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remember Gunnar Nilsson
Memorial Trophy
Donington Park 1979





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Photo of the month By David Goose of Motorsport Imagery.

Jeff Smith tried his hardest to take the lead away from Joe Thompson on the last corners but had to settle for second in both Mini Seven races at the BARC race meeting at Silverstone on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2021. Report on the meeting on Page 20.





## **BMC & Leyland Show.**

The British Motor Museum at Gaydon will host the BMC & Leyland show on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2021. A huge range of British marques will be on display that were produced by the BMC, British Leyland and the Rover Group.

This year the show will celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Morris Marina. The organisers hope to encourage as many Marina and Ital (the Marina successor) owners to join the celebrations. Anyone arriving in a Marina or Ital on the day will be offered free entry and vehicle display.

The Historic Marathon Rally Group and the Mini Cooper Register have teamed up to offer the 'Historic Rally Display' - a fantastic mix of rally cars which should include Ford, Hillman and Audi.

It is expected that hundreds of vehicles will be lined up outside the museum, ranging from the humble Mini to the larger Rover 800s, Montegos and Maestros, as well as vans and lorries

Tickets cost £14.50 for spectators and must be booked in advance. For more information see the museum website www.britishmotormuseum.co.uk/whats-on

# **Classic Nostalgia at Shelsley Walsh.**

This year marks the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of this popular annual event. Celebrating the glory days of motorsport, Classic Nostalgia at Shelsley Walsh offers a full weekend of action both on and off the hill. Great cars from across motorsport history will gather at the oldest motorsport venue in the UK on the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> July 2021.

High-lights include ERÁ R4D returning to its spiritual home to compete. Former land-speed record contender 'The Beast of Turin' will roar its way up the hill. There will be a spectacular display of rally legend cars in action. Off track, the Classic and Sports Car Concours d'Elegance is set to return along with live music and entertainment in the courtyard.

The event is Covid-19 secure, so book in advance. Tickets cost £25 in advance. For more information see their web site https://www.shelsleywalsh.com/



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Aston Martin Vanquish Zagato Shooting Brake. By Pete Austin

Making an appearance at the first Gaydon Gathering of the year at the British Motor Museum was a very

rare Aston
Martin
Vanquish
Zagato
Shooting
Brake. I say
rare because
this is one of
only 99
examples
made.
Based on the



now discontinued Mk2 Vanquish the car carries the Aston Martin 5.9 litre V12 engine under the bonnet which is mated to an 8 speed paddle-shift Touchtronic automatic transmission. The engine develops 580 bhp giving it a top speed of 200 mph and will get you to 62 mph in just 3.5 seconds.

The car uses the rear from the Rapide in the design to

give an important flat load area. Certainly a car that stands out from the crowd.





# Austin Jap.

Seen at the VSCC Curborough Speed Trials was this 1930 Austin Jap, driven by Jack Austerberry. With a 1098cc engine, he was entered in the Pre 1941 Racing Cars up to 1100cc class 13. He started the day with a practice run of 49.08 seconds and by the end of the second run he had improved his time on every run to finished with a best time of 44.63 seconds. This put him 5<sup>th</sup> in the class times.







# 60<sup>th</sup> Birthday celebrations for E-Type at London Classic Car Show.

World famous Jaguar E-Type iconic vehicles will top the 60<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations at the London Classic Car Show. There will be a full E-Type history on display, with extra 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary milestones for V12 models.

Two of the World's most famous Jaguar E-Types will headline the celebrations at Syon Park - ECD 400 and 49 FXN. Graham Hill drove ECD 400 to a debut victory at Oulton Park just weeks after the car was launched.

To further the E-Types sporting credentials, Jaguar produced 12 lightweight models in 1963. To contend with the high speeds reached at Le Mans, two of these were subsequently fitted with unique low drag coupe bodies. With its unique tapered nose and streamlined tail, 49 FXN is the most original, significant and unique of these vehicles (See above).

The London Classic Car Show takes place between the 25<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> June 2021 at Syon Park. Adult tickets cost £25 in advance. Capacity is limited. For further information see the official website theclassiccarshowuk.com



# Bentley Drivers Club Silverstone: Bumper race-card planned. Golden jubilee Times Trophy race takes pole position

The 50th anniversary of the Times Trophy race will be the centrepiece of what should be another cracking day's



racing at the Bentley Drivers Club's 73rd annual race meeting at Silverstone, the home of the British Grand Prix, on Saturday 7 August.

The Times Trophy encounter, a Bentley scratch race incorporating a contest for Pre-War cars, is the meeting's blue riband event and will be the undoubted high point of an 11-race programme – the biggest in recent years.

The list of multiple Times Trophy winners down the years

reads like a who's who of the BDC's most celebrated drivers: Alan Padgett, Tim Llewellyn, Ian Bentall, Adam Stacy-Marks, Peter Morley and Hawkeye Wijkander. In recent times, brothers Simon and Stuart Worthington have also claimed the coveted silver rose bowl on multiple occasions, flying the flag for Bentley's modern-day saloon models, while the current champion is four-time winner Michael Higginbotham who has remained undefeated



since 2017 in his imposing black Mk VI Special; indeed, The Gadget itself hasn't actually been beaten since 2016 when Michael's father Mike Haig triumphed.

The Times Trophy race typically provides the day's most closely fought action, and this year the competition should be hotter than ever, with a staggered start being introduced to allow the older cars a greater chance of winning against the more modern machinery.

Complementing the Bentley scratch encounter will be the traditional Bentley Handicap race which starts from the pit lane.

The popular 'garden-party' style club meeting will also feature two races each for the Aero Racing Morgan Challenge and MGB GTV8s along with grids for FISCAR (Fifties Sports Car racing Club), Ecurie Classic Racing, BDC Classic Challenge (incorporating the Morgan Techniques Trophy) and Allcomers scratch plus TVRCC Challenge.

This year is an historic one in the annals of Bentley motorsport as the marque celebrates the centenary of its maiden victory. In May 1921, famed Bentley Boy Frank Clement, driving the works 3-litre EXP2 at Brooklands, won the Junior Short Handicap and thus started the long and successful history of Bentleys in competition which



still continues today.

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To add its own colour to the celebrations, Bentley Motors will showcase a mouthwatering selection of models from its Heritage Collection, including:

- the aforementioned EXP2 world's oldest surviving Bentley;
- Birkin Team Car No2 Blower which led the 1930 Le Mans 24 Hours and one of the world's most valuable Bentleys
- Speed 8 2003 Le Mans-winning machine



- Pikes Peak Continental GT production car record holder at the US hill climb course from 2019
- Continental GT3 second-generation race car

Adding further spice to the day will be the always well-subscribed Bentley parade, in which up to 200 Club Members' glorious models of all ages will take to the Northamptonshire track.



BDC Competitions Captain Mike Haig said: "We are hoping our largest race-card of recent years will help provide the perfect setting in which to celebrate two major milestones: the centenary of Bentley's first win and the golden jubilee of the Times Trophy race. And after holding the meeting behind closed doors last year we look forward to welcoming back spectators once again."

Ticket prices for the meeting will be announced in due course – please check the Silverstone website (<a href="www.silverstone.co.uk">www.silverstone.co.uk</a>). The meeting will be subject to the Government's latest Covid-19 guidelines.

Bentley Speed 8 June 2021

Fulminea Hypercar UK Debut at Salon Privé.

The ground breaking Automobili Estrema Fulminea will make its UK debut at this years Salon Privé, which runs at Blenheim Palace between the 1st and 5th September 2021. This fully electric hypercar is built by Italian firm Automobili Estrema, based in Modena and founded in 2020 by Gianfranco Pizzuto. The company is aiming to make the Fulminea the fastest technology lab on wheels' and will specialise in the design and production of exclusive hypercars built in limited numbers. The car is due to go on sale in the second half of 2023. It will be the first car in the World to use an innovative 'hybrid' battery pack that combines Li-ion cells with solid-state electrolyte and ultracapacitors. This will provide 100kWh of energy to power the four electric motors, with a total output equivalent to 2040 hp. This should propel the car from 0-320 kph in less than 10 seconds. The predicted range is 520 kms. The weight of the vehicle should be just 1500kg, with the battery weight of only 300 kg. As well as incorporating the most sophisticated

As well as incorporating the most sophisticated technology, it will also feature an aerodynamic and compact shape, using lightweight composite materials. It





also has active aerodynamic elements, including a retractable rear wing and front air intake.

The car will be displayed at Salon Privé as part of a brandnew Concepts & Prototypes class in the Salon Privé Concours d'Elégance.

