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## EDITORIAL

## BRITISH GRAND PRIX

TTomorrow, after a lapse of two years, the British Grand Prix returns to the traditional post-war home of motor racing, Silverstone. It was in 1948 that the R.A.C. organized a race-meeting on a redundant airfield, using a sinuous 3.8 -mile circuit, which, a year later, was changed to the familiar 3-mile course we know today. The 1948 event was the first British Grand Prix to be organized in Great Britain since 1927, and was won by Villoresi (Maserati) at $72.28 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. A year later, de Graffenried (Maserati) won on the revised circuit at 77.31 m.p.h. Fastest lap, by Bira in his supercharged $1 \frac{1}{2}$-litre Maserati, was $82.82 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. Eleven years later, Innes Ireland in an unsupercharged $2 \frac{1}{2}$-litre Lotus-Climax raised this to 111.86 m.p.h., and last May, with his $1 \frac{1}{2}$-litre Lotus-Climax, achieved 110.45 m.p.h. In all, 10 British Grands Prix have been staged at Silverstone, the majority having been organized by the British Racing Drivers' Club, with strong support from the Daily Express. During the years, spectator facilities and installations have been improved to an immeasurable extent, and there is little doubt that Silverstone has the true Grand Prix atmosphere. Saturday's race will see the largest field of Formula 1 cars assembled for a 1963 grande épreuve, and certainly the biggest International representation, with drivers from Great Britain, U.S.A., Sweden, Holland, Argentina, Australia, New Zealand, Italy, Switzerland and South Africa. It is Round Five of the World Championship, and already Jim Clark (Lotus-Climax) has scored three victories, and the 1962 title-holder Graham Hill (B.R.M.), one. However, in recent races, a new make has come up to challenge Cheshunt and Bourne, namely the Climax-powered Brabhams, which will be driven on Saturday by Dan Gurney and by the Champion of 1959 and 1960, Jack Brabham. These are undoubtedly the fastest "non-monocoque" machines on the circuits today. Brabham's Juniors have proved to be almost invincible this year, and many people believe that his Formula 1 cars must win a Grand Prix before long. Another threat comes from Innes Ireland in the B.R.P.B.R.M., lap record holder in two Formula 1 categories. John Surtees and his Ferrari are also capable of shaking the opposition, but it is unfortunate that the exChampion motorcyclist will not have the backing of a second car. A.T.S. will be out to demonstrate that their cars do have G.P. possibilities, and many enthusiasts will look for a winner in the strong CooperClimax team of Bruce McLaren and Tony Maggs. In a Grand Prix anything can happen. Jim Clark lost the Championship in South Africa last year because a small bolt worked loose. No matter how superbly a car is driven, and how meticulously it is prepared, there must always be an element of good fortune to secure victory.

## OUR COVER PICTURE

BRUCE McLAREN stands an excellent chance of victory in Saturday's British Grand Prix at Silverstone, which is one of the most "open" for years. Bruce, who regularly contributes to AUTOSPORT, and whose mount, the 1953 Formula 1 Cooper-Climax, is the subject of Theo Page's cutaway drawing in this week's issue, leads ${ }^{\circ}$ Lorenzo Bandini (B.R.M.) at Rheims.

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L odovico scarfiotti, winner at Sebring and Le Mans, is reported to have announced his retirement from racing. The Italian gained a championship point at Zandvoort, but was injured at Rheims in his Formula 1 Ferrari a few days later

$\mathrm{G}^{\text {n }}$AHAM HAYWARD has been appointed Competitions Manager of Britax (London), Ltd. He will advise on safety harnesses for rallies and racing.

## FOREIGN ENTRY QUALIFICATION

From the latest R.A.C. Motor Sport Bulletin it is learned that as from 1st August, drivers wishing to take part in foreign events will have to have additional experience in the British Isles before the R.A.C. will approve their entries.
After reviewing, at their June meeting, drivers nominated for some international events, the R.A.C. Competitions Committee directed that a visa, which must be obtained from the R.A.C. in respect of R.A.C. Competitions Licence holders entering foreign events, will only be granted to drivers who have previously finished in two events in the British Isles of International or National status.
This ruling applies to races, hillclimbs and rallies.

## "AUTOSPORT" CHAMPIONSHIP

Since the last news, which appeared in these columns on the 28th June, three meetings have been held which included qualifying races, and several drivers have come up with a rush as we thought might happen. We still await the full results of the Martini Trophy meeting at Silverstone, so the final table cannot yet be compiled, but several startling facts emerge from the information available from this meeting, from Mallory Park last Saturday, and from Snetterton on Sunday.

Over last week-end Roger Nathan, Robin Benson and Tony Hegbourne notched up 18 points apiece, Frank Gardner did well despite adversity, and several others holding significant positions scored successes, including World Champion Graham Hill who, in the Etype Jaguar, is now equal with Roy Salvadori in the Cooper Monaco at 36 points from four clear wins.

Let us now look briefly at the classes. In Class A, Warwick Banks has split the Dick Jacobs Midgets with 34 points from five scores. Roger Nathan has shot to the head of Class B with three clear wins, 27 points. Ken Mackenzie is now equal second in Class C with 18 points from two wins. In Class D Graham Hill leads with 36 points and Mike Parkes, the reigning Autosport Champion, is now equal second with Dick Protheroe. Class E results are not yet complete, but Chris Williams still leads, now having 33 points from five scores, and Robin Benson has shot into second place with 30 points from five scores. Frank Gardner is still second in Class F to the overall leader Mike Beckwith, but is only 1 point ahead of Tony Hegbourne who now has 34 points from five scores. In Class G, Bill de Selincourt has taken second place behind Roy Salvadori, with 22 points from three scores, and his team-mate John Coundley, who shares the Lotus 19 , is tying with Innes Ireland at 16 points from three scores.

At Silverstone tomorrow Graham Hill and Innes Ireland will be unable to appear in the qualifying race, having driven in the Grand Prix, but some interesting results may well come from those who can compete. We will print the answers as soon as we know them.

THE B.A.R.C. Aintree race meeting on 5th August has been reduced from National Open to National British status.

## PITand PADDOCK

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 MONZA LOTTERY GRAND PRIXOVERSHADOWED somewhat by the Rheims race on the same day, the Monza Lottery Grand Prix on 30th June went to Jacques Maglia (Lotus-Ford 22) after the Frenchman had duelled with Australian John Ampt (Alexis-Ford), who retired with a holed radiator. Colin Davis, who rarely races these days, was an excellent second in a Wainer-Ford.

A three-hour race for 1 -litre G.T. cars, qualifying towards the G.T. Championship, was, of course, a Fiat-Abarth benefit, "Tiger" winning from Gianfranco Rovetta. Six of the ten starters finished.

## RESULTS

Formula Junior-Heat 1 ( 15 laps- 86.25 kms .): 1, Curt Lincoln (Brabham-Ford), 179.822 k.p.h. 2, "Geki" (de Sanctis-Ford); 3, Colin Davis (Wainer-Ford). Heat 2 (15 laps- $86.25 \mathrm{kms}$. ): 1,
Jacques Maglia (Lotus-Ford 22), $183.999 \mathrm{k} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h} . ;$ 2, John Ampt (Alexis-Ford); 3, John Peterson (Brabham-Ford). Final (30 laps-172.5 kms.): 1, Jacques Maglia (Lotus-Ford 22), 183.067 k.p.h.; 2, Colin Davis (Wainer-Ford); 3, Kurt Bardi-Barry (Cooper-Ford); 4, Picko Troberg (Lola-Ford); 5, David Hitches (Lola-Ford); 6, "Acnalam" (LotusFord 27). Fastest lap: Maglia, 1 m .49 .6 s . 188.869 k.p.h.
G.T. Cars (Three Hours): 1, "Tiger" (FiatAbarth 1000), 160.503 k.p.h.; 2, Gianfranco Rovetta (Fiat-Abarth 1000); 3, Jacques Calderari (Fiat Abarth 1000); 4, Domenico Lo Coco (Fiat-Abarth 1000); 5, Girolama Capra (Fiat-Abarth 700); 6, F. Sestilli (Fiat-Abarth 700). Fastest lap: "Tiger", 2 m .2 .5 s ., 168.979 k.p.h.


AT SILVERSTONE on Saturday will be Autosport's new kiosk, which has been seen at many race meetings this year. Watch out for it!

## ST. VINCENT'S TROPHY RACE, SANDOWN PARK, AUSTRALIA

$\mathrm{B}^{\text {ib }}$ stillwell, driving his Repco-Brabham-Climax, emerged victorious in the St. Vincent's Trophy Race, held over 26 laps of the Sandown Park circuit on 23rd June. Stillwell recorded best time in practice held on the previous day, thus securing pole position on the grid, next fastest being Lex Davison, driving the car with which Bruce McLaren won the Sandown Cup in March, whilst Bill Patterson, driving his 2.5-litre Cooper, and David McKay, in the Brabham, were next in line. From the time the starter's flag fell until the chequered flag was waved Stillwell was never headed, and did not at any stage look like losing the lead short of some mishap. However, the dice for second position was providing the crowd of 20,000 spectators with first-class entertainment, for although Lex Davison held this position throughout, he was hotly

## pressed by both McKay and Patterson

 for the entire race, and even after McKay's retirement with engine trouble on lap 15 Patterson continued to hound "Davo", to the delight of the crowd. Patterson indulged in a great deal of fist waving, which was perfectly justified, for on at least two occasions Davison was guilty of deliberate baulking, which is something that this great sportsman has never indulged in previously, and I hope it does not occur again. The Formula Junior section of the race was won by Jack Hunam driving an Elfin, from Leo Geoghegan (Lotus 22) and Mel McEwin on another Elfin. Included in the supporting events was the Ron Flockhart Memorial Trophy Race for ADO15 type cars, which was won by Peter Manton, who has been practically undefeated in this class of racing over the last 12 months. Andrew MacGregor.
## ROB WALKER'S DO-IT-YOURSELF GRAND PRIX



Number 7 is tuned and ready. The onlookers step back. As the engine of the Cooper barks awake, steadies, rises to a full scream, Rob Walker tilts his head, listening, with all the instinctive judgment of a racing man 25 years at the game.
"I don't think it's revving quite properly there," he says. "But let's try it a few times around. Now watch your feet!" Walker releases the clutch and the shrieking Cooper takes off like a bullet-all twelve inches of it !

This is one kind of motor racing, if you like. And these perfectly scaled miniatures are a logical hobby for the
man who is himself the mainspring of racing's most famous and successful private team.

Blistering Walker's indoor track at speeds up to 60 m.p.h., they are driven not by demons but by thimblesize engines that rev up to a shattering 16,000 r.p.m. (They thrive on a potent Ether fuel from BP-but then all Walker cars do run on BP fuels and lubricants!) He has a whole line-up of these lightning midges, worth as much as $£ 300$ each.
"They're awfully temperamental, you know. Much worse than the real thing.


Walker fills two albums each year with the team's press clippings.


Getting into rather larger cars-Walker runs the new Facel Vega, a Lotus Cortina, and the new Cooper 'S'.

And the real thing is, after all, Rob Walker's real line. This total devotion started the day he saw his very first race. It was the BoulogneGrand Prix. It was1924. He was7.
'The Turning Point.' By age seventeen, when he could finally get his licence, Walker was well on his way-first as a widely respected driver in his own right and then, after the war, with his private racing team.

The team was beginning to get hotted up by 1953. But it was 1958 when it rocketed onto front pages everywhere, with a Cooper, Stirling Moss, and a dramatic upset in the Argentine Grand Prix.
"That was the turning point for us, you might say. A fortnight before the race Moss's regular Vanwall wasn't ready, so he came to me for a Cooper. The organisers in Argentina were so anxious to have Moss-in any carthat they offered to fly my Cooper out there.
"Well . . ." Walker's face creases into a wide smile. "When they saw that car come off the plane, I really think they felt cheated. It looked like a baby to them. It was just a two litre, up against $2 \frac{1}{2}^{\prime}$ 's, and looked ridiculously small against the Maseratis!"

History: a lot of people surprised and shaken, and, for Rob Walker, the satisfaction of the first Grande Epreuve win ever gained by a private owner.
'Thought I was mad.' "Then, in the very next Grand Prix, Trintignant brought in another world championship win for the team. Terrific! It hadn't really surprised me, though. I used to tell everyone those cars had terrific potential. They thought I was mad!
"Winning is quite simple. All you need, apart from luck, is the right car, the right mechanics, and the right driver!
"I've never made it a policy to use anything but proved drivers. This year, for example, Jo Bonnier. Quite apart from anything else, I haven't the money to allow inexperienced drivers to break up the cars. Take the sheer cost of engines. Not many years ago a Formula One engine was worth $£ 1,500$. Now it is $£ 5,000$ ! I am unfortunately in the unique position, I think, of paying for all this out of my own pocket. Racing is getting vastly more costly all the time. Not only for me. The works teams are feeling it too.
'I know nothing.' "And in motor racing you obviously just can't fall behind. You have to be with it all the time.

