

Isn't it time you took the Motorkhana challenge?

Motorkhana is a low speed discipline that caters for all drivers – from the beginner to the most skilled and experienced. The standard car is often the entry level vehicle but if you prefer, there is the opportunity to compete at the top end of competition in purpose built Motorkhana specials. Race cars are not particularly suitable due to their stiffer suspension and larger turning circle so the weapon of choice for most is the everyday driver or road-going Porsche.

Motorkhanas test the acceleration, braking and manoeuvrability of a vehicle and the skill, control, judgement and determination of the driver. Don't let anyone tell you it's not a real motorsport. Motorkhanas hone the finer skills of car control. CAMS sanctions more of this type of event each year than any other type of Motorsport event.

The course may be set up on a sealed or unsealed surface but PCQ currently chooses the sealed surfaces – the dirt and grass options result in massive clean-ups. The course or 'test' as it is known, consists of a 'start garage', a 'finish garage' and a series of coloured flags around which the participant has to drive. Of course you are timed! As you do more runs of the course your placement on the test layout improves as does your selection of gears. The direction of travel around the test is set. The course layout and intended travel path is displayed on a large board for you to peruse. Creative driving paths (WDs – Wrong Directions) are not the ideal and will only result in extra time penalties!! PCQ Motorkhanas do not involve any reversing manoeuvres; or courses that are particularly tight.

It's a good idea for newcomers to observe several runs of other competitors to learn the course layout. Don't be disheartened if you 'get lost' in your initial attempts at a course. Some of the best motorkhana gurus have not had memorable starts in their early events. Determination to succeed goes a long way!

Motorkhanas are a good fun event for the whole family. PCQ members aged 12 and over with an appropriate licence are eligible to compete. Everyone from beginner driver to established driver gets to challenge themselves to improve their car handling techniques.

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Come to our next event – you won't be disappointed!

Links:

Short Promo video – Australian Motorkhana Championships 2011 *N.B. These guys are not novices!*

https://www.youtube.com/watch?annotation_id=annotation_885364&feature=iv&src_vid=QMDF2dx7S1Q&v=WYlCx9HE29g

CAMS website 2013 Motorkhana Test Booklet – *Choose from Straight Slalom, Gate Slalom, Twister, Plumb Crazy, any course that fits our given space. (No reversing in PCQ tests). Lots we don't use.*

<http://docs.cams.com.au/Motorsport/General%20Documents/Motorkhana%20Test%20Book%202013.pdf>