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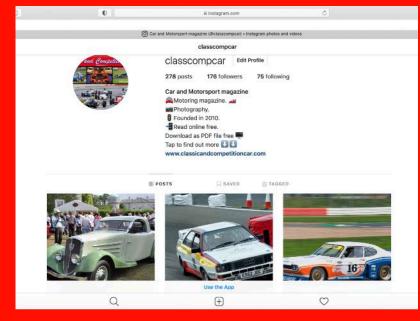
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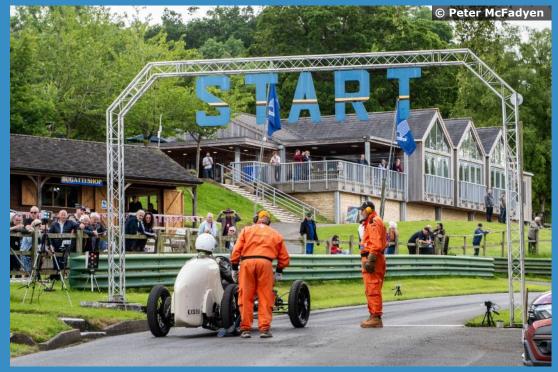




**Ultra-fast EV Charging.** 

Cambridge based Nyobolt is taking its high-power density, fast-charging battery technology in to the real World, revealing the first running Nyobolt EV prototype. It has been designed and built with Callum Designs, a British design and Engineering company.

Initial in-vehicle testing using powerful 350kW (800V) DC fast chargers have confirmed that the Nyobolt EV's 50Ah 35kW battery can be charged from 10% to 80% in just 4 minutes 37 seconds. With a full 100% charge, the vehicle can travel around 155 WLTP miles. Also as the first four minutes of charge use a constant 500A, this could provide 120 miles of range. The company also claim that after just 4 minutes, the battery would be able to provide 120 miles range. The Nyobolt technology also solves the high levels of degradation that usually occur from supercharging Lithium-Ion batteries. Nyobolt's 24.5 Ah cells have already been tested to over 4,000 full fast charge cycles, equating to over 600,000 miles

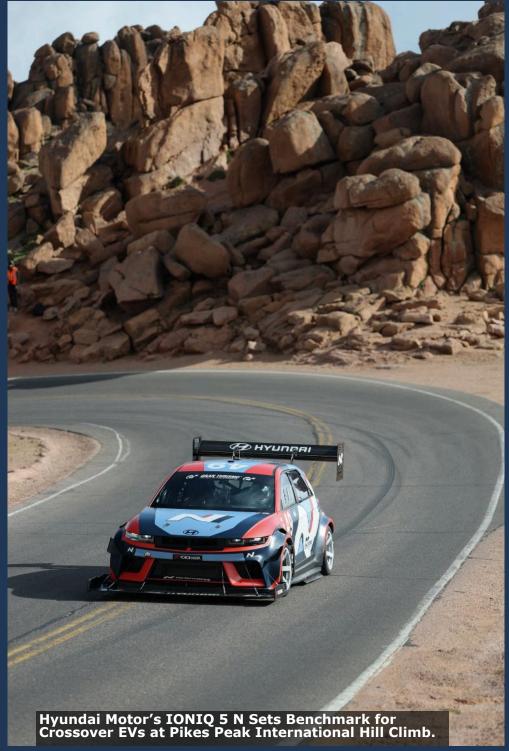


## **Prescott Start Gantry.**

Prescott Hill Climb course, owned by the Bugatti Owners Club (BOC) has a new Starting Gantry for 2024. It was revealed at Prescott Historique meeting at the end of May 2024. It was provided by a bequest in the will of Frank Ashley and it was dedicated to him at a ceremony on the Sunday at Prescott Historique. Top, David Pryke in a Frazer Nash Single-Seater getting ready to start his run up

the hill.
Right,
Maxwell
Brierley
Jones
Triumph
TR7 V8
leaves the
start.





## Hyundai attack Pikes Peak Hill Climb.

Hyundai Motors competed in this years Pikes Peak International Hill Climb event in America with two IONIQ 5 N TA (Time Attack) spec vehicles and one production IONIQ 5 N. All three vehicles tacked the challenging 12.42 mike (20 km) mountain course that rises over 4,700 feet (1,438 metres) to the summit of Pikes Peak, featuring 156 corners, unpredictable weather and high-altitude conditions that can affect both drivers and cars.

The IONIQ 5 N TA Spec driven by Hyundai World Rally Championship driver Dani Sordo completed the course in 9 minutes 30.852 seconds and won the exhibition class. The second TA Spec was driven by Randy Pobst and finished in 9 minutes 55.551 seconds

The IONIQ 5 N model successfully completed the course and set a new record for the Electric modified and Production SUV/Crossover categories at 10 minutes 49 seconds.





# **The Marshals Post**

Action for the Marshals at Club Corner, Silverstone - British Endurance Championship meeting

















The Classic and Modern Motorsport Festival returned to Mallory Park in the middle of May for its annual motorsport event. The Festival was over two days and the Classic Touring Car Racing Club had most of its series racing on both days. They were using the full, traditional 1.39 mile Mallory Park circuit. Sunday started with three qualifying sessions for the MG, Super Saloons and 500 races. First race of the day was for the first fifteen minute Super Classic Pre '99 Formula Ford 1600 Championship race of the weekend. Starting from pole position was Richard Freye in a Van Diemen RF92, who led the first half of the race before being passed coming out of the hairpin by Paul Mason in a Swift SC94. The pair battled with Tom Hawkins in another Swift and Freye and Mason swopped the lead



Winner of both Formula Ford races - Tom Hawkins Swift SC95

until two laps from the end when they made contact at Devils Elbow and both retired from the race. This left victory to Tom Hawkins driving a Swift SC95. In 2nd place and 1st in class SCB was Peter Daly in a Van Diemen RF88. The SCC class was won by 5th placed Paul Britten in a PRS 81F. The final class winner was Oliver Buckton in an Elden Mk8/10 who took class SCD in 8th overall. The second race later in the afternoon saw a fairly comfortable victory again for Hawkins in the Swift. At the chequered flag he was over three seconds ahead of





Richard Freye in a Van Diemen RF92. Daly took his second class win of the weekend in 3rd, along with Britten in 8th. Buckton in the Elden, lost his nose cone towards the end of the race. To start with it was bent upwards, then the next lap it came off between the hairpin and Devils elbow and was subsequently destroyed by a following car. Despite this, he still took a second class win of the weekend, finishing 9th

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The second race of the morning was the first of two Adrian Flux Insurance MG Owners Club Championship twenty minute races. The grid for the first race was taken from qualifying times as normal. Starting from pole position was the Steve McDermid in a MG ZR 170, who lead from the start. On the second lap there was contact between Luke Boniface and Phil Walker, both in MG ZR hatchbacks at the esses, with both cars going off in to the barrier and out of the race. This resulted in a red flag. After a break to recover both cars and check out the barrier, the race was re-started





as a twelve minute race with original grid order. Steve McDermid again blasted off from the start and pulled out a huge lead. The battle for 2nd was between four cars and at the end of the race Steve McDermid was twelve seconds ahead of Jake McDermid in 2nd, Eddy Sharpe was 3rd a further 0.564 of a second back and Adrian Olsson in 4th only 0.703 of a second behind. The class A winner was David Amphlett in a MG Roadster in 11th position.





The second race was a repeat of the first with Steve McDermid winning again by over twelve seconds from Jake McDermid, with Olsson taking 3rd. Amphlett took a second class win in 11th position.





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The third race of the day was the first of two fifteen minute CMMC Ashtone MEP Super Saloons with The CMMCS

Ashtone MEP Tin Tops Series races. Pole position went to the BMW E46 M3 of Adrian Bradley from the similar cars of Ronan Bradley and Paul Watson. Adrian led the race from start to finish and lapped everybody up to the top six. His winning margin was over twenty six seconds. The battle for 2nd was much closer, with Ronan Bradley holding 2nd for the first two



### Chris Bassett Peugeot 306 GTi won class T2 in both races.

thirds of the race before Paul Watson passed him in another BMW E46 M3. The two were only separated by 0.132 of a second at the chequered flag, with Watson taking the Class B win in 2nd. The Peugeot 306 GTi of Chris Bassett in 4th took 1st in the T2 class. Taking class C was the BMW M3 of Jaques Whitehead in 5th position. Sam Haywood in a Renault Megane RS was 1st in class T1 in 9th overall, one lap down. Yet another BMW class winner was Rod Birley in 12th. His BMW E36 was 1st in class A. The final class winner was lan Seale in a Ford

© Simon Wright
Fiesta 150 ST in 14th. He
was 1st in class TP.
The second race saw a little
more action at the front of
the field at the start. Ronan
Bradley led the first three
laps with Watson 2nd and
Adrian Bradley in 3rd.
Normal service was soon
restored with Adrian taking
the lead on lap four and
pulling out over eighteen
seconds by the flag, taking





his second victory of the day, also taking the Invitation class award in the process. Watson took his second class B win of the day, but this time was 2nd overall. Ronan Bradley had dropped to 6th at the finish of the race. Taking 3rd overall was Class C winner Dave Avis in yet another BMW M3, making it another all BMW podium. Bassett took his second Class T2 win in 4th overall. Haywood in 9th and





Birley in 10th also repeated their earlier class wins along with Seale in 14th. The final class D winner in this race was

12th placed Martyn Scott in a VW Golf GGTi.



