



Clubman's Show Judge's Handbook

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Judging Ballot for Category A Class: 16 (1971- 1983, 620cc +)										
Items -> 10 points max per item	Lubri- cation	Engine, Trans, & pri- mary	Intake & fuel	Exhaust	Chassis & sus- pension	Wheels, brakes & tires	Instru- ments & con- trols	Elec- trics	Cycle parts & final drive	Presen- tation
#038 1971 Bonneville										
#039 1972 BSA Rocket III										
#040 1979 Triumph Bonneville										
#041 1974 Norton Comman- do										
Notes:										
Ranking:	1 st ;	2 nd	3 rd							
Judges:										

Preface

In the spring of 1988, the BSA Owners Club of Northern California established the first Clubman's All British Motorcycle Show.

The Clubman's Show was made possible by the investment and enthusiasm from many British motorcycle clubs with a presence in California, and organized under the leadership of the BSA Owners Club of Northern California (BSAOCNC).

Today the Clubman's Show continues to be the premier venue for the presentation of a beautiful display of the finest British motorcycles, thus making a contribution to the preservation of motorcycling history.

In order to maintain our long term commitment to showing and preserving the British motorcycle for all to enjoy, the Clubman's Show herein provides a handbook for the usage of Judges at the Show.

This handbook defines the role of the Show Judge, his or her qualifications, the judging procedures and standards to be used.

We feel that this handbook, and its future editions will serve well our goal to recognize and thus help properly preserve great British motorcycles, emphasizing originality, authenticity, and historical accuracy.

The BSAOCNC Clubman's Show Committee



Entry #	Items	Points De- ducted	Category: _____ Class: _____
10 points per item possible			Comments
Lubrication System			
Engine, trans, & primary			
Intake & fuel			
Exhaust			
Chassis & suspension			
Wheels, brakes, & tires			
Instruments & controls			
Electrics			
Cycle parts & final drive			
Presentation			
Total:			
			Judging Team Number:

Judges Scorecard

of their judging of a class, when a winner between multiple entrants is not obvious.

Open Division Standards

Open Division motorcycles will primarily be judged in order of importance, on overall visual appeal, period authenticity, workmanship, mechanical improvement, and safety improvement to the motorcycle.

In recognition that motorcycles meant for competition such as road racing, scrambling, moto-cross, trials, or flat-track, visual appeal will not be as important as all other aspects of the motorcycle. Therefore, for motorcycles modified and prepared for competition in modern or vintage period competitions, judging in order of importance, will be on period authenticity, workmanship, mechanical improvement, safety improvement, and visual appeal of the motorcycle.

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The Show Judge

Qualifications

To qualify as a Show Judge the following requirements must be met:

1. Active membership in the BSAOCNC or other British one-make club.
2. The ability to be fair, honest, understanding and reasonable when evaluating a motorcycle.
3. Ownership of and/or participation in the restoration of a motorcycle are not requirements to become a judge. However, these two attributes will lend themselves towards a better understanding of judging in general. Basic knowledge of British motorcycles is required.

Show Judge Categories

There are four levels of Show Judges. Those interested in Show Judging may apply to do so, and may advance through the levels by requesting such from the BSAOCNC Chief Judge, and attendance at judging clinic(s) as organized by the BSAOCNC Chief Judge.

The BSAOCNC Chief Judge is appointed by the BSAOCNC Clubman's Show Committee.

- Apprentice Judge, an entry-level position, is a Show judge with no previous experience.
- A Field Judge is one who has had previous judging experience.
- A Lead Judge is the head of a judging team and is appointed by the Chief Judge.
- A Lead Judge: Marque Expert is a Lead Judge who has been nominated by the Chief Judge as a Marque Expert (BSA, Velocette, Ariel, etc.), and accepted as such by the Clubman's Committee.

is in the appropriate Division and Class. The Lead Judge will then determine which motorcycle to begin with based on the presence of the owner/entrant/agent.

A review of the top 3 to 5 motorcycles will be in order in large sized classes. Comments and notes are encouraged on each Judging Card.

After judging all motorcycles in one class, turn in your Judging Card and Ballot to the Chief Judge, and continue on to the next assigned Class.

Production Division Standards

Production Division motorcycles will be judged against the standard of originality, authenticity, and historical accuracy, as the motorcycle was on the day of delivery to its original owner.

Modifications to lights, exhaust, and other components in order to conform to federal and state law will be acceptable provided such changes do not significantly detract from the original appearance of the motorcycle.

Factory options are considered original. Aftermarket are not. Authentic period accessories, available within 10 years of manufacture date will not incur deductions.

