# The Kingdom of Mourne Event for Pre 1931 Motorcycles - July 2025

## **Information Sheet**

The 20<sup>th</sup> Kingdom of Mourne event for pre 1931 motorcycles will take place from Friday 25<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2025. This event is one of only two annual events in Ireland specifically for pre 1931 motorcycles. (The other being the Slievenamon Event run by the Irish Vintage and Veteran Motorcycle Club in May and based in Kilkenny).

As in the past few years, the event will be based at the **Kilmorey Arms Hotel** in Kilkeel, County Down in the southeast of Northern Ireland. The event will comprise a series of scenic road runs, and a number of social gatherings. The road runs will generally be on quiet scenic roads in and around the Mournes area, suitable for pre 1931 machines and following suggested routes using tulip diagrams. Each days run will be followed by a sweeper, who will collect entrants who are unable to complete the run and return them directly to the hotel.

## **Provisional program**

### Friday 25th July.

There will be a short afternoon run of about 50 miles departing the hotel at 2:00pm following signing on and a short safety briefing. There will be an opportunity to stop off for refreshments along the suggested route. On Friday evening there will be a BBQ in the covered and heated beer garden terrace at the hotel.

## Saturday 26th July.

The main run of the event will leave the hotel at 9:30am following signing on and a short safety briefing. The suggested route will be about 100 to 120 miles, and stop for morning tea/coffee, a light lunch (soup and sandwiches) and afternoon refreshment before returning to the hotel for the event dinner in the evening.

## Sunday 27th July.

The run will leave the hotel at 9:30am following signing on and a short safety briefing. The suggested route will be approximately 40 to 60 miles and will stop for morning tea/coffee. Sunday lunch will be a two course meal at the Maghera Inn at about 12:30pm. Following lunch, the suggested route will take riders directly back through the mountains to Kilkeel for early afternoon, leaving time to pack up and head off home.

## **Parking**

Some car, van and trailer parking is available at the hotel and, as in previous years, we hope to have parking available in a locked yard across the road from the hotel.

## **Entry options**

Please see the entry form for the entry options and costs.

## **Option A - Entry for the complete event -** including accommodation and meals.

The complete event package with accommodation comprises two nights bed and breakfast accommodation from Friday 25<sup>th</sup> July to Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> July at the Kilmorey Arms Hotel. It includes a buffet meal on Friday evening and a 3 course event dinner on Saturday evening, both at the Kilmorey Arms. It also includes a light lunch on Saturday and a 2 course lunch at the Maghera Inn on Sunday.

For those who wish to bring a partner who doesn't intend to participate in the daily runs but still wants accommodation and evening meals only, please contact the event organiser directly for a reduced cost.

**Option B - Day Entry for the complete event** - without accommodation - with or without meals as desired\*.

**Option C - Day Entry for specific days** - without accommodation - with or without meals as desired\*.

\*Day entrants should specify the meals they want on their entry form.

Morning tea/coffee and a souvenir mug are included for those entered for the complete event and for all day entrants.

Please complete your entry form and confirm your attendance as soon as possible to secure your place and accommodation. (Accommodation at the Kilmorey Arms Hotel is limited.)
Payment should be returned no later than 25<sup>th</sup> June 2025. Payment details are on the entry form.

If paying by PayPal, please select the "Friends and Family" option when asked for payment type. If you have paid in previous years, please check that the payment type is "Friends and Family". (This is to avoid any additional PayPal fees.) Please include your name and the reference "KOM25" on your payment.

If you wish to add additional nights' accommodation either before or after the event, please contact and book with the hotel directly but do mention that you are taking part in the event so that we can organise rooms accordingly.

#### Kilmorey Arms Hotel

43 Greencastle Street Kilkeel. BT34 4BH

Tel: 028 4176 2220

https://kilmoreyarmshotel.co.uk/

For those wishing to make their own accommodation arrangements, alternative accommodation (B and B, camping etc.) is available locally.

#### Ferries:

For ferry bookings it might be useful to contact Nutt Travel. While there is no specific deal for the Kingdom of Mourne event, fares offered by Nutt Travel are usually competitive <a href="http://nutttravel.com">http://nutttravel.com</a> Tel: 028 7035 1199

If you have any specific queries or questions, or wish further information, please contact me directly.

I look forward to seeing you all in July.

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