I believe that if a top mechanic, for instance, is out for one month he begins missing things. Of course I myself know nothing about technical things-nothing."

First men to disagree with this statement would be Walker's own mechanics. The word is that Rob Walker knows racing-all sides, and inside out.

I suppose you could say I'm the team manager, whatever that means. But I certainly never try to tell the drivers what to do or how to win the race. I'm in the pits, doing the times, but I never send a signal to go faster or slower.
"Perhaps / did once try to signal Stirling to slow down a bit. So on the next lap he slowed down alright-by $2 / 5$ ths of a second! Well, that's Stirling for you.
'Those terrific years.' "I fill two albums every year with press notices for the team - file them away as they come in during the summer, and then paste them into the album during winter. Just now I'm working on 1961-still just catching up on those terrific years with Moss."

Bets are being taken that for the Rob Walker team there are more, many more terrific years still to comeimpelled by this tall, gentle man with a quietspoken devotion to racing, racers, and race cars ( 8 foot long, or just 12 terrible inches!)

## ROB WALKER CHOOSES BP FUELS AND LUBRICANTS



Warwick banks was recently fined for substantially modifying his TurnerClimax between scrutiny, practice and the race at Oulton Park on 6th April by a tribunal appointed by the Competitions Committee of the R.A.C. Also at the tribunal both Tommy Atkins and Roy Salvadori were reprimanded as the former's Jaguar 3.8, driven by Salvadori at the same Oulton Park meeting, did not comply with the F.I.A. form of recognition then current in respect of this vehicle, with regard to the size of wheel allowed.

## GERMAN RALLY

Full results of the Weisbaden-German Rally are appended below. Unfortunately, this was the first of the rallies to be included in the Grand Touring Car Manufacturers' Championship, which now really complicates matters. It appears that Porsche won the 2 -litre and 1,600 c.c. classes, Alfa Romeo the 1,300 c.c. division and Fiat-Abarth the 1-litre class, but no official confirmation is available.

1, Böhringer/Kaiser (Mercedes-Benz 300SE), 0 route penalties; 2, Glemser/Braungart (MercedesBenz 220 SE ), $0 ; 3$, Andersson/Häggbom (Volvo 122S), $0 ; 4$ Gerbards/Henneke (Mercedes-Benz 220SE), 0; 5, Koob/Wies (D.K.W. F12), 0; 6. Kaufmann/Kling (D.K.W. Junior), 2; 7, Knoeppel/ Knoeppel (B.M.W. 700S), 6.3; 8, Kelleners /Bökmann (Frat 1300 ), 9.2 ; , Brechler/Brechler (Volvo 122S), 18.6; 10, Osterberg/Edenring (Volvo 122S), 22.6


MANY motor racing and rally personalities were present at Caxton Hall last week for the wedding of top rally drivers Pat Moss and Eric Carlsson. Brother Stirling arrived and departed on a motor-scooter-complete with L-plates!
A $^{\mathrm{T}}$ the Swiss St. Ursanne-les-Rangiers hill-climb a few weeks ago B.T.D. was recorded by Karl Foitek in a LotusFord 23B sports car. Joint second were Tommy Spychiger (Abarth 1000) and Sydney Charpilloz (Elva Mk. 7) with 2 mins. 49.1 secs., as compared to Foitek's 2 mins. 45.4 secs. Best single-seater was Charles Vögele's Brabham-Climax (2 mins. 52.3 secs.), while John Thurston won his class in an Austin-Cooper S.
Vic preston, winner of the B.O.A.C. East African Motor Sportsman Award for 1960 and 1961, will be amongst the spectators at Saturday's British Grand Prix.
Tim clark, Jack Brabham, Innes Ireland and Jo Bonnier will be driving in the Solitude Grand Prix for Formula 1 cars on 28th July.
Royston carpenter drove the Le Mans A.C. at the London M.C. Snetterton meeting, and not D. Mackay.
 SPORTS NEWS
 This Sunday's Inter-Club Shelsley Walsh hill-climb has attracted 115 competitors, comprising 29 teams from clubs all over the country. The meeting starts at 11 a.m. with individual runs and amongst the competitors will be Reg Phillips, Peter Gaskell, George Keylock, Ray Terry, Austen May, David Embley, Peter Boshier-Jones, Phil Chapman and Peter Cottrell.

## NURBURGRING 12 HOURS

Adramatic finish enhanced the 12 hour Touring Car Race at the Nürburgring last Sunday, and brought victory to the 3.8 Jaguar driven by Peter Lindner and Peter Nöcker, which crossed the line just 2.2 seconds ahead of the Paul Frère/Lucien Bianchi Fiat 2300S, which had led the race since the Jaguar had a 40 -minute pit stop to weld a Panhard rod bracket. A Ford Cortina driven by Michael Donegan and Michael Brunt finished seventh overall and first in its class.

## RADIO AND TELEVISION TIMES OF THE BRITISH GRAND PRIX

B.B.C.-Network Three Radio. 1.55; 3.05; 4.10.
A.B.C.-Independent Television. 2.55; 4.10; 5.00.

This Sunday the Veteran Car Club are organizing the London Veteran Car Rally at the Crystal Palace circuit. The entry includes 40 different makes and covers each year between 1898 and 1916.

RACING CAR SHOW-1964
S.M.M.T. Approval for Specialized Exhibits
Presented by the B.R.S.C.C. and organized by Ian Smith and Denis Southwood, the Fifth Annual Racing Car Show will take place at Olympia, from 22nd January to 1st February, 1964. For the first time, the S.M.M.T. have given full approval to certain exhibits. Stipulations are :

I (a) Cars which have been especially modified for use in motor racing and are acceptable to the organizers for that purpose, provided their display is for the sole purpose of exhibiting such modification and they are exhibited by the manufacturer or accredited supplier of the conversion. The modification must be of a major nature, plainly manufacturers may not take space under this manufactur
(b) Cars in kit form for home construction provided they are exhibited and advertised for sale expressly and solely for that purpose.
(c) Non-production cars built especially for motor racing or record-breaking attempts on loan for display by the organizers
II The display of accessories and components appropriate to motor racing
(a) By the manufacturer where that manufac-
(b) Indirectly in other cases
(b) Indirecty in other cases (manufacturers features and staff; but not financial aid, to distributors or retailers having stand space at the show).
III Motor publications.
It will be recalled that Autosport has, for many years, advocated S.M.M.T. support for the Racing Car Show, and it is a feather in their caps for Ian Smith and his men that this has finally been achieved.

Champion rally navigator Brian Melia was married to Dorothy Clayton at St. George's, Macclesfield, on 13th July.
Edgar barth (2-litre Porsche) set B.T.D. at last Sunday's Trento-Bondone hillclimb.

## BORDER 100 TO NEVILLE LEDERLE (LOTUS-CLIMAX)

Neville lederie, probably South Africa's most promising driver, is almost assured of winning the South African drivers' championship this year. The 24 -year-old driver added another nine points to his tally, when he won the Border 100 on the Grand Prix circuit at East London on 8th July-a public holiday here-in his Lotus-Climax 21.

Lederle can only be beaten by Ernest Pieterse or Peter de Klerk-if either of these two win the remaining four races on the championship calendar. Lederle has registered four wins, two seconds and a third in the eight races contested so far this season, and he only drove in seven, withdrawing from the recent Royal Show Championship event because of the death of his father.

All 17 starters in the Border 100 got away to good starts. Pieterse (LotusClimax 21), Peter de Klerk (Alfa Special) and Lederle started in the front row, with Doug Serrurier (L.D.S.-Alfa) and Brausch Niemann, having his first outing in Ted Lanfear's Lotus-Ford 22 with 1,500 c.c. engine, in the second row.

Lederle and Pieterse had soon pulled out a good lead over the rest of the field and, throughout the race of 42 laps, were never more than $3 \frac{1}{2}$ secs. apart.

Behind these two, Serrurier and Brausch Niemann-well-known for his success with a very rapid Lotus-Ford 7 -had a great dice for third place, until Niemann had trouble with the gearbox of the Lotus-Ford 22, and was forced to drop back.

Pieterse, the present South African
champion, was driving very well, and really pushing Lederle, who was his usual impeccable self. On his 30th lap Lederle turned in the fastest lap of 94.87 m.p.h., which compares favourably with the track record of $96.35 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. set by Jim Clark in the V8 Lotus-Climax 25 during the last South African Grand Prix. Lederle's time was, in fact, better than Clark's best lap in a Lotus-Climax 21 (the car now owned by Pieterse) of 94.2 m.p.h. set in 1961.

Lederle and Pieterse were motoring so rapidly that they succeeded in lapping Serrurier, who was lying in third berth, after 34 laps of the 2.4 -mile circuit.

When Lederle took the chequered flag he had averaged about $88 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. for the 101-mile race, but only finished 1.7 secs. ahead of Pieterse, with Serrurier third and Niemann fourth.

Brausch Niemann's young brother, Jurgen, took a very creditable seventh place, in the Lotus 7 previously used by his brother. All 17 starters finished the race, which is also a noteworthy achievement.

With this latest win Lederle has 48 points from his six best performances, which is the number the championship will be decided on, although there are 12 qualifying races.

Roger Houghton.
RESULTS
42 laps- 101 miles

1. Neville Lederle (Lotus-Climax 21), 1 h .6 m . $33 \mathrm{s.;} 2$, Ernest Pieterse (Lotus-Climax 21), 1 h . 41 laps; 4, Brausch Niemann (Lotus-Ford 22); 5, Gordon Henderson (Scorpion-Alfa); 6, Clive Trundell (Cooper-Climax). Fastest lap: Lederle, 1 m . 32.6 s ., $94.87 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$.

# AUVERGNE TROPHIES 

Wins for Lorenzo Bandini (Ferrari) and Jo Schlesser (Brabham)
BY BILL GAVIN


LORENZO BANDINI, on his winning way in a two-year-old, front-engined 3-litre Ferrari, receives a pit signal. Bandini made equal fastest lap with Tony Hegbourne (Lotus 23B).

MAIN event of the Auvergne Trophies meeting at Clermont-Ferrand on 7th July was the three-hour race for G.T. cars, G.T. prototypes, and sports cars. This was a qualifying event for Divisions 2 and 3 of the G.T. Championships, i.e. 1,001-2,000 c.c. and over 2,000 c.c. but the real interest lay in the dispute for outright victory between the various sports and prototype cars, and it was Lorenzo Bandini on a 1961 Ferrari Testa Rossa who took the day. The only supporting event was a Junior race divided into two 12 -lap heats, both of which were won by Jo Schlesser in his Brabham-Ford.

The Auvergne circuit was built a few years ago and each year has featured an international sports/G.T. event as well as being the recent venue for France's contribution to the World Motor-cycling Championship. "The Circuit de Montagne d'Auvergne", to give it its full name, consists of 5.10 miles of twisting road with some lowest points. The only real straight is just 600 yds . long and most of this is uphill so that the maximum speed achieved is little more than $130 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. , and the average speed less than 80 m.p.h. There is a great variety of corners from hairpins to several "flat out" downhill bends, which require a careful choice of line and more than a little concentration.

Practice was divided into two sessions on the afternoons of the Friday and Saturday preceding the race. The Normand Racing Team's Lotus 23 s driven by Tony Hegbourne and Mike Beckwith set the best times on the first day at 3 min .49 .7 secs. and 3 min . 52.4 secs. respectively. Mike would possibly have improved on this time had he not crashed his blue and white car during Saturcrashed his blue and white car during Satur-
day's session. Next fastest was the Ferrari GTO driven so well by Carlo Mario Abate to recerd 3 min . 53.4 secs., 2.2 secs. better than his team mate Lorenzo Bandini who was less familiar with this tricky circuit than Carlo Mario. Paul Hawkins was driving Ian Walker's Lotus 23 which, like the Normand cars, is fitted with the twin-cam Mundy-Lotus-J.A.P.-Ford-Cosworth 1,594 c.c. engine; he qualified fifth at 3 min .57 .8 secs. Only other car inside four minutes was the Tipo 151 Maserati coupé driven by Lucien Bianchi-a big car for a little man on such a tight circuit! Hermann Müller and Jean Guichet lapped their $1,700 \mathrm{c} . \mathrm{c}$. RS Porsches at just over 4 min . while Eddy Barth's time of 4 min .2 .1 secs . (credited to Herbert Linge) in a 2 -litre Porsche Carrera (with type 718 bodywork), was quite splendid, as was Mauro Bianchi's 4 min . 2.9 secs. in the little 1-litre Abarth. Next fastest was David Piper in his GTO, Lucky Casner in the rebodied Tipo 61 Maserati, at around 4 min. 5 secs., then came Chris Kerrison in his old Lola-Climax sports which is still a fairly effective weapon on this type of is still a fairly effective weapon on this type of
circuit. José Rosinski's little 996 c.c. Alpine was quite fast at 4 min . 10.5 secs ., though the performance was a bit overshadowed by the Abarth's. Next were the very fleet AbarthSimca 1300s of Hans Herrmann and Giampiero

Biscaldi. In all, this very mixed bag of a field totalled 31 starters.
The Juniors proved to be a whole lot faster than the bigger irons and Jo Schlesser, who is no stranger to the Auvergne circuit, qualified fastest at 3 min .43 .3 secs., exactly 1.1 secs. better than the quickest of Britishers, Mike Spence in a Ron Harris Lotus 27. Despite the handicap of his B.M.C. engine American Tim haycer in one of the Tyrrell Coopers was next at 3 min. 44.8 secs., fractionally faster than Dick Attwood in the M.R.P. Lola. Alan Rees had a lucky escape when he overturned his Lola in the final session, but little except the car's roll bar was damaged.