For more information and to purchase tickets for Salon Privé see <a href="https://www.salonpriveconcours.com">www.salonpriveconcours.com</a>

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# The Marshals Post.

Motorsport cannot exist without the support of the 'Orange Army', the volunteer ladies and gentlemen marshals who are required at all motorsport events. They cover a wide variety of tasks at motorsport events. The most obvious are the trackside incident marshals who are positioned all around the track. If an incident occurs, they will spring in to action to assist any driver who requires help. This may just involve pushing vehicles away from the track if they have suffered a mechanical failure. In more serious situations, they may have to extract a driver from a damaged vehicle. Marshals have regular training sessions around the country, to give them the required skills to achieve the results required during a motorsport event. If you want to get involved with motorsport and get close to the action, then become a Marshal. Get more information from the British Motorsport Marshals Club web site at https://www.marshals.co.uk.



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#### **VSCC Herefordshire Trials**

To comply with Covid restrictions, this year's Herefordshire Trial abandoned its normal 2-day format in favour of being run as two separate one-day trials thereby ensuring that the maximum number of competitors could take part without needing to stay locally overnight. By using the same seven hills each day, the geographical spread of the trial was also reduced.

Around 70 cars and crews took part each day and, with the ground being so dry after a prolonged period without significant rainfall, many of them completed the event without dropping a single point. There is always a tiebreaker built into the Herefordshire Trial in the form of a timed section on one of the hills, Dean's Place, but this normally comes into play only in rare instances. This year, however, it proved vital in determining the result on both days.





Alexandra Milne-Taylor and her father, Philip carefully traversing the rocky section at the start of Pelham's Penyard 2 in their AJS 2-Seater Sports on their way to winning a first class award

On Saturday, there were eight competitors who finished the day with maximum scores and all would receive First Class awards while on the basis of their tie-break times, Jon Fleming (Austin 7 Ulster) came out on top and took





the Herefordshire Trophy. The trophy for the winner of the 'opposite' class, in this case the long wheelbase cars, went to Rob Hubbard and his Vauxhall H-Type 30/98.





Sunday's trial saw even more full scores, fifteen in all, with Stewart Rich and Francine Pimperton in their Austin 7 making the fastest time at Dean's Place to win the major





trophy and Charlotte Bowyer (Ford Model A) winning the long wheelbase class and the Andrew Blakeney-Edwards Trophy.









In a class dominated by Austin 7s, Martyn Quilter's Singer Junior Special provided welcome variety.

















Time for a chat at the end of an enjoyable day's trialling







#### Britcars roar into 2021 action at Silverstone

The last weekend of April saw the Britcar endurance series return for a two race meeting at Silverstone. Good sized grids for the Britcar Endurance series and the Praga Cup gave a great basis to a fantastic racing weekend in good spring weather.

Race one saw the Lamborghini Huracan run by JMH, driven by Jamie Steele and John Seale take a convincing





victory, this turned out to be a bit of a theme for the day. At the end of the race, Steele had lapped the entire field and finished over a lap ahead of second placed finishers Richard Wheeler and Danny Harrison in their Nissan GT3 who finished fifth on the track. The Lamborghini duo took pole position as well to make it an almost perfect start to



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their weekend. John Seale pitted early undercutting their early rivals, Frank Pelle in the Lamborghini and Will Powell's McLaren. Although the Praga's ran at the front early in the race, they couldn't keep up the pace for the race duration, although on the track, Jack Fabby and Charlie Martin in their Praga R1 did finished second, with Christopher Wesemael and Richard Morrison in their

Praga third on the the track.

Class two victory went to Lucky Khera and Ross Wylie in their Ferrari 488, class 3 honours went to Bon Grimes and Johnny Mowlem in the Ferrari 458 whilst the Cupra TCR of Alex Day and Will Foster took class 4 honours. Jack Fabby and Charlie Martin were victorious in the Praga Cup.

Race two was a repeat of race one, with Seale and Stanley in the Lamborghini victorious with Wheeler and Harrison this time finishing second in the Britcar Endurance class but in third place overall in the race.

Second place on track went to the Praga team of Gordie Mutch and Abbie Eaton. The winning margin between the two leading endurance cars was again over a lap, a clear warning to the rest of the field so early in the season. Two poles, two fastest laps and two victories, the perfect way to





start the season at the home of the British Formula 1 Grand Prix. The race start was spoilt when seven cars were eliminated at the second corner, three TCR's, two Ferrari's, one Ginetta and a BMW all sustaining race ending damage, only seconds into a one hour race. Due to the number of unclassified cars in the second corner incident, there were no class two finishers, class 3 honours went to Bon Grimes and Johnny Mowlem again





whilst Hugo Cook and Sacha Kakad took honours in the Class 4 Audi TCR.

The series moves on to Snetterton for the second race weekend of the year, seven weekends in total this season



# Britcar Endurance Championship - Endurance & Praga Categoroes













## Mini Se7ens Saturday Silverstone

Back on circuit for the first time this year the pace was fast and furious as usual, this time at Silverstone it was the International Circuit being used, a configuration not often raced on, but makes for fast close action.

After warm up and onto qualifying the pace at the front was relentless, the top ten places covered by

Consistant day for Jeff Smith with two second place finishes

just over 2 seconds. Taking pole was Spencer Wanstall with a time of 1:24.342 seconds, reigning champion Jeff Smith took second place on the front row a fraction over 0.2 second behind. Jonathan Lewis third place and after a years break a returning Joe Thompson took fourth. Jo Polley made an excellent start to the year to claim 6 position on the grid.

Race one got underway in dry and bright conditions and it wasn't long before Joe Thompson hit the front, a position he would stay in for the whole race

and take the chequered flag. Before even the first lap was over there was a coming together for several cars whilst exiting Vale, the biggest loser in this was Jo



Mini Se7en Race 1 winner Joe THOMPSON

Polley who's car got launched over a kerb whilst getting back on circuit, then hit and spun which left her stranded on the outfield, thankfully she was alright but that was her race over.

With Joe Thompson out in front, Lewis had made his way to second place, he managed to hold this for only two laps before a charging Jeff Smith passed him on lap 3. Lap after lap the gap between Smith and Thompson started to come down, a little over 3.00 secs on lap 3 but only 0.238 sec at the flag. Third place was taken by Spencer Wanstall who had a battle with Lewis, third and fourth places being exchanged several time.

In the S-Class, newcomer Michael Winkworth took the Class win.



## Mini Miglia Sat Silverstone

Moving on to the Miglia and the qualifying was even closer than the Se7ens, just 1.5 sec covering the top ten. At the end of the session it was Endaf Owens on pole, Nick Padmore alongside completing the front



row, Rupert Deeth third and ex BTCC racer Andrew Jordan fourth, 0.121 sec covering the top four places.

During the opening 4 laps first place would change several times between Owens and Padmore before finally on lap four Endaf Owens made the pass stayed there till the chequered flag. The tustle then turned to the remaining podium places with positions changing several times between Jordan, Aaron Smith, Rupert Deeth and Padmore. On lap five Jordan seemed to have the upper hand taking second place, he managed till hold it till lap 9 when Deeth got in on the mix. By lap twelve it had all changed again, Jordan back in second and Padmore and Smith fighting for the final podium step. With the first two places now fixed the places were changing on each of the last four laps for that final place, but now Sam Summerhayes had come into the mix, close at the flag, but not close enough to take

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third place 0.2 secs back. Final podium positions were Endaf Owens, Andrew Jordan and Aaron Smith.





















# CTCRC Shell Oils Pre 83 Touring Cars & JEC Saloon & GT



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**Stuart CAIE Ford Capri** 





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### Sunday

The second day of the British Automobile Racing Club (BARC) saloon spectacular started with three qualifying sessions for the Britcar Trophy category, the TCR/Touring Car Trophy/VW Racing Cup combined race and the CTCRC Pre93/Pre03 races. The Silverstone International 1.85 mile circuit was being used, out of the Wing pit complex.

The racing started early with race 9 of the weekend, the second race for the Dunlop Mini Challenge supported by Mini Spares - Miglia. The Miglia field were at the front of the grid, with the first eight finishers from yesterday's race in reverse order, so James Cuthbertson was starting from pole position. At the back was the Libre class, with the top four finishers from yesterday reversed, so Les Stanton was starting from pole position. The race was the usual Mini high speed train with Kane Astin leading the first couple of laps before Rupert Deeth went through in to the lead which he held until lap fourteen. Nick Padmore had been on his rear bumper all the way through and



eventually got the lead with three laps to go, taking Andrew Jordan and Aaron Smith with him, pushing Deeth back to 4th. Padmore won by just 0.291 of a second from Jordan who was only 0.480 of a second ahead of Smith, while Deeth stopped two laps from home and was not classified. The Libre class was won by Richard Colburn, who just remaining on the winning lap. In 2th was Peter Hills who was lapped by the race winner and 3th in the Libre class was Les Stanton.