Ian Seale Ford Fiesta 150 ST won class TP in both races



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Lee Cleugh Audi TT 2nd Class A





The last race of the morning was the first of two 500 owners Association Championship races. Alex Wilson started from pole position in his Cooper Mk10. He dominated the first race, winning by almost forty eight seconds from Finlay Mackintosh in a Cooper Mk11, with Stuart Wright in 3rd in another Cooper Mk XI. The only other car to complete the full race distance was the Cooper Mk8 of Richard Fuller in 4th. Finishing first in class P1 was 5th placed James Wilson in a Cooper Mk2, one lap down. The final class winner was 7th placed Mike Painter in a Kieft CK52, 2 laps down. Reliability was an issue in the





race with half the field retired and being not classified. The second race only saw thirteen cars take the start. It was another dominant display by Wilson, winning this time by over a minute from Xavier Kingsland in a Staride Mk3 who was also 1st in class P2. JB Jones in a Cousy No2 was 3rd and the last un-lapped runner was Richard Fuller in a Cooper Mk8 who finished 4th. Reliability was a bit better in this race with only 3 cars retiring.





















Richard Fuller Cooper Mk8 3rd Class P3 second race



After the lunch break, racing started with the second fifteen minute Classic Touring Car Racing Club (CTCRC) Group 1 Edmundson Electrical Classic Thunder Saloons & Historic Thunder Saloons. The first race on Saturday was won by



Colin Voyce Ford Escort won the second race and took 1st in Class HT2 in the first race (2nd overall)

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AJ Owen Honda Civic Type R took Class CT D wins in both races.

Nick Vaughan in an Audi A3, also taking the Classic Touring Car Class CTB class. In 2nd and winning the Historic Thunder Class HT2 was Colin Voyce in the Ford Escort. Ian Bower in a BMW M3 was 1st in class CTC. AJ Owen in a Honda Civic Type R EP3 was 1st in Class CTD, while William Davison in a BMW M3 was 1st in class CTG. The final class winner on Saturday was Melvin Hooker in a Jaguar XJS.

Sundays grid was the finishing order for the first race so Vaughan started from pole position with Voyce next to him on the front row. From the start Voyce pulled away in the





Gary Hufford BMW E46 M3 Won class CT B in second race (2nd)

lead while Vaughan retired on the second lap. Despite a close challenge in the middle of the race from James Janicki in the Nissan Skyline, Voyce went on to win in the Ford Escort by nearly seven seconds. Gary Hufford was 2nd and took the class win in class CTB in a BMW E46 M3.





Janicki dropped back to finish 4th. Taking 1st in class CTC was shaun Morris in a BMW M3 in 6th. In 8th place was David Avis in another BMW M3 who took 1st in class CTG. The final class winner was AJ Owen taking his second class win of the weekend in his Honda Civic Type R EP3.



William Davison BMW M3 won Class CT G in first race (15th)







James Janicki Nissan Skyline 3rd class CT B Classic and Competition Car

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**Kevin Denwood BMW Compact 5th class CT B** 









Winner of both Pre-66 races -Dan Lewis Austin Mini Cooper S

After the second race for the Pre '99 Formula Ford 1600 Championship, it was time for the second CTCRC Group 2 Everard Garage Equipment Pre '66 Touring Cars race. Their first race on Saturday was won by Dan Lewis in an Austin Mini Cooper S, doing a giant killing act by beating Class A winner Alan Greenhalgh in a 4.7 litre Ford Falcon by over three seconds. In 3rd was Garry Townsend,



1st Class F Ian Thompson Ford Lotus Cortina second race (2nd)

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1st Class F Gary Townsend Ford Lotus Cortina first race (3rd)

winning class F in a Ford Lotus Cortina. Class E was won by 8th placed James Ibbotson in a Hillman Imp Super Class D saw 13th placed Paul Clayton in an Austin A40 take 1st in class. The final class winner was 19th placed Stuart Radford in a Triumph Vitesse took 1st in class B. Before the second race on Sunday Greenhalgh withdrew

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1st Class E Michael Loveland Hillman Imp Deluxe second race (7th) 22



the Falcon which promoted Townsend on to the front row of the grid. Lewis made a poor start and was passed by both Townsend and Ian Thompson in another Ford Lotus Cortina. The superior handling of the Mini allowed Lewis to pass them one at a time at the esses and by the second Iap the Mini was in the lead. By the end of the race he had opened up nearly a fifteen second gap over Thompson in 2nd, winning class F. Townsend took 3rd, not far behind.





Class E in this race went to 7th placed Michael Loveland in his Hillman Imp Deluxe. Class D went to Luc Wilson, 10th in an Austin A40, while Radford took a second class B win of the weekend, 13th in his Triumph Vitesse.















Edward Crossley Morris Mini Cooper S 4th class C







Robyn Slater Ford Lotus Cortina 3rd class F

Adrian Oliver Hillman Imp 2nd class E



Following the second MG race was the second CTCRC Group 3 Pre 83 Group 1 Touring Car Championship race. The Saturday race was won by Stephen Primett in his Ford Escort Mk1 by just 0.252 seconds from Jonathan Corker in a Datsun 510. A long way back in 3rd was Carl Shreeve in a Triumph Dolomite. In 4th and taking 1st in Class B was Nic Strong in a Ford Capri,

The Sunday race saw Primett in the Escort lead the first half of the race with the Datsun of Corker right behind. On



lap twelve Corker took the Datsun in to the lead of the race. Primett tried to hang on but was slowly being dropped by the Datsun and then on the last lap Mark Cholerton went through to take 2nd place in his Ford Escort RS2000, over ten seconds behind the winner. Primett was 3rd at the flag, three seconds behind Cholerton. Strong took his second class win of the weekend in 5th place in the Capri.











David Thomas Ford Capri Mk1 2nd class B

Nick Williamson Rover SD1 2nd class B first race passing Mark Cholerton Ford Escort RS2000 2nd class C second race

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The penultimate race of the day was the second race for the CTCRC Group 4 Laser Pre-1993 Touring Car Championship, Burty Pre-2003 Touring Car Championship & Burton Power Blue Oval Saloon Series race. The Saturday race resulted in a red flag after eleven laps with



Olly Allen Ford Fiesta Mk6 (BOSS S) won the second Pre 93/BOSS race



Cavan Grainger BMW E46 330ci won class P03 A in both races

Piers Grange in front in his Ford Escort. In 2nd place was Stuart Waite in a BMW E36 M3. The race was restarted and run over six laps. At the flag it was Grange taking the win in the BOSS S class driving a Ford Escort. In 2nd place and taking the P93 B class win was Stuart Waite in a BMW E36 M3. The Pre 2003 class winner was Don Hughes in a Peugeot 306 Xsi in 9th who was 1st in class





P03 C, just ahead of Cavan Grainer in 10th who was 1st P03 A class in a BMW E46 330ci. William Hunt in a Ford Fiesta was 1st in the BOSS D class in 14th overall, while Sam Daffin in another Ford Fiesta took 1st in the BOSS C class in 17th position.

The Sunday race saw an almost faultless race from





had not had an easy race with close battles with first Waite in the BMW, until he retired, then lan Bower in another BMW M3 and then right at the end Olly Allen grabbed the lead on the last lap, to win in his Ford Fiesta by just 0.566 of a second, also taking the BOSS S class win. Grange





was 2nd and Bower was 3rd, taking then Pre 93 class P93 B win. The first Pre 2003 car was 7th placed Gary Prebble in a Honda Civic EG who was 1st in the P03 C class. Grainger took his second class P03 C victory of the weekend in 10th place. The final BOSS D class winner was 14th placed Tim Mizen in a Ford Fiesta. On Saturday there had been two CMMC Hoosier Tire





#### Darren Owen Ford Escort Mk2 RSR 4th BOSS S second race

Intermarque Silhouette Series races. The first race was won by Paul Knight in a Vauxhall Tigra with Invitation Class winner Warren Farazmand in a Peugeot 206cc in 2nd. Another series that just ran on Saturday was the OT Publishing Coupe Cup with Toyo Tyres. The two fifteen minute races saw Daniel Munro win both races in his Hyundai Coupe.







The second Coffee and Chrome Collective meeting of the year returned to the firms most regular venue, the Impney Estate near Droitwich. The stunning parkland surrounding the former Chateau Impney hotel makes for a stunning back-drop for the meeting, and allows for up to a thousand cars to attend the pre-registered meeting. The internal roads within the estate allow for the queueing vehicle to





cause minimal disruption on the surrounding road system and the Footman James staff do an excellent job to park up the vehicles as quickly as possible.

There is always a great selection of classic and interesting vehicles at these meetings, with always some new to discover. Although they say they cannot agree to parking vehicle together, there were quite a few places where two or more vehicles of the same type or model were parked next to each other.





















1959 Chevrolet Aphace 31 & 1956 Chevrolet pickup truck

1997 Ford Probe



## 2002 Honda Insight.

Maybe not a classic as such, but the Honda Insight is a very interesting vehicle. It is a hybrid electric vehicle, first introduced in 1999 as a 2 passenger, 3-door liftback saloon. It was based on the Honda J-VX concept car shown at the 1997 Tokyo Motor Show and the Insight was launched in Japan in November 1999. It was the first production vehicle to feature Honda's Integrated Motor Assist system (Honda's Hybrid car technology) which features an electric motor mounted between the internal combustion engine and transmission, to act as a starter motor, engine balancer and assist traction motor. It uses regenerative braking to capture energy that would be normally lost as heat during braking. It is not possible to drive this car on electric power alone.

The Insight has an aerodynamic, lightweight aluminium structure to give greater fuel efficiency. Until 2015, the first generation Honda Insight was the most fuel-efficient car in the United States of America, with an EPA certified 61 miles per US gallon (73 mpg imperial). In 2000 Continuously Variable Transmission (CVT) and air conditioning were offered as optional extras.

## 1972 Alpine A110 1300 VC (V85) Berlinette.

This Left Hand Drive (LHD) model has been restored after being found in a barn in the UK, having first been registered in the UK in 1997.

The Version 85 was an entry level model when introduced in 1970, using a Renault 12 1300cc four cylinder engine which produced 81bhp. With a weight of just 700 kg, the car could reach over 110 mph. By 1976, the model had been renamed the 1300 by which time over 2,890 had been built in its six year production lifetime.