THE sun was shining brightly as the cars of the Three-Hour, and it was the Lotus 23 s of Hegbourne and Hawkins that got away first, while most of the rest of the field were badly baulked by Abate's GTO which spluttered to a standstill in the middle of the track. In the ensuing melée there was more than a little pushing and shoving and Gerard Laureau had the front end of his René Bonnet well staved in, but was able to continue after a lengthy sojourn at the pits. When the leaders came into sight again about 3 minutes later at one of the hairpins across the valley from the pits, Hegbourne still led Hawkins for their clean start had allowed them to outstrip most of the others. Third and fourth were the works Carreras of Barth and Linge and the RS Porsche of Guichet with Mauro Bianchi RS Porsche of Guichet with Mauro Bianchi to 7 th place and Bandini had come right along with him, and by the end of the next lap they were in third and fourth places-but already the leaders had a 20 secs. advantage. On lap 3 Hawkins took over the lead which he held for three laps until he had to call at the pits with third gear stripped; Ian Walker and John Pledger immediately got to work, fitted a new gear, and much later Paul rejoined the race.

Just when he was in a position to build up a comfortable margin somebody from the Normand pit inexplicably gave Tony Hegbourne the "slow down" signal. This suited Bandini just fine for he had forced past Abate on the third lap and was now flinging the big grey Ferrari about with almost reckless abandon and was closing at about two seconds per lap, and on the tenth lap he went into the lead. Hegbourne responded and kept Abate
at bay and after an hour's racing 15 laps had been covered and the order was Bandini, Hegbourne, Abate (GTO), Beckwith (having made good his slow start), Guichet, L. Bianchi (Maserati 151), M. Bianchi (Abarth 1-litre), Barth (Carrera 2), Piper (GTO), Kerrison (Lola), and José Rosinski in the Alpine which (Lola), and Jose Rosinski in the Alpi
During the next half-hour Beckwith struggled up to second place but his Lotus was not handling at all well after the previous day's encounter, and mountain expert Hermann Müller brought his Porsche up to fourth place behind Abate. A few minutes before the end of the second hour, at 1.30 p.m., Bandini end of the second hour, at 1.30 p.m., Bandini bourne through into the lead. But as soon as he rejoined the fray Bandini set off after the big Englishman, not knowing if it was necessary for the Lotus to refuel. When the second hour elapsed he was 16.1 secs. behind and gradually closed in. Hegbourne had never driven a race of this distance and found himself a little unfit to cope with Bandini, who was in fine form and getting the heavy Ferrari around the course's 51 corners with great gusto and was trailing by just two seconds when Hegbourne stopped after $2 \frac{1}{2}$ hours to refuel the Lotus. This left Bandini with a 40 secs. advantage and, while Hegbourne managed to reduce this to 32 secs. at one stage, Bandini had no difficulty in staying in front for the had no difficulty in staying in front for the remaining five laps. Abate was third now, for spent some time extricating it. Fourth was Müller's Porsche and Mauro Bianchi was lying a creditable fifth until the very last lap when the little Abarth inexplicably spun in the fast right-hander after the straight-he continued and just managed to scrape home in 10th place overall and first in class ahead of José Rosinski's Alpine.

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IKE SPENCE and Tim Mayer took the initial lead in the first of the 12-lap Formula Junior heats, but on lap. three Jo Schlesser moved into second place and two laps later into the lead ahead of Attwood, Spence, and Mayer, with a gap to Hobbs (Lola), Arundell (Lotus), and another to Fenning (Lotus) and Rees (Lola). Attwood had to be content to stay behind the Frenchman during the next eight laps for Jo was making no mistakes, and all were pretty near the limit. On the last lap Spence moved into second place when the Lola developed fuel starvation.

The second heat seemed an even fiercer duel as the five leaders tore around in Indian file with scarcely a measurable gap between any of them. Dick Attwood led for the first five laps then Jo Schlesser took over to lead from Attwood, Spence, Hobbs, and Arundell. Arundell really had the bit between his teeth now and, after a little haymaking, swept into second place some seconds behind Schlesser, while David Hobbs lost ground as his petrol pumps overheated.

## RESULTS

G.T., Prototype and Sports Cars (Three Hours- 364.465 km .)
1, Lorenzo Bandini (Ferrari 3-litre), 121.18 k.p.h.; 2, Tony Hegbourne (Lotus-Ford 23B); 3, Carlo Mario Abate (Ferrari GTO); 4, Hermann Müller (Porsche RS); 5, Mike Beckwith (Lotus-Ford 23B); 6, Edgar Barth (Porsche Carrera 2); 7, Regis Fraissinet
(Porsche RS); 8, Lucien Bianchi (Maserati 151); 9, David Piper (Ferrari GTO); 10, Mauro Bianchi 9 (Abarth 1000); 11, Lucky Casner (Maserati 3-litre); 12, Herbert Linge (Porsche Carrera 2); 13, José 12, Herbert Linge (Porsche Carrera 2); 13, José 15, Henri Grandsire (Alpine); 16, Giampiero Biscaldi (Abarth-Simca); 17. Gianni Balzarini (AbarthSimca); 18, Jean Kerguen (Aston Martin DB4GT Zagato); 19. Robert Buchet (Porsche Carrera 2); 20, Sydney Charpilloz (Elva-Climax Mk. 7); 21, Jörg Wyssbrod (Elva-Climax Mk. 6); 22, Adrian Chambers (Lotus Elite); 23, Daniel Siebermann (Ferrari GT); 24, Richard Ostein (Elva Courier); 25, Gérard Laureau (René Bonnet); 26, Claude Bobrowski (Rene Bonnet); 27, Hans Herrmann (Abarth-Simca); 28, Armand Schaeffer (Alfa Romeo). Fastest lap: Bandini and Hegbourne, 3 m .50 .1 s ., 126.023 k.p.h.

Formula Junior
(Aggregate of Two Heats)
1, Jo Schlesser (Brabham-Ford), 1 h. 30 m .25 .9 s . 2, Mike Spence (Lotus-Ford 27); 3, Peter Arundelf 5, Richard Attwood (Lola-Ford); 6, David Hobbs 5, Richard Attwood (Lola-Ford); 6, David Hobbs Oola-Ford); (Lo, Alan Rees (Lola-Ford); 8, Eric Ford 20); 10, Paul Poty' (Cooper-B.M.C.); 11, Alain le Guellec (Lotus-Ford 22); 12, Robert Bouharde (Cooper-B.M.C.); 13, Peter Revson (Cooper-Ford); 14, Paul Hawkins (Brabham-Ford). Fastest lap: Attwood, $3 \mathrm{~m} .44 .0 \mathrm{~s} ., 129.455 \mathrm{k} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$.

## "mwew <br> CORRESPONDENCE <br> 

Scrutineering Saloon Cars
$\mathrm{A}^{\mathrm{T}}$ the beginning of the 1963 Racing Season the R.A.C. announced that arrangements were being made to improve the consistency of scrutineering at events run under Appendix C and J of the International Sporting Code. The R.A.C. appointed a panel of six scrutineers whose job it was to check the eligibility of vehicles in accordance with these Appendices at all International and National Open races. In addition to the pre-race scrutiny the first three cars in the class and the car making the fastest lap were to be impounded for stripping after the event. In their announcement the R.A.C. stated that the appropriate form of recognition should be presented at the scrutiny of each car, the entrant being responsible for ensuring that the car complies with the specification stated on the form.

That such a decision should have been made by the R.A.C. was a good thing, as for a number of seasons now there have been many criticisms made that all too many competitors have been exceeding the regulations in so far as the permitted modifications to their cars are concerned. The manner in which the whole thing has been tackled is, to say the least, very unfortunate from the competitor's point of view.
The first race of the season in which a John Willment Automobiles, Ltd., car participated was the Oulton Park Meeting on 6th April. Prior to the start of the race the Cortina GTs were give a very close examination and after the race, when one of the cars won the class and made fastest lap, it was examined further and the engine was stripped. The vehicle was found to be in accordance with the regulastrions and was passed by the scrutineers. Following upon this first race tions and was passed by the scrutineers. Following upon this first race
the Willment Cortinas appeared at Goodwood, Aintree, Silverstone and Crystal Palace and, apart from one or two very minor things, nothing was ever criticized on the cars.

When these same cars arrived at Brands Hatch on 4th July for scrutineering for the Six-hour Race, the scrutineers refused to pass them on the grounds that the rear plastic windows were attached to the body work of the car by a number of small nuts and bolts and the rubber surround was missing. These modifications had been carried rubber surround was missing. These modifications had been carried out by the Racing Division of John Willment Automobiles in order to
prevent the rear screen from blowing out. This had been perfectly acceptable to the very same scrutineers up until this particular date, when they decided that they were ineligible though they had been accepted all season

The front passenger seat was deemed not to comply with the regulations in that it did not provide the same comfort. The seats have been in position in the Cortinas for all the previous races, for everyone to see, and yet they were no longer eligible.

For the Six-hour Race auxiliary petrol tanks were fitted which were homologated with the vehicle. In order to homologate a vehicle the manufacturer must certify certain things to the satisfaction of the International governing body of Motor Sport, the C.S.I., normally resident in Paris. Prior to the homologation forms being forwarded to the C.S.I. for final ratification, they must pass through the hands of the National Automobile Club of the country concerned, in this case the R.A.C., to their satisfaction. However, all this having been done, it was not to the satisfaction of the scrutineers, who decided that they was not to the satisfaction of the scrutineers, who decided that they
wanted some other and additional proof as to the availability of such Wanted some other and additional proof as to the availability of such
tanks. Needless to say this other additional evidence was supplied on Friday, 5th July, prior to practice.

John Willment Racing Division introduced to the British racegoing public, for the first time this season, an American Ford Galaxie at Silverstone on 11th May. This car presented something new to the scrutineers in that it was fitted with a full "roll cage". This safety installation is insisted on by N.A.S.C.A.R. in the U.S.A. along with many other measures to protect the driver. The bars of the "cage" many other measures to protect the driver. The bars of the cage
unquestionably transgress upon the normal seating capacity of the car, unquestionably transgress upon the normal seating capacity of the car,
but as no passengers are allowed to be carried in racing, the panel of scrutineers, who specially considered the matter, ruled that it should be allowed in the interest of safety. The Galaxie won this race and moved to Aintree on the 25th May for the 100 -mile race, where again all was well and the car passed scrutineering without question. Once again it won.

The next race was Crystal Palace on 3rd June, but here the homologation scrutineer, Mr. Stewart Proctor, ruled that with the roll bar in its present form the car was not eligible. He stated in front of several people that he had no objection to a simple roll hoop which for fore and aft location could be tied to front and rear with a piece of string. An immediate appeal was lodged with the Stewards of the Meeting who, after consideration of the matter, ruled that if three only of the bars were removed the car was eligible. The three bạrs were cut out thereby reducing the effectiveness of the "cage", and, again, the car won.
At the meeting of the R.A.C. Competition Committee, held at Pall Mall on 19th June, a further ruling was made, resulting in the necessity to take more bars out of the car, thus reducing the "cage" to a roll bar structure, which would be totally unacceptable in America. This ruling was incorporated in the regulations for the Six-hour Race and the John Willment Galaxie was made to comply. At scrutineering for this event a fresh attack against the eligibility of the car was made by Mr. Proctor, who made the following observations:

1. The engine sump was welded and did not appear to be the same as in the photograph shown in the homologation papers. He stated that Ford Motor Company would never provide a welded sump and therefore someone had cheated to wrongly increase the sump capacity. The capacity was checked and found to comply with the form of recognition.
2. The brake disc was attached to the wheel hub by bolts and nuts whereas it appeared, again from the photograph in the homologation papers that the fixing should be by a "stud". He suggested that this infraction had been perpetrated by someone who wished to set the wheels out farther so as to accommodate a larger caliper and therefore wheels out farther so as to accommodate a larger caliper and therefore
thicker disc pads. The track of the car was checked and found to be
correct, but he would not withdraw his remark. It was pointed out to him that someone with the intent to do what he was suggesting could, and probably would, have fitted the stud, but this made no difference and he refused to pass the car as eligible.