The other Mini race on Sunday was the second twenty minute race for the Dunlop Mini Challenge supported by Mini Spares - Se7en, race fourteen on the programme. The grid was split in two, with the first eight in each class reversed from their finishing order in the first race. This gave 8<sup>th</sup> placed Andrew Deviny pole position at the front of the Mini Se7en 998 class and Darren Cox in pole position on the second grid for Mini Se7en S 1300 class. Deviny managed to hold on to the lead for the first lap but then dropped down to 6<sup>th</sup>. Spencer Wanstall took the lead for a



Three abreast on the first lap of the Mini Se7en race in to club corner with Jeff Smith ahead by a bumper and poleman Andrew Deviny right behind.

couple of laps before being first passed by Jeff Smith and then Joe Thompson. This pair had a good fight for the lead with Smith leading over the line most laps with Thompson getting in front on a few occasions, but Thompson made it count on the last lap to win by just 0.188 of a second from Smith. They were over eleven seconds ahead of 3<sup>rd</sup> placed Nicholas Croydon-Fowler,

Mini Se7en second race winner Joe Thompson

with Jonathan Lewis, Connor O'Brien and Deviny rounding out the top six places. The winner of the 7S class race was Michael Winkworth who finished 11<sup>th</sup> overall and just 0.266 of a second ahead of 2<sup>nd</sup> in class Damien Harrington in 12<sup>th</sup>. Matthew Ayres was 3<sup>rd</sup> in class in an Austin Mini 1275, with Darren Cox, Ryan Taylor and Greg Daw completing the top six finishers in the 7S class race.



















Before the lunch break, Race 10 on the programme was the first fifty minute Britcar Endurance Championship Trophy Category race of the day. The Woodrow Motorsport BMW 1 Series of Simon Baker had claimed pole position by just over half a second from the Simon Green Motorsport BMW M3 E46 of Jasver Sapra. From the rolling start it was Sapra just ahead of the BMW M249i of Andy Tucker with Baker in 3rd. As they rounded Village for the first time, chaos broke out just behind the leaders. Several cars ran wide and as Simon Khera in his BMW E36 M3 (#50) tried to rejoin the circuit his rear wing clipped the front of the VW Golf Cup of Steven Chandler (#35), who suddenly found himself with nowhere to go as the VW Scirocco of Matt Evans (#77) was alongside on the other side. The black BMW got spun round right in front of the other two, who had nowhere else to go. The Golf had the front bumper ripped off, while the Scirroco, who was travelling slightly faster, rammed the BMW hard on the front edge of the drivers door. The BMW was spun round through a full 360 degrees and off the track on the inside of the circuit, while the two damaged Volkswagens'











continued round the circuit. Simon Khera emerged unharmed and the marshals had to push the car away from the circuit as the Safety car lead the field round the track. The drivers door on the BMW now opened from the front edge.

Sapra was now leading the field from Tucker and Baker when the race restarted. Chandler in the Golf was still running, minus the front bumper and other damage to the front end while Evans in the VW Scirocco retired. The field was released on lap six and Sapra continued to lead but Baker immediately passed Tucker and closed on the leader and the Ginetta G56A of Mark Lee moved into 3<sup>rd</sup> place. The first three continued to lap together and Lee took 2<sup>nd</sup> on lap ten, only to loose it again the next lap. Baker took the lead on lap fourteen and then took his pit stop the next lap. This put Sapra back into the lead until he took his pit stop the following lap. This promoted the Ginetta of Lee in to the lead for three laps before he took





his pit stop. It was now lap twenty and Tucker in the BMW was in the lead with Kester Cook in a Ford Fiesta in 2<sup>nd</sup> and Richard Higgins in a Porsche 996 in 3<sup>rd</sup> over twenty seconds behind. Tucker pitted next lap giving Higgins in the Porsche the lead for a single lap before he also pitted. After all the pitstops it was Baker leading by over sixteen seconds from Lee and Sapra. The order remained the same until the chequered flag came out after 37 laps. So the race was won by Baker in the Woodrow Motorsport BMW 1 Series by over thirty three seconds from Lee in the SVG Motorsport Ginetta G56A in 2<sup>nd</sup>, In 3<sup>rd</sup> place was the

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Simon Green Motorsport BMW M3 E46 of Sapra. The only other car completing the full race distance was the Kan-Yan Racing BMW M249i of Andie Stokoe in 4<sup>th</sup> place. Higgins in the County Classic Porsche 996 took the class 2 win in 7<sup>th</sup> place. The Clio Class was won by James Colburn in a Westbourne Motors Renault Clio Gen 4 in 10<sup>th</sup> place. The final class winner was the Class 3 Aldrich Consulting with reflex Racing Ginetta G20 of 16<sup>th</sup> placed Steve Griffiths.

Race 18 later in the afternoon was the second fifty minute Britcar Endurance Championship Trophy Category Race. It proved to be another demonstration run for Simon Baker in the Woodrow Motorsport BMW 1 Series, who led from start to finish except for two laps after his pitstop, when Richard Higgins in the County Classic Porsche 996 briefly held the lead, until he made his pitstop. Baker took a comfortable win, over thirteen seconds ahead of Jasver Sapra, who improved on his first race performance to finish 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Simon Green Motorsport BMW M3 E46. Having his second top three finish of the day, Mark Lee

brought the SVG Motorsport Ginetta G56A home in 3rd place. Again, only four cars completed the full race distance. This time it was the SBD Motorsport Ford Fiesta of Kester Cook that took 4th place at the flag. Taking his second class win of the day in 6th place was Higgins in the Porsche 996. Tony Prendergast in the JW Bird Motorsport VW Scirocco had finished 6th on the road but was given a thirty eight second time penalty converted from a stop go penalty, which dropped him to 8th in the finishing order. James Colburn took his second Clio class win of the day in the Westbourne Motors Renault Clio Gen 4. Steve Griffiths made it a clean sweep of two out of two victories, winning class 3 again in the Aldrich Consulting with reflex Racing Ginetta G20 in 18th position overall. Finally we had the Invitation class winner, Paul Sheard in the Mazda who finished 30th in the second race after being disqualified from the first race.

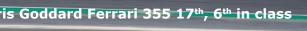


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Barry McMahon Alfa Giulietta 28th, 5th in class













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The first of the days CTCRC races was out next. Race 11 was the CTCRC Laser Tools Pre 93 and Simply Serviced Pre 03 first race of the day. Starting from pole position was the Pre 03 Honda Civic Type R of AJ Owen, and the fastest Pre 93 was next to him on the front row, David Griffin in a BMW E36 M3. Owen grabbed the lead from the start, taking Ray West in his Pre 93 BMW M3 E36 with him, from 3<sup>rd</sup> place on the grid. By the third lap West was

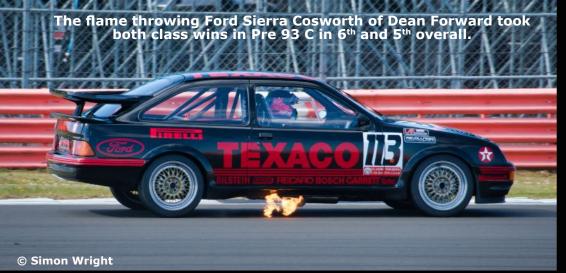




Ray West in the BMW M3 E36 took Pre 93 honours in both races, with 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> overall.

in the lead with Owen right behind him. Making the third in the leading bunch was Gary Prebble in another Pre 03 Honda Civic EG. Owen passed West to retake the lead on lap six and slowly pulled out a three second lead, which he held until the end of the race. His winning margin was 3.665 seconds over West with Prebble right behind West to take 3<sup>rd</sup>. Owen in the Honda Civic Type R won the race and was the first Pre 03 car to finish. West in the BMW M3





E46 took the Pre 93 honours. Prebble in his Honda Civic EG also won his class, Pre 03 D. The next class winner was 6th placed Dean Forward in his Ford Sierra Cosworth who took the Pre 93 C class. He was followed home by Pre 03 C class winner Russell Dack at the wheel of a BMW E46 Compact. The sleek Jaguar XJS of James Ramm took 9th place and the Pre 93 A class victory. The next class winner was Andrew Sheraton in a BMW 325i E30 in 25th position. He was followed home by Pre 93 D class winner Mark Fynney in a Vauxhall Astra GTE 16v in 26th and the final class winner was Jake Margalies in a





BMW 320i for Pre 93 E.

