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The BVAC Classic is the premier car show in Scotland, held annually at Thirlestane Castle for since 2005 and organised by the Borders Vintage and Classic Club.

It is a Festival of motoring which attracts over 1,000 classic cars of all models and styles, whilst celebrating motoring, culture and great Scottish hospitality.

The event attracts a strong family audience, of over 10,000 people.

Watch our 2024 highlights video here

www.bvac.org.uk/bvac-classic

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EVENT PREVIEW

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- Over 10,000 anticipated visitors
- The award winning BVAC classic car show, featuring over 1,000 Classic cars
- Action arena featuring breath taking stunt shows
- Local pipe band displays
- Artisan food, drink and retail village
- Children's playzone, with an array of different activities

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Voted in top ten

UK motoring events by the Sunday Times

10,000+

Show visitors



1,000+

Classic cars & machinery



50+

Food, drink & retail exhibitors



3,500+

Email subscribers

30,000+

Website visitors

4,000+

Followers across BVAC Social media channels



How To Apply

Simply:

- Read through this document
- Ensure you meet the criteria
- Complete the online application form here before the 26th February 2026:

https://bvac.org.uk/bvac-classic/take-part/trade-stand/



Event Criteria

We are looking for exhibitors who can demonstrate:

- High-quality products and services that appeal to our audience.
- Previous experience exhibiting at trade shows or events of a similar scale.
- A professional, well-presented stand and the ability to operate independently and self-sufficiently.
- A quality website and/or clear business contact details.
- Excellent customer service and a positive approach to engaging with visitors.

Successful applicants will be required to provide:

- A suitable risk assessment for their stand.
- Valid Public Liability Insurance documentation (£2m minimum cover).
- Company logo, website and relevant social media details (not necessary for Autojumble vendors).
- Any applicable food hygiene certificates or other relevant licences.

Exhibitor Overview

Details	Caterers, Coffee & Ice Cream van	Freestanding Trade / Motor Dealers	Autojumble
Size of Space	Various	From 3m x 3m	From 3m frontage
Is cover provided?	No – space only	No – space only	No – space only
Spaces available	Circa plots 20 in total	Many	Many
Location	Catering Village and varying key locations	Various prime locations around the show	All pitches located along the back / Lauder fence line, on the west side of the showground.
Price	From £175 + VAT	POA, from £100 + VAT	POA, from £30 + VAT







Caterers, Coffee & Ice Cream Vans

The event will feature a dedicated catering village, alongside a number of additional catering locations throughout the showground.

Food and drink pitches will be allocated and priced according to the following categories:

Small catering pitch (under 4.5m frontage): £260 + VAT

Large catering pitch (over 4.5m frontage): £395 + VAT

Hot drinks & ice cream vans: £175 + VAT

Traders intending to sell alcohol for consumption on-site (e.g mobile bars) will be required to provide a valid Occasional Licence.







Free standing trade & Motor dealers

Space is available for a range of trade exhibitors and motor dealers wishing to showcase their products using their own marquees, display units or other temporary structures.

All pitches are located on grass, with pricing based on the overall space required. Pitches start from **3m × 3m (£100 + VAT)**, with larger spaces available at additional cost.



Autojumble

Pitches, exclusively for Autojumble traders, are located along the top fence-line within the showground.

Autojumble pitches are intended for traders selling motoring-related parts, spares, accessories, tools, memorabilia and other items of interest to classic vehicle enthusiasts. They are not intended for general retail, craft or catering businesses, which are accommodated within our other exhibitor areas.

Pitches are priced at **£10 + VAT per metre frontage*** and include a depth of up to 9 metres, allowing space for traders' supporting vehicles and display areas.

*pitches must be a minimum of 3m frontage.



Application & Selection process

We anticipate strong demand for trade exhibitor space at the show once again. Applications will be assessed on the quality and appeal of brands and products, variety of exhibitors, stand presentation and design (based on any submitted images), and online presence. While welcoming applications from across the UK and beyond, we are particularly keen to showcase Scottish products and produce.

Confirmation & Payment

Applications must be submitted by **26 February 2027**. We will review applications as they are received and confirm the outcome as soon as possible. Successful applicants will then be asked to provide the relevant documentation with 14 days and settle their invoice. Pitches are only confirmed once payment and all requested documentation have been received.

Frequently asked questions

What size of crowd do you expect to attend over the weekend?
In 2024 and 2025, the show attracted around 10,000 people and we anticipate a similar attendance again in 2027
What are the timings of the event?
The event will be open to the public from 11am – 5pm on Sunday
What timings can we have access to set up?
You will be required to set your stand up between the hours of 9-5pm on Saturday 7th June. There will be event personnel onsite, but we will not take responsibility for stock, it will be left at your own risk. There will be access, for traders, from 9am on Sunday.
Can I apply for multiple stands on the online application form?
If you need to apply for more than one stand, please note this in the comments box at the end of the application form and a member of our team will review and come back to you with any further questions.

Frequently asked questions

Can I apply using a paper application form?
All applications must be made online through the online application from. If you are having difficulties, please contact us and we will do what we can to support you.
Will I receive an allocation of tickets to attend the show?
You will be given a suitable number of tickets to the show based on the scale of your pitch.
Can I order additional services such as water and power?
We do not provide power for the event. Anyone requiring power must make arrangements, using super silent generators only. Access to water (standpipe) is available although no hoses are permitted.
What level of insurance is required for exhibitors?
Every applicant must have public liability insurance, with a minimum of £2m cover. You will be required to evidence this documentation to secure your place.

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