When this car was found in the barn it was in a 'Targaspec' appearing to have been used in some form of motorsport competition. It appears to have a rarer Gordini 1.3 litre 4-cylinder engine with a special cylinder hear, early Italian Weber carburettors and a rare and original coil and distributor paired with a 5-speed gearbox.

The original A110 was introduced in 1962 and was highly successful in rallying, winning the World Rally Championship in 1971 and 1973.





















1955 Chevrolet Bel-Air

1965 Ford Galaxie 500 Convertible



## 2019 KIA Stinger.

The Kia Stinger was built between 2017 and 2023 in South Korea as a front engined, rear wheel drive mid-size hatchback/fastback. It was available with either a 2.2 litre turbocharged diesel engine, producing 199 bhp, or two options of petrol engine. This car has the 2 litre turbocharged engine which produces 252 bhp and can accelerate from 0-60 mph in 5.8 seconds, compared to the 7.7 seconds for the diesel option. The other engine option is a 3.3 litre twin-turbo V6 engine which produces 368 bhp and can do 0-60 mph in 4.7 seconds.

The model had the following standard features, Nappa leather heated and ventilated front seats along with heated rear seats and a heated steering wheel. It features a Heap Up display, with Lane Assist and Dynamic Cruise Control. It also had a surround camera system, electronic hands-free tailgate, wireless phone charging, full sunroof and a Harmon Kardon 720w 15 speaker surround sound system. Completing the luxury features are LED front and rear lights, auto Lights, Auto Wipers and Cornering headlights. Only 2,300 were sold in the UK.











1928 Jowett 7hp Long Four Tourer.

Introduced in 1923 as a long-wheelbase four seater Tourer and sold for £245 when the Austin 7 sold for £167. Powered by a 903cc side valve flat twin cylinder 7hp RAC, horizontally opposed engine developing 17 bhp and connected to a 3-Speed gearbox.

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# 1969 Jaguar 420G saloon.

The Jaguar 420G was announced in 1966. Powered by a six cylinder, 4235cc engine which produced 255 bhp and gave a top speed of 122 mph.



2007 Smart Roadster & 2004 Smart Roadster Coupe



















2001 Toyota Crown

1954 & 1956 Ford Popular Hotrods



1970 Sammio Spyder.

A fibreglass body conversion kit designed to fit on to a Triumph Herald Chassis and running gear. Can also be adapted to fit on to a Citroen 2CV donor vehicle.





# 1942 Buick Eight Special.

Also known as the Buick Super, which was manufactured by Buick from 1930 to 1958. Powered by a 248 cubic inch (4.1 litre) Fireball straight eight engine with twin downdraft carburettors connected to a 3-Speed manual transmission. The car also included air conditioning. This is a second generation model, with only 33,034 built in 1942.







# Shelsley Walsh British Hillclimb Championships Rounds 9 & 10

After an extraordinary afternoon of incidents, Alex Summers (2.7 DJ Firestorm-Cosworth XD) raced off the

start line at 6.50pm on the way to taking his second championship win of the day. Afterwards, a delighted Summers said that the car was back to how it should be after tweaks to the setup in the off-season. Matt Ryder led the championship coming to Shelsley Walsh after 5 wins in a row, but these two wins completed a 4 wins in a row streak for Summers and surprisingly, the championship lead.



The day had gone smoothly until mid-afternoon when halfway through the single seater class runs, accident after accident occurred, thankfully all without anything more than injured pride for the drivers involved. Racing was delayed further on two of these occasions when the rescue flatbed

truck hadn't yet returned from depositing the previous damaged car back at its trailer! Add to this a spectator medical emergency in the paddock (reportedly all ok) and finally a bizarre incident when, while leading the championship contenders down the hill before the final run-off, the brakes of the Summers family's AFS P4t overheated and locked on, thereby blocking the road!



It's not unusual to see Zach Zammit oversteering! Two 10th places for Zach in his 1.3t Empire Wraith-Suzuki



The track may have been warm and dry but this year's exceptional rain had left the track green so very fast times were not expected. Championship leader Matt Ryder (4.0 Gould-Judd DB4 GR59BJ) was the main challenger to





Summers and despite the green tarmac, Ryder and Summers both got into the 22s in round 9, Summers on 22.78s with Ryder only 0.13s further back. Unfortunately, the rivalry didn't continue into round 10 as Ryder ran wide at the Crossing in the 2nd qualifying runs, punctured a tyre





and the incident continued up to and into the bottom S barriers. He was out and so was his partner Sean Gould who had already qualified for round 10 after taking 8th in round 9.. So a non-score meant that despite 4 wins against Ryder's 5, Alex Summers took the championship lead. Will Hall is really getting to grips with his 4.0 Gould-Judd DB4 GR59J and bagged 3rd and 2nd places to go 3rd in the







championship. Trevor Willis in his older 3.2 OMS-RPE 28 took an excellent 5th and 3rd places while Dave Uren put together two superb efforts to take 4th in both rounds in his 3.5 Gould-NME GR55B. This was after a considerable



Nobody thought of running a Rallucross car in class E. Steve Mundy did and his 2.0t Ford Fiesta 4x4 broke the class record by 6.72s!



amount of suspension work was needed after co-driver Nicola Menzies' Saturday off. She retired for the weekend with a damaged hand. We come down to an uncustomary 6th place in both rounds before we meet Wallace Menzies who is still recapturing his form and feeling after a big off a few weeks ago at Craigantlet in heavy rain. Wallace says





the car is on song (though a close inspection sees some well disguised gaffer tape on the normally immaculate bodywork) but he isn't quite there yet. Leading the small engined cars was Paul Haimes who powered his 1.3t Gould-Suzuki GR59 into 7th and 8th places, Dave



Steve Owen owns the company that makes the OMS 28 - he can drive them too



Warburton's 1.6 Gould-Suzuki GR59 who grabbed 9th and 7th and Zak Zammit who brought his 1.3t Empire Wraith-Suzuki home 10th in both rounds. Jack Cottrill got his Cosworth XD Indycar engined DJ Dallara into 5th place in round 10 - he would surely have been up there in round 9



but a steering column problem stopped him from qualifying. Filling the final places in round 9 were Graham Wynn (4.0 Gould-Judd DB4 GRW59), an equal 10th with Zammit and 12th place for Richard Spedding's 1.6 GWR Raptor 2-Suzuki. For round 10, the final place, 11th, went to Andrew Greenen's 1.6 Empire Evo 3-Suzuki with Sean Gould non-starting.



Heading into the next rounds at Doune, the championship positions are:

1st Summers 64pts;

2nd Ryder 57pts

3rd Hall 53pts

4th Willis 43pts

5th Uren 42pts

6th Gould 31pts

7th Cottrill 26pts

8th= Haimes and Menzies 22pts

10th Warburton 9pts











Jack Cottrill's 2.7 DJ Dallara Cosworth XD 5th in round 10 after steering trouble in qualifying















The annual Redditch Classic Motor Show took place in the town centre in the middle of May on a lovely sunny day. The free event is organised by Redditch BID & Shakespeare Rally Promotions, the event is open to vintage and classic cars, and motorcycles and also features some market stalls and entertainment. The line up of classic vehicles down the high street and around the church included many Midlands built vehicles, including many from nearby Longbridge where many people from Redditch may have worked in the past. The Austin motor



Company was founded in 1905 by Herbert Austin who acquired a disused printing works located in Longbridge. It continued to be the headquarters of Austin even after it

merged with Morris to form the British Motor Corporation Limited (BMC). Car production remained at Longbridge until September 2016 when MG, under Chinese ownership, announced all car production had ceased at Longbridge.





















**Baby Love Motown Tribute group** 

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1962 Austin A60 Cambridge.

Although this model bears the Austin name, it was actually assembled at the Morris factory at Cowley in Oxfordshire. The Austin Cambridge was built between 1954 and 1973 across several generations, starting as a small family car, the A40 Cambridge, until 1959 when the A55 Cambridge Mark II was launched, when it became a large family car. The A60 Cambridge was introduced in October 1961 and was powered by a new 1.6 litre version of the 4 cylinder B series engine used in the MG A sports car. This produced 61 hp at 4500 rpm and gave a top speed of 80 mph, accelerating from 0-60 mph in 19.8 seconds. It drove the rear wheels through a 4-Speed manual or 3-Speed Automatic gearbox. There was also a 1.5 litre diesel option which came in November 1962, aimed at the Taxi market. It only produced 40 hp so top speed was limited to 68 mph. When launched, the A60 Cambridge cost £883 including taxes and over 276,500 were built. It was replaced by the Austin Marina in early 1971.





















1997 Morgan

1972 Triumph TR6

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1933 MG J2 Midget - oldest car at the show



2000 Ford Racing Puma.

The Racing Puma was launched at the 1999 Geneva Motor Show, titled the Ford Puma ST160. The concept then became the Ford Racing Puma. The updated body design was powered by an uprated 1.7 litre Zetec SE engine, producing 153 bhp at the front wheels. It was originally designed for 160 bhp, hence the original model designation ST160. The original Puma had 125 bhp, the power increase in this model came from new camshafts, a redesigned inlet manifold and sporty exhaust system. The standard Puma was converted to a wider track both front and rear, with Alcon 4 pot racing brakes front and rear, with stiffer suspension and lightweight wheels to improve the handling.

It was a limited edition car with only 500 being built, with it being the last production Ford car to be part hand assembled. The standard Ford Puma was assembled in Germany, then they were shipped to the UK where the Racing Puma cars were stripped down and rebuilt by Tickfords.