On hearing this, the Clerk of the Course, who was at all times most helpful, called the Stewards of the Meeting together to try to find an acceptable solution so that the car could run. It was said that if a cable confirming details of the hub could be obtained from A.C.C.U.S the car could run. It was not possible to contact anyone in Americ that night as it was Independence Day. On Friday at Brands Hatch that night as it was Independence Day. On Friday at Brands Hatch photographs at the circuit by $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. on Saturday morning. This was not a practical proposition and late in the afternoon the decision was made that with the cable received the car could run, but written verification and photographs would have to be received soon after. Until that time the car's placing would have to be provisional.

John Willment, at the end of a long debate on the issue during the course of Friday evening, having listened to all the points brought forward by team manager Jeff Uren, decided that the car should be withdrawn. No one could know what further confirmation would be called for by the Stewards; no one could know what attitude the scrutineers would take at post-race scrutineering, for they are a law unto themselves and certainly not consistent. It would not be a satisfactory state of affairs for anyone to have a car win the race, details of the eligibility of which was subject to confirmation at a later date.

It should be understood however, that the requisite cable confirmation was obtained from A.C.C.U.S. prior to the start of the race and the Willment Galaxie could have started. It should also be made clear that the requisite certified photographs are being obtained, along with a letter from A.C.C.U.S., and when they are received a request will be made to Mr . Proctor for an apology for his wrongful insinuations.
John Willment's team manager, Jeff Uren, has a suggestion to make to the R.A.C. on scrutineering, to avoid all the unpleasant conditions which arise, to make the scrutineers' most difficult job a lot easier and to put all competitors truly on their honour with severe consequences for any infringement of the regulations. All touring car competitors should be called upon to present to the officials prior to a race meeting a full list of the modifications they have carried out to their cars. These modifications can be checked by a panel of scrutineers and a certificate should be issued based on the declared changes and the homologation papers. A competitor should be allowed to carry out more development or modification to his car provided that they are always declared and certified before a race.
At the end of the first and all subsequent races, if a car is placed in the first three in its class it should be thoroughly checked on the basis of its "pedigree" and if all is not in accord, the competitor should be disqualified for the remainder of the season. No placed competitor should be allowed to leave the scrutineering compound until all cars have been checked.

No apologies are made for this very lengthy statement, because it is genuinely considered by the Willment Racing Division that this whole question of touring car eligibility and scrutineering must be understood and changed before this form of racing is put to death. John Willment Automobiles, Ltd.,

Jeff Uren,
Twickenham, Middlesex.
Racing Division

## A Correction

THANK you for publishing my letter on the subject of a corrected bore area formula. Unfortunately a printing error has occurred in the formulae. The term (stroke: bore ratio) ${ }^{2}$ should read (stroke: bore ratio) ${ }^{1}$ i.e. $\sqrt{ }$ stroke/bore. Orpington, Kent.
P. E. Waters, B.Sc.(Eng.), S.I.Mech.E.

## A Racing Safety Council

Some tragic accidents in recent months have made me wonder whether $\mathbf{S}_{\text {a Racing Safety Council would be desirable or possible. This would }}$ consist of drivers and officials with competition experience, meeting perhaps monthly during the season and alternate months during the winter. The function of the council would be to make known obvious danger points to the R.A.C. before they were underlined by fatal accidents.
It is not inappropriate to say that the structural strength of racing saloons and the extreme danger of the position of the pits at Silverstone when the G.P. Circuit is in use have been topics of discussion, among drivers at least, since I started racing.
Other danger points that come to mind at random are the inadequacy of the spectator protection at Riches Corner at Snetterton and at Woodcote at Silverstone (when the G.P. Circuit is in use), the position of the pits and the spectator protection at the Esses at Mallory Park, the undesirability of novices driving cars with 150 m. p.h. plus potential, no matter how skilful they may be (there are several of these at the moment), and that whereas racing in the wet is within commonsense safety limits, aquaplaning on a flooded circuit is not. This is not to say that there are no other danger points.

If higher authority cares to take this up, I would offer my humble services.
London, S.E. 1.
Sheridan Thynne.

## Good for Bolster!

$\mathrm{Y}^{\text {ES , indeed, why shouldn't John Bolster "grow old disgracefully"? }}$ , " Gerard Flewitt to Autosport, "Bist June. What a marvellous dea of Gerar ford be given an airing. I for one will be at Shelsley next year to see the repea
performance-I am kicking myself for not going this year! performance-I
Bexley, Kent.
R. J. Twiggins.

The Editor is not bound to be in agreement with opinions expressed by readers.

# 1963 FORMULA I COOPER 

## Cutaway Drawing <br> by <br> THEO PAGE

## Technical Description by JOHN BOLSTER

The new Cooper does not differ greatly from last year's model. It is I narrower and lower and has been "cleaned up", but most of the well-tried Cooper features are retained.
The multi-tubular frame has two upper detachable members for engine removal. The frame tubes are used as water-pipes from the engine to the radiator in the nose, the small header tank being mounted behind the driver's seat. The seat is recessed into a central light-alloy fuel tank and two side tanks form the outer panel of the body in effect. In addition to the undershield there are only two body panels-the nose piece combined with the scuttle, which carries the screen, and the bonnet over the rear engine.

Traditional Cooper suspension, with plain tubular wishbones, telescopic dampers and helical springs, is installed with angles of 5 deg .
in front and 11 deg. at the rear to prevent excessive nose dipping under braking and tail dropping during acceleration. Anti-roll torsion bars are fitted front and rear, both coupled to the lower wishbones, though the rear one is mounted above the suspension. The rack-and-pinion steering gear is ahead of the front wheel centres. Disc brakes are outboard mounted and the half-shafts still embody the typical large diameter splined inboard universal joints.
The engine is the latest Coventry Climax V8 with fuel injection and electronic ignition. It is in unit with the well-known Cooper six-speed gearbox, which was originally developed from a Citroën component.
The wheelbase is 7 ft .7 ins .; track (front), $4 \mathrm{ft} .3 \frac{1}{2}$ ins. (rear) 4 ft . $2 \frac{1}{2}$ ins. The front tyres are $5.50 \times 13$ ins. and the rear $6.50 \times 15$ ins. on bolt-on light alloy wheels.


WINNER Graham Hill leads second man Jack Sears and another Ferrari out of Shaws.

# GRAHAM HILL'S GROVEWOOD TROPHY 

## E-type Jaguar Beats Ferrari GTO at B.R.S.C.C. International Mallory Park Meeting-Three-Hour Race to Saab-Wins for Jack Pearce and Paddy Hopkirk

by PATRICK McNALLY

PHOTOGRAPHY BY GEORGE PHILLIPS
$G^{\text {raham hill, driving the John Coombs }}$ lightweight E-type Jaguar, won the Grovewood Trophy at an average speed of $87.11 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. This was the main race of the day at the B.R.S.C.C.'s International Mallory Park meeting last Saturday. Jack Sears, for the first time in the Maranello Concessionaires GTO Ferrari, finished second- $1 \frac{1}{2}$ seconds behind the Jaguar. Jack Pearce (Lotus 23) was the surprise victor in the Guards Trophy Race. Although he drove superbly, he was nowhere near as fast as Frank Gardner (Brabham), who had the misfortune to retire in the final after having set up the day's fastest lap of 51.6 secs. in a preliminary heat. The Molyslip Race went to Paddy Hopkirk in a works Mini-Cooper S, and he was followed over the line by team-mate Tim Mayer. Christabel Carlisle was third in a Don Moore Mini-Cooper S. The Motor Three-Hour Race for 850 c.c. saloon cars went to Björn Rothstein (Saab) from Hubert Hähne (B.M.W. 700), with Gösta Karlsson in another Saab in third place.

D uring practice on a dry circuit Graham Hill gave a faste of what we could expect by taking both the Coombs E-type and the GTO round consistently
in just over 54 seconds. His best time, however, was in the E-type: 54.4 secs., equalling John Surtees's record with the GTO last year. Graham's best time in the Ferrari was 54.5 secs. The E-type seemed to have the edge on cornering and braking but the Ferrari definitely had more power. Jack Sears was second fastest in the GTO with 54.8 secs., with Roy Salvadori next in Tommy Atkins's lightweight E-type. Michael Salmon was going very well, getting down to 56 dead in the Ferrari and 56.2 in the John Coombs E-type. Peter Sutcliffe, too, was very impressive, taking his new lightweight E-type round just as quickly
Frank Gardner was easily the fastest sports car driver, returning a time of 52.6 seconds-considerably better than the 1962 record which stood to Nick Garbett's Lotus. Hegbourne was also very fast, circulating in 53.2 secs., 0.4 sec. better than Roy Pierpoint in the Attila-Climax.
Fastest saloon car driver was Paddy Hopkirk who lapped in 1 min .2 secs. to secure pole position. Christabel, however, was not far behind, her fastest lap being 1 min .2 .8 secs. Fenning, Young and Mayer all did 1 min. 3.4 secs.; all were driving S Mini-Coopers with the exception of Young, who was in a 1200 Super Anglia. Anita Taylor was going
very well in her Anglia and returned a time of 1 min .4 .6 secs.

Arelatively small crowd saw some excellent racing, the highlight of which was the Grovewood Trophy for Grand Touring Cars.

Jack Sears in the Maranello Concessionaires Ferrari GTO took the lead on the first lap, hard pressed by Graham Hill (E-type), with Roy Salvadori (Etype), Peter Sutcliffe (E-type), Michael Salmon (Ferrari) and David Piper (Ferrari) all quite close. After the opening laps Sears and Hill pulled out a small lead over the rest and it was on these two that the crowd's attention rested. On lap 4, Graham tried to pass Jack on the inside at Gerards, but the Ferrari emerged in front. The next time round the E-type made sure of it and as they came out of Shaws it was ahead. Sears was not giving up so easily and for the next 25 laps remained right behind, waiting for a mistake the World Champion never made
Salvadori was being left, but still held a comfortable third place ahead of Sutcliffe and Salmon, who were going at it hammer and tongs. Salmon tried all he knew to pass the E-type, but on this narrow circuit with such big cars it
proved too difficult and, having touched the wall on the inside of Shaws with his right-hand front wheel, he made a quick pit stop to check that all was in order. This dropped Salmon right back, but after 20 laps he had climbed back up to sixth place behind David Piper. This position Salmon held to the end of the race.

Jack Sears made a tremendous effort to pass Graham Hill towards the end, but did not succeed. Salvadori finished 19.4 seconds behind with Sutcliffe nearly half a minute behind him.

The Guards Trophy Race was run in two 15-lap heats with a 25 -lap final. The first heat, comprising 1,150 c.c. cars, was won by Robin Benson, in an Elva, who had led from the start. Ray Parsons in his Lotus 23 had held second position for the first few laps until Stephen Minoprio in a second Elva had gone through. Minoprio held his second place, driving superbly, until he had the misfortune to go very wide at Shaws on the 11th lap, letting Parsons through again into second place.

Sid Fox was having a fine old dice

with fourth man Ewen Paul until he lost third gear. This cost him a couple of places, but he sorted it out and continued, only to have to retire after he had regained a couple of places. Fox was driving his old Lola which was proving to be nearly as quick as this year's rear-engined sports cars!
The second heat was much more exciting and was also run at a considerably faster pace. Frank Gardner screamed into the lead in the Ian Walker-entered Brabham. He was followed by Julian Sutton in a Lotus 23 and Tony Hegbourne in the Normand car. After five laps Gardner, who was showing tremendous form, had pulled out a really
good lead and had also knocked the record for six with a time of 51.6 secs. Tony Hegbourne had moved up to second place ahead of Julian Sutton, and Paul Hawkins in the other Ian Walker car had worked his way through the field and was now in third place. On the 11th lap Gardner slowed right down and appeared to be coming into the pits. However, he continued at a muchreduced speed, letting Hegbourne into the lead. Apparently the bottom rose joint on the nearside front wheel had broken. Realizing that there were only four laps to go, he decided to try to hold his place so as to qualify for the final. As it was, he kept his place and finished

MINIS AT SHAWS (above), with Paddy Hopkirk, the eventual winner, leading Christabel Carlisle, Mick Clare and Tim Mayer through the interesting hairpin. Hopkirk won from team-mate Mayer and Carlisle.
BJÖRNE ROTHSTEIN, winner of the Tiddlers' Three Hours in his Saab 96, leads second man Hubert Hähne (B.M.W. 700) out of Shaws (left). The issue was right in doubt until the finish, Rothstein grabbing the lead quite near the end. SMALL SPORTS CARS (below, left). Peter Deal's Merlyn-Ford Mk. 6 leads the rapid front-engined Lola-Climax of Sid Fox past the pits. Fox was out of luck this time, losing third gear and retiring.
only $3 \frac{1}{2}$ seconds behind Hegbourne. Paul Hawkins finished third ahead of Julian Sutton and Jack Pearce.
In the final, despite Frank Gardner's early retirement when in the lead, the 25 laps were filled with excitement. At the fall of the flag Frank Gardner streaked into the lead with Julian Sutton and Jack Pearce in close attendance. The tightly bunched field tore through Gerards somehow avoiding each other. After only five laps Gardner had pulled out a substantial lead, whilst behind him Pearce had passed Sutton and Hegbourne was moving up fast. Seven laps completed, Sutton was being pressed hard by Hegbourne with Paul Hawkins in fourth place. Coming up really fast behind these was the AttilaClimax of Roy Pierpoint, which was sounding very crisp and was threatening Hawkins. Shortly after this Gardner retired when his gear selectors played up, letting Jack Pearce into the lead. This added greatly to the interest as it meant that the first five cars were all within striking distance of each other. Julian Sutton was making a tremendous effort and was closing up on Pearce, whilst Roy Pierpoint had succeeded in passing Paul Hawkins at half distance, although he never really lost him. There were no more dramatic changes, although Pearce took the flag with Sutton breathing down his neck, 0.4 sec . behind. Pierpoint had pulled right up, eventually finishing third, 8 secs. behind the leaders. Paul Hawkins and Tony Hegbourne filled the next two places. Doug Graham was unfortunate enough to spin at Shaws on the 20th lap, clouting the bank and causing not inconsiderable damage to his Elva. Chris Kerrison also went off,

pit stops (for new plugs), finally finished third overall and second in the 850 c.c. class. Hähne won the 700 class, his speed round the circuit being quite remarkable. Scherrer's car went out with engine troubles after taking the lead, which was a great pity.