The second 15 minute race of the day was Race 15 on the programme, and the cars started in their finishing order from race 1, so Owen in the Civic Type R was in pole position. It was Prebble in his Honda Civic that made the most of the second row grid position, to lead the first four laps before Owen in the Civic Type R took the lead and



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opened up a slight gap as they starting lapping traffic. West had held a steady 3<sup>rd</sup> place in his BMW M3 until lap ten, when Don Hughes in a Pre 03 Peugeot 306 XSi got passed in to 3<sup>rd</sup>, but was too far back to challenge for 2<sup>nd</sup> in the last 3 laps of the race. At the chequered flag, Owen in the Pre 03 Honda Civic Type R won by 1.757 seconds from Prebble in another Honda Civic, who again won his class Pre 03 D. Hughes in the Peugeot was 3<sup>rd</sup>, giving a clean sweep of the podium positions to the Pre 03 class cars. The Pre 93 B honours went again to Ray West in the



BMW in 4<sup>th</sup>. Forward took a second class win in Pre 93 C in the Ford Sierra Cosworth in 5<sup>th</sup>, followed by Dack in his second Pre 03 C class winning BMW E46 Compact. Ramm (Jaguar XJS), Sheraton (BMW 325i) and Margalies (BMW 320i) all took second class wins of the day.



Two class wins in two races for Jake Margalies in his BMW 320i





















There were two Maximum Networks Volkswagen Racing Cup incorporating the Goodyear Touring Car Trophy (TCT) & TCR UK races on Sunday. The first race was number twelve on the programme. The field consisted of eleven TCR cars, two TCT cars and 5 VW entries. The TCR cars were the fastest in qualifying and Max Hart led a Hyundai lock-out at the front of the grid, with all three Hyundai i30 N TCR cars starting on the front two rows of the grid. The Volkswagen Racing Cup cars had a separate grid at the back, with Olly Turner fastest in his VW Golf. As the race started Hart took the lead from Lewis Kent in another Hyundai i30 N TCR, while at the back of the grid, Olly Turner was left on the grid in his VW Golf, as the rest of the field headed for then first bend. Hart led from start to finish winning by just over two seconds from Lewis Kent in another Hyundai i30 N TCR. Although he was never headed in the race, the official first lap leader was Max Powell in another Hyundai i30 N TCR, as he went straight in to the pits at the end of the first lap to retire, which is shorter than going round club corner. In 3rd place and



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Darron Lewis won the Touring Car Trophy class win in the Mercedes A Class NGTC in both races.

winning the Touring Car Trophy class was Darron Lewis driving a Mercedes A Class NGTC. The VW Racing Cup race was won by 11th placed Jack Depper in a VW Scirocco, a lap behind the TCR race winner. The second Twenty Five minute race was number 16 on the programme and to spice things up, the top six were reverse ordered on the grid, putting William Butler in pole



position in a Cupra TCR. The VW Cup had the top four reversed, which meant that Chris Wallis in the VW Golf was in pole position for the separate grid at the back end of the field. At the end of the first lap Dan Kirby in the Cupra TCR was in the lead chased by Lewis Kent in the Hyundai i30 N TCR. First race winner Max Hart, in another Hyundai i30 N TCR, was in 3<sup>rd</sup> and chasing hard after the leading pair. Kirby managed to keep the lead until lap four when Kent took the lead and the following lap Hart went through in to 2<sup>nd</sup>. They stayed in that order for the rest of the race, with Kent keeping the gap at around the two second mark. At the finish Kent won by 1.552 seconds from Hart, reversing the order o the first race but still producing a Hyundai 1-2. Kirby held on to 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Cupra.

Olly Turner in a VW Golf won the VR Racing Cup class in the second race.



Demon Lewis took a second Touring Car Trophy class win in 5<sup>th</sup> place. The VW Racing Cup class winner in this race was Olly Turner in his VW Golf after first race winner Jack Depper in his VW Scirocco was given a ten second penalty after he made contact with Turner during the race, pushing turner wide and off the course. The penalty

reversed the positions over the line, giving Turner victory.

The VW Racing Cup class was won by Jack Depper in a

VW Scirocco in the first race.



Toby Bearne TCT Mercedes A Class NGTC 8<sup>th</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> in class in both races.

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Russell Joyce VW Golf 12th and 2nd in class, 15th and 5th in class.

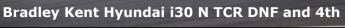


Danny Krywyj Cupra TCR 9<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> in class and 10<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> in class.



William Butler Cupra TCR 6th and DNF.

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VW Golfs of Jeff Alden 13th, 3rd in class and Chris Wallis 14th 4th in class in both races



Hugo Cook Audi RS3 TCR 5<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> in class and 6<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> in class. June 2021



Dan Kirby Cupra TCR 4<sup>th</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> in class and 3<sup>rd</sup>, sweeps round the Wing.

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Close battle between double race winner Robert Wood in the Holden Commodore and Andrew Wilson Holden Morano in the Historic Thunder Saloons

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Next on track was the first of two fifteen minute CTCRC Edmundson Electrical Classic/Historic Thunder Saloons and Burton Power BOSS races. Race thirteen on the programme saw Richard Wood in the Holden Commodore start from pole position. From the start, Andrew Wilson in the Holden Monaro swept into the lead, but his start was

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Two 3<sup>rd</sup> places and two Historic Thunder Saloon class wins for Jason Highes in the Class C Vauxhall Vectra 888 ST

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judged to have been too good and he was given a 10 second penalty for a false start. Wilson led the first lap but was passed next time round by Wood. They stayed nose to tail for several laps before Wood managed to creep ahead slightly, crossing the line just over two seconds ahead. This was adjusted to a twelve second victory after the penalty ten seconds were added to Wilsons time, but he still kept 2<sup>nd</sup> place. He still had a ten second advantage





The Class H1 winning Holden VH Commodore of Paul Eaton finished 17th in the first race. © Simon Wright

over 3<sup>rd</sup> placed Jason Hughes who took a class victory (CTC) in his Vauxhall Vectra 888 ST. Right on the tail of the Vectra as they crossed the line was the 4<sup>th</sup> placed, and class winning (CTB) BMW E30 of Garrie Whittaker. The BOSS B winner was 9<sup>th</sup> placed Malcolm Harding in his Ford Escort Mk2 Zakspeed. Another winning Escort was 13<sup>th</sup> placed Colin Voyce in his Ford Escort Mk1 who took class CTH3. The next class winner was Ashley Shelswell who won BOSS S in his Ford Sierra XR4i in 16<sup>th</sup> position, the last driver to complete full race distance. Paul Eaton



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was 17<sup>th</sup> overall in the Holden VH Commodore, winning class CTH1. The final two BOSS class winners were 19<sup>th</sup> placed Tony Paxman, who took BOSS C in his Ford Escort Mk1 and 23<sup>rd</sup> placed James Dunkley in a Ford Fiesta who won BOSS F.

Their second race of the day was number 17 on the programme and saw a repeat performance of the first race. This time Wood in the Commodore won by over eight seconds from Wilson in the Monaro, having run nose to tail for the majority of the race. Hughes took his second



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class win in the Vectra with his second 3<sup>rd</sup> place of the day. We had a new class winner in 4<sup>th</sup> place, as Jason West in his BMW M3 E46 took class CTB ahead of Whittaker, who had won the class in the first race. Voyce improved a



BOSS F winner in both races was James Dunkley in a Ford Fiesta

BOSS D class winner in the second race was William Hunt Ford Fiesta, here being passed by Jack Gadd Ford Escort 2<sup>nd</sup> BOSS B.

place to 12<sup>th</sup>, winning Class CTH3 in his Ford Escort Mk1. Shelswell in the Sierra XR4i in 15<sup>th</sup>, Eaton in the Commodore in 16<sup>th</sup> and Paxman in the Escort in 18<sup>th</sup> all took second class wins in the second race. A new class winner in the second race was 20<sup>th</sup> placed Martin Reynolds driving a Ford Anglia won BOSS B and 26<sup>th</sup> placed William Hunt in a Ford Fiesta won BOSS D, while Dunkley in his Ford Fiesta took a second class win of the



BOSS B class winner in the second race was Martin Reynolds Ford Anglia 20th overall.

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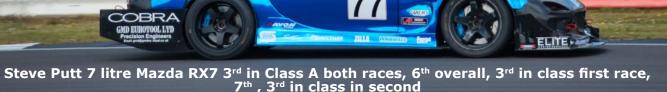
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To celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the iconic Opel Manta and to look forward to an electric future, a special one-off has been created to showcase Opel's heritage and new electric direction. The iconic Opel Manta has been recreated as a fully electric RestoMod, the Manta GSe ElektroMOD. This seems to be part of a growing trend of transforming classic cars into so-called RestoMods, with modern components and powertrains.