# 1949 MG YA Saloon.

The MG Y-Type was produced between 1947 to 1953. The YA was a four door saloon powered by a 1250cc 4 cylinder engine with a single carburettor from the MG-TB. It produced 46 bhp at 4,800 rpm and 58.5 lb ft of torque. The car was one of the first British production cars to feature independent front suspension. It also retained a separate chassis and pressed steel bodywork. The separate chassis also allowed for Jackall system to be fitted. This consisted of four hydraulically activated rams, bolted to the chassis connected to a Jackall Pump on the bulkhead that enabled the front, back or entire car to be raised to facilitate a wheel change.





Lightning McQueen from Film Cars

**KITT from Nightrider** 

**Transformers Optimus Prime & Bumble Bee** 





A special Pilbeam 50 years in Sprints and Hillclimbs Celebration day was organised by Jeremy Bouckley, Tony Cotton and Ray Rowan and Shenstone & District Car Club, who provided the Curborough sprint track near Lichfield for the day. Although it was mid-week, the track was able to be used for the demonstration of various Pilbeam race cars. The event was celebrating the career of Michael Roy Pilbeam, the designer and engineer who has helped develop Grand Prix cars as well as a complete range of Pilbeam racing and sports cars under his own name. Mike was born in 1937 and has worked for some of the top British Grand Prix teams over the years, including BRM, Lotus and Surtees. One early design he was involved with was an experimental Formula 1 four wheel drive BRM P67 in 1964. By this time he had already built himself a small sports car in 1959 to compete in various events, without much success. However an association with club racer Tony Gould and another design did bring some success in the 1,172cc class in sports car racing.

The BRM only made a single GP appearance, in practice for the 1964 British GP, driven by Richard Attwood but was withdrawn. It later appeared in 1968 used for Hillclimb by Peter Westbury then Peter Lawson and it won the Championship.

Pilbeam worked on the BRM H16 engine next where Jim Clark won the 1966 United States Grand Prix in a Lotus-BRM 43. In 1966 Pilbeam moved to Ford at Dunton in Essex, working on advanced chassis development. In 1969 he moved to Lotus to work on the four-wheel-drive Lotus 63, then the Lotus 49B and the Lotus 72 alongside Maurice Philippe. In 1972 he joined the Surtees team, working on the Surtees TS9. Then in 1973 he returned to BRM as manager of the design office. This gave him the chance to design the BRM P201 for 1974 and was still racing in the 1977 Formula One season. He left BRM in late 1974 when Louis Stanley took control of the company.



In 1975 Mike set up Pilbeam Racing Designs, and started by working from home. His first design was a Formula Atlantic chassis R18 for Tom Wheatcroft which was also adapted for Formula 2 and driven by Brian Henton.



Pilbeam then began constructing hillclimb cars which have subsequently won the British Hill Climb Championship 17 times between 1977 and 1997.

He also kept his hand in designing Formula 1 cars, being involved in the design of the Penske PC3 as well as engineering the RAM Racing Brabham BT44s in 1976. His next design as the LEC CRP1 Formula 1 car for David Purley which competed in the 1977 Formula One season, and was present at Curborough. One thing Mike Pilbeam



can be proud of is that at the 1977 British Grand Prix at Silverstone, David Purley was involved in one of the heaviest impacts ever in Formula 1 where the driver has survived. The throttle stuck open and he hit the crash barrier at 108 mph. He decelerated from 108 mph to 0 in 26 inches (180G). It was thanks to the structural integrity of the Pilbeam design that the driver survived.

Other freelance work included a Formula 2 MP42 ground effect car for Mike Earle in 1979, which was not successful. But success came in the British Hill Climb Championship, starting with Alister Douglas-Osborn who was 1977 champion in a Pilbeam DFV R22. Two years later it was Martyn Griffiths taking his first of many in a Pilbeam-Hart MP40. In 1981 it was James Thomson in a Pilbeam Hart MP40. From 1982 to 1984 it was Martin Bolsover who took 3 consecutive titles, two in a Pilbeam Hart MP50 and then a Pilbeam Hart MP43.















Wind tunnel Model of the Pilbeam LMP 2 car

Next it was Martyn Griffiths taking back to back titles in 1986 and 1987 driving a Pilbeam-Hart MP53. The 1988 title went to Charles Wardle in a Pilbeam Repco MP47. Martyn Griffiths took another couple of titles back to back in 1990 and 1991 in a Pilbeam MP58-05. Pilbeam cars then took the next six titles in a row driven by Roy lane 1992 - MP58-08), David Grace (1993-1994 MP58-050, Andy Priaulx (1995 MP58-03), Roy Lane (1996 MP58-09) and Roger Moran (1997 MP72).



Pilbeam moved in to its own premises in 1981 at Bourne, Lincolnshire, in part of the former BRM factory. They produced cars in Formula Ford 2000 and Formula 3 but neither was successful. In 1997 new premises at Bourne were opened by Bettie Hill, widow of Graham Hill. Pilbeam continues to work on a freelance basis within the industry of both racing and road-going projects. They were involved in the development of the BRM P301 sports-car in the mid-1990s. Pilbeam then produced their own LMP2 chassis to compete in the World Endurance Championship and the 24 Hours of Le Mans between 2001 and 2007. In 2014 they produced the MP100 as a customer car for LMP2. It had originally been hoped that the French Pierre Bruneau Compétition team would bring one or two of their LMP2 cars to Curborough, but unfortunately there was too much red-tape to bring it in to the country, although Pierre Bruneau, Marc Rostan, Erick Rapiau and his son did come.



















#### Lotus 300RR

Designed in conjunction with Pilbeam, this Lotus 300RR was raced successfully in endurance races in Japan and Malaysia. It took part in the 2005 SuperGT Championship entered by the PROTON R3 Amprex team, led by Malaysian car manufacturer PROTON, which also owns Lotus, in association with its Motorsports Division R3 and former Japan GT Championship contenders Amprex Motorsports.

The one-off vehicle is powered by a Swindon prepared 3 litre V6 Opel engine which produces 400 hp and 294 lb.ft of torque. This gives the car a top speed of over 186 mph (300 km/h) and can accelerate from 0-62 mph in 4 seconds. However SuperGT regulations require the use of a restrictor that will limit performance to 320 bhp. The Pilbeam modifications for the Lots Elise and Lotus Exige models are revised suspension geometry with lightweight uprights for improved handling with stiffer and lighter front anti roll bar. Stopping power is upgraded with improved brakes.

## 1991 Pilbeam MP62-01.

The original MP62-01, built in 1991 was the last Pilbeam designed using traditional paper and pencil techniques in the design office. It first raced at Harewood in 1991 driven by Alister Douglas Osborn

This car was taken to the Australian Hillclimb Championship at Mt. Panorama in 1996. Peter Finlay took 2nd overall, while Alister Douglas-Osborn, who shared the car at the event, was 4th

The chassis is made from a rigid but light aluminium honeycomb monocoque, with double wishbone suspension and Koni dampers. It also features a carbon fibre diffuser under the rear floor and Ground Effect bodywork, with large wings to generate plenty of aerodynamic grip. When first built it was powered by a 2 litre Vauxhall engine, but it was later fitted with the current 4 litre Judd V8 engine.

















Pilbeam MP62 KV6 Andrew Dinner



1961 Pilbeam R3 Virage 1172 Formula racer.
Recreation of R1, the first car Mike built for 1172 Formula racing back in the 1960s. Recently restored to running order, it was the last car driven on track at Curborough by Mike's son Ciaron Pilbeam.









Kings Heath Classic Car Show took place on Bank Holiday Monday, 27th May 2024 in All Saints Village Square, Kings Heath. The Village Square is located next to All Saints Church right in the heart of Kings Heath, a suburb of Birmingham. At the top of the high Street, right in the middle of the shops, it always attracts a good crowd of people who stop to admire the classic cars on display. There is always a live music group performing in the



square during the show, and they also help attract the passing shoppers. Although the square is not massive, it easily holds around thirty to fifty cars on display. Being only a few miles from the former Austin factory at Longbridge, it always attracts various old Austin or BMC/British Leyland vehicles, but it also gets various classic sports cars from overseas manufacturers. This year there was an impressive line up of classic German vehicles outside the All Saints Centre Hall, with a convertible Volkswagen Beetle, a couple of Mercedes Benz and four Porsche sports cars.



1982 Porsche 911 and a 1965 Porsche 356 show how Porsche evolved the design rather than make radical changes. The 356 was first produced by Austrian company Porsche Konstruktionen GesmbH from 1948 to 1949 and then by German company Dr. Ing h.c.F Porsche GmbH from 1950 to 1965 and was Porsche's first production vehicle. The early cars were powered by an rear mounted air cooled boxer 4-cylinder 1100cc engine driving the rear wheels. Later cars had either a 1.3 or 1.6 litre boxer engine. Over 76,000 were built.

The 911 followed the same rear air cooled engine design from 1964 until 1998, though the car has grown in size considerably. From 1999 to 2004 the model designation was 996 and they used a water cooled engine.



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# 1983 Austin Ambassador 2 litre.

A large family saloon introduced in 1982 by the Austin Rover Group, part of British Leyland, It replaced the Princess model, retaining the wedge shape but adding a hatchback. Although they look similar, only the doors and inner structures were carried over. It was available in three trim levels L, HL and HLS. The car was powered by either the 1.7 or 2.0 litre O Series 4 cylinder engine, a new lightweight OverHead Cam engine. With a single SU carburettor The 1.7 produced 82 hp and the 2.0 produced 92 hp. In HLS spec, the Ambassador was powered by the 2 litre engine with twin carburettors increasing the power to 100 hp and in 1983 twin carbs were added to the 2 litre HL version. The car was front wheel drive through either a 4-Speed manual or Automatic gearbox.

