A **MOTORKHANA** is a cheap and enjoyable form of motorsport and at the same time is one of the most competitive. It is an event in which you can use almost any vehicle (standard road cars can be very competitive) and is primarily a test of driver skills. Cars compete against the clock, one at a time, with drivers negotiating a set course which is defined by (non-damaging) markers such as plastic cones. The course must be negotiated in the correct sequence, with penalties applied for going the wrong way or hitting markers etc.

Part of the course may have to be negotiated in reverse. The winner is the person who completes all of the courses in the shortest time.

Events are normally held on smooth grass or tarseal venues such as farm paddocks or carparks. Because the venue is usually a wide open space and the speeds involved are low (more tests are completed using 1st and/or reverse gear), the risk of vehicle damage while competing is low.

Depending on the number of entries, competitors may be divided into classes thereby providing greater competition. Opportunities exist to enter a maximum of two events prior to gaining membership of a member club.

Below extract taken from the Motorsport NZ website, see link below for entire text

http://www.motorsport.org.nz/sites/default/files/motorsport/manual

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Part Two - Standing Regulations for the Conduct of Motorkhanas

- **1. Introduction:** A Motorkhana is a test primarily of driver skill (rather than outright speed) in which competitors negotiate a precise course usually defined by flags or cones. Motorkhanas are usually held on a tarseal or gravel car park, or a grass paddock.
- 2. **The Course:** The layout of each motorkhana test is free except that no test course may exceed 200metres in length and must be sufficiently clear of spectators and their cars etc.

4. Vehicles:

4.1 All vehicles shall as a minimum be to a warrantable standard, with a securely mounted seat, safe steering and effective brakes. The Clerk of the Course has discretionary powers as to the type of vehicle deemed suitable for the venue.

Note: Competitors should be familiar with and adhere to the MotorSport NZ Code of Practice – Fuel, which is available on the MotorSport NZ website (www.motorsport.org.nz)

5. Competitors:

5.1 Membership and Licence requirements:

- (1) All drivers shall hold a current club membership of a Member club or Associate member club, except new entrants to motorsport, who may compete in two(2) club level Motorkhanas before being required to join a club. A MotorSport NZ Competition Licence is not a prerequisite except as specified in (2) below.
- (2) Any driver between the ages 12-16 years who does not hold a valid MotorSport competition licence may be allowed to compete in Motorkhanas on the following conditions;
- (a) That the venue restrictions along with the vehicle type and cubic capacity restrictions detailed in Appendix One Schedule L Article 3.2(2) are respected, and
- (b) Only at the discretion of the Event Clerk of the Course.

6. Conduct of the Meeting:

- **6.1** Prior to competition, the Clerk of the Course must brief all drivers covering the number of attempts at each test, starting, finishing, timing, any relevant event penalties and the determination of results.
- **6.2** Each test must conclude with a complete vehicle stop, either on a line, astride a line or within a predetermined area, (eg. a garage), as advised at briefing.
- **6.3** Only one(1) vehicle at a time may run on a test.
- **6.4** Passengers may not be carried in National permit status level events. Passengers may only be carried in ClubSport permit status level events, at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course, for the purpose of driver coaching.