The first of the Minis home was that of John Fitzpatrick and Ralph Broad, which finished third in its class behind the two Saabs. This car had led after the start and it was only the power of the Saabs and B.M.W.s which beat it, for it was driven splendidly. Those old Mini hands Sheridan Thynne and Martin Ryan, as consistent as ever, were fourth.

The Scuderia Colonia-entered N.S.U.
DOWN DEVIL'S ELBOW come Roy Pierpoint (Attila), Paul Hawkins (Lotus), Jack Pearce (Lotus) and Julian Sutton (Lotus) during the Guards Trophy sports car event (left).
ROY SALV ADORI, the third-place man in Tommy Atkins's Jaguar E-type, laps Clive Baker's Austin-Healey 3000 coming out of Shaws (below).
rolling his car at Gerards-the Lola was completely written off and Kerrison escaped with facial cuts.

The works Mini-Coopers dominated the Molyslip Trophy Race, Paddy Hopkirk winning from team-mate Tim Mayer. At the start Hopkirk had led with Christabel Carlisle and Mayer right behind. Hopkirk very nearly came unstuck at the Esses and apparently very nearly leant on Christabel, whilst Mayer, Young and Fenning all took different lines. The Coopers were uncatchable and Hopkirk reduced the class lap record to 1 min .2 .2 secs. Christabel. despite her usual rapid drive, still finished 6 secs. behind the leaders. although the specification of her Don Moore car was more or less similar to the works Coopers, i.e., wide-base wheels fitted with the new R6 Mini tyre, and the rare close ratio Cooper S gears.


QUEER REAR VIEW of the specialbodied Ferrari GT of Chris Kerrison, seen diving down Devil's Elbow.

Surprising was the rapid progress of Mike Young in a Superspeed Anglia which finished only 1.2 secs. behind with John Fenning in the Janspeed S crossing the line almost at the same time as the Anglia. Another surprise was Anita Taylor's very rapid progress in the Anglia 1200, finishing behind Mick Clare's S.

Opening proceedings at $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. was the International Three-Hour race for up to 850 c.c. saloons. It proved to be

very exciting. mainly because of the strong foreign interest-this was a qualifying event in the Touring Car Challenge of Europe.

Björn Rothstein drove his Saab brilliantly to snatch victory from Hubert Hähne's B.M.W. 700 with only a few minutes to go.

Initially the race had been led by Gösta Karlsson in another Saab who had set a very hot pace, but the Saab, after being passed by Peter Scherrer's B.M.W. 700 on lap 27, started to drop back and, following several unscheduled

Prinz was the surprise, finishing behind the class-winning B.M.W. 700 and ahead of two more B.M.W.s.

Christabel Carlisle drove one of the Don Moore-revived 850 Minis and was well placed when a front wheel pulled off the studs as she emerged from Ger-ards-the car was hardly damaged.

The remarkable performances of the Continental cars with top-line foreign drivers should make the Mini enthusiasts stop and think, for it is quite obvious that Mini supremacy only exists in this country.

## results

Three-Hour Saloon Car Race: 1, Björn Rothstein (Saab 96), 155 laps in 2 h .59 m .39 .0 s ., $69.886 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h} . ;$ 2, Hubert Hähne (B.M.W. 700), 155 laps in $2 \mathrm{~h} .59 \mathrm{~m}, 40.2 \mathrm{~s} . ; 3$, Gösta Karlsson (Saab 96), 154 laps in 2 h. 59 m .6 .2 s. 4 4, John 5 , Hans Braun/Josef Krämer (N S.U. Prinz) 146; 5, Hans Braun/Josef Krämer (N.S.U. Prinz), 146; (B. LeO Hans Baron von Veh/Rob Slotemaker Rothstein (Saab 96) 69.886 mph 2 Gösta Karl Rothstein (Saab 96): 3, John Fitzpatrick/Ralph Broad (Austin Mini). Up to 700 c.c. Class: 1, Hubert Hähne (B.M.W. 700), 69.878 m.p.h.; 2, Hans Hahne (B.M.W. 700 ), 69.878 m.p.h.; 2, Hans Baron von Vramer (Nob Slotemaker (B.M.W 700) Team Award: John Aley-Peter Clarke/John Aley, John Thurston and Sheridan Thynne/Martin Ryan.
Guards Trophy Race-Heat 1 (15 laps): 1, Robin Benson (Elva-Climax Mk. 7), 14 m .21 .4 s ., 84.63 m.p.h.; 2, Ray Parsons (Lotus-Ford 23), 3, Steve Minoprio (Elva-Ford Mk. 7); 4, Ewen Paul (Elva-Climax Mk. 7). Fastest lap: Minoprio and Benson, 56.0 S., 86.78 m.p.h.
Guards rophy Race-Heat 2 ( 15 laps): 1, Tony Hegbourne (Lotus-Ford 23B), 13 m .53 .8 s . $87.43 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h} . ; 2$, Frank Gardner (Brabham-Ford); 3, Paul Hawkins (Lotus-Ford 23B); 4, Julian Sutton (Lotus-Ford 23B). Fastest lap: Gardner, 51.6 s., 94.19 m.p.h

Slip Molyslip Trophy Race ( 10 laps): 1, Paddy Hopkirk (Morris Mini-Cooper S), $10 \mathrm{~m} .34 .4 \mathrm{~s} .$, 76.61 m.p.h.; 2, Tim Mayer (Austin Mini-Cooper S); 3, Christabel Carlisle (Morris Mini-Cooper S); 4, Mike Young (Ford Anglia 1200); 5, John Fenning (Morris Mini-Cooper S); 6, Mick Clare (Morris Mini-Cooper S); 7, Anita Taylor (Ford Anglia 1200 , , Manter Mini= Cooper). Fastest lap: Hopkirk, 62.2 s., 78.13 m.p.h.

Grovewood Trophy Race (30 laps): 1, Graham Hill (Jaguar E), $27 \mathrm{~m} .53 .8 \mathrm{~s} ., 87.11 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h} . ; 2$, Jack Sears (Ferrari GTO); 3, Roy Salvadori (Jaguar E); 4, Peter Sutcliffe (Jaguar E); 5, David Piper (Ferrari GTO); 6, Mike Salmon (Ferrari GTO) ; 7, Chris Kerrison (Ferrari GT Speciale); 8, Tommy Hitchcock (Ferrari GTO). Fastest lap: Hill, 54.8 s ., $88.68 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$.

Guards Trophy Race-Final ( 25 laps): 1, Jack Pearce (Lotus-Ford 23B), $23 \mathrm{~m} .0 .2 \mathrm{~s} ., 88.03$ m.p.h.; 2, Julian Sutton (Lotus-Ford 23B); 3, Roy Pierpoint (Attila-Climax Mk. 2); 4, Paul Hawkins (Lotus-Ford 23B); 5, Tony Hegbourne (Lotus-Ford 23B); 6, Rodney Bloor (Lotus-Ford 23B) ; 7, Robin Benson (Elva-Climax Mk. 7); 8, Steve Minoprio (Elva-Ford Mk. 7). Fastest lap: Frank Gardner (Brabham-Ford), 53.0 s., 91.69 m.p.h.


ADRIAN BOYD gives his new 1-litre Ford-engined Marcos its first airing at Kirkistown.
$\mathrm{F}^{\mathrm{or}}$ designer// years the young Ulster designer/constructor John Crossle has the production of many very fast and reliable 1,172 c.c. side-valve Ford Specials.
Now Crossle has broken into the competitive field of sports car production and, on his second outing, had a major success at Kirkistown on 6th July when he carried off the Harp Lager Trophy driving a
sleek $1 \frac{1}{2}-\mathrm{litre}$ model. Powered by a 1,500 c.c. Ford engine, the car is rather similar in appearance to a Lotus 23 and is one of two which Crossle has built in recent months, c.c. Coventry Climax engine.

The Harp Lager Trophy, which went to the winner of a 20-lap handicap race, was the main event in an excellent afternoon's
racing provided as usual by the 500 Motor Racing Club of Ireland. Second place in this event, which was run on a system of predetermined handicaps instead of the usual method of handicapping each car on its best practice lap, was taken by Norman
Conn in his Sunbeam Alpine, while a 1,216 Conn in his Sunbeam Alpine, while a Lambe was third.
To qualify for the final, which offered only 20 places on the grid, drivers had to finish within the first five places in four gramme. It was rather unfortunate that severe handicaps forced many of the faster cars out of the final, drivers like John Pringle (Cooper-Climax) and Malcolm Templeton (Lotus) not being able to qualify in the five-lap heats. On paper, however,

Harp Lager Trophy at Kirkistown

BY BRIAN WADDELL
it looked as if there would be a close battle for the honours, three of the heat winners, Jack Slater (Lotus 23B), J. A. Burke (Gordini) and Richard Bergel (Bugatti Type 35), all beating the handicappers by about the same margin of two seconds.

The final saw quite a mixed bag on the starting line-scratch man Luke Duffy in his Cooper Junior being set the task of catching J. T. Spence's 1,340 c.c. Anglia with a credit of 4 laps and 30 secs., as well as passing the 18 other cars in between!
Rather quickly, it seemed, Bergel pushed the Bugatti into a commanding lead but rapid calculations showed that he had been allowed off the grid 65 secs. too early and it was decided that this would have to be added to his finishing time. But the Bugatti (Continued on page 100)

SOUTH AFRICAN SCENE " wouctaon
The National Two-hour Endurance Race held at Killarney on Saturday, 29th June,
was a resounding success and the Metropolitan Motor-Cycle and Car Club are to be congratulated on a splendidly organized meeting. The club received the maximum tight 2.03 -mile circuit and, of these, 24 started with nine destined to drop out for various reasons.

This race is the most ambitious staged in Cape Town and, as such, drew a fairly large crowd which packed all the vantage points around the track.

Brauch Niemann flew down from Pietermaritzburg specially to race Ted Lanfear's rapid Lotus 22 in the supporting race for racing cars and equalled the club meeting lap record with an excellent 1 min . 32.4 secs. His performance gave this man-to-
watch an easy victory over Tony Kotze in his beautifully prepared Alfa-engined Assegai, who finished a race for the first time since the car was built almost a year the Trident at Le Mans, and his engine actually went dead a few hundred yards after the finish.
The endurance race provided a wonderful spectacle with its massed start where the cars were lined up facing the track in front The drivers were seated in the cars and this enabled safety belts to be fastened prior to the off-a point which Adrian Pheiffer was to be thankful for.

At the drop of the flag the cars roared over the grass verge in front of the pits and on to the track; the order being Denis ( 1,498 c.c. Dart), T. Smit ( 1,290 c.c. DartAlfa), Henri Le Roux ( 1.098 c.c. LolaClimax), Adrian Pheiffer (997 c.c. AustinCooper), Stephan Hauptfleisch (1,780 c.c. Volvo 122S), and a yapping, snarling pack trying to get in with the leaders as they rounded Hoals Hook.
Denis, in his incredibly fast factory-prepared Dart (sprayed a sickly shade of khaki), immediately set out on a race of his own, as he realized that to attain his set mileage (143.755) he would have to burn up the
track. On his heels was Piet van Niekerk in a slightly smaller capacity factory-pre-
pared red Dart, and these two, with their intimate knowledge of Killarney, proceeded Henri Le Roux and his Lola are a mighty combination but never came into the
reckoning: I would say that his lack of -local knowledge"" did not enable him to
fully exploit his car's capabilities. Jaap Luyendyk and Henri were battling it out for third place, the quick Lotus-Climax eventually getting in front, whereupon Jaap immediately came in for his compulsory pit This was poured in in thirds-one third on the ground, one third in the tank and one third on the seat! Then calamity! The Lotus would not fire. After quite a few attempts and lots of heartache it started
and Jaap. screamed away in an attempt to get to grips with the Lola after his pit stop lasting 56 secs.