The traditional four cylinder engine has been replaced with a 108kW electric motor, which produces the equivalent to 145 bhp and 225 Nm of torque. The original four speed gearbox has been retained to allow for the chance to manually change gear in an electric car, or select fourth gear and drive automatic. With a 31kWh lithium-ion battery, the Manta GSe has a range of around 124 miles

from a single charge. As a one-off special, the Mantra Gse has not been subjected to WLTP type approval testing.Like the current Vauxhall electric range it also features regenerative braking to improve the range. The

charging takes place through a 9kW onboard charger, with a full charge taking just under four hours to complete.

The Manta Gse features Vauxhall's latest design elements, with the brands Vizor-styled



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front end evident immediately. It comes with a Pixel-Vizor front end that stretches across the entire width of the front, with the Pixel technology allowing it to issue messages, such as "I am on a zero e-mission", followed by the silhouette of a Manta Ray gliding over the Pixel-Vizor. The front end also features LED daylight running lights. At the rear, the iconic circular rear lights come with a striking 3-D



## LED design.

The yellow paintwork is contrasted by the signature black bonnet. The wheel arches house specially designed 17-inch Ronal alloy wheels with 195/40 R17 tyres at the front and 205/40 R17 tyres on the rear.



The interior features the latest Vauxhall digital technology. The classic round instruments have been replaced by the Vauxhall Pure Panel, with two driver oriented 12-inch and

10-inch digital displays. The sound system has also been modernised with a new unit from the legendary Marshall brand.

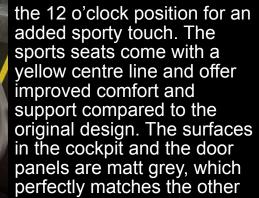
The steering wheel is a Petri three spoke wheel reworked by Opel. It features a yellow marker at

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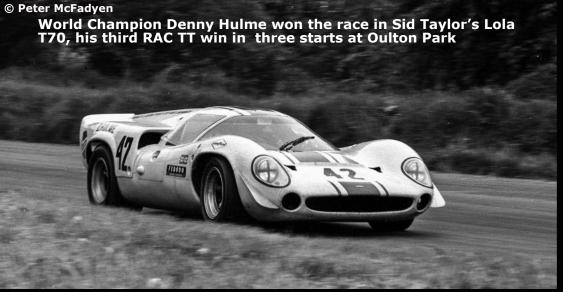
neo-classic yellow and black coloured elements. The ceiling of the passenger compartment is lined with fine Alcantara and completes the stylish ambience of the new Opel Mantra Gse ElektroMod.
Both Vauxhall and Opel have pledged to offer an electrified variant across their entire range by 2024.



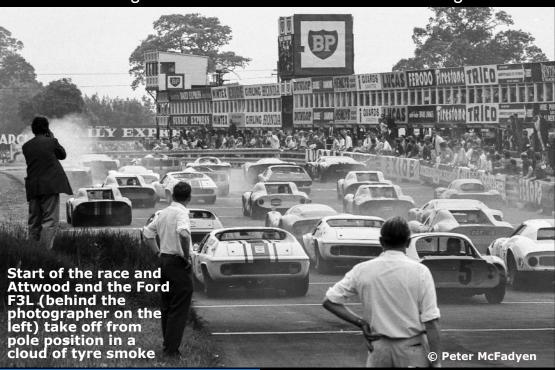
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33<sup>rd</sup> RAC Tourist Trophy, Oulton Park, 3<sup>rd</sup> June 1968
The RAC Tourist Trophy is often billed as the world's oldest continuing motor race having first been won in 1905 by John Napier driving an Arrol-Johnston in the Isle of Man. Having been run at various locations including





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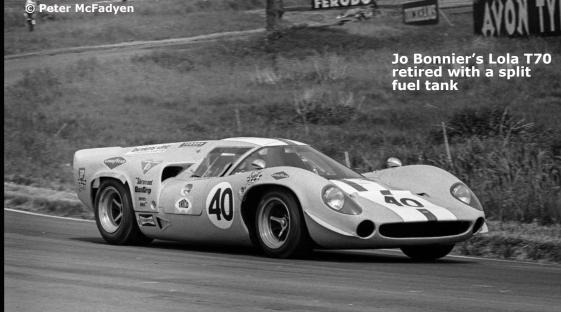


Dundrod, Northern Ireland and Goodwood, it came to Oulton Park for the first of five times in 1965 when New Zealander Denny Hulme won in a Brabham BT8. He won again in 1966 driving a Lola T70 and in 1967 the race was run as a round of the European Touring Car championship

John Burton's Worcestershire Racing Association-entered Ginetta G16 was so new and unsorted that it was withdrawn following practice



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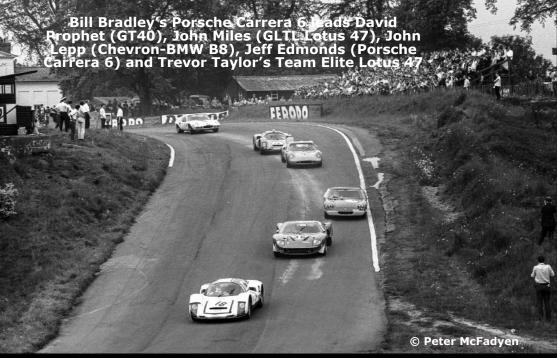


with Andrea de Adamich victorious in an Alfa Romeo GTA.

For 1968 the race reverted to sports cars of FIA Groups 4 and 6 although, as it was a non-championship event, there



Bill Bradley's Porsche Carrera 6 entered by the Midland Racing Partnership finished fifth overall and won the 2litre Group 4 class



was initially some confusion as to whether the engine capacity limits would apply. The race was to be run over 110 laps of the Cheshire circuit, 303.6 miles in all with practice/qualifying on Saturday 1st June and the race itself

Paul Hawkins (Ford GT40) led the race for a time before finishing third overall, one lap down on the winner

on the bank holiday Monday. Cars were divided into under- and over-2 litre classes for both groups 4 and 6 and fastest in practice was David Attwood, fresh from finishing second in the previous weekend's Monaco Grand Prix and this time driving the Alan Mann-entered Cosworth 3-litre powered Ford F3L or P68. Swedish driver, Jo



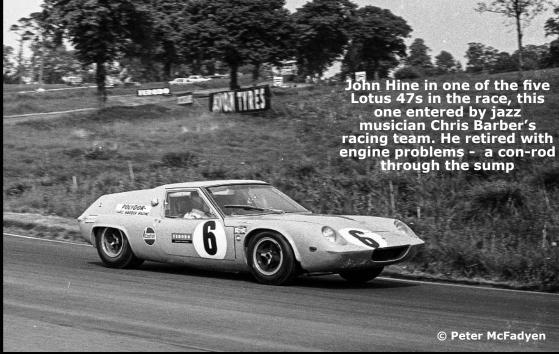
Bonnier was second fastest in his yellow Lola T70, the only international entry, and completing the front row was David Piper in his green Ferrari P3/4. Paul Hawkins' lightweight Ford GT40 was on the second row with Tony Dean alongside in his Ferrari Dino, by far the fastest 2-litre car. While Denny Hulme was flying back from Indianapolis where he had just finished fourth and where British driver Mike Spence had crashed fatally during qualifying, his Lola T70, fitted with a 5.5 litre Chevrolet engine, was qualified seventh fastest by its entrant Sid Taylor.

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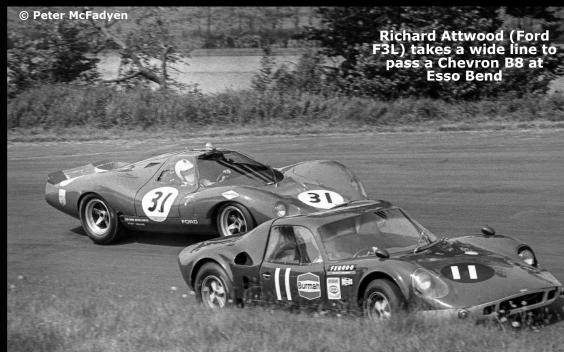


Attwood went straight into the lead from the start followed by Hawkins, Dean, Bonnier and Piper and the rest but just ten laps into the race the red and gold Ford was into the pits to investigate strange handling. A lap later it was back to retire with a broken differential. Hawkins then led from





Bonnier but not for long as the Lola was soon to retire with a split fuel tank and by the time 25 laps had been



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completed, reigning World Champion Hulme, having settled himself in to the Lola T70 (now with a regulation 5-litre engine), was up to second place and pursuing Hawkins for the lead. Piper's Ferrari lay third with Dean's Dino next up and well ahead in the 2-litre Group 6 class.