Only 43,427 Ambassador cars were built between 1982 and 1984 and in 2023 only 14 remained on the road in the UK

# 1962 Vauxhall Victor FB.

The Vauxhall Victor was a large family saloon built between 1957 until 1976 through five versions. The FB series was produced between 1961 and 1964 with over 328,000 built. Powered by either a 1.5 or 1.6 litre straight 4 cylinder OHV engine driving the rear wheels through a 3 speed, all-synchro column change gearbox. There was the option of a 4-Speed all synchro transmission with a floor change gearstick. The 1.5 litre engine produced 49 bhp and in 1963 the engine was increased to 1594cc. In 1963 front disc brakes and larger 14 inch wheels were also added as an optional extra.

The base model retained a vynide-covered front bench seat, while the De Luxe model had individual front seats. Other optional extras included a heater, seat belts, screen washers and radio.





















1973 Triumph Stag Classic and Competition Car

1950 Land Rover





The Classic Sports Car Club (CSCC) Summer Spectacular Race meeting was a one day event at the beginning of June running on the 1.64 mile National circuit. As is usual these days with CSCC race meetings there was a full programme of eight races, which combined different race series in to the same race to provide full grids. After morning qualifying, the races started before the lunch break with the first of two twenty minute races for the MG Trophy Championship and CSCC Berkshire Jag Components Jaguar Championship. The fastest MG was Graham Ross in a MG ZR. Who started from pole position, with the MG Field having their grid at the front and the Jaguar field had a separate line up at the back of the grid





## Colin Philpott Jaguar XJS won the second MG Trophy / Jaguar race

with Jack Robinson starting on their 'pole' in a Jaguar XK8. Although the MGs started at the front, the Jaguars won the race outright with Robinson taking victory. The JA class saw Andrew Harper 1st in a Jaguar S Type R (S/C) 7th overall and 4th in Jaguars. The JC class was won by James Wall in a Jaguar XJ (TD) in 16th overall and 9th Jaguar. Taking 1st in the JD class was Charles Jackson in a Jaquar XJ in 23rd overall, 14th in Jaguars. In the MG race, Ross took victory in his MG ZR finishing a very creditable 4th overall. Finishing 1st in the MB class was James Cole in a MG ZR, 12th overall and 5th in MGs. Their second race of the day was race 5 and it was won by



James Wall Jaguar XJ 1st JC Class 1st race and Nicholas Dyson Jaguar XJ40 1st class JB 2nd race



Colin Philpott in a Jaguar XJS. Taking second class wins of the day were Harper, JA class win in 5th overall, 3rd in Jaguars and Jackson (JD Class win29th overall, 13th in Jaguars. The other class winner was Nicholas Dyson in a Jaguar XJ40(T), JC class - 10th overall and 7th in Jaguars. Ross took a second MH victory of the day, this time 3rd overall. The MB class was won by Matthew Harvey in a MG ZR, 12th overall and 4th in MGs.









After lunch, racing resumed with the first of two twenty minute JMC Racing Special Saloons & Modsports Mick Hill Memorial and Advantage Motorsport Future Classics races. Taking Pole position was Danny Morris in the Peugeot 309 GTi (T). Before the first race Martin Reynolds had to switch from his Ford Anglia to his spare Ford Escort due to





Andy Southcott MG Lenham Midget won second Special Saloons & Modsports race

problems with the Anglia and therefore he started from the back of the grid. Also Harvey Death in his Mini Cooper S and Alex Taylor in a Mazda RX7 (T) withdrew before the race. Andy Southcott in his MG Lenham Midget had the race all sewn up with an easy victory when on the last lap he slowed and stopped at Luffield, handing victory to James Plant in his Austin Healey 3000, while star car of the race, one of the original Super Saloons, Vauxhall Firenza Baby Bertha took 2nd place driven by Joe Ward, taking 1st in class CC. In 3rd place and taking 1st in class FA was Bill Lancashire in a Morgan Plus 8. Taking 1st in class Mini was Richard Billingham driving his Vauxhall powered Austin Mini Clubman 2000 in 4th overall. Ian Wilson in 5th driving a TVR Tasmin S6 was 1st in class CB. In 8th was





Martin Reynolds now in his Ford Escort Mk,2, who took 1st in class MB. Taking 1st in class FB was Steve Thompson in a Porsche 944 S2, 11th overall. Finally Gary Cole in a Citroen BX was 1st in class CD, 16th overall. The second race, seven on the program, saw Andy Southcott take the win this time in his MG Lenham Midget by almost forty seconds from Simon Light in his 5 litre Ford Capri. Ward took another 1st in class CC in Baby Bertha, finishing 3rd. Lancashire (4th), Billingham (5th), Thompson (8th) and Cole (14th) all took second class wins of the day.







Martin Reynolds Ford Escort won Special Saloons & Modsports Class MB in first race





















## Paul Sibley MG Midget won both Midget & Sprite Challenge races

The second race of the afternoon was the first of two twenty minute races for the Lackford Engineering Midget & Sprite Challenge. Pole went to Paul Sibley in his 1460cc MG Midget and he went on to victory in the first race by over eleven seconds. James Hughes finished 2nd in his Austin Healey Frogeye Sprite, 1st in class E. Class C went to Ian Burgin in an Austin Healey Sprite Mk1 in 5th. The MG Midget 1380 of Hugh Simpson took 1st in class D, 9th. The final class winner was Mark Turner in an Austin Healey Sprite who took 1st in class H, 14th and one lap down. The second race saw Sibley repeat his first race win. But this time by just under three seconds. Hughes, 2nd again, with a second class win of the day in class E. Burgin, 4th and Turner, 13th repeated their 1st in class victories from the first race as well. The new winner was 6th placed Dean Stanton in an Austin Healey Sprite, who was 1st in class D.











Race four on the programme was the single forty minute race for the Mintex Classic K and CSCC Mike Hawthorn Jaguar Challenge. Pole position went to the Lotus Elan GTS of Malcolm Johnson, while the fastest of the seven Jaguars was the Jaguar Lister Mk1 Saloon of Webb & Young in 11th overall.

After thirty three laps and forty minutes of racing it was Johnson in the Elan GTS that took a comfortable win from another Lotus Elan of Tate & Griffiths, the only two cars to do the whole race distance. Taking the final podium spot, and making an Elan walkover was Graeme Brown in yet another Lotus Elan, one lap down. Taking 1st in class CM was Paul Eales in an MG B Roadster in 4th place overall.





Tina Cooper Morris Mini Cooper S 1st Class CG Mintex Classic K

Tina Cooper in a Morris Mini Cooper S was 1st in class CG, 5th overall. Another lap down in 6th was Richard Hall-Griffin in a Triumph TR4 SLR, 1st in class CD. The Last winner on the Mintex race was the Ford Lotus Cortina of Andrew Rollason & Steve Cole, 1st in class CF, 16th. The first Jaguar home in the Mike Hawthorn Jaguar Challenge was the Jaguar Lister Mk1 saloon of Nigel Webb & John Young who completed 31 laps and finished 7th overall. Taking 1st in class JB was Aston Millar in a Jaguar Mk1, who was 9th overall and 3rd in the Jaguar field. The final Class winner in the Jaguar race was Rob Boughton in a Jaguar Mk2, 1st in class JF, 20th overall, completed 30 laps and 6th in Jaquars.







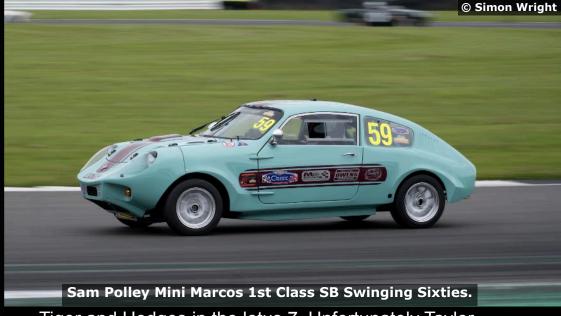






The final race of the day was a forty minute Adams & Page Swinging Sixties event. In Pole Position was Steve Hodges in a Lotus 7 Series 2 by the closest of margins. Only 0.064 of a second behind was Geoff Taylor in a TVR Griffiths 200 and only 0.554 seconds further back was the Sunbeam Tiger of Stephen Pickering. Before the race started we lost five cars, but that left thirty five cars to compete in the forty minute race. The race developed in to a three way battle for the lead with Taylor in the TVR, Pickering in the Sunbeam





Tiger and Hodges in the lotus 7, Unfortunately Taylor retired after 27 laps and when Pickering took his pitstop the MGS of Smith & Smith took the lead for a few laps but they got a 30 second penalty applied for an incorrect/short pit stop. While on penalties, Robert Lines MG A was disqualified for not taking the mandatory pit stop. At the end of the race Pickering in the Sunbeam Tiger won by over eleven seconds from Taylor in the TVR. In 3rd place and 1st in class SG was Nicholas King in an Aston Martin





DB4. Just behind him at the flag was 4th placed Sam Polley in a Mini Marcos, 1st in class SB. Class SA saw Ian Burgin takes 1st in an Austin Healy Sprite Mk1, giving him another class win for the day to add to his Midget/Sprite class victory. In 7th place and one Iap down was Jonathan Crayston in a Lotus Elan S4, taking 1st in class SL. The BMW 2002ti of Charles Tippet & Claire Norman finished 8th, 1st in class SD. Class SF saw the MG C GT of Matthew Domin & Michael McBride take 1st, 16th overall. In 18th position was the Ford Lotus Cortina of Andrew Rollason & Steve Cole taking 1st in class SC. The final



Matthew Domin & Michael McBride MG C GT 1st class SF Swinging Sixties

© Simon Wright Mark Cloutman Austin Healey Sebring Sprite 1st class SE Swinging Sixties

class winner was Mark Cloutman in an Austin Healey Sebring Sprite, 1st in class SE, 23rd overall.



