



# Classic Vehicle Group *Weald of Kent and East Sussex Run* *29<sup>th</sup> September, 2024*



Unbelievably, our final run for this year is upon us, and we hope you will join us for our return to Kent and East Sussex with their amazing autumn colours!

Starting at the historic Aylesford Priory next to the River Medway near Maidstone, breakfast options will be available, and we can sample the atmosphere of the extensive buildings and grounds of this monastery founded in 1242 and restored in 1949.



We will head out to the countryside to focus on the fascinating history and small towns tucked away in the South East corner of England, passing Bayham Abbey, ruined and supposedly the most impressively complete building of its type in the UK and the National Trust's Scotney Castle which has a Victorian mansion house, ruined medieval castle and picturesque gardens.



Historic Lamberhurst, Groombridge and High Rocks will give us lunch options before we reach our finish at Chiddingstone Castle, close to the Kent/Sussex/Surrey border. Set in extensive parkland and listed as of special architectural and historic interest the Castle was built in the 17<sup>th</sup> century and greatly extended in the 19<sup>th</sup>, and has fascinating collections to appreciate while exploring the castle buildings, the Victorian orangery, woodland walks and spectacular views – and of course enjoying the cream tea which is

included in the entry fee!

We will display our cars on the terrace. The adjoining village has an interesting church and reputedly the oldest working shop in England, dating back to 1453. The circular route will have something for everyone's interest to remember during the winter months



Entry fee for car and 2 people is £48 for members (£53 non members) to include rally plate, tulip road book, refreshments at the start, cream tea at the finish and other refreshments options available at cost (e.g. bacon rolls etc at Aylesford). Admission to some parts of Chiddingstone Castle is an optional extra payable on the day. Additional passengers (over and above driver and navigator) £9 each. Payment is normally by BACS and details will be supplied on receipt of entry, though payment by cheque will be possible.

Entry forms available from:- Chris Laver, email [chris@whitesands82.co.uk](mailto:chris@whitesands82.co.uk), (07377 460415)

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