

Tour of Kent 2025



ORGANISING PERMIT/CERTIFICATE OF EXEMPTION No. 203763

Blackpalfrey Motor Club of Kent is pleased to announce the running of The Tour of Kent 2025



Welcome to the 2025 Tour of Kent. The event is non competitive with no element of timing and is intended as an opportunity for you to drive your Pre-1995 pride and joy through the picturesque lanes and villages of Kent and East Sussex. Younger interesting cars will be allowed, at the organisers' discretion.

Although the day has been designed for two people in each car, additional persons 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 and delightful roads. There will be stops for morning coffee and lunch. The day finishes with a well-earned afternoon tea at an exceptional location.

The event has been designed to show you the beauty of the southern home counties, while also allowing you to see some other interesting vehicles and talk to the owners. We hope that you'll enjoy visiting the places that most usually rush past on the motorways or busy A roads

We are once again supporting the Demelza Hospice for Children again this year, a local Kent and East Sussex charity that provides fantastic support for children and their families. All proceeds from the event will be donated to Demelza and you are invited to make a voluntary donation with your entry. Your support over the past few years has been fantastic and Demelza thanks you for your generosity. For more information visit <u>www.demelza.org.uk</u>

We look forward to welcoming you to the beautiful Garden of England.

The Organisers

Supplementary Regulations

ORGANISATION

- 1. The Blackpalfrey Motor Club of Kent will organise "The Blackpalfrey Tour of Kent", a Touring Assembly, on Sunday 28th September 2025.
- 2. The event will be held under a certificate of exemption issued by *Motorsport UK*, these Regulations & any written instructions that the organising club may issue for the event.

ELIGIBILITY

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

ENTRIES

- 6. Entries open on the publication of these Regulations, and close on Monday 18th September 2023. All entries must be made on the official entry form and the entry fee of £110.00 if two people will be travelling in the car paid via BACS preferably. Please add £50.00 for each additional person. 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.
- 7. The entry fee includes one Roadbook and one rigid Rally Plate, lunch and afternoon tea. There will also be souvenirs to commemorate the event.
- 8. The Secretary of the event is:

Tom Ash, Beech Tree House, Dunwich Road, Westleton, Suffolk IP17 3AU

Email: tourofkent.blackpalfrey@gmail.com

9. The maximum number of cars on the event is **Sixty**. The minimum is twenty. 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.

<u>ROUTE</u>

10. The event will start from The Old Rectory, Oxley Shaw Lane, Leybourne, West Malling ME19 5PU, with easy access from the motorway network (close to Junction 4 of the M20). Breakfast rolls, tea and coffee, will be available to purchase at The Old Rectory. The morning coffee stop will be at the Kent and East Sussex Railway Tenterden Town Station, Station Rd, Tenterden TN30 6HE. Lunch will be at Claverton Country House Hotel, Bluemans Lane, Battle, East Sussex TN33 0SE, and we will finish for afternoon tea at the exceptional location of the medieval Barons Hall at Penshurst Place. The route will cover approximately 110 miles.

- 11. Entrants may choose whether to use an 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.
- 12. 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.
- 13. Along the route, there may be manned Check Points.

TIMETABLE

14. The timetable for the event will be:

1 st June	Entries open
15 th September	Entries close
22 nd September	Final Instructions posted
28 th September 08:00	Start venue opens for collection of entrants pack and breakfast.
09:30	First car starts
16:00	First car arrives at finish

DOCUMENTATION

15. Cars and Entrants must arrive at the start at least 45 minutes 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)
- 16. 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.
- 17. 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.
- 18. After documentation, entrants will be given their Rally Plate (and ties), Road Book, and Route Card. They will also receive their lunch/meal vouchers.

OFFICIALS

19. Clerk of the Course:	Trevor Hawkins
Assistant Clerk of the Course Simon Ingarfield	
Secretary:	Tom Ash
Marshals:	Blackpalfrey MCK and HRCR members and friends
Concours Judge:	Brian Millen

CONCOURS

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

ACCOMMODATION

21. There is no accommodation associated with this event but there are a number of hotels close to the start.

DRIVING STANDARDS

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

ADDITIONALLY

- 23. 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.
- 24. Entrants will be identified by a rigid rally plate, which will be supplied by the organisers. This must be displayed in a prominent forward facing position on the vehicle. Cable ties will be supplied to assist.
- 25. All marshals are deemed to be judges of fact.

We look forward to seeing you in September.