Andrew Rollason & Steve Cole Ford Lotus Cortina won class SC passing the MG A of Steve & Jack Smith Swinging Sixties







The 2024 Manx Rally was effectively 4 events in one. Featuring rounds 4 & 5 of both the British Historic and the Protyre Asphalt Rally Championships, they were both double headers with full points awarded at the end of Friday's stages and then again after Saturday's stages. Thick fog on Thursday disrupted travel plans for some with all flights into Douglas cancelled, leading to last minute dashes for some. Seb Perez and Gary McElhinney can't have been the only ones to find themselves nervously making



their way to Liverpool for the last Thursday ferry, in their case by taxi from Manchester. Even then, the ferry was delayed with engine trouble meaning everyone arrived well after midnight. Certainly not the best preparation for going flat out in the Manx lanes before midday on Friday. Over to the Protyre Championship and the current leaders after round one, James Williams/Ross Whittock continued their dominant form in the Hyundai i20N Rally2, taking victory on both rounds.



Other than a brake problem on Friday night (water and Lucozade providing a temporary fix!), Williams had a faultless rally and ran out with a massive 4 minute win with some stage wins by 10/20/30 seconds. The win was significant in that this was James Williams' first overall win



The beautifully turned out Talbot Samba Rallye of Myerscough College Motorsport crew Danny Cowell and Sarah Coole won class H2

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and gave him three maximum scores in a row. Whilst he and Ross were over the moon with the result, three crews who were among his main protagonists ended up sick as a parrot. Last year's winners, Callum Black and Jack Morton had a spin and stall on Friday on the way to 2nd place and then went out with a damaged oil pipe in their Ford Fiesta Rally2 while last year's runners up Neil Roskell/Dai Roberts and Mark Kelly/Will Atkins (Fiesta Rally2 and Skoda Fabia R5 respectively) both failed to score on





Friday. After an all nighter, Roskell's car was repaired and the mechanics were repaid by his 3rd place finish on Saturday. Kelly's broken brake calliper on Friday dropped them to 127th but they bounced back to a 5th place





Saturday finish. Coming home in third on Friday were Steve Wood/Kenny Hull and their Citroen C3 Rally2 was 4th on Saturday. A brief run-in with a wall couldn't halt Simon Bowen/Craig Simkiss progressing to 4th place on Friday in their turbo'd S2000 Fiesta and 6th on Saturday. Making a welcome return after a big accident on last year's event was Hugh Hunter with Rob Fagg as co-driver. A spin





on Friday's final stage lost them most of the spotlights from their Ford Fiesta Rally2 and dropped them to 5th - Friday night's fantastic Northern Lights weren't a suitable replacement! Hugh's confidence wasn't dented a they came home a brilliant 2nd place on Saturday. Over to the British Historic Championships and it's no





secret that while the Asphalt Championship is a crowd pleaser, the Historic's provide the greater bang for your buck and none more so than Mark Higgins/Carl Williamson revelling in the power and handling of a Triumph TR7 V8 on stages Higgins was brought up on. A gearbox niggle slowed them on Friday morning but once fixed, Higgins was just incredible. On the final stage of Friday, 11.6 miles of Little London, he was 46s faster then the second historic





competitor and was only beaten by the Rally2 cars James Williams and Callum Black. It was no surprise to see he won Friday's rally but on Saturday a temporary return of the gearbox niggle and a heavy landing causing the engine to cut out were enough to drop them down the order. Another car breaking the Ford Escort Mk2 dominance was the Porsche 911 Carrera of Seb Perez/Gary McElhinney A fan belt problem cost them time on Friday but they had a brilliant battle with Richard Hill/Patrick Cooper's Escort Mk2





throughout Saturday with Hill ahead but Perez pulled back from 17.2s behind with 3 stages to go, taking the win by 0.1s overall after a 1.3s victory the final stage! A special mention must be made for Will Rowlands/Emyr Hall and their Escort Mk2 who were the quickest Historic class car of the weekend but they weren't registered for championship points.











A gritty performance from Peter Morgan/David James Price brought their Vauxhall Chevette 2300 HS home 6th in Class C

Hugh Hunter/Rob Fagg missed 5th place on Friday by just 0.7s in their Ford Fiesta Rally2 probably as a result of this frontal damage







A big hit for Neil Roskell/Dai Roberts' Fiesta Rally2 was repaired overnight and the team were rewarded with 3rd place on Saturday





© Syd Wall

A mini minor problem for BMW Mini Cooper S of Tim Green/Jordan Joines en route to an excellent 56th overall and first Mini





Prescott Historique was run by the Bugatti Owners Club at the end of May using the full Prescott Speed Hill Climb course. The club had got over 150 cars for each day covering nine decades of motoring, celebrating hill climbing through the years. In addition, various famous cars were on display in the paddock, with some also doing demonstration runs up the hill over the weekend. Among these cars were the recreation BRM V16, n Ex Niki Lauda BRM P160 Grand Prix car from 1972, plus the ex-Roy Lane



Best Time of Day Saturday - David Hampton Lotus 69 Formula 2/Atlantic

McLaren and Jedi chassis No 1.

Each day is run as a separate event, but many entrants did contest both days. The event had several different invited championships taking part in the event as well as the Bugatti Owners Club Members own Fassi Classic Speed Championship and the BOC All Comers Handicap. These included the Bert Hadley Memorial Championship for Austin 7s, the Paul Matty Lotus Championship, the ERA Register, the BWM Bugatti Williams Monaco Trophy cars Handicap, the TR Register Triumph Speed Championship, the Healey Sport series and the 500 Owners Association series. On Sunday they added the Allard Owners Club. The Best Time of day on Saturday was set by David Hampton in a Formula 2/Atlantic 2 litre Lotus 69 single seater racing car in the PMLC Class. His best time was 45.74 seconds on his second timed run. This gave him the fastest time in the Paul Matty Lotus Championship class. This class had one of the largest entries with 23 assorted Lotus cars entered. The next fastest car in the class was the Lotus 69 F3 of Anthony Wallen, who set a best time of 46.27 seconds. On Sunday he was fastest in the class with a best time of 45.48 seconds.





The Best Time of Day on Sunday was set by Ian Baxter driving a Brabham BT16 in Class BOC 2 Bugatti Owners Club Members All Comers Handicap. His best time was 45.38 seconds, faster than Saturdays best time. Not all class awards are based on the fastest time, some are handicap based, where the order is decided by how a driver does against a handicap time set for them before their timed runs.

After the Lotus class, the next quickest runs came from Class Fassi 3 Bugatti Owners Club Fassi Classic **Speed Championship.** The fastest time in that class was set by Peter Thurston in a Mallock Mk4 U2 with a time of

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Jeremy Rivers Fletcher Triumph Special 1st Fassi 3 class Sunday

46.06 seconds but his difference to his target time was 1.23 and the 1st in class award went to Ben Fisher in a Mallock Mk11. His best time was 49.65 seconds, but his difference was only 0.71. On Sunday the 1st award went to Jeremy Rivers Fletcher in his Triumph Special. His best time was 53.53 but his difference was 0.72 The next best time for an award winner was in Class BOC 3 Bugatti Owners Club Member All Comers Handicap. The 1st in class award went to Les Buck in a Pringett Mistrale with a time of 50.60, with a difference of 1.45. On Sunday the class was won by Mike Henney in a Lotus 51. His best time was 49.94 and a difference of -1.17.





Moving on now to the TR Register Triumph Speed Championship class TRRTSC, the 1st in class award went to Alastair Flack in a Triumph TR7 V8. His fastest time was 50.73 seconds on Saturday. He won again on Sunday with a time of 50.20. On Saturday he was nearly two seconds faster then 2nd placed Steve Small in another





Charles Reynolds Cooper Mk 7 fastest Class 500 OA2 Saturday

Triumph TR7 V8 whose best time was 52.55 seconds. Class ERA ERA Register had only three entries, but although there were some of the oldest cars competing, they were still fast racing cars. The 1st in class award on both days went to Ben Fidler in ERA D Type with a best time of 50.89 on Saturday and 50.85 on Sunday. A class not quite so old, but still fast was Class 500 OA 2 **500 Owners Association.** This only had two entries so no award was given, but the fastest time went to Charles Reynolds in a Cooper Mk7, with a best time of 51.40 seconds. On Sunday there was only one entry, Mark Dent



Mark Dent Cooper Mk 8 Fastest Class 500 OA2 Sunday



in a Cooper Mk8, who had been in class 500OA1 on Saturday. His best time on Sunday was 54.82 seconds. Coming much more up to date was Class BOC 4 Bugatti Owners Club Member All Comers Handicap. This again was a handicap class. The fastest time in the class was set by Maxwell Brierley Jones in a Triumph TR7 V8 with a time of 50.04 seconds, but no award as the difference was 0.48. The 1st in class award went to Tim Jeffrey in an Alpine GTA LM. His time of 52.29 gave him a difference of -0.62. There were only three entries on Sunday so there was no award given. The fastest time and lowest difference on Sunday went to Pete Fletcher in a Triumph TR7 V8 with a time of 52.44 seconds and a difference of 2.15.





Class BOC 2 Bugatti Owners Club Member All Comers Handicap had awards for the top three. The fastest time in class was set by Ian Baxter in a Brabham BT16 in 46.46 seconds but the handicap difference was 1.18 so he did not win an award. However on Sunday he did set the Best Time of the day with a time of 45.38 seconds.

The 1st in class award went to David Rose in a Lotus 18



FJ with a time of 52.56 seconds and a difference of -1.80. The 2nd in class award went to Carl Talbot in a Buckler 90. His time of 59.78 seconds gave him a difference of -1.16. Finally, 3rd in class went to Mark Ponting in a Cooper T59 with a time of 56.39 seconds but with a difference of -1.12. On Sunday the 1st in class award went to Marc Wojtanowski in a Morris Mini Cooper Historic Rally car with a time of 55.14 seconds and a difference of -1.19.