Le Roux made his stop soon after but, in spite of spending only 26 secs. there, he was to lose a place by having to come in again to check low oil-pressure only three laps later. This was quite an affair as the regs. stated that only three people could was to be the driver. However, as Henri stopped, he leaped over the pit counter and three of his pit crew began work on the Lola. A crowd of officials surrounded the car and instead of disqualifying him matters were rectified by one mechanic jumping over
the counter-a very fair conclusion as one would not have liked to see him penalized for an unwitting breach of the rules.
Jaap was now in second spot with Henri some distance behind; Piet van Niekerk had
retired with a broken clutch while holding second place.
Instead of developing into a high-speed procession, the race still held plenty of interest in the form of that fantastic saloon car exponent Koos Swanepoel in his Anglia
fighting to keep ahead of former triple fighting to keep ahead of frican Champion Bill Jennings in Jaap Luyendyk's Fiat-Abarth Zagato. With three-quarters of the race run both cars retired, the Anglia with a broken gearbox and the Fiat-Abarth with unspecified mechanical bothers.
Adrian Pheiffer had meantime staged his own spectacle in the works Cooper-Mini by
running out of brakes at the end of the pit straight and losing it at 90 m.p.h. plus, rolling five or six times. Safety belts really do work-Adrian was only shocked!

A Renault R8 was making its competition début in the capable hands of Hennie Mostert and this car went extremely well with little trace of oversteer. At the end it was motoring very well and could probably
have done another two hours. An Opel have done another two hours. An opel appointing.

Alfa TI exponent Emmott Barwell was having it all his own way for the Index of Performance, his tiny N.S.U. Prinz eventually doing about 10 miles over his set mileage of 107.82 miles.

By the end of the two hours places had been fairly well sorted out and Denis Joubert (who had eased off considerably) took first place, the order behind him being Jaap Luyendyk (Lotus-Climax), Henri Le Roux (Lola-Climax), D. Coleman (Dart-
Alfa), $S$ Botes (Dart) and $\mathbf{J}$ Preston (Dart) Alfa), S. Botes (Dart) and $\mathbf{J}$. Preston (Dart).
The race was something of a triumph for the G.S.M. factory, with their models doing extremely well.

The weekend also saw the final demise of Westmead with an all-stars day meeting where about 120 motorists entered their cars for four timed laps. It is a great pity that such a beautiful circuit should be lost.


YES, they have them in South Africa, too! Adrian Pheiffer (Mini-Cooper), who later rolled several times, leads Bill Jennings
(Fiat-Abarth Zagato) into Hoals Hook.


NINETEEN-YEAR-OLD Melvyn Long (Lotus 27) leads Roy James (Brabham) during the single-seater event that was so closely fought between these two drivers and the eventual winner Brian Hart.
expected by some to run away with the race, but Melvyn Long and Roy James, in Lotus and Brabham Juniors respectively, had other ideas on the subject. For the whole 15 laps these three were seldom more than inches apart and, as far as one could see, a great deal of place-changing went on in the region of the Esses nearly every time the region of the Esses nearly every time
round. Scored from a position on Coram Curve, the lap chart shows that for five laps the order was Hart-Long-James; then suddenly on lap 6 James was in front, where he steadfastly remained with an exhibition of really cool, polished driving under intense pressure until, on the final round, Brian Hart pulled out all the stops and just got to the line first. Roy James was credited with the same race time as the winner, and Melvyn Long was only a length or so away. A magnificent performance by all three. Into

## RECORDS FALL AT SNETTERTON

## The Archie Scott-Brown Memorial Trophy Meeting

## BY DAVID PRITCHARD

$I^{\mathrm{T}}$ is gratifying indeed that, despite all 1 the changes which have come over the racing scene lately, the name of Archie Scott-Brown is not forgotten at Snetterton, the circuit regarded almost as his own by that warm-hearted, softly spoken man whose unbounded courage and skill brought uninhibited roars of approbation from the thousands who used to cram the enclosures whenever he appeared. This all seems such a short time ago, yet one wonders how many of those present last Sunday remembered his exploits, or even knew why his name appeared on the programme.

The racing at the meeting which bore his name was excellent and, in spite of a strong and gusty wind, speeds were astonishingly high and records fell wholesale. There were a few rather alarming incidents and some of the machinery got considerably bent, but happily no one got hurt.

First of the five races on the programme was for saloons with unlimited mods., contested over 10 laps in three classes, and the lap record was broken in each class. Jack Sears appeared with the Galaxie, that massive motor-car which has so caught the public imagination, and did a rapid lap for the benefit of the B.B.C. before the rest of the field left the paddock.
Anyone who happened to be listening about 7.30 on the Monday morning may have heard the result, in which Jack's voice came through with great realism, but the voice of the Ford was unconvincing and the tape was badly edited. In the race itself the Ford was in full song, and Jack quickly achieved his ambition of cracking Graham Hill's lap record and adding another Jaguar skin to his collection. Mike Salmon and skin to his collection. Mike Salmon and
Bill Aston did their utmost to uphold the honour of Coventry but, if the Galaxie can win at Crystal Palace, the Jaguars have little hope on a dry Snetterton. The only thing which threatened to halt Jack's progress was asphyxiation, as the expansion gress was asphyxiation, as the expansion
chamber in the exhaust system split wide open and the cockpit filled with fumes, but open and the cockpit ap such a handsome lead that he could afford to ease up in the closing stages. Secure in fourth place throughout was Doc Merfield's Lotus-Cortina, which knocked nearly 10 seconds off the 2 -litre class record and was a serious threat to Bill Aston's Jaguar. A third Willment entry was a "normal". Cortina driven with immense gusto by Brian Muir, an Australian who is intimately concerned with the preparation of the cars, has done quite a bit of racing in his own country, and has at last got the wheel of a car in a race over here; it seems likely that a great deal more will be heard of him as a driver before many moons are over. His furious pursuit of Pendleton's Jaguar was a great feature


RAISING THE DUST into Sear Corner, John Coundley (Lotus 19) overtakes Robin Benson (Elva Mk. 7) and Chris Williams (Lotus 23) on the inside. Coundley was delayed with a troublesome ignition switch, but still finished second in his class.
of the race, and it was only lack of cubic centimetres which kept him astern. In front of and behind this splendid duel came the Anglias of John Young and Albert Powell and then, well ahead of the rest of the up-to-1300s, Dickie Stoop in an overgrown, Downton-entered Cooper S and T. P. Page in an Anglia; these two shared a new class record which was nearly five new class record which was neary five
seconds quicker than Mick Clare's old figure. Clare himself was involved in a duel with Mike Young's Anglia until the clutch on the Ford gave up. The A40 of P. Banks was considerably shortened as a result of impact with a very solid object at the Hairpin.
The Scott-Brown Memorial Trophy race this year was for single-seater racing cars up to 1,600 c.c. over 15 laps, and this produced racing such as Archie would have loved, even though the cars involved were as different as they could be from the hairy monsters he used to drive. Undoubtedly the most interesting entry was the Lotus of Brian Hart, in which was concealed a new experimental Cosworth engine which foreshadows the coming Formula 2. This car was fastest in practice and was perhaps
fourth place came Jack Pearce in the $1 \frac{1}{2}-$ litre Alexis, but he had his hands full towards the end holding off the Lotus Junior of Jacques Maglia. Mike Hailwood went well in his Brabham under the Parnell banner but did not appear to have the speed of his rivals, and Philip Robinson eventually got the old four-cylinder F1 Lotus ahead of David Prophet's Brabham Junior.
A 10-lap race for G.T. cars followed, and this was a qualifier for the Autosport Championship. Peter Sutcliffe had his new lightweight E-type Jaguar in pole position, and there was nothing in the field which could give him a run for his money, as Dick Protheroe's car was unfortunately not ready for the fray after some surgery at the factory to remove the vibration period from which it suffered at Rheims. Ken Baker went as well as ever in his "normal" E-type but could not, of course, do anything about the lightweight, and John Dean had a slight contretemps with the bank at the Hairpin which dropped his E-type behind a battling trio of Lotus Elites. These were driven by Roger Nathan, Bill Shaw and A. P. Chambers, and their struggle was one of the best features of the race. Nathan
led them throughout, but Chambers got ahead of Shaw three laps from home only to be beaten over the line in a photofinish. Ken Mackenzie won his class in the Turner-Ford, having to contend with Dickie Stoop in his new 2-litre Porsche Carrera. Dick has had this car only a week, and he said before the meeting started that its handling was not as yet anything at all to his liking. He described it as an oversteering pig, and it certainly had all the appearances of that undesirable animal, but by the end of the race he had obviously got the brute partially tamed, and he managed to make a race of it as the Turner took the flag. In the 1,150 c.c. class Warwick Banks in Tatty Turner went as never before and set a new lap record for the class but, in spite of this, he was beaten by Chris McLaren's immensely rapid Marcos. Andrew Hedges kept his Midget well up with them for some time, but then smoke started coming from the rear of his car and, on the last lap, he went up the bank at the Hairpin and lost a lot of ground. Teammate Alan Foster backed him up well for

## RESULTS

Saloon Cars (10 laps): Overall Winner: J. Sears (Ford Galaxie). Up to $\mathbf{1 , 3 0 0}$ c.c. Class: 1, R. J. Stoop (Mini-Cooper S), 81.72 m.p.h.; 2, T. P. Page (Ford Anglia); 3, M. Clare (Morris-
Cooper S). Fastest lap: Page and Stoop, 1 m . 57.8 s. $82.82 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. (Record). 1,301-2,000 c.c. Class: 1, D. Merfield (Lotus-Cortina), 85.46 m.p.h.; 2, J. M. Young (Ford Anglia); 3, B. Muir (Ford Cortina). Fastest lap: Merfield, 1 m .52 .2 s ., 86.95 m.p.h. (Record). Over 2,000 c.c. Class: 1, J. Sears (Ford Galaxie), 85.50 m.p.h.; $2, ~ M$
Salmon (Jaguar 3.8); 3, B. Aston (Jaguar 3.8). Fastest lap: Sears, 1 m. 50.0 s., 88.69 m.p.h. (Record). Single-Seater Cars up to 1,600 c.c. (15 laps): 1, B. Hart (Lotus-Ford 22), 96.74 m.p.h.; 2, R. J. James (Brabham-Ford); 3, M. Long (Lotus-Ford 27). Fastest lap: James and Long, $1 \mathrm{~m} .39 .2 \mathrm{~s} ., 98.35 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. Grand Touring Cars ( 10 laps): Overall Winner: P. H. Sutcliffe (Jaguar E). Up to $\mathbf{1 , 1 5 0}$ c.c. Class: 1, C. McLaren (Marcos-Ford), $85.64 \mathrm{~m}, \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h} . ;$ 2, W, Banks (TurnerClimax) ; 3, J. F. Dickinson (Lotus Le Mans G.T.) Fastest lap: Banks, 1 m .51 .2 s., 87.73 m.p.h (Record). 1,151-1,600 c.c. Class: 1, R. Nathan (Lotus Elite), 86.91 m.p.h.; 2, W. J. Shaw (Lotus Elite); 3, A. P. Chambers (Lotus Elite). Fastest lap: Shaw and Chambers, 1 m .50 .4 s., 88.37 m.p.h.; Over 1,600 c.c. Class: 1, P. Sutcliffe (Jaguar E), 91.02 m.p.h.; 2, K. Baker (Jaguar E) , J. W. Dean (Jaguar E). Sasts-Racing Cars and Prototype Grand Touring Cars ( 25 laps): Overall Prototype Grand Touring Cars (25 laps): Overall Winner: A. Hegbourne (Lotus-Ford 23B). Lp to 1,150 c.c. Class: 1, R. S. Benson (Elvo-Climax Mk. 7); 2, C. M. M. Williams (Lotus-Ford 23) Oliver (D.R.W.-Ford Mk. 5), $1 \mathrm{~m} .45 .0 \mathrm{s}. ., 92.91$ m.p.h. 1,151-2,000 c.e. Class: 1, A. Hegbourne m.p.h. 1,151-2,000 c.c. Class: 1, A. Hegbournc (Lotus-Ford 23B), $\quad 96.02$ m.p.h. ${ }^{2}$, , (Lotus-Ford 23B). Fastest lap: Hegbourne, 1 m .39 .8 s ., 97.76 m.p.h. Oyer 2,000 c.c. Class: 1, The Hon. R. F. G. Wrottesley (Lister-Jaguar); 2, J. Coundley (Lotus-Climax 19); 3, D. J. M. Ham (Aston Martin DBR1/300). Fastest lap: 1. Ireland (Lotus-Climax 19), 1 m .33 .6 s., 102.05 m.p.h. (Record). Touring Cars (10 laps): Overall Winner: J. Sears (Ford Galaxie). Up to 1,300 c.c. Class: 1, M. A. Young (Ford Anglia Super), 8l. m.p.h.; 2. Miss C. Carlisle (Morris-Cooper S); Miss Carlisle, 1 m .59 .4 s.,. 81.9 m.p.h. (Record) Over 1,300 c.c. Class: 1, J. Sears (Ford Galaxie) 86.33 m.p.h.: 2, J. Adams (Jaguar 3.8); 3, M
Pendleton (Jaguar 3.8). Fastest lap: Sears, 1 m . Pendleton (Jaguar
$50.4 \mathrm{~s} ., 88.37 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$.


