

CANTERBURY MOTORSPORT INTERCLUB SERIES - 2026

April Report

Already the 2026 Interclub season is looking like one of the best in a long while.

Round 1 has proved that by producing a close result even with a turnout of 18 keen competitors. It certainly didn't help that there was a clash with 2 other events that came to being well after the Ratec event was planned.

Adrian Harris (Moke) finally found and sorted his engine gremlin and blew the rest of the field into the ryegrass. Ratec's Byron Kelsall (WRX) picked up second in a close tussle with Steve Hall (Mini). Each club took a share of the points with Canterbury squeaking in 2 points ahead of Ratec, both clubs fielding 5 competitors.

The next rounds are both in June with 2 sealed sprints to keep the flow going. The Ashburton Car Club, Levels Sprint on the 6th and the Canterbury Car Club seal Autocross on the 27th.

Sadly, the Autosport gravel sprint on Woods Rd has had a date change and is the same day as the Ashburton Street Sprints. We now hope the August 8th event can fit the calendar. It will be great to have gravel back on the menu and gives each club a better chance of winning the Interclub series in 2026.

The 2026 Interclub Series:	April Point's position:
Club	Points
Ashburton Car Club	39
AutoSport	20
Canterbury Car Club	69
RATEC Motorsport	67



Adrian Harris growing to a great win.

The DAVE McCAHON TROPHY (1982), 2026 INTERCLUB SPEED calendar:

1. Sat 28th March 2026 Grass Autocross – Leeston RATEC – 18 drivers
2. Sat 6th June 2026 Dual Car Sprints - Levels Ashburton –
3. Sat 27th June 2026 Sealed Autocross – EM Ruapuna Canterbury –
4. Sat 8th August 2026 Gravel Sprint – Autosport – TBC
5. Sun 13th Sept 2026 Dual Car Circuit Sprints – EM Ruapuna Canterbury – TBC
6. Sun 18th Oct 2026 Banks Peninsula Hillclimb – Kinloch Rd RATEC - TBC
7. TBA 2026 Grass Autocross – TBA Autosport -
8. Sat 28th Nov 2026 Standing ¼ Mile – Somerton Rd, Rakaia Ashburton – TBC

INTERCLUB MOTORKHANA CHALLENGES 2026

The FORCES CUP (1959), 2026 INTERCLUB SEALED MOTORKHANA calendar:

1. Saturday 30th May 2026 Sealed Motorkhana – Ruapuna
Get your teams of 3 sorted and come and give Canterbury a run for their money. Entries opening VERY SOON!

The GRIFFITHS CUP (1955), 2025 INTERCLUB GRASS MOTORKHANA calendar:

1. Sat 11th October 2025 Grass Motorkhana – Hunters Paddock Flaxton Rd
Canterbury Car Club took the trophy once again. The Ratec team put up a spirited competition.

Teams are made up of 3 competitors from each Club and must be advised at Drivers Briefing. Online entry only please. Regs are online through the Canterbury Car Club website.

THE LUPP CUP FOR NAVIGATION RALLIES 2026

The first Round is the Ratec annual Autumn Navigation Rally on April 16th in the Leathfield area of North Canterbury as each club tries to field a team of 3 crews to try and beat the 2025 trophy winners.

The Lupp Cup for Navigation Rallies		2025 FINAL Point's position:
Club		Points
Ashburton Car Club		0
AutoSport		0
Canterbury Car Club		96
RATEC Motorsport		84

After Round 4: 30.10.25. (max points available 1st – 3rd = 27)

The LUPP CUP TROPHY (1960), 2026 INTERCLUB NAVIGATION RALLIES calendar:

1. Thu 16th April 2026 The Ratec Autumn Lupp Cup Navigation Rally Rnd 1
2. Thu 14th May 2026 The CCC Winter Lupp Cup Navigation Rally Rnd 2
3. Thu 20th Aug 2026 The CCC August Lupp Cup Navigation Rally Rnd 3
4. Thu 15th Oct 2026 The Ratec Spring Lupp Cup Navigation Rally Rnd 4
Every 3rd Thursday every month (usually). Contact the clubs for details.

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