The Class 500 OA1 500 Owners Association was the largest of the two 500 classes, with nine entries and two awards. Taking 1st in class was Frazer Deane in a Cooper Mk9 F3 with a time of 52.78 seconds. With a time of 53.01, Richard Robarts took the 2nd in class award in his Cooper



Mark 11.

On Sunday the class had shrunk to just three entries and saw Richard Roberts in a Cooper Mk11 take the 1st in class award. His time was 53.83 seconds, nearly three seconds faster than his nearest rival.



Richard Mason Austin Healey 3000 Mk2 Fastest Class HS Saturday

Class HS Healey Sport did not have any awards listed but had a great entry of seventeen cars. There was an excellent battle for honours in this class. The fastest time was set by Richard Mason in an Austin Healey 3000 Mk2. His best time was 52.89 seconds, only 0.03 of a second faster than Stephen Casson in an Austin Healey Lenham Sprite GTO on 52.92. The third fastest time was also very close, only 0.29 os a second slower. Set by Michael Berry in an Austin Healey 100M with his best time of 53.21 seconds.

On Sunday 1st in Class went to Maxwell Shand, Austin Healy Sprite in 52.02. Only 0.35 of a second faster then 2nd in class Casson on 52.37. Taking another 3rd was Berry in his Austin Healey 1000M with a time of 52.80. The Bert Hadley Memorial Championship for the Austin 7, is probably for the oldest and smallest cars at the event. But this doesn't mean they are slow or not competitive. The 1st in class award on both days went to Colin Danks in an Austin Seven Ulster with a time of 56.78 seconds on



Saturday and although he only managed one run on Sunday, he was still fastest on the day with a time of 57.92. On Saturday he was almost two and a half seconds faster than Nick Allen in his Austin 7 Shelsley Special. He took the 2nd in class award with a best time of 58.25 seconds. The 3rd in class award went to Paul Geering in an Austin 7 Pigsty Special, with a time of 60.20 seconds.

Class Fassi 4 Bugatti Owners Club Fassi Classic Speed Championship only had three entries and just two starters and no awards were given. This is another handicap/target time class. The fastest time in the class

Clive Berry Chrysler Sunbeam 1600 Ti Fastest Fassi 4 Class both days



and the smallest difference went to Clive Berry in a Chrysler Sunbeam 1600 Ti with a time of 57.71 seconds and a difference of 1.32 on Saturday. On Sunday his best time was 57.94 seconds and a difference of 1.55 Class Fassi 2 Bugatti Owners Club Fassi Classic Speed Championship had a much larger entry and awards for the top three. The fastest time went to Garry Cox in a Reliant Scimitar coupe who did an identical time of 49.91 seconds on both runs. Unfortunately his difference was 0.42 which did not get him in to the top three in the class. The 1st class award went to David Fripp in a Fiat 124 Spider. His time was 58.64 seconds but a difference of







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Mark Ponting Cooper T59 3rd Class BOC 2













Robert MacGregor Triumph Dolomite Sprint TRRTSC Class

Leigh Carter Fiat 695SS Abarth



-1.36. In 2nd in class was Oliver Slater in a Ginetta G15. His best time was 57.94 seconds, with a difference of -0.25. Finally 3rd in class went to Stephen Akers in a Lotus Elan S1 GTS whose best time of 55.31 seconds and a difference of 0.09. However on Sunday it was Akers who took 1st in class with a 54.83 second run and a difference of -0.39. The interesting class at Prescott was Class BWM Bugatti Williams Monaco Trophy Cars Handicap. With five cars entered, the fastest time was set by Edmund Burgess in a Bugatti Type 51 with a time of 52.50 seconds, but his target





difference was only 0.65. The 1st in class award went to Edward Townsend in a Bugatti T35B whose best time was 58.88 seconds but his target difference was -0.74. On Sunday it was Tim Dutton in a Bugatti Type 44 who took 1st in class with a time of 61.78 seconds and a difference of -0.17.

Class Fassi 1 Bugatti Owners Club Fassi Classic Speed Championship was another class with an interesting entry of classic saloons. The 1st in class award on both days went to Alistair Clark in a Triumph Vitesse



Alistair Clark Triumph Vitesse Mk2 1st Fassi 1 Class both days

Mk2 with a best time of 62.26 seconds and a difference of -0.69 on Saturday. On Sunday he improved his time to 61.38 seconds and got his difference to -0.88. Interestingly, On Saturday the 2nd in class award went to Simon Braithwaite in a Ford Escort RS1600. His difference was -0.40 and his best time was 50.10 seconds, the second fastest time by just 0.01 of a second. Sunday 2nd in class went to Graham Hill in a Mini Cooper S. His time was 50.69 seconds and a difference of -0.14.

The 3rd in class award went to Matt Clarke in an Austin Mini, who set the fastest time in the class. His 50.09 second run was only 0.01 of a second faster than the 2nd place driver but his difference was -0.33. On Sunday 3rd in class went to Ian Stringer in an Alfa Romeo Giulia Sprint GT with a time of 53.93 seconds and a difference of -0.11 The final class was Class BOC 1 Bugatti Owners Club Member All Comers Handicap with the fastest time set by Tom Richardson in a Gypsy GN Special Special with a time of 56.02 seconds. But his difference was only 0.82. The 1st in class award on both days went to David Saxi in a Riley TT Sprite with a best time of 63.54 seconds and a massive difference of -3.23 on Saturday. On Sunday his time was 63.55 seconds with a difference of 0.01.





Sunday saw an additional class added Class AOC Allard Owners Club with a good entry of nine cars. The 1st in class award went Allard J2 driven by Mark Butterworth. Despite only managing a single timed run, he set the fastest time in class at 59.50. James Smith in an Allard J1 took 2nd in class with a time of 63.27. Taking 3rd in class was Jon Langley in an Allard K1 with a time of 64.04.









## The winning PB Racing by JMH Audi GT3 of Peter Erceg & Marcus Clutton

The British Automobile Racing Club (BARC) ran a two day meeting on 15th and 16th June 2024. Using the full Grand Prix circuit from the Heritage pits, the meeting was the third round of the British Endurance Championship in Association with Motorsport UK (BEC) and ROKiT F4 British Championship certified by the FIA. Supporting the British Endurance Championship on the Saturday were various Caterham Seven championships. The track was wet during qualifying for the 2 hour British







3rd placed Xentek Motorsport Porsche GT4 ofBal Sidhu & Josh Steed

Endurance Championship with drizzle falling during the session. It was not a big entry for the race with only seventeen cars taking to the circuit during qualifying and one of those, the JW Bird Cupra of Matthew Wilson and Aaron Mason, got its lap times disallowed due to Eligibility problems. Of the remaining cars it was the PB Racing by JMH Audi GT3 driven by Peter Erceg & Marcus Clutton who claimed pole position with a lap time of 2 minutes

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Cameron Pratt-Thompson and James Taylor Ginetta G55 Supercup were 1st Class G 6th overall

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22.872 seconds. They were over three and a half seconds faster than the Team Brit McLaren 570S GT4 of Paul Fullick & Aaron Morgan.

All seventeen cars lined up on the grid, with the Cupra starting from the back of the grid. The circuit was still wet and showers continued through the afternoon as the cars started the race. The British Endurance Championship points are allocated on both race finishing position and a handicap system. After qualifying it was calculated that the

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Moments away from a downpour, the Seat Cupra of Chris Bulan and Simon Mason finished 1st in Class E, 7th overall

leading Audi would need to have a 5 lap lead over the Class B Road & Competition Engineering Porsche 992 Cup Car of Richard Avery & Nick Hull to score maximum points. The Audi led from start to finish, while the Porsche, which had started only 12th on the grid, soon worked its way through the field. It got as high as 3rd and at half distance they were only one lap behind in 2nd overall. Despite getting a stop/go penalty for a pit lane infringement, with just ten minutes of the race remaining,



the Porsche was only four laps behind the leading Audi. Then disaster struck the Porsche with a fuel pump failure taking them out of the race. So after just over two hours and fifty one laps of racing, the Audi GT3 of Erceg & Clutton won the race under a safety car that was required while the Porsche was recovered from the circuit. As the Porsche was classified eight laps behind in 13th position,





the Audi pair also scored maximum points from the race. They were three laps ahead of the 2nd placed MJC Ltd Bentley Continental GT3 Gen 2 of Witt Gamski & Ross Wylie.

Taking 1st in Class D was the Xentek Motorsport Porsche 9t4 of Bal Sidhu & Josh Steed, who finished 3rd overall, also completing 48 laps, 3 laps behind the race winners. The Team Brit McLaren 570S GT4 of Morgan & Fullick took





2nd in Class D, 4th overall on 47 laps.

Class G went to the 6th placed SVG Ginetta G55 Supercup driven by Cameron Pratt-Thompson & James Taylor, who also completed 47 laps.

The Jabbasport Cupra Gen 1 of Chris Bialan & Simon Mason were 1st in Class E, 7th overall also completing 47 laps.

The final class winners were Hull & Avery in the Porsche 922, who were classified 13th overall, having completed 43 laps before stoping out on circuit due to the faulty fuel pump, and were eight laps behind the race winners.















Over the weekend, there were three races for the ROKiT F4 British Championship Certified by FIA, Rounds 13, 14 and 15. The single seater series use identical Tatuus F4-T421 chassis with an Abarth 414TF 1.4 litre engine and Pirelli tyres and is considered as the replacement for a National Formula Ford series. Pole position for the first race went to Deagen Fairclough Hitech Pulse-Eight, the second race pole was Ella Lloyd for JHR Developments and the final race pole went to Reza Seewooruthun for Hitech Pulse-Eight.

The first race on Saturday too place on a wet track with showers. Fairclough led the race from start to finish, winning by over four seconds from team mate

6th Yuanpu Cui for Phinsys by Argenti was 1st Rookie in first race



Seewooruthun. In 3rd place was Alex Ninovic for Rodin Motorsport. The Rookie class was won by Chinese driver Yuanpu Cui for Phinsys by Argenti in 6th.