Judges are not expected to be make and model experts. Judges should rely on the knowledge within their Judging team to determine the non-originality of an entrant. Usually there are multiple examples of a make or model elsewhere at the show which can be referred to for Judging decisions. Teams may also turn to Judges from other teams who may have make and/or model expertise to resolve questions the team may have regarding motorcycles they are judging. It is suggested, however, teams only use this approach at the end

teams might actually prefer to have an entrant or a representative on hand while the motorcycle is being judged.

Judging a show motorcycle is fun, and should remain that way! You as a Show Judge are getting to see the best motorcycles up close, and are sharing in the hard work and enthusiasm of the motorcycle's owner.

To make the process go well, you will want to follow these specific guidelines:

- Standards of judging are taught and discussed at the BSAOCNC clinics. Encourage anyone interested to attend.
- Never complain, never explain.
- The decision of the judges is final.

Scoring

At the start of judging, each motorcycle is assumed to be a 100 point motorcycle. As each component of the motorcycle is judged, deductions of 0 to 10 points are made as appropriate.

Each Judging Card allows for the following points breakdown:

Lubrication	10 points
Engine Transmission & Primary	10 points
Intake & Fuel	10 points
Exhaust	10 points
Chassis & Suspension	10 points
Wheels, Brake, Tires	10 points
Instruments & Controls	10 points
Electrics	10 points
Cycle parts & Final drive	10 points
Presentation	10 points

Each Judging Team will be assigned motorcycles to judge, and given Judging Cards for each assigned motorcycle.

The Lead Judge will proceed with the judging, starting with an overall review of the motorcycles to determine that each

To become an Apprentice Judge, inform the Chief Judge, or any Show Judge prior to commencement of judging and you will be assigned to a judging team. With experience and after review by the team's Lead Judge, the Apprentice Judge will be granted Field Judge status.

Show Judge Clinics

Critical to the success of the Clubman's Show is the informed and involved Show Judge. To that end, the BSAOCNC Chief Judge will conduct at least one Show Judging Clinic per year, generally on the day of the Clubman's Show. Other clinics may be held throughout the year as required or requested.

Clinics will help judges gain confidence and also standardize the method of judging.

Each Clubman Show Judge is the target attendee of the clinic, but any Show entrant and motorcycle owner should benefit from the Judging Clinic.

Judging Clinics will cover all the items listed in this Judges Handbook, in addition to introducing the Show Judges to one another, and making all Judges feel welcomed to the Show and the Judging Process.

Suggestions for additions, deletions, and modifications to the Handbook and the judging process will be reviewed and on the Clinic agenda, thus refining and perfecting the Show experience for all involved, now and in the future.

The Chief Judge will maintain a list of the people who have participated in these classes and gone through the apprentice program.

Judging Code of Ethics

The Clubman's All-British Show prides itself on attention to the originality and authenticity of the entries, as well as the elegance and special character of the bikes. This results

in a show that not only presents a beautiful display of rolling sculpture, but also one that makes a very significant contribution to the preservation of motorcycling history.

Every entrant has expended much time, money and effort to prepare and show their bike. It is extremely important that each judged entry receive a fair and thorough evaluation free of judging conflicts of interest. Also, each entrant needs to feel they have been treated equally and objectively in terms of the time and attention paid to their bike.

In order to provide judging teams that have the knowledge required to properly judge for originality and authenticity, it is often necessary to utilize the services of those who are in some aspect of the motorcycle business. However, it is essential that any real or potential conflicts of interest be avoided to the maximum extent possible.

A judge will not normally be assigned as a Lead Judge or a team judge if he or she has been involved with any bike in the class under the following conditions:

- Recent and direct active involvement in the restoration of the machine on a paid or unpaid basis. This includes both actual work and extensive over-the shoulder guidance.
- Recent consultation relating to the motorcycle on a paid basis. Minimal casual advice and responses to questions on an unpaid basis will generally be acceptable.
- Extensive provision of parts as a result of being in the business. This does not include the ordinary incidental hobby

The following non-Division/Class awards are given at the show. Individual judges may or may not be involved in the additional award categories as necessary.

1. Best of Marque – judged by each British one-marque club
2. Recognition Awards - Oldest, Long Distance, Roland Pike Award (Best Gold Star). Recognition awards are decided by the Chief Judge, or his or her designate determined at the Clubman's Show Clinic.

Judging Standards and Guidelines

General Guidelines

The Clubman's Show judging process is based on the traditional system where each motorcycle is judged by a team (typically a 3-person team) of show judges, deducting points from a 100-point standard. The motorcycle with the fewest deductions (highest points) is judged to then be the best within that Division and Class, and awarded accordingly.

Judges act in a team, with a Lead Judge in charge of the individual team. Each team completes a Judging Card for each motorcycle it judges, recording faults and deductions. These Cards are turned in the Chief Judge, for tabulation on the Judging Ballot, to determine the awards within that Division and Class.

The All-British Show is not a cosmetics contest. Entries are expected to be presentable, but we do not deduct for some evidence of use, as motorcycles are meant to be ridden. We do however deduct for over-restoration.

