

Competition Secretary

Nick Revels

Championship Coordinator