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# **IMPORTANT INFORMATION - PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!!**

# 1600cc BANGER NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP QR

# PLEASE NOTE THERE IS A DRIVERS BRIEFING ON THE CENTRE AT 12.30pm. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT ALL DRIVERS ATTEND THIS!

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Dear 1600cc Banger Driver

Welcome to King's Lynn for today's 1600cc Banger National Championship QR and many thanks for your support.

IMPORTANT – PLEASE FULLY CO-OPERATE WITH THE PIT MARSHALL – HE HAS A LOT OF CARS TO FIT INTO THE PITS TODAY!

Please note that if your car needs recovering after a race you must wait inside your car and not get out of it.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE ARE GREEN TYRES BETWEEN TURN 3 AND TURN 4. THE LEAD WHITE TOPS MAY START AT ANY PERIOD BETWEEN THESE TWO TYRES. THE SAME GOES FOR ANY RESTARTS. DRIVERS STARTING BEFORE REACHING THE FIRST GREEN TYRE WILL BE DOCKED PLACES.

FOLLOWING SOME CONFUSION WE HAVE UPDATED OUR RULE WHERE DRIVERS ARE ALLOWED TO ATTACK ON OPPOSITE. PLEASE READ BELOW CAREFULLY!

Any driver who goes the wrong way and attacks a car on opposite on the straights can expect an ORC ban! Drivers are allowed to attack cars on opposite as long as the attack is made BETWEEN THE TWO WHITE LINES MARKED ON THE FENCE in each corner.

### The following rules apply:

- Attacks must be from the outside in or square (i.e. head-on) to the target car
- Attacking inside-out (even if you fail to make actual contact with a target car) will result in a load-up and the risk of further disciplinary action
- Drivers may use the concrete area on the exit of the corners to turn around safely, but should avoid use of the concrete area inside the inner ring of tyres. Excessive speed on the infield will result in a load-up and a potential racing ban
- Drivers are also reminded that attacking directly off the infield carries a minimum ORCi ban
  of 3 months so if you rejoin the track from the infield you should ensure that you are
  travelling either directly towards or from the outside-in before hitting another car AND that
  you have travelled at least two car-lengths since leaving the concrete
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guilty of dangerous and irresponsible driving and loaded and possibly subject to further disciplinary action

In view of the above, we strongly recommend that drivers turn around and make their way to the outside of the track and stop before making an attack. In particular, if you choose to come straight off the infield and attempt to square up a car coming towards you, then you run a strong risk of the oncoming driver trying to swerve around the outside of you. If you also swerve to still try to hit them, then you WILL be guilty of an inside-out attack whether or not you actually make contact.

#### **SCRUTINEERING** -

Please note that if you are in queue for scrutineering when racing starts you will have to leave the track and go the other side of the catch fencing. Scrutineering will take much longer when racing starts so make sure you go and get scrutineered as soon as possible,

Some important points that the Scrutineers have asked you to note before taking your car to Scrutineering are as follows which are often the main reasons why cars fail and have to go back. Please note if you need to be rescrutineered you will need to rejoin the back of the grid:

Bonnets are with the car, but un-done ready to remove.

B Pillar, rollframe and steering column and behind your head is padded.

No more than 4 bolts per door and boot.

No more than 2 bolts in rear arch.

No welds other than as in rulebook.

All airbags and steering wheel centres are removed.

#### **Racing Rules**

For this meeting we will NOT be using the yellow caution flags. Following a rolling lap which will be under a yellow flag, it's simply Green for Go and Red for Stop with the chequered coming out for the race winner. The racing rules are on the other side of this handout, please read and understand them. Although all of the rules are very important there is one we would like to emphasise:

## any driver who misuses the infield will be severely dealt with! When going on the infield you must not exceed 5mph

# Wheels and Tyres

Please ensure you take all your rubbish with you including wheels and tyres. Any driver leaving wheels and tyres in the pits will be subject to an ORC ban.

#### Pit Safety

Please note there is no smoking in the pits

There is a strict 5mph speed limit in the pits

When working under your car you must make sure it is supported by either a proper axle stand or with some wheels and not just left on a jack so if the car slips of the jack there is something to stop it causing a serious injury to whoever is underneath it. If a Hiab is used ensure part of the car is over the flatbed area of the lorry.

All fuel must be kept in sealed containers.

Children must be accompanied in the pit area at all times.

#### **Grades**

Grades of drivers booked in to race appears below;

Superstar: 608

Red: 12 69 248 Blue: 9 30 337 Yellow: 19 231 479

White: 5 10 27 39 45 51 83 97 133 141 144 145 193 223 224 245 251

252 256 257 259 275 287 301 311 318 327 349 428 511 557 713

715 851 910 920

# RULES OF RACING

- Drivers must drive straight to their correct grade to line-up. No turning right out of the
  pit gate, no hanging back and no driving all the way round the track. Any driver who
  wins a race must start at the back of their grade for the rest of the meeting
- · Please obey our officials at all times.
- Only 3 flag colours will be in operation for racing, we will NOT be using the yellow caution flags for this meeting (Although we will be using a "stationary yellow" – see below!). So following the rolling lap it's: Green - Go, Red - Stop and Chequered.
- Do not attempt to race a car that hasn't passed scrutineering. Drivers found to have added anything after scrutineering will be referred to the ORC

