



Lancashire  
Automobile Club



# Borders Classic Tour 2022

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October

Following the very successful and enjoyable Border Reivers Tour last year, we're back with a new starting venue and route.

The Borders Classic Tour, organised by Geoff Awde at the LAC, will be, as last year, a 3-day event aimed at Classic and cherished cars using easy-to-follow route books. Using the Britannia Hotel, Gosforth Park, Newcastle, as our base, the tour will take place from Friday 7<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October, returning to our base each evening. Block bookings have been made at the hotel for dinner, bed, and breakfast, including Thursday night. For those who do not wish to take advantage of Thursday night, a discount will be offered.

## Day 1 (Friday). 168 Miles Anti- Clockwise Loop.

After approaching the NE coast at Amble the route continues N with wonderful views of Warkworth Castle, then on to Alwick Castle made famous in the Harry Potter films. Turning NW the route follows just east of the Devil's Causeway, the Roman Way that possibly predates Hadrian's Wall, before crossing the River Tweed into Scotland and on to Coldstream. The route then turns south through the scenic foothills on the east side of the Cheviots and the Northumberland National Park before returning to Gosforth Park.

## Day 2 (Saturday). 166 Miles clockwise Loop.

The route travels west following Hadrian's Wall, and providing the weather is 'kind' there are many superb viewpoints. Through the historic town of Haltwhistle, the geographical Centre of Britain, the route turns NW on less-used roads and passes through many small but interesting historical places before crossing the Border into Scotland. We then pass through Eskdale and on towards Hawick, before turning east to skirt above Wauchope Forest then southeast back into England, completing the loop back to Gosforth Park.

## Day 3 (Sunday). 112 Miles.

Today's route is soon passing through Corbridge, then bypassing Hexham close to the Racecourse. Climbing to nearly 500m to cross over Acton Moor, we then pass through the old lead mining area around Allheads. The route completes almost a full circle of Stanhope Common, then follows the River Wear westwards before a southern loop to take in Harthope Moor and the viewpoint at Forest-in-Teesdale. The last climb over Swinhope Head brings us back to the River Wear and to the Finish at Horsley Hall for a little relaxation and hot meal.

Event costings will be available soon, together with the Regulations and Entry Form.

To express an interest in taking part in the event, please contact Geoff Awde ([geoffawde@gmail.com](mailto:geoffawde@gmail.com)) or Andrew Ogden ([highleabarn@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:highleabarn@yahoo.co.uk))