

Tour of Kent

Blackpalfrey Motor Club of Kent

Will be running their

Tour of Kent 2026
on
Sunday 4th October

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Welcome to The 2026 Tour of Kent, this year kindly sponsored by Maidstone Sports Cars.

The event is non-competitive with no element of timing and is an opportunity for you to drive your Pre-1995 pride and joy through the picturesque lanes and villages of East Kent. Younger interesting cars will be allowed, at the organisers' discretion.

Although the day has been designed for two people in each car, extra passengers may be carried for an additional fee. You will be given an easy to follow road book to take you along our carefully designed route through pretty villages along delightful roads. There will be stops for morning coffee and lunch. The day finishes with a well-earned afternoon tea.

Most people only pass through Kent on their way to the Continent. Our day will show you the prettiest parts of East Kent – the parts you would not normally see. The road book will include some brief notes of places of interest as you pass by. We hope this will encourage you to stay for a few more days this year, or return to Kent in the near future so that you can explore these areas in greater depth.

The start will have free tea/coffee for everyone, and bacon butties may be purchased on the day. The coffee halt will be at the quaint Blue Silo micropub which is situated on a farm deep in the countryside. It was the farms dairy until last year when it was converted, and is now a popular local haunt. Lunch will be at Broome Park, a magnificent 17th Century country mansion converted several years ago into a superb hotel. We will finish with afternoon tea at Quex Park, whose history goes back over 500 years. Today there is a fascinating museum, worth a full days visit.

More information is available at <https://powell-cottonmuseum.org/>

We have supported the Demelza Hospice Care for Children for many years and will be doing so again this year. It is a local Kent and East Sussex charity that provides various levels of support for children aged 0-19 and their families. Demelza has two residential hospices; one in Sittingbourne in Kent and one in Eltham in South-East London as well as a "hospice at home" service in East Sussex. Their services include respite and short breaks for families, palliative care and symptom control, end of life care and ongoing bereavement support. Proceeds from the event will be donated to Demelza and you are invited to make a voluntary donation with your entry or on the day. Demelza thanks you for your generosity over the years.

For more information visit www.demelza.org.uk

We look forward to seeing you in October, one of the prettiest times of the year in Kent..

The Organisers

Supplementary Regulations

ORGANISATION

1. Blackpalfrey Motor Club of Kent will organise "The Tour of Kent", a Touring Assembly, on Sunday 4th October 2026.
2. The event will be held under a certificate of exemption issued by *Motorsport UK*, these Regulations and any written instructions which the organising club may issue for the event.
3. Organising permit/certificate of exemption no. 206502.

ELIGIBILITY

4. The event is open to road cars over 30 years old. Interesting younger cars may be accepted at the organisers' discretion.
5. All cars must hold a V5 Registration Document, have up to date vehicle tax, and have a valid MOT certificate where appropriate.
6. All drivers must hold a valid driving licence for the car being driven. A Competition Licence is not required.

ENTRIES

7. Entries open on the publication of these Regulations, and close on Monday 14th September 2026. All entries must be made on the official entry form and the entry fee of **£140.00** if two people will be travelling in the car, paid via BACS preferably, details of which are on the entry form. Please add **£70.00** for each additional passenger. Each entry will be acknowledged. Final Instructions (including an Entry List and directions to the Start) will be posted during the week prior to the event.
8. The entry fee includes one Roadbook and one rigid Rally Plate, tea/coffee at the start, lunch and afternoon tea.
9. The Secretary of the event is:

Phil Smith, 106 Lucy Avenue, Folkestone, Kent CT19 5TN

Email: phil.blackpalfrey@gmail.com

10. The maximum number of cars on the event is seventy five. The minimum is thirty. Should the above minimum figure not be reached, the organisers reserve the right to cancel the event and entry fees will be refunded in full. Entries will be selected in order of receipt, the running order being decided by the organisers. If an entrant particularly wants to run close to a friend/colleague, then this should be noted in the appropriate space on the entry form.

ROUTE

11. The event will start from Sellindge Sports & Social Club, Swan Lane, Sellindge TN25 6HB, close to Junction 11 of the M20. Breakfast rolls will be available to purchase at the start. The morning coffee stop will be at the Blue Silo Micropub, Blandred Farm, Reece Lane Acrise, Folkestone CT18 8LW. Lunch will be at Broome Park Hotel, Canterbury Road, Barham, Canterbury CT4 6QX, and we will finish for afternoon tea at Quex Park, Park Lane, Birchington CT7 0BH. The route will cover approximately 120 miles.
12. Entrants may choose whether to use easy to follow Tulip Road Instructions or a marked map, both of which will be provided in a Road Book which will be issued to entrants at the Start.
13. The first car will leave the start at 09:30. The others will leave at appropriate intervals determined by the organisers and announced in the Final Instructions.
14. Along the route, there will be manned Check Points.

TIMETABLE

15. The timetable for the event will be:

1 st March	Entries open
14th September	Entries close
28th September	Final Instructions issued
4 th October 08:00	Start venue opens
	Collect entrants pack
	Breakfast tea/coffee.
09:00	Briefing & final instructions
09:30	First car starts
16:00	First car arrives at finish

DOCUMENTATION

16. Cars and Entrants must arrive at the start at least 1 hour before their scheduled start time. The following documents must be available for inspection if required:
 - Driving Licence for the driver
 - V5 Registration Certificate for the car being used
 - Current vehicle MOT Certificate for the car being used (if applicable)
17. A basic vehicle eligibility and safety check may be carried out at the start. Any vehicle which, in the opinion of the organisers, is deemed inappropriate or unsafe, will not be allowed to start.
18. All entrants must ensure that they have adequate insurance to enter the event, and they will be required to sign a declaration to this effect at

documentation. Signing-on for all participants will take place at the start. The event has no competitive element.

19. After documentation, entrants will be given their Rally Plate (and zip-ties), Road Book, and Route Card. They will also receive their lunch/meal vouchers.

OFFICIALS

20. The officials are:-
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| Clerk of the Course: | Bob Pilcher |
| Assistant Clerk of the Course | Charles Harrison |
| Secretary of the Meeting: | Phil Smith |
| Marshals: | Blackpalfrey MCK and friends |
| Concours Judge: | Brian Millen |

CONCOURS

21. Concours prizes will be presented at the finish, at the discretion of the Concours Judge, to those cars judged to be the best prepared.

ACCOMMODATION

22. There is no accommodation associated with this event but there are a number of hotels and B & B's close to the start.

DRIVING STANDARDS

23. The event is designed to be a relaxing tour through the picturesque lanes and villages of East Kent. There is no element of timing. Please be respectful of all other road users and drive sensibly. We want to see you all back at the finish safely. The organisers reserve the right to exclude any entrant for poor or inconsiderate driving.

ADDITIONALLY

24. Any protest is not deemed to be within the spirit of the event, and will not be considered, unless accompanied by an offer of a round of drinks for the organisers.
25. Entrants will be identified by a rigid rally plate and number, which will be supplied by the organisers.
26. All marshals are deemed to be judges of fact.

We look forward to seeing you in October.