Piper was closing on Hawkins but, when the Ferrari made a stop for fuel and oil, Richard Attwood, whom Piper had nominated as reserve driver and who was at a loose end with the Ford having retired, took over the Italian car and soon passed Hawkins for second place. Hulme looked like

© Peter McFadyen After a successful but no doubt exhausting weekend, Denny Hulme is about to receive the RAC Tourist Trophy for the third time

he would hold off the flying Attwood but then, with only ten of the 110 laps to go, his gearbox started to cause problems. Despite this and everything Attwood could do, the World Champion held onto his lead to win by nearly ten seconds after three hours of racing. Hawkins finished third ahead of Dean with the 2-litre Porsche Carrera 6s of Bill Bradley, Jeff **Edmonds and Jeremy** Delmar-Morgan filling the next three places.

The RAC TT returned to Oulton Park the following year when Trevor Taylor (Lola T70) was the winner of a race marred by the death of Paul Hawkins and, after that, it moved to Silverstone as a round of the European Touring Car series.

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A lovely sunny spring day greeted the competitors as they arrived at Curborough for the first round of this years Vintage Sports Car Club (VSCC) Speed Championship. This event had to be run behind closed doors with no spectators present, due to the continuing lock-down

Edmund Burgess set the 2<sup>nd</sup> fastest time overall and won the Pre-1941 Racing Cars 1501-3000cc, taking the award for 1<sup>st</sup> in class.



restrictions in England at that time.

After morning practice runs, the competitive timed runs began after the lunch break, with all competitors allowed to have two timed runs during the afternoon. The large entry, as usual was spilt into multiple classes, with the Curborough Trophy awarded for the Fastest Time of the Day. This was won by Julian Grimwade in a 1934 3.5 litre Frazer Nash Single Seater racing car. His fastest time was 38.07 seconds which also gave him 1st in Class 16 Pre-1941 Racing Cars over 3000cc. This was 0.74 seconds faster than his nearest rival, Edmund Burgess, who was driving a 1932 2.3 litre Bugatti Type 51. His time of 38.81 gave him 1st in Class 15 for Pre-1941 Racing Cars 1501-3000cc.

The Fastest Vintage Car award went to Winston Teague in his distinctive yellow and black 1922/30 1.1 litre Wasp Single seater. His best time was 39.52 seconds also gave

Fastest Vintage car award went to Winston Teague in the Wasp single seater, as well as fastest in class 13.

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him a class win with 1<sup>st</sup> in Class 13 for Pre-1941 Racing Cars up to 1100cc.

The final two overall awards went to Peter Batty for

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Fastest Youngest Driver at the wheel of a 1930 Frazer Nash Super Sports in 42.90 seconds and to Roger Collings in a 1903 Mercedes 60HP for the fastest Non-Aero Edwardian Car in a time of 47.80 seconds. Class 11 was won by Dougal Cawley in the 1929 GN/Ford Piglet with a time of 39.65 seconds. He was also awarded





1<sup>st</sup> Vintage car in class. With a time of 39.66 seconds, Dr David Pryke in a 1936

Frazer Nash Shelsley took 2<sup>nd</sup> in Class 15. The iconic 1937 ERA R12C of Terry Crabb set a best time of 39.84 seconds to win Class 14 for Pre-1941 Racing



Despite this spin in practice, Terry Crabb in ERA R12C still 64 won class 14 for Pre 1941 Racing Cars 1101-1500cc



Cars 1100-1500cc. Just outside the 40 second barrier was Chris Hudson in a 1934 Bugatti T35B, who set a time of 40.26 second to collect the 1st Vintage award for Class 15 Pre-1941 racing cars. He was followed closely by Greg Lerigo in the 1932/35 Riley Special who with a time of 40.95 seconds took the class win in Class 9 **Special Sports Cars** and Saloon cars

1101-1500cc unsupercharged and up to 1100cc supercharged.





Class 3 for Standard and Modified Sports Cars and Saloon cars 1101-1500cc unsupercharged and up to 1100cc supercharged was won by Mrs Jo Blakeney-Edwards in a 1929 Frazer Nash Sports with a time of 42.50 seconds, which also gave her 1<sup>st</sup> Vintage in class. Not far behind on time was Geoff Smith in the 1918 Edwardian Cars class winning Piccard-Pictet Sturtevant Aero Special with an impressive time of 42.88 seconds,





















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not bad for a car 103 years old.

Moving to over forty three seconds and we had Christopher Tabor in his 1935 Riley Special take 1st in Class 10 Special Sports Cars and Saloon Cars 1501-3000cc unsupercharged and up to 2250cc supercharged with a time of 43.25 seconds.

Next up and only slightly slower was Class 9 Special Sports Cars and Saloon Cars 1101-1500cc unsupercharged and up to 1100cc supercharged Handicap winner Dr David



Morley. He set a best time of 43.47 seconds in his 1932 Riley Special. Just behind him on time was Class 3 Handicap winner David Johnson in a 1929 Frazer Nash Super Sports. His best time over the two runs was 43.62 seconds. The Frazer Nash Super Sports is a very popular car in vintage motorsport circles, proving successful in both sprint, hill climb, trials and racing events.

A much larger car, which is also popular in vintage motorsport is the Lagonda.

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Nigel Hall took the class win in his Lagonda LG45 with a best time of 44.55 seconds in Class 6 Standard and Modified Sports-Cars and Saloon Cars over 3000cc unsupercharged and over 2000cc supercharged. Class 2 for Standard and Modified Sports cars and saloon cars 751-1100cc unsupercharged and up to 750cc supercharged was won by lan Standing in a 1929 Riley Brooklands with a time of 44.64 seconds.



Class 13 Pre-1941 Racing Cars up to 1100cc Handicap winner was Peter Loxston in his 1932 Austin Fiat with a time of 45.18 seconds.



Joe Collings in a 1924 Bentley 3/4 ½ litre was 1<sup>st</sup> on handicap in Class 11 for Special Sports Cars and Saloon Cars over 3000cc unsupercharged and over 2250cc supercharged with a time of 45.46 seconds. Class 5 for Standard and **Modified Sports** Cars and Saloon Cars 1501-







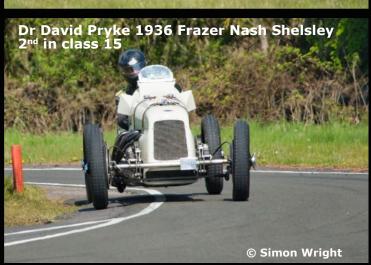












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2000cc unsupercharged and up to 1500cc Supercharged was won by Paul Wignall in a 1929 Alvis Silver Eagle He set a time of 45.84 seconds. In the same class the Handicap award went to Alistair Littlewood in a 1926 Bentley 3 litre. His best time was 50.92 seconds. Taking the class win in Class 8 for Special Sports Cars and Saloon Cars up to 1100cc unsupercharged and under



750cc supercharged was Kevin Morton in a 1931 Riley 9 Special with a best time of 45.86 seconds. The 1st Vintage in the class went to David Furnell in his Austin 7 The Toy with a time of 46.98 seconds and the class handicap



1<sup>st</sup> Vintage car in class8 was David Furnell in his Austin 7 The Toy.



winner was Benjamin Craven in an Austin 7 with a time of 47.44 seconds.

Class 1 Standard and Modified Sports Cars and saloon cars up to 750cc unsupercharged saw Stuart Rose in his 1930 Austin 7 Ulster take both 1st in class and 1st vintage in class awards with his time of 49.40 seconds





Class 4 for Standard and Modified Sports Cars and Saloon Cars 1501-2000cc unsupercharged and up to 1500cc supercharged was won by Roy Tubby in a 1935 Frazer Nash TT Replica in a time of 49.97 seconds, while class Handicap winner Anthony Costigan in a 1938 Frazer Nash/BMW 327/80 DHC had a time of 50.13 seconds.



Roger Twelvetrees beat William Twelvetrees to take the handicap award in the Edwardian cars class with his time of 54.94 seconds, though William was faster round the course with a time of 49.42 seconds in the shared 1910/11 Wolseley 16/20.





