Each motorcycle is expected to be complete and fully operational. An entrant may be requested to demonstrate the operability of his or her motorcycle by a Lead Judge. Judging

Speedway/Flat Track/TT

1900-1983 All Models & Capacities

Scrambles/Trials

1900-1983 All Models & Capacities

Road Race

1900-1983 All Models & Capacities

Street

1900-1945	Lightweight	0 to 499cc
	Middleweight	500-619cc
	Heavyweight	620cc +
1946-1962	Lightweight	0 to 499cc
	Middleweight	500 to 619cc
	Heavyweight	620cc +
1963-1970	Lightweight	0 to 499cc
	Middleweight	500 to 619cc
	Heavyweight	620cc +
1971-1983	Lightweight	0 to 499cc
	Middleweight	500 to 619cc
	Heavyweight	620cc +

Legitimate entries into the Production Division, Speedway/Flat Track/TT Class, or Production Division, Road Race Class must be factory prepared examples showing no rider or modern modifications. Non factory-prepared motorcycles will be moved to the Open Division for judging.

Additional Awards

The best motorcycle within each Class and Division are given awards at the show. In addition to the Division and Class awards, there will be awards presented to motorcycles not based upon the Judging Teams ballots.

sales and exchanges. It is meant to apply to the major provision of parts associated with an individual restoration.

- Immediate past full or part ownership of the bike, or recent direct paid involvement in the sale or trade of the bike to the current owner.

Judges who are assigned to a class where there is a potential conflict of interest need to inform the Chief Judge in advance of the Show. The Chief Judge will make a decision regarding the need for reassignment or replacement. The reputation of the Show rests largely on the integrity of the judging process and every effort must be made in that regard.

Judging Protocol

It is our objective at the Clubman's Show to field the best judging teams possible. In the pursuit of this objective, it is essential that judging be conducted with a high degree of professionalism. As a result, it is expected that certain practices will be followed in the judging.

- A Lead Judge heads each judging team and is responsible for introductions, final class decisions, and submission of results. Entrants should be asked if their motorcycle has any unique or unusual original features, and any related documentation should be briefly reviewed.
- Each class entry is to be judged in the same manner. The Lead Judge is responsible for watching the clock to ensure that each entrant receives equal treatment.
- Judges need to touch a vehicle during the judging process. The entrant implies his or her consent to this when the motorcycle is entered. The owner or designated representative

may be asked to demonstrate the proper functioning of components. Be careful with coat zippers, buttons, buckles and hanging badges. Treat the bike with due respect.

- Each judge needs to stick to business while judging. We all know many people on the floor, but chatting and joking is never appropriate during the judging. Interruptions and distractions must be avoided. There will be plenty of time to visit once the judging is over.
- The Lead Judge is responsible for coordination with other judging teams. For example, the Modified/Military team may wish to speak with another judge or entrant outside that division/class. This should not interfere with the class judging. Coordination needs also apply when a judge is showing a bike in another class.
- It is recommended that the judging team step back after judging each entry and compare notes among themselves before moving on to the next bike. This is to be done in such a way that it is out of earshot of both entrants and spectators. Keep the results to yourself until after the awards.
- All judges represent the Clubman's All-British Show and are expected to present a professional appearance. Wear identification provided by the BSAOC.
- Each Lead Judge casts a ballot for Best of Show. This responsibility cannot be delegated to another judge without the knowledge and approval of the Chief Judge. The Lead Judge is also responsible for collecting all judging forms from team members and submitting them with the results.
- The Chief Judge will be on the floor during the judging to answer questions and address concerns. If assistance is needed and he is not readily available, report your concern to the BSAOCNC personnel at the Club stand.
- Judges shall not use cell phones for personal purposes during the judging.

Show Divisions and Classes

Each motorcycle to be judged is assigned to a **Division** and then, within that Division, to a **Class**.

Production Division

The **Production Division (A)** is open to any British motorcycle, restored or in original condition. The motorcycle's originality, authenticity, and historical accuracy as the motorcycle was on delivery day to its original owner is the primary consideration.

Open Division

The **Open Division (B)** is open to British motorcycles, restored or un-restored, modified for any variety of reasons, such as regular modern usage, safety, or any special purpose. Workmanship, safety, road-worthiness, and overall visual appeal of the motorcycle will be considered.

Final assignment of all motorcycles to either Division is at the sole discretion of the BSAOCNC Chief Judge.

Classes

The motorcycle entrant of record chooses the Class they wish to compete in upon registering the bike.

Classes may be added or removed at the discretion of the Clubman's Show Committee.

Motorcycles may be removed from the entrant-chosen Division and Class, and re-entered in another Division and Class at the discretion of the BSAOCNC Chief Judge.

The following classes are available:

Military

1900-1983 All Models & Capacities