



*MG Car Club  
Devon & Cornwall Centre  
presents*

*The Atlantic  
Coast Express Run  
on  
Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2008*

*Okehampton-Exeter-Topsham-Exmouth-Budleigh Salterton  
Sidmouth-Seaton-Lyme Regis-Bridport-Axminster-Honiton*

## **ATLANTIC COAST EXPRESS RUN for CLASSIC & VINTAGE CARS**

The MG Car Club, (Devon and Cornwall Centre), has great pleasure in announcing that the event for 2008 will be the 11<sup>th</sup> ATLANTIC COAST EXPRESS RUN to take place on SUNDAY 27<sup>th</sup> APRIL, starting from the Old Okehampton Railway Station (Grid ref. 191/592944). It may be useful to have, **but not essential**, O.S. maps :- ROAD MAP 7 (South West England & South Wales) to hand, also O.S. Landranger 192,193,194 for possible picnic locations. The finish is at The Fishponds House Country Hotel, Honiton (Grid Ref. 192/150075).

It would be appreciated if participants could be at Okehampton **ONE HOUR** before the **START (09.45 hrs)**, to collect your Rally Pack.

Each Rally pack contains route book & rally plaque, together with tickets for coffee/tea at the *Start* and cream teas at the *Finish*. It would greatly assist us ***if you would bring your acceptance letter to the Start Control Point and Quote your Entry Reference Number.*** (NB. *This does not relate to your actual departure time*).

### **PLEASE NOTE:- ROUTE PACKS WILL NOT BE ISSUED AFTER THE STARTING TIME**

The event is a social tour of part of the glorious land and seascapes that the Southern Railway once proudly served in this part of Devon and Dorset. Our run pays a small tribute to this area that was connected daily to London (Waterloo) and was known as the “ACE”, which commenced in 1927 and continued to run, with the exception of the period during WW 2, until axed by Beeching in 1964.

After the Exeter stop the train was split at various points along its route to serve Ilfracombe, Lynton, (via the narrow gauge line from Barnstaple), Torrington, Bideford and Okehampton (where the train was again split for Bude, Padstow and Plymouth). Axminster, Exmouth, Honiton, Seaton, Sidmouth, Budleigh Salterton and Lyme Regis were also connected to this express.

The “ACE” was hauled from Waterloo by Lord Nelson and Merchant Navy class locomotives, changing at Exeter for the lighter West Country’s, Drummond T9’s or even Maunsell’s moguls.

It has been the aim of ACE runs to visit areas where this express served, to expand into adjacent areas and to pursue into more remote parts of the county using the rail network as a basis to “Lets get out here”. It is with this in mind some of the roads included will be UNCLASSIFIED, NARROW, STEEP HILLS and maybe a FORD, presenting you with some flavour of motoring in the 20’s and 30’s, hence a good map may be of assistance to you.

The run departs from the Old Okehampton Station via Exeter, Exmouth, Budleigh Salterton, Sidmouth, Seaton, Lyme Regis (or known as the Jurassic Coast) to Bridport & West Bay, Axminster and Honiton and finishes at the delightful Fishponds House Country Hotel, Dunkeswell, north of Honiton who, in 2006 and 2007, gave us an enthusiastic welcome and excellent service.

**(PLEASE NOTE :- Lunch Stop – Picnic or Pub location will be of your choice.**

**Cream Teas will be served from 15.30 Hrs. and only Cream Tea Ticket holders will be allowed into the Restaurant.**

This event is open to **All Classic Cars**, and other vehicles at the organisers discretion.

**THE ENTRY IS LIMITED & EARLY BOOKING IS ADVISED, SO AS TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT. Please Note :- THERE WILL BE A NON-RETURNABLE ADMINISTRATION FEE OF £10-00 INCLUDED IN THE ENTRY FEE - NO REFUNDS WILL BE MADE AFTER THE CLOSING DATE-(Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2008).**

Breakfast/fuel can be obtained before the start at either Sourton Cross (west of Okehampton) or at White House (to the east of Okehampton), as you leave the A.30 for Okehampton and the Old Railway Station.