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with a Lotus 80 and a 79 and Williams driver Alan Jones appeared with the new FW07. Brabham had intended that Niki Lauda should represent them but his business commitments put the kybosh on that so Nelson Piquet filled in. This must have been a real treat as he got to

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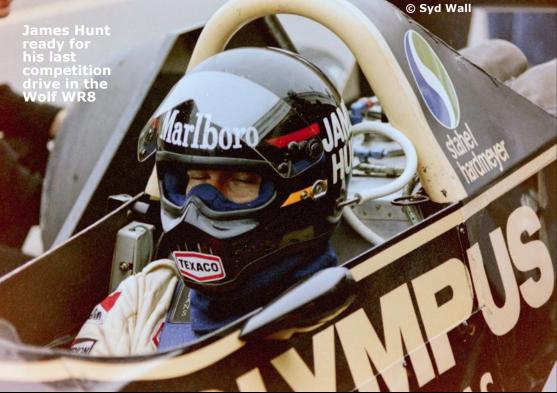
drive the fantastic Brabham BT46B fan car, giving it only its second and final outing. The final entry came from the team Nilsson didn't get to drive for, Arrows. With

both of their drivers engaged elsewhere, the team decided to offer the drive to Rupert Keegan, a good friend of Nilsson's and a pallbearer at his funeral.

The action was non-stop with a number of top quality support races, all packed into one day keeping the big 20000 crowd entertained. The Trophy was decided with a warm up lap, three flying laps and an in lap. With slowest practice time first, Rupert Keegan was first on track but he



must have been disappointed with his 1m 5.09s lap time, slower than the circuit record held by Brian Henton's F2 March. James Hunt had been slow in practice and was next out setting an impressive time 3.5 seconds quicker than Keegan, 1m 2.54s. Nelson Piquet's Brabham fan car required a different driving style from his usual BT46 and he wasn't sufficiently dialled in to get the best from it. 1m 3.61s left him in 4th place at the end of the day. Mario Andretti's Lotus 80 broke its suspension in the morning



## **Gunnar Nilsson Memorial Trophy**

In the mid 1970s, Gunnar Nilsson was the new star of Swedish motor sport, joining Ronnie Peterson in Formula 1. In his first season, he replaced Peterson at Lotus in 1976, becoming Mario Andretti's team mate. Despite some good results, including a win in 1978 at the Belgian GP, unreliability, non finishes and crashes blighted both seasons. Many fans thought he unfairly lost his seat at the end of 1977 as he had finished 8th and 10th in the drivers championships in his first two seasons. Ronnie Peterson jumped back into his Lotus seat for 1978 with Nilsson signing for new team, Arrows.

But the Arrows drive never happened as Nilsson had been diagnosed with aggressive testicular cancer at the end of 1977 and he deteriorated rapidly. He dedicated the rest of his life to founding and running the Gunnar Nilsson Cancer Foundation. Sadly, he outlived his countryman

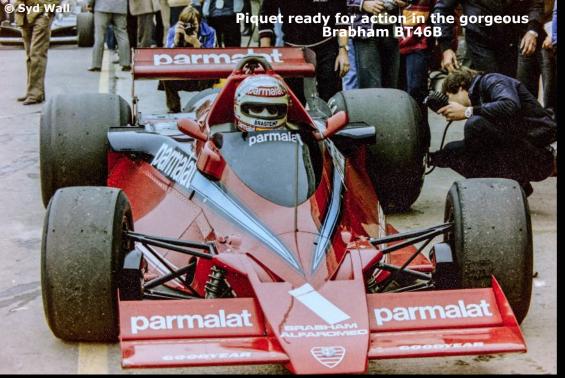
following the untimely death of Ronnie Peterson after the infamous accident at Monza although Nilsson only survived for a further 5 weeks.

James Hunt was a supporter of the Foundation and became one of the prime movers behind organising a fundraising event, the Gunnar Nilsson Memorial Trophy. It was expected to be a non-championship F1 race and Tom Wheatcroft, keen to achieve a Grand Prix at his Donington circuit, offered to host the race. Ultimately, external forces meant the race became a time trial on June 3rd 1979 with just 5 entries due to clashes with other events. Although Hunt had secretly already retired from driving, his final race being the previous GP in Monaco, he was committed to driving in the event so he was entered in the Wolf WR8. Lotus World Champion Mario Andretti arrived



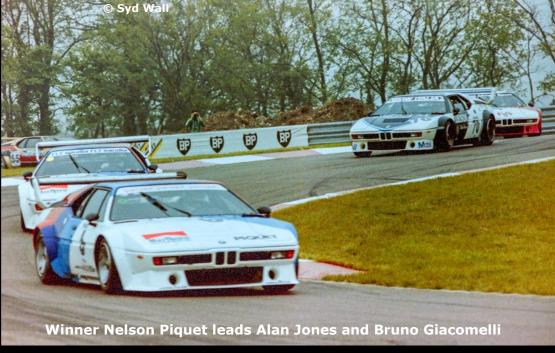
The world champion's Lotus 79





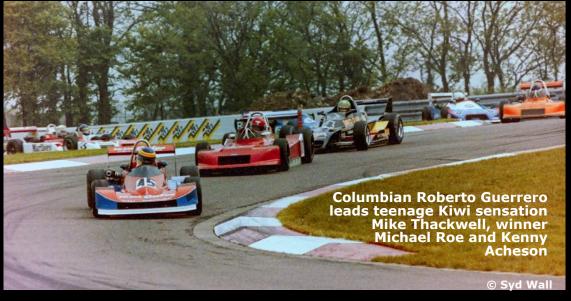
and took the Lotus 79 to 1m 2.67, just a little slower than Hunt who just have been pleased with his final competitive drive. Finally, Alan Jones was imperious, faster on each lap to end up more than a second clear of Hunt on 1m

1.37s showing his form for the rest of the season and the following year. There is a story that James Hunt displayed a pit board for Jones declaring RAIN but it didn't put Jones off! The F3 race was won by Irish driver Michael Roe, another young star who didn't go as far as his talent deserved. The crowd pleasing BMW M1 Procar race was won by Nelson Piquet, no doubt finding it



easier to drive than the Brabham fan car. The other race of note was for the curious BMW County Championship. This series lasted for just two years, BMW providing twelve identical cars (all prepared by Tom Walkinshaw) based on the 323i and representing twelve different

counties. The drivers didn't have to be born or based in the county their car represented as the roster included Hans Stuck, Stefan Johansson, Brian Muir and Brett Riley alongside Andy Rouse, Win Percy, Nigel Mansell, Tiff Needell & Derek Bell. The races were always full of frantic action and tended to be demolition derbies. This race was won by the young but very experienced Martin Brundle







in his first year of track racing but a veteran since the age of 12 on grass tracks on on the Hot Rod circuit.





Franks Sytner trying hard.



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Early in the BMW M1 race - Winkelhock, Stuck,
Andretti and James Hunt © Syd Wall



Rupert Keegan about to go out to practice



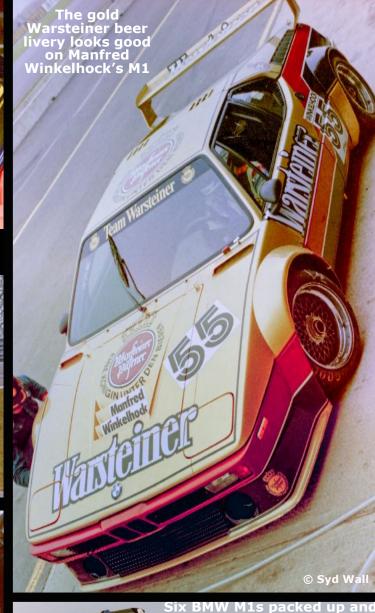


Mario Andretti reacquaints himself with the Lotus 79 controls after broken suspension on the 80.





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The Network Q Rally of Great Britain 1999 was the 14th round of the World Rally Championship and started in Cheltenham. This was in the good old days, when the Rally of Great Britain actually went round different parts of Great Britain including the Midlands, Yorkshire, the Lake District, Scotland and Wales in different years, rather than

just being Rally Wales GB as in recent years, where it stays in Wales for the majority of the event. In this period, the first day was often made up of what the drivers called Micky Mouse stages, where the rally was brought to the people with special stages at Stately Homes, racing circuits and even safari parks. In 1999 the Sunday stages took place around the Midlands of England, with stages at Cheltenham, Cornbury,

Blenheim and a popular public stage at Silverstone, the home to the British Grand Prix. The circuit was able to have two separate stages, including part of the Grand Prix circuit. It also housed a service area for the cars to be worked on by the mechanics and a 'new' Super Special stage' where two cars went round two side by side circuits, including a built-in jump. This allowed the fans to see two drivers go head to head against each other, with the finishing lines next to each other, so it was obvious which driver crossed the line first.