NEW 2-LITRE PORSCHE of Dickie Stoop leads Roger Nathan's very quick Lotus Elite, the Climax-engined car winning the 1,500 c.c. class. Stoop's latest acquisition has yet to be sorted out: although fast, it apparently handles like a pig!
most of the way but then lost his place to John Dickinson's Lotus. The Ginetta of M. H. Douglas, which was allowed to race although not homologated, had a spectacular accident at Coram but was not badly damaged.

The 25-lap Senior Service Trophy race, also an Autosport Championship qualifier, was basically for sports-racing cars, but prototype G.T. cars were admitted. Dick Protheroe made a great effort to get there from home in time for this one, having got his car together at lunch time, but he lost his car together at lunch time, by 10 minutes. Star attraction was out by 10 minutes. Star attraction was
Innes Ireland in the B.R.P. Lotus Monte Carlo, and several hairy motor cars were assembled to do battle with him, but as it turned out this all evaporated. Innes set off motor-racing in the grand manner and really burned up the track for seven laps, in the course of which he shattered Graham Hill's sports-car lap record with a devastating tour at over $102 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. but then, coming into the Esses for the eighth time, a component variously reported as a stub axle and a top wishbone let go, and the car abruptly lay down. Quite what happened to his main opposition is something of a mystery On the opening lap Stephen Minoprio brought the little Elva through Coram in what appeared to be perfectly good order, but the tail slid out and stayed out, and the car went broadside into a pile of sand on the grass verge. The resulting dust cloud obscured everything for a while but, when it settled, Chris Summers was seen to be just below the bushes at the op of the paddock, and his crumpled op of the paly two more laps bled Cooper-Chev only did two more laps betore retiring, and the Ecurie Ecosse Cooper Monaco also came round with a battered
nose and gave up at about the time that Innes left the contest. John Coundley's Lotus 19 developed an elusive fault in the ignition switch and was never in the hunt, and that was that. This meant that the race was disputed by the 1,600 c.c. cars, honours going to Tony Hegbourne, Julian Sutton and Rodney Bloor, with Geoff Breakell a long way back in fourth place. Robin Benson went extremely well in the other 1,150 c.c. Elva to take the class from Chris Williams and Terry Bone, but the fastest lap in the class went to Geoff Oliver in what the programme called a P.R.W. Migs, which is surely a D.R.W. Mk. 5? The final race was for Group 2 saloons, and Jack Sears appeared once more with the Galaxie after frantic repairs to the exhaust system. In this race he equalled Graham Hill's Jaguar lap record which he had already beaten in the first race, and Mike Salmon once more pursued him for all he was worth until a rear tyre went flat and put him out of the running. John Adams took over the big Jaguar from Bill Aston and again drove it impeccably to finish second, and Mike Pendleton's Jaguar was third. Brian Muir came out again in a Cortina G.T. and repeated his harrying of a bigger car, the victim this time being Joe Lucia in what one might describe as a touring, as opposed to racing, Galaxie. Mike Young won his class with the stable's new Anglia Super, but Christabel Carlisle set a new class record in Don Moore's Cooper $S$ (if this was not an $S$, blame the programme, which said it was but gave the capacity as that of a normal Cooper). So, as a fine day's racing ended, the rain which was promised arrived, like Dick Protheroe, just too late to compete.

START of the Group 3 saloon car race with, left to right, Brian Muir, Doc
Merfield, Jack Sears, who is partially hidden by the next man Mike Salmon, Chris Craft, Albert Powell and John Adams.


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## The

 (10)MIDGET

The M.G. Midget is a more luxurious version of the Austin-Healey Sprite or, if you prefer it, the Sprite is a simplified Midget. Both cars are identical mechanically, and they have recently been endowed with the latest long-stroke 1,098 c.c. variation of the B.M.C. A-series engine. This unit has more "punch" than its 948 c.c. predecessor, producing its maximum torque at 2,500 r.p.m. 60 b.h.p. (s.a.e.) is developed at 5,750 r.p.m., as compared with the 47.5 b.h.p. of the earlier models.

The well-known power unit has push-rod-operated valves in a cast-iron head. Twin SU carburetters are fitted and the compression ratio is 8.9 to 1 . The single dry plate clutch, four-speed gearbox, and open propeller shaft are entirely conventional. A punt-type welded steel structure forms the chassis and is the basis of the body. Helical springs constitute the suspension medium in front, and at the rear a pair of quarter-elliptic springs are attached beneath the axle with radius arms above. Disc brakes are employed in front with drums behind, and the steering is by rack and pinion.

A pleasing shape has been chosen for
the body, combining Italian angularity with some traditional curves. One must admit that the result is attractive, and there is plenty of room for two large people. By retaining detachable sidescreens, it has been possible to hollow out the doors, to the great advantage of the driver and passenger who gain useful elbow room in consequence. The boot is largely occupied by the spare wheel but there is some useful luggage space behind the seats. This is covered by a cushion, presumably for the carriage of a baby or a dog.
The hood is very neat indeed, being easy to erect and remaining in place at maximum speed, though it does flap a little. The sidescreens have sliding panels which do not tend to creep. A useful array of proper round instruments includes a rev. counter.

Although the seats are quite comfortable, one could do with even better lateral location and a bit more support for the thighs. A pleasant driving position, giving a good all-round view, includes well-placed pedals and a central gear lever that can be reached without stretching. Pleasantly smooth except for one slight period, the engine is flexible,

and although the exhaust has a healthy note it is by no means noisy.

Over average road surfaces, the little machine gives a comfortable ride and does not tend to pitch. There is some roll, and a tendency to oversteer is noticeable. During normal driving, the steering feels light and precise. On a racing circuit, the car at first feels rather "soft" but with practice quite fast cornering may be enjoyed. Harder damper settings and an anti-roll bar would be advisable for competition work, but the standard settings are a good compromise for fairly fast touring.

The maximum speed is just under 90 m.p.h. and the engine seems content to cruise at almost any figure within its range. It revs freely, and so although the gear ratios are not particularly close, a useful $70 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. may be exceeded on third speed and $50 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. comes up on second. To cover the standing quartermile in less than 20 seconds must be regarded as satisfactory for a vehicle of this size and price.

Even when driven hard, the Midget returns a praiseworthy $35 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{g}$. Though the hood gives good protection, the best way to enjoy this car is to get out into the country with the top down. The very efficient heater still keeps the feet warm, and the little machine runs with great ease at quite high cruising speeds.

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acceleration graph

The easy gear change encourages one to use third speed a good deal, though the flexibility on top is perfectly normal by four-cylinder standards.

The brakes are very good indeed, taking no objection to continuous hard use. The song of the exhaust is always present, reaching quite an inspiring note at full speed, but it does not crackle or boom on the overrun, nor does it seem to attract unwelcome attention.

The appearance of the Midget, on the other hand, certainly draws some admiring glances. Although the general impression is of a sporting nature, the comfort and refinement of the interior are not inferior to normal saloon stan-
dards. The whole purpose of the car is to provide reliable everyday transportation while giving the driver the pleasure of handling a lively, responsive machine. Obviously, a sporting two-seater of this type can easily be developed much further if extreme performance is the aim, but we are dealing at present with the production Midget in standard tune.

The small M.G. is a sports car of conservative design. Yet, it has been evolved to a point where it does its job very well and goes on doing it. Of pleasant appearance and with many practical features, it represents good value for money and offers low running costs.


## SPECIFICATION AND PERFORMANCE DATA

Car Tested: M.G. Midget sports two-seater, price $£ 598$ 13s. 9d., extra: Heater $£ 1410 \mathrm{~s}$., including

Engine: Four cylinders, 64.58 mm . x 83.72 mm . ( 1,098 c.c.). Pushrod operated overhead valves. 8.9 to 1 compression ratio. 60 b.h.p. at 5,750 r.p.m. Twin SU carburetters. Lucas coil and distributor.
Transmission: Single dry plate clutch, four-speed gearbox with synchromesh on upper three gears and short central lever, ratios $4.22,5.73,8.09$, and 13.50 to 1 . Open propeller shaft. Hypoid rear axle.
Chassis: Punt-type chassis in unit with steel body. Independent front suspénsion by wishbones and helical springs. Rack and pinion steering. Rigid rear axle on quarter-elliptic springs with radius arms. Lever-type dampers all round. Lockheed
hydraulic brakes with front dises and rear drums Bolt-on disc wheels fitted $5.20-13$ ins. tyres. Equipment: 12 volt lighting and starting. Speedometer. Revolution counter. Oil pressure, water temperature and fuel gauges. Windscreen wipers Heater (extra).
Dimensions: Wheelbase 6 ft .8 ins. Track (front) 3 ft . $9 \frac{3}{4}$ ins. (rear) 3 ft . $8 \frac{3}{4}$ ins. Overall length 11 ft . $5 \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{ins}$. Width 4 ft .5 ins . Turning circle $11 \mathrm{ft} .5 \frac{1}{4}$ ins. Width 4
32 ft . Weight 13 cwt .
Performance: Maximum speed 89 m.p.h. Speeds in gears: 3rd, 72 m.p.h.; 2nd, 51 m.p.h.; 1st, Acceleration. $0-30$ mang quarter-mile 19.8 secs Acceleration: 0-50 m.p.n., 4.4 secs.; 0-50 m.p.h , Consum

## 18th R.A.C. BRIIISH GRAND PRIX

## A Preview of Silverstone this Saturday by GREGOR GRANT



Above are the eight leading contestants in the current World Championship table.
Who will win? It might be one of them, yet there are several others...

So far, 17 R.A.C. British Grands Prix have been organized, two at Brooklands in the 1920 s, ten at Silverstone and five at Aintree. Of the makes concerned, Ferrari has gained seven victories, Delage, Maserati and Cooper-Climax two and Mercedes-Benz, Vanwall, Alfa Romeo and Lotus-Climax one each.

Although the event is referred to as the 16 th British Grand Prix, this refers to post-war races, for the Brooklands contests in 1926 and 1927 were true G.P.s. Tomorrow's is, therefore, the 18th to be staged.

The R.A.C. Grand Prix was revived on the redundant airfield circuit at Silverstone on 2nd October, 1948. A circuit was chosen of 3.8 miles, including most of the runways. Winner was Villoresi (Maserati) at $72.28 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$., followed by Ascari (Maserati) and Bob Gerard (E.R.A.).
In 1949 the circuit was altered to the three miles used today, and on 14th May the race was won by de Graffenried (Maserati), from Bob Gerard and his veteran E.R.A.

The Grand Prix of Europe was the event's status in 1950 and it made history in that it was the opening round of the first World Championship of Drivers. The race went to that year's title-holder, Nino Farina (Alfa Romeo) at 90.5 m.p.h., with Alfas filling the next two places driven respectively by Fagioli and Reg Parnell.

In 1951, the once-invincible Alfa Romeos were humbled by José Froilan Gonzalez in an unsupercharged 4.5-litre Ferrari, who won at $96.11 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. from Fangio (Alfa Romeo). Farina (Alfa Romeo) made fastest and record lap at 99.99 m.p.h.-so near to the "magic ton".
Formula 2 machines comprised the field in 1952 with Ascari (Ferrari) winning from team-mate Villoresi and Mike Hawthorn (Cooper-Bristol). Ascari repeated his victory in 1953, also with a Ferrari; Fangio (Maserati) was runner-up.

Then came 1954 and the first appearance of Mercedes-Benz in Great Britain since 1938. The G.P. went to Gonzalez (Ferrari) with Hawthorn (Ferrari) runner-up. Fangio tried his best with the unsuitable aerodynamic German car and finished fourth after sundry collisions with marker barrels. The winner's speed was $89.69 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$.

For 1955 the race was transferred to Aintree and resulted in a 1-2-3-4 for Mercedes-Benz, headed by Stirling Moss.

Back to Silverstone came the Grand Prix in 1956 and it was won by Fangio (Ferrari) at $98.65 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. Fastest lap was made by Stirling Moss (Maserati) at 102.104 m.p.h.

At Aintree the following year, Vanwall secured the first-ever victory for a British car, Stirling Moss and Tony Brooks sharing the wheel to win at 86.80 m.p.h., chased by the three Ferraris of Musso, Hawthorn and Trintignant.

Peter Collins (Ferrari) scored a brilliant victory in 1958, leading the race from start to finish to average $102.05 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. Hawthorn (Ferrari) raised the lap record to 104.54 m.p.h.

Jack Brabham took his Cooper-Climax to win the 1959 race at Aintree and there was a near photo finish for second place when Moss (B.R.M.) just managed to pip Bruce McLaren (Cooper-Climax).
Brabham also won the 1960 race at Silverstone for CooperClimax. Six laps from the end, when in first place, Graham Hill (B.R.M.) spun off at Copse. Brabham averaged 108.69 m.p.h. and Hill did fastest lap with 1 min . 34.4 secs. ( 111.62 $\mathrm{m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$.), which was just one-fifth of a second slower than Innes Ireland's record with the Lotus-Climax, set up during the International Trophy Meeting.