**Entrants - please retain this section of the Entry Form for future reference.**

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**For Accommodation suggestions visit :- [www.discoverdartmoor.co.uk](http://www.discoverdartmoor.co.uk)**

**ENTRY FORM**

I wish to enter “The 11<sup>th</sup> ATLANTIC COAST EXPRESS RUN” to be held on **SUNDAY 27<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2008**, departing from **Okehampton Railway Station & finishing at The Fishponds House Country Hotel, Dunkeswell, Honiton.**

Name of Driver.....Phone No.....  
 Address.....  
 .....Post Code.....  
 e-mail address.....  
 Name of Navigator.....  
 Vehicle Make & Model.....  
 Year First Registered.....Reg No.....  
 Short history of vehicle.....  
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**£**

Entry Fee @ £ 25-00 per vehicle (*incl. Admin fee £10-00 non-returnable*)..... 25.00  
 & Coffee/Tea & biscuits @ Start and Cream Tea for Driver and Navigator  
 at the finish at The Fishponds Country House Hotel, Honiton.

**Please Note :- The following only applies if there are more than 2 per car**

**ADDITIONAL COFFEE/TEA at the Start @ £1-20 / person.....,.....**

**ADDITIONAL CREAM TEA at the Finish @ £5-75 / person.....**  
 (NB-Coffee & top ups will also be available at the finish).

TOTAL

I enclose a cheque made payable to the “M.G.CAR CLUB (Devon & Cornwall Centre) –ACE”.

**NOTE !!! PLEASE ENCLOSE S.A.E. FOR CONFIRMATION THAT YOUR ENTRY HAS BEEN RECEIVED & ACCEPTED AS THE ENTRY IS RESTRICTED AND ENSURE THAT THE DECLARATION ON THE REVERSE OF THIS FORM HAS BEEN SIGNED.**

**COMPLETED ENTRY FORM WITH S.A.E. & TOTAL ENTRY FEE TO :-**

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**CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES :- TUESDAY 1<sup>st</sup> APRIL 2008.**

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**IMPORTANT NOTES REGARDING CONDITIONS OF ENTRY**  
**PLEASE READ AND SIGN AS INDICATED BELOW :-**

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It is a condition of entry that **NO VEHICLE OTHER THAN THAT DESCRIBED ON THE ENTRY FORM IS ALLOWED TO TAKE PART ON THE RUN** unless given prior approval by the organisers, *The MG CAR CLUB (Devon & Cornwall Centre)*, please notify the organiser.

The organisers reserve the right to consider other vehicles outside that described, or refuse entry, where they are considered or not considered in the spirit of the event.

The organisers reserve the right to alter the proposed route and timings if circumstances are beyond their control and necessitate alteration.

It is a condition of entry that the vehicle hereby entered is covered by **INSURANCE** as required by the **ROAD TRAFFIC ACT 1960**, have a **CURRENT ROAD FUND LICENCE**, and **CURRENT M.O.T. CERTIFICATE**, valid for **SUNDAY 27<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2008**.

I understand that “**THE ATLANTIC COAST EXPRESS RUN**” will be held under the terms of a **MOTOR SPORTING ASSOCIATION (formerly RAC Comps. Dept.)** exemption form permit, and that the event is classified as a “**TOURING ASSEMBLY**” and is of a **NON-COMPETITIVE** nature. *I exempt and indemnify THE M.G. CAR CLUB, including the DEVON & CORNWALL CENTRE, against all actions, claims or death, however caused, arising out of or in connection with THE ATLANTIC COAST EXPRESS RUN –2008.*

Signature.....Date.....

**PLEASE DO NOT FORGET TO INCLUDE S.A.E. FOR CONFIRMATION OF RECEIPT OF YOUR ENTRY** and also sending final DETAILS/INSTRUCTIONS, this also helps to keep the costs to you, the entrant, to a sensible figure -----**THANK YOU** for entering.

*Details of potential overnight accommodation visit :-* [www.discoverdartmoor.co.uk](http://www.discoverdartmoor.co.uk)