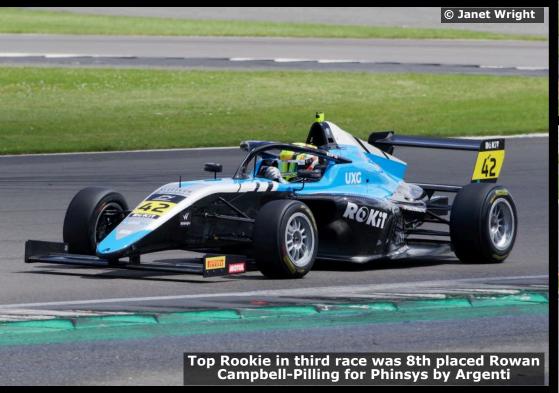
## Second F4 race winner was Leo Robinson for JHR Developments

The other two F4 races took place on Sunday in bright and drier conditions. The first race, round 14 of the championship was won by Leo Robinson for JHR Developments from team mate Ella Lloyd who took 2nd after Alex Ninovic (3rd), Joel Bergstrom (4th) and 1st Rookie, James Higgins (5th) and Bart Harrison (6th) all received position penalties for Safety Car infringement, dropping them below Lloyd in the results.





The third race was won by Seewooruthin from team mate Fairclough, with Ninovic taking his third 3rd place of the weekend. The Rookie class went to Rowan Campbell-Pilling for Phinsys by Argenti.







There were a whole raft of Caterham support races over the weekend. The Bilstein Caterham Roadsport Championship race on Saturday was won by Paul Goldstein from Barry Thompson and Nick Highton. The second race on Sunday was won by Jonathan Emery from Paul Goldstein and Adam Kene.



Next was the Motul Caterham Seven 310R Championship. The first race on Saturday was won by Taylor O'Flanagan, from Tom Wyllys and Hugo Bush. The other two races took



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The third Caterham series was the Mission Motorsport Caterham Seven 270R Championship. On Saturday the first race was won by Ben Timmons from David Rooke and Daniel Neale. The other two races took place on Sunday with the second race won by Timmons again, this time from Ryan Wilby and Rooke taking 3rd this time. The final race saw a hat-trick of wins for Timmons, with Wilby taking a second 2nd place and Nick Bryant in 3rd.









MotoFest took over the centre of Coventry for its tenth anniversary event at the beginning on June. Part of the city ring road is closed to normal traffic and a competitive motor sprint takes place. Between the sprint runs, the course is also used for different parades and demonstrations. First thing Sunday morning, around 10am, they had a parade of around forty American Police cars all with their sirens and lights operating. An Autotest and Drifting demonstrations were alsop taking place in other part of the city. MotoFest takes place all across the city centre, with classic





car and motorcycles displays outside Coventry Transport museum, then more cars in Broadgate in the centre of the city, inside the shell of the original Coventry cathedral.

















1936 Hillman Minx Magnificent



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1967 Humber Sceptre

TIZ



**Ford Capri** 

There was a nice lineup of Ford Capri opposite the Coventry transport Museum. The Capri is a fastback coupe built by Ford Europe between 1968 and 1986 as a European equivalent to the Ford Mustang. It used the mechanical components from the Mk2 Ford Cortina. Over the years it was fitted with a wide variety of engines ranging from 1.3 litre 4 cylinder inline Kent engine and 1.3 litre V4 Taunus right through to the 3 litre V6 Essex engine and in South Africa around 500 were fitted with the 5 litre V8 Windsor engine in the Capri Perana by Specialist Basil Green Motors. The Capri went through three versions over its eighteen year lifespan. These appear to be Mark III models. The 2.8 injection from 1982 produced around 150 bhp, giving a top speed of 130 mph.



Zakspeed Tribute Capri.

The most dramatic Capri built for racing was the Zakspeed Capri in 1978 for the German DTM saloon racing series. It was very fast but the twin turbos proved to be unreliable The car either won or broke down It won the championship in 1981. They continued racing until 1983 with a couple of wins but was outclassed by BMW.

This tribute car started as a 2 litre Capri as a road car. It took 3 year to build. The engine was bored out to 2.1 and fitted with a Stage 3 T34 Turbo, restricted to 300 bhp. It has also been fitted with Air Suspension to allow the car to get over speed bumps on the road.







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1965 Sunbeam Tiger

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1903 Suilbo

## **Coventry Concours 2024**



This is the MotoFest version of a Concours d'Elegance, looking for the best examples of vehicles with a Coventry connection. Working with the Association of Heritage Engineers and supported by Anthony Evans Insurance, various winners were announced as 2024 winners.



Spirit of MotoFest - Jaguar Mk2 driven from Norway by Geir Folke Olse

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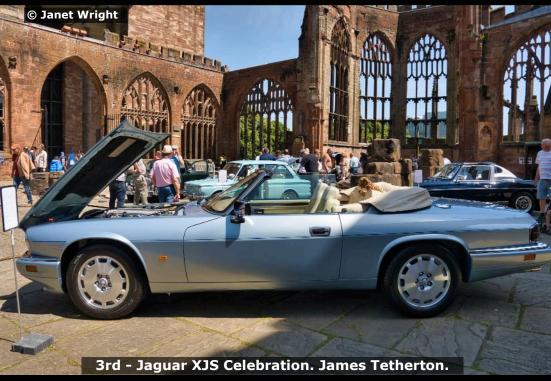
## 1st 1960 Triumph Italia 2000 - Graham Andrews.

The Triumph Italia 2000 was instigated by the Triumph Concessionaire for Italy, Ruffino S.P.A. of Naples. By 1959 Ruffino were struggling to sell outdated and bland Triumph sports cars in Italy. So they set up a deal to import the Triumph Renowned chassis and the 2 litre, 4 cylinder engine as a rolling chassis. They then got Italian designer Giovanni Michelotti to design a coupe body and the famous Alfredo Vignale coach-works to produce the body. It was sold as "Italian bodywork at its best, British tradition in sports car engineering at its finest". Most were built Left Hand Drive (LHD) and sold in Europe.A total of 329 cars were assembled between 1959 and 1962 before the deal finished and Triumph launched the TR4.

This is No. 82 and has been completely restored after being found in Italy in 2013.









Children's Choice Hillman Imp - Jeff Day

















2001 Jaguar X-Type AWD 2.5 V6

2000 Nissan Micra pickup

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As in the past few years, part of the city inner ring road is closed to normal traffic and a competitive motor sprint is run by the BARC against the clock. The course is marked out by plastic removable blocks to form chicanes and to add interest to the track. As it is an official timed event, it comes under MotorSport UK jurisdiction and anyone taking part will require a minimum of a Speed Competition license. Two separate events take place, one each day, with Practice runs in the morning and the competitive timed runs

© Simon Wright Stephen Moore Mitsubishi Evo 6 1st Class 3C

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in the afternoon. Sunday saw competitors have four timed runs and the Fastest Time of the Day went to Alastair Boulton in the Praga R1T. He set his best time on his first run with a time of 63.06 seconds. This also put him 1st in Class 4B - Sports **Libre Cars - Cars** 1701cc & Above. Over a second and

a half behind was



the Caterham Super 7 Zetec of Matt Bramall. His best time was 64.59 seconds, set on his fourth run. This put him 1st in Class2B - Road Cars - Specialist Production - Cars 1701cc & Above - Car Derived.

Completing the top three was Stephen Moore driving a Mitsubishi Evo 6 with a time of 65.55 seconds. This put him 1st in Class3C - Modified Cars - Series Production -Cars 2001cc & Above.



**Graham Beale Ginetta G33 1st Class 3F** 



Taking 1st in Class 1E - Road Cars - Series Production - 4-Wheel Drive cars of any capacity was Paul Kenny in a Nissan R35 GT-R with a time of 66.54 seconds. 5th overall and 1st in Class 3F - Modified Cars - Specialist Production - Cars 1701cc & Above - Car





**Derived** was Graham Beale in a Ginetta G33. His best time was 68.41 seconds was only 0.41 seconds faster than Robert Pallett in a Ginetta G20, 2nd in class and 7th overall.

In 11th place and 1st in Class 2A - Road Cars - Specialist

**Production - Cars up** to & cars up to & including 1700cc -Car Derived was Dave Rayner driving a Caterham Supersport F200. His best time was 70.33 seconds. Edward Crossley in a Morris Mini Cooper S was 13th overall. He was also 1st in Class 3A - Modified Cars -**Series production -**Cars up to & Including 1400cc. His best time was set on his second run at



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70.72 seconds.

Class 1C - Road Cars - Series production - Sports & Saloon cars 2001cc & Above was won by 14th placed Glen Shaw in a Nissan 350Z. His best time of 71.46 seconds was only 0.16 of a second faster than Sam Rosenthal in a Porsche Boxster , 2nd in class, 16th overall. The MG TF of Jamie Stevens was 1st in Class 3B -



Modified Cars - Series Production - Cars 1401cc up to & Including 2000cc. His best time of 74.31 seconds put him 19th overall.

Taking 22nd overall and 1st in Class 1B for Road Cars - Series Production - Sports & Saloon cars 1401cc up to 2000cc was Razvan Valentin Rosca in a Toyota GT with a time of 76.52 seconds.

The little Fiat 500 Sport of Gordon Peters was 1st in Class 1A - Road Cars - Series Production - Sports & Saloons Up to & Including 1400cc. His best time of 77.91



seconds placed him 26th overall.

The final class was **6B - VSCC**, which saw Sue Darbyshire in her 3 wheeled Morgan Super Aero take 1st with a time of 83.66 seconds which put her in a very respectable 33rd overall, with quite a few much more modern cars behind her.

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Lee Williams Jaguar Mk1 4th Class 3C

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Richard Clews VW Golf 3rd Class 1E