After the Midland stages, the rally returned for the first overnight halt at Cheltenham, then the next two days were spent in Wales. The rally had attracted a top class entry of 160 cars, including reigning, three times, World Champion Tommi Mäkinen in a Mitsubishi Lancer EVO XI, Carlos Sainz and Didier Auriol driving Toyota Corolla WRC, Juha Kankkunen and Richard Burns driving the Subaru Impreza SS WRC and the other Great British hope, Colin McRae in a Ford Focus RS WRC '99.

The early leader was Tommi Mäkinen in the Mitsubishi and Marcus Gronholm in a Peugeot 206 WRC who tied on

the first stage. The second, third and fourth stages saw Kankkunen fastest in the Subaru and into the lead of the rally. The fifth stage saw Gronholm in the Peugeot 206 fastest, while Burns in the Subaru took stage six and Mäkinen stage seven while Kankkunen maintained his overall rally lead. Stages eight, nine and ten all went to Burns, which moved him in to the overall lead of the rally. Gronholm took stage eleven, while























Burns took twelve, thirteen and fourteen, opening up a thirty-two-second lead in the rally. Stage fifteen saw Kankkunen win the stage and close the gap to Burns by two seconds. Stage sixteen saw Carlos Sainz fastest in the Toyota, while Burns managed to slightly increase his lead. Burns then showed he meant business, taking fastest times on stages' seventeen, eighteen, nineteen





and twenty to increase his rally lead to over two minutes from team mate Kankkunen. But Kankkunen wasn't finished yet and took twenty seconds off Burns on the penultimate stage. Burns was not going to give up a home victory though and stormed the last stage at Margam,



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beating Kankkunen on the stage by over five seconds. This ensured the local hero his home victory. The final results show that Richard Burns and Robert Reid in their Subaru Impreza S5 WRC 99 won by 1 minute 47.3 seconds. Making it a Subaru 1-2 was Juha Kankkunen and Juha Repo who finished 2nd in their Subaru Impreza



S5 WRC 99. In 3rd place was Harri Rovanpera and Risto Pietilainen in a SEAT Cordoba WRC Evo2, a further three minutes behind. In 4th place was the Skoda Octavia WRC of Bruno Thiry and Stephane Prevot, followed in 5th by Freddy Loix and Sven Smeets in a Mitsubishi Carisma GT Evo. Rounding out the top six was Thomas Radstrom



and Gunnar Barth in a Ford Focus RS WRC '99. In 7th place was the Peugeot 206 WRC of Gilles and Herve Panizzi. Marko Martin and Toomas Kitsing were 8th in a Toyota Corolla WRC and Petter Solberg and Phil Mills took 9th in a Ford Focus RS WRC '99. The top ten was



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completed by Matthias Kahie and Dieter Schneppenheim in a Toyota Corolla WRC.

The class winners were 12th placed Luis Asensio Climent and Alex Romani in a Subaru Impreza S5 WRC '98, 15th placed Mark Higgins and Bryan Thomas in a Volkswagen Golf IV Kit Car, 22nd placed Ramon Ferreyros and Gonzalo Saenz in a Mitsubishi Lancer Evo V plus Mats Andersson and Claire Mole in a Proton Compact in 32nd





place. The final class winners were Gethin Jones and Kevin Devine in a 51st placed Daewoo Lanos SX in 51st place plus Andreas Mansfield and Marc de Long in a Honda Integra Type -R DC2 in 55th place. The A5 class was won by Tim Miller and Peter Moss in a Nissan Micra Kit Car and the N1 class saw Les Allfrey and Richard Pomfret in a Peugeot 106 Rally.



















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**Gethin Jones and Kevin** Devine won their class in the Daewoo Lanos SX, finishing 51st.

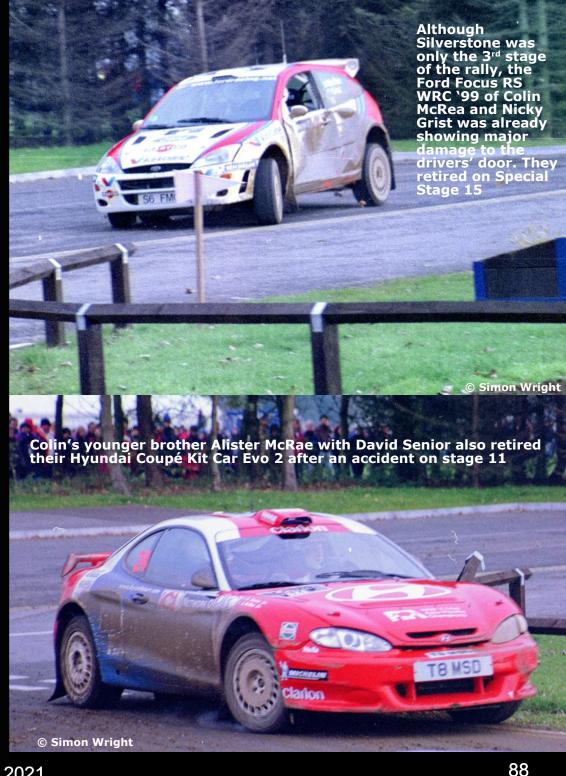
Of the other leading entries, Tommi Mäkinen and Risto Mannisenmaki retired the Mitsubishi Lancer Evo VI on special stage 20 with engine problems. Carlos Sainz and Luis Moya retired the Toyota Corolla WRC on stage 21 wit suspension problems, with his teammate Didier Auriol and Denis Giraudet retiring their Toyota Corolla WRC on the very next stage, 22, also with suspension problems.

The local drivers didn't fare much better, with Colin McRae and Nicky Grist retiring their Ford Focus RS WRC '99 on stage 15 due to an accident

and his brother Alister McRae and David Senior retired their Hyundai Coupe Kit car Evo 2 on stage 11 due to an accident.

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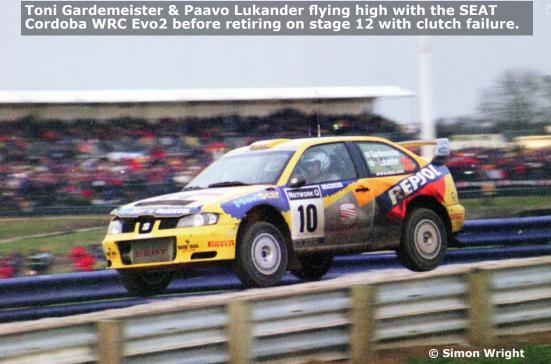
Gwyndaf Evans and Howard Davies retired the SEAT Cordoba WRC Evo2 on stage 16 with engine problems. © Simon Wright



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## Amon Cup for GT40s

Miles Griffiths/Gordon Shedden GT40 winner of the Amon Cup race



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the lead of the Formula Junior (1958-60)

race on Saturday, Drake winning by a 93 whisker

**Drake and Mallock pass the pits** 

Classic and Competition Car



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## **RAC Woodcote Trophy & Stirling Moss Trophy for Pre-61 Sportscars**



Battle for the lead was close thoughout between the Tojeiro Jaguar of James Cottingham/Oliver Bryant and the Lister Jaguar of Rob Smith and Chris Ward



The Austin Healey of Kerry Wilson/Marek Reighman spins in front of David Cottingham's Ferrari 500TRC © Peter McFadyen



The ex-works HWM-Jaguar, HWM 1, driven by Gregor Fisken and Sam Hancock is once again painted green and



carrying the number it wore in the 1956 Mille Miglia when it crashed with fatal results for driver John Heath,

Robi Bernberg (Cooper T39) and the Lotus MkX of Malcolm Paul and Rick Bourne lead © Peter McFadyen the Lola Mk 1 of Sir John Chisholm and Sam Wilson and the Cooper T39 of John Clark/ **Gordon Mutch** 



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RAC Pall Mall Cup for Pre-66 GT, Sports Racing and Touring Cars.



The Aston Martin DP214 was classified 45th in the 3-hour Pall Mall Trophy race for pre-66 sports and GT cars © Peter McFadyen

The Kent/Ward E-Type which finished 3rd overall and 2nd in class chased through Mcleans by the class winning Haddon/Lynn Elan which finished fifth overall

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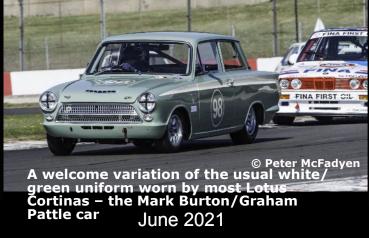






## Historic Touring Car Challenge (HTCC/Tony Dron Trophy/STCC/U2TC)







The Adrian Wilmott/Mark Farmer Ford GA Capri finished third overall and won 96 its class