For 1961 and 1962 , the race was staged at Aintree, being won respectively by the late Taffy von Trips (Ferrari) and by Jim Clark (Lotus-Climax).

Now for 1963, the race returns to Silverstone, organized by
the B.R.D.C. and supported by the Daily Express. On paper, the starting grid should comprise the most varied selection of cars since the present Formula was introduced. The field consists of B.R.M., Ferrari, Cooper-Climax, Lotus-Climax, B.R.P.-B.R.M., Lotus-B.R.M., A.T.S., Scirocco-B.R.M., LolaClimax, Gilby-B.R.M., de Tomaso and Porsche.

On present form, Jim Clark and his Lotus-Climax must be favourites. The Scot has won three successive World Championship events and will be all out to make it four in a row. He has strong support from team-mate Trevor Taylor, who, it is hoped, will have more luck than has has come his way in recent months.

Naturally, 1962 World Champion Graham Hill will also be quoted as evens and it is likely that the new B.R.M. monocoque will be extremely rapid. Hill also has strong support, in the shape of Richie Ginther, who took second place at Monaco.

However, "dark horses' of Silverstone will obviously be Jack Brabham and Dan Gurney in their Climax-powered

## THE ENTRY LIST

A.T.S. (Automobili Turismo Sport) *Phil Hill; *Giancarlo Baghetti. Brabham-Climax (Repco-Brabham) *Jack Brabham; *Dan Gurney. B.R.M. (Owen Organisation) ${ }^{*}$ Graham Hill; *Richic Ginther.
B.R.M. (Centro-Sud) *Lorenzo Bandini.

Cooper-Climax (Cooper Car Co. Ltd.) *Bruce McLaren; *Tony Maggs. Cooper-Climax (Waker) *Jo Bonnier.
Gilby-B.R.M. (Raby) Ian Raby.
Lola-Climax (Reg Parnell Racing) Curis
Lola-Climax (Reg Parnell Racing) Chris Amon; Mike Hailwood
Lotus-Climax (Team Lotus) *Jim Clark; *Trevor Taylor.
Lotus-Climax (Reg Parnell Racing) *Masten Gregory,
Lotus-B.R.M. (B.R.P.) Jim Hall; (Siffert) Jo Siffert; (Tim Parnell) John Campbell-Jones.
Porsche (S. Pan-American) *Carel Godin de Beaufort,
Scirocco-B.R.M. (Scirocco-Powell) Tony Settember; Ian Burgess.
de Tomaso (de Tomaso) Estefano Nasif.

* Graded Drivers.


CONCENTRATING HARD while driving his B.R.P.-B.R.M. at Spa-Francorchamps (above left), Innes Ireland must be considered a strong contender for the laurel wreath at Silverstone. He holds the outright lap record as well as the present Formula 1 record. FOUR IN A ROW? Will Jim Clark win his fourth World Championship race in succession in his remarkable Lotus $25-t h a t$ is what everyone is wondering. Jimmy is seen on his calm unruffled way to victory at Zandvoort (above, right).


OLD AND NEW. Graham Hill in the new monocoque B.R.M. may provide a surprise at Silverstone, as might Richie Ginther if he gets one. Graham is seen on his way to third place at Rheims (above, left), having just overtaken Lorenzo Bandini's Centro-Sud B.R.M., the car that helped gain Hill the World Championship last year. JACK'S TEAM (above, right). Jack Brabham, seated in his Grand Prix car, chats with Phil Kerr and his American team-mate Dan Gurney. Either Jack or Dan could easily win at Silverstone! DARK HORSE is the A.T.S. team, whose drivers Phil Hill and Giancarlo Baghetti have so far had a thin time of it. Phil chats with Carlo Chiti at Spa (below, left). NO GRAND PRIX would be complete without that Dutch sportsman Carel Godin de Beaufort (below, right) whose enterprising driving of an out-dated four-cylinder Porsche has gained him yet another World Championship point this season. Perhaps some one will give him a better car soon?


## SPEED CHECK-the Silverstone G.P. Circuit Records RACING CARS

Absolute Record: Innes Ireland (2.5 Lotus-Climax), 1955-60 Formula 1, $1 \mathrm{~m} .34 .2 \mathrm{~s} ., 111.86 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. [14.5.60]
1961-65 Formula: Innes Ireland ( 1.5 Lotus-Climax), $1 \mathrm{~m} .35 .4 \mathrm{~s} ., 110.45$ m.p.h. [11.5.63.] [14.5.63.]

## SPORTS CARS

Up to 1,100 c.c.: Mike Beckwith (Lotus-Ford), $1 \mathrm{~m} .44 .8 \mathrm{~s} ., 100.55$ m.p.h. 16.10.62.1

1,101-1,500 c.c. Cliff Allison (Lotus-Climax), $1 \mathrm{~m} .46 \mathrm{~s} ., 99.41 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$.
1,501-2,000 c.e.: Mike Beckwith (Lotus-Ford), 1 m. 42 s., 103.31 m.p.h.
1,501-2,000 c.
2,001-3,000 c.c.: Roy Salvadori (Cooper-Climax), 1 m. 37.6 s., 107.96 m.p.h. [11.5.63.]

Over 3,000 c.c.: Chris Summers (Cooper-Chevrolet) [11.5.63] and Masten Gregory (Lister-Jaguar), 1 m. 44 s., 101.32 m.p.h. [3.5.58.]

## TOURING CARS (GROUPS 1-2)

751-1,000 c.c.: Elizabeth Jones (Austin-Cooper), $2 \mathrm{~m} .7 .2 \mathrm{~s} ., 82.84$ 751-1,000 C.c.: ELiza
m.p.h. $\left[11.5 .63 .^{*}\right]$
1,001-1,300 c.c.: Paddy Hopkirk (Morris-Cooper), 2 m .1 .0 s., 87.08 1,001-1,300 c.c.: P6ad
m.p.h. [11.5.63.]
m.p.h. [11.5. 63.$]$ Blumy (Ford Cortina), $2 \mathrm{~m} .1 .2 \mathrm{~s} ., 86.94$ m.p.h. [11.5.63.*]
,601-2,000 c.c.: Jo Bonnier (Alfa Romeo), $2 \mathrm{~m} .15 \mathrm{~s} ., 78.05$ m.p.h. [5.5.56.]
,001-2,600 c.c.: Peter Blond (Jaguar), 2 m. 6 s., 83.63 m.p.h. [2.5.59.] 2,601-3,500 c.c.: Ivor Bueb (Jaguar), $1 \mathrm{~m} .59 .2 \mathrm{~s} ., 88.40 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h} .[$ [2.5.59.] $\mathbf{3 , 5 0 1 - 5 , 0 0 0}$ c.c.: Roy Salvadori (Jaguar), 1 m. 54.2 s., 92.27 m.p.h. [11.5.63.]
Over $\mathbf{5 , 0 0 0}$ c.c.: Jack Sears (Ford Galaxie), 1 m. 51.6 s., 94.42 m.p.h. [11.5.63.]
*Group 3 751-1,000 c.c.: G. C. Shepherd (Austin), 2 m .4 s., 84.98 m.p.h. [1.10.60.]

Group $\mathbf{3} \mathbf{1 , 3 0 1 - 1 , 6 0 0}$ c.c.: Chris Craft (Ford), 1 m. 59.2 s., 88.40 m.p.h. [6.10.62.]

## GRAND TOURING CARS

Up to 750 c.c.: Syd Hurrell (Saab), $2 \mathrm{~m} .24 .4 \mathrm{~s} ., 72.97 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. [2.5.59.] $751-1,000$ c.c.: John Miles (Turner-B.M.C.), $1 \mathrm{~m} .59 .6 \mathrm{~s} ., 88.10 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. [11.5.63.]
1,001-1,300 c.c.: Trevor Taylor (Lotus), 1 m. 47.8 s., 97.75 m.p.h. 1,301-1,600 c.c.: Graham Warner (Lotus), 1 m. 53.4 s., 92.59 m.p.h.
[11.5.63.] $\mathbf{1 , 6 0 1 - 2 , 0 0 0}$ c.c.: Chris Lawrence (Morgan), 1 m .56 .6 s., 90.37 m.p.h. [12.5.62.]
2,001-2,600 c.c.: Adrian Dence (Morgan), $2 \mathrm{~m} .00 \mathrm{s.}$,87.81 m.p.h.
[11.5.63.]
$2,601-3,500$
c.c.:
$3,501-5,000$ c.c.: Roy Salvadori (Jaguar E), $1 \mathrm{~m} .42 .4 \mathrm{s.}$,102.90 m.p.h.
[11.5.63.]
All the British works teams have cars fitted with Lucas fuel injection and all 26 starters will be on British Dunlop tyres. Supporting races are for Formula Junior, Saloon and combined sports and G.T. cars, while, of course, there will also be the Rover Gas Turbine cars demonstration race and an exhibition of twowheel driving with a four-wheel car.
Interesting names among the Formula Junior are the very successful Italian "Geki" (de Sanctis-Ford) and the up-and-coming Italian Junior driver Bruno Deserti (Lotus 27).
The combined sports car/G.T. car race sees Mike Parkes in a works 250P Ferrari-and it will be interesting to see just how fast Mike goes in this.
Silverstone starts at 10.15 . a.m.

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## THE THOROUGHBRED MOTOR CAR 1930-40

By David Scott-Moncrieff.
Published by Batsford at 30s.
$\mathrm{A}^{\mathrm{T}}$ first glance, one might be excused for saying that this has all been, A done before. Further examination, however, reveals that "Bunty" Scott-Moncrieff has brought a new authority to this sort of book, largely because he has actually owned such a vast nutmber of the cars reviewed.

Scott-Moncrieff pulls no punches, and whereas I thoroughly agree with him in many cases, I disagree violently in others. Perhaps that is why I enjoyed his book so much! For example, he describes the RollsRoyce Phantom II as ". . a magic carpet, wafting you silently. . . ." What arrant nonsense! However, Bunty couldn't get $11 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{g}$. and mine did $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~m}$. p.g. An even rougher car than the PII was the Isotta Fraschini, which I also owned. Here the author and I are in entire Fraschini, which are about the 540 K and the "dreadful little sixcylinder" Mercedes-Benz.
On the other hand, I think he is less than kind about the BlackburneOn the other hand, I think he is less than kind about the Blackburne-
engined Frazer-Nash, which I found to be wonderfully reliable, but I agree with him about the supercharged $4 \frac{1}{2}$-litre Bentley, which he debunks from personal experience. But, Bunty, how can you say that the " $100 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$." Straight-Eight Delage had good brakes? I used to reline mine once a fortnight! By the way, Delaunay-Belleville had overhead camshafts, not pushrods.

There is perhaps some careless writing and technical inaccuracy. To say that i.f.s. came from America is absurd, and to claim that
independent rear suspension was only made in small quantities, except by Mercedes, is also wrong. What about the Lancia Aprilia, an enormously popular car? Nevertheless, Scott-Moncrieff certainly knows his subject, and he has written a book that is easy to read. The volume is well produced, and if some of the pictures are of ugly cars, one must recognize that this was a period of transition when few really beautiful cars were built, in my opinion. The final chapter on coachbuilding is first class.

John V. Bolster.
THE VETERAN MOTOR CAR POCKETBOOK
By Anthony Bird and Francis Hutton-Stott.
Published by Batsford at 9s. 6d.
THis book can be thoroughly recommended and is quite remarkable value at 9 s .6 d . It is a well-produced little volume and most of the photographs are "new", which means that those tired old prints that have appeared in so many books have not been trotted out again. No doubt this is due to the splendid collection of photographs which Francis Hutton-Stott cherishes.
A great deal of work has gone into this volume and the standard of accuracy is very high indeed. No historical motoring book exists without a single mistake, and one notes that the single-cylinder Delage which won the 1908 G.P. des Voiturettes is given a de Dion engine. Actually, the power-unit of the winning car was a Cauzan, a fact which was concealed for commercial reasons, so this trivial error is certainly excusable.
Thank goodness the authors avoid turning geese into swans, and no rash performance claims are made for any of the cars reviewed. In a limited space, each make receives a fair description, plus short technical specifications of representative models. As a pocket work of reference, this book must be given high praise.

John V. Bolster.

CLUB NEWS

By MICHAEL DURNIN


#### Abstract

FDwardian, Vintage, Thoroughbred and Historic cars are eligible for the Vintage S.C.C.'s hill-climb at Prescott on 18th August. Regs. are obtainable from T. W. Carson, 3 Kingsclere House Stables, KingsCarson, 3 Kingsclere House Stables, Kings- clere, Newbury, Berks, who must receive all entries by 3rd August. $\dot{C}$. Members of the Seven-Fifty M.C., M.G.C.C.C., Bugatti O.C., B.R.S.C.C., Lancashire and Cheshire C.C., Nottingham S.C.C., Midlