



Festival of Vintage, Classic and Modern Motoring
Thirlestane Castle · 8th June 2025

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED to the 50th running of the BVAC Classic at Thirlestane Castle, Lauder, on 8th June 2025. The show opens at 11am and, as always, your Concours entries will be foremost among the 1000 or so vintage, classic and modern entries expected on the day.

Although the Borders Vintage Automobile Club was founded in 1972, the show has only now reached its 50th anniversary, missing three years due to the foot-and-mouth outbreak of 2001 and the COVID-19 pandemic of 2021/22.

All makes and models are most welcome, but it's a special year for the MGA (70 years old), the MGF (30 years old) while the Jaguar Mk.VII and Mk1 saloons and the XJ Coupe all have birthdays - but the fabulous Jaguar XJ-S has reached its golden anniversary - 50 years and counting!

Please enter as soon as possible, online at www.bvac.org.uk (preferred) or by post.

SHOW TIMETABLE

Saturday 7th June There is no public admission on Saturday, but you are invited to take part in the Borders Scenic Run through the beautiful Scottish Borders. Please indicate on the entry form below if wishing to take part in this enjoyable event, starting from the esplanade of Thirlestane Castle.

Sunday 8th June Entrants are asked to be in place by 10.30am. Vehicles built before 31st December 1999 are entered in the Concours competition in classes 1-10, while classes 11-15 do not have age limits. Class 16 is a non-competitive class open only to current BVAC members with the aim of showing the diversity of members' cars - vintage, classic and modern, including interesting alternatively powered vehicles. All entrants are encouraged to take part in the Best Combination of Vehicle and Dress Competition. No need to enter, just turn up dressed to join in the fun and listen out for PA announcements for the ring parade and judging.

IMPORTANT: The public are admitted from 11am to 5pm. Due to Health and Safety considerations where vehicle movements take place in live spectator areas, **all entrants must remain in place until the show finishes at 5pm** and the public have vacated the show grounds. Full details will follow with the entry documents.

ENTRY FEES: Unfortunately, BVAC is now subject to VAT. To ensure the event's sustainability, we are obliged to pass on this additional cost, so the entry fee is now £12 (inc.VAT) per vehicle. This admits the vehicle, the driver and all its passengers. Current BVAC Members are exempt from this fee.

CAMPING AND CARAVANING: Exhibitors, including those with classic campervans, are welcome to stay overnight in our designated camping area, but not in the showfield arena. The only exceptions, for security reasons, are outside traders and military display personnel. There is a charge of £12 (inc.VAT) per night for vans and caravans or £6 per night (inc.VAT) for tents. Access to the camping area will be from 10am on Saturday. Advanced booking required.. N.B. On-site facilities are limited to portable toilets and a water standpipe. Alternatively, fully serviced sites are available at Thirlestane Castle Caravan Park, Tel. 01578 718884 or www.thirlestanecastlepark.co.uk. Early pre-booking essential.

General Enquiries: email entries@bvac.org.uk





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INDIVIDUAL ENTRANT CONCOURS CLASSES

Classes for Motor Cars:

- 1 Veteran, Vintage & Post Vintage Cars and Light Commercials built before 31/12/1939 - The Pre-War Era
- 2 Classic Cars and Light Commercials manufactured between 1/1/1940 and 31/12/1959 - The 40s & '50s
- 3 Classic Cars and Light Commercials manufactured between 1/1/1960 and 31/12/1969 - The '60s
- 4 Classic Cars and Light Commercials manufactured between 1/1/1970 and 31/12/1979 - The '70s
- 5 Classic Cars and Light Commercials manufactured between 1/1/1980 and 31/12/1989 - The '80s
- 6 Cars and Light Commercials built between 1/1/1990 and 31/12/1999 - Emerging Classics

Motor Cycles

- 7 Motor Cycles built before 31/12/1939
- 8 Motor Cycles built between 1/1/1940 and 31/12/1969
- 9 Motor Cycles built between 1/12/1970 and 31/12/1999

Heavy Commercial, Military and Agricultural Vehicles

- 10 Heavy Commercial Vehicles (over 7.5T) built before 31/12/1999
- 11 Agricultural Vehicles and Tractors built before 31/12/1999
- 12 Military Vehicles of any age

Special Classes

Entries will be accepted in the following classes without age restriction, although all are expected to be prepared to a high standard and of sufficient quality to enhance the event:

- 13 Kit Cars and Replicas
- 14 Any Automobile or Motorcycle designed and manufactured in the USA
- 15 Interesting Vehicles - Sporting, Interesting or Unusual Vehicles built after 1/1/2000

SPECIAL AWARDS

In addition to the concours class awards, the following special awards will be made on the day:-

THE BVAC TROPHY for BEST IN SHOW

THE DAVID TRUEMAN TROPHY for the Best Amateur Restoration by a BVAC Member (Entry Req'd)

THE LONG HAUL AWARD for the entry driven furthest to the Event

THE BEST COMBINATION of PERIOD DRESS and VEHICLE: All entrants (including club entrants) are encouraged to join in this event which greatly adds to the show. No need to enter, just turn up dressed to join in the fun and listen out for PA announcements for the ring parade and judging

THE BVAC CLUB TROPHY for the Best Vehicle owned by a BVAC Member

THE CHAIRMAN'S CUP for Services to BVAC

THE CAPTAIN'S CUP - the "Spirit of the Rally" Award

Apart from the David Trueman Trophy, you do not need to register in advance for these awards

CAR CLUBS Vehicles of any age are welcome on club stands but club organisers are asked to ensure their entries are well presented and of sufficient quality to enhance the show. All club stands are eligible for the Best Club Stand Trophy, but for logistical reasons club vehicles cannot be judged for the individual awards and trophies listed above. However, all car club entrants are welcome to compete for the Best Combination of Period Dress and Vehicle Trophy and to join in the Borders Scenic Run on Saturday 7th June

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INDIVIDUAL ENTRY FORM

Name Tel. (Mob preferred)

Address Post Code.....

e-mail: BVAC Member Y/ N Membership No.....

Your Vehicle: Make Model

Year of Manufacture Registration No..... Display Class (see p2)

Please tick if your vehicle was **first registered** in 1975 ☐

Distance Travelled to the BVAC Classic: From

THE DAVID TRUEMAN TROPHY Please Tick if you wish to enter The David Trueman Trophy for the best amateur restoration by a BVAC Member ☐

CAMPING: If required, please indicate for tent ☐ or caravan/mobile home ☐

Tick for Friday night ☐ Saturday night ☐ Sunday Night ☐

SCOTTISH BORDERS SCENIC RUN Please tick if you wish to join this enjoyable run of about 70 miles through the Borders countryside on Saturday 7th June ☐

ENTRANT'S DECLARATION - Please tick to indicate your agreement to the terms and conditions of entry:

☐ I/We confirm that the above vehicle is covered by Third Party and Public Liability Insurance and confirm it complies with current statutory requirements for road use.

☐ I/We undertake to accept and abide with the rulings of the organisers and decisions of the judges and at all times comply with the directions of the event marshals. BVAC wishes the show to take place in a pleasant atmosphere - a day out amongst friends - and any instance of threatening behaviour or abuse towards our volunteer marshals and officials will result in expulsion from the show and exclusion from future BVAC events.

☐ I/We agree that the details provided above can be held by BVAC Ltd. solely for the purpose of administering the event. Your details will not be released to any third party.

☐ I/We agree to receive e-mail communications about future BVAC events. If you choose not to receive them, we will be unable to advise you of future runnings of this and other BVAC events.

ENTRANT SIGNATURE **Date**

Enter online at www.bvac.org.uk or, if entering by post, please send your completed form and cheque payment to Robert & Moira Stewart, BVAC Entries, 23 Sheil Hall Circle, Rosewell EH24 9DE

The closing date for individual entries is 21st April 2025

Don't forget to enclose your cheque payable to BVAC Ltd. for the Vehicle Entry Fee of £12 and Camping Fee if required - tents £6 per night, vans £12 per night (all including VAT) .

VAT INVOICES: This is not a VAT invoice. If you require a VAT invoice, **PLEASE TICK HERE** ☐

AMOUNT ENCLOSED:.....

ANY QUESTIONS? e-mail entries@bvac.org.uk

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