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- No attacking cars on the infield, or coming off the infield to attack cars. Any misuse of the infield will be harshly dealt with, we cannot emphasise this enough! If you go on the infield, you must not exceed 5mph THIS IS AN IMPORTANT H&S RULING. NO DELIBERATE HITTING OF CARS ON THE OUTER CONCRETE. Please note that drivers should only go inside the main ring of tyres to retire and should do so at a maximum speed of 5mph. If you are forced into this area you must immediately slow to this speed and rejoin the track where you entered. Any driver who goes in this area and does not slow down will be immediately black flagged and could face further disciplinary action.
- Any driver who attempts to avoid a pile up on the track by going inside the ring of tyres will be docked by a minimum of two places. Should a driver do this more than once they will be excluded from the result. In the event of a race seeing all active drivers go inside the ring of tyres the lap charts will go back to find the race winner who will be the last driver to have completed a lap who has not gone inside the tyre wall even if they have not completed full distance. Any driver cutting across the centre or who goes inside the inner white line will be excluded from the race.
- NEW RULE FROM THE ORC!! Any deliberate hits between the wheels on either side of the car are outlawed. Anyone who in the opinion of the meeting steward is guilty of this will face a minimum of a three month ban with no element of the ban allowed to be suspended. Any driver who in the opinion of the steward does this illegal move at high speed will face a much larger ban. Hits over the wheels are still allowed.
- Any driver who retires to the centre must remain in their car and not get out even if
  there is a race stoppage. If you need recovery wait in your car for a tractor to come or
  you may drive to the pit gate at the end of the race. If you are on the track when the
  race ends and you need recovery you must remain in your vehicle until recovery
  comes.
- No driver must exit their car on the infield or on track until there is a race stoppage unless there is a major problem IE Fire. If you go on the infield you must remain in your car with belts and helmet on for the duration of the race. If you are on track you must not exit your car unless there is a race stoppage. If a stoppage occurs and you may go to the safe area which is the other side of the fence. If you leave the track after a stoppage when the race ends you must return to your car and if you need recovery wait inside it until a tractor arrives.
- In the event of a stoppage the race will be restarted with any backmarkers between the top six drivers which are on the lead lap removed and sent to the back of the grid. These drivers will gain a lap back in the race. No driver must attempt to overtake or unlap themselves without being instructed to do so by an official.
- If you win a race you must pull up next to the trophy table on the centre and remain in your car until a marshall indicates you may exit.
- No violent, threatening or abusive behaviour to other drivers or officials.
- Please take care when going near a car which is covered by a marshal's "stationary yellow" this means that the car has sustained a lot of damage and must not receive another hit. Any driver hitting a car covered by a marshalls yellow flag will be subject to disciplinary action.
- No t boning cars which are up against the fence at excessive speed. No deliberate length of straight excessive t bones.

- Once you have passed a stationary car twice it is "out of bounds" and is not a legitimate target and must not be deliberately attacked. If a car has already been attacked and is crippled it must not be attacked.
- Anything which the steward views as being "dangerous driving" may attract an ORC Ban.
- Please note that if a race is stopped just to allow a driver to exit his car, no cars on track will be moved if there is a way through. Drivers must quickly exit their cars and move to the safety area and the race will be restarted as quickly as possible.

If a serious offence is committed the driver concerned maybe loaded indefinitely and the incident maybe referred to the ORC for possible further action.

# **Meeting Format**

- 1. Junior Banger Heat 1
- 2. 1300 Stock Car Heat 1
- 3. 1300 Stock Car Heat 2
- 4. 2L Stock Car Heat 1
- 5. Junior Banger Heat 2
- 6. 1600cc Banger Heat 1
- 7. 1300 Stock Car Consolation
- 8. 2L Stock Car Heat 2
- 9. Junior Banger Heat 3
- 10. 1300 Stock Car Final
- 11. 1600cc Banger Heat 2
- 12. 2L Stock Car Final
- 13. Junior Banger Final
- 14. 1300 Stock Car All Comers
- 15. 1600cc Banger Final & Destruction Derby

# **Format**

All drivers will be eligible for all races

#### DD

Drivers who wish to compete in the DD and not the final all comers race must wait on the middle until this race is finished and then make their way onto the track taking care of officials and other obstacles on the middle whilst doing so. You must not exceed 5mph whilst on the centre.

The DD will start after all points places in the final have been completed. The Chequered flag will be waved whilst this happens. Following this the yellow flag will be waved together with yellow flashing lights whilst drivers move on and off the centre – drivers should circulate slowly at this point with no contact – once the DD is ready to begin the green flag will fall to signify the start of the DD.

Any cars still moving who do not wish to take part in the Destruction Derby must go on the middle taking care of officials on the middle and other obstacles. Drivers must not excel 5mph when on the concrete. Drivers who go on the middle from the race and then re enter the DD later will not be eligible for the victory in the DD.

Any cars which are dead from the meeting final and not moving when the DD starts are not legitimate targets in the DD.

Drivers in the Destruction Derby who ride around avoiding the action will be black flagged.

Drivers should not have Smart-devices on their person during racing. Some have technology built into them, which could trigger responses form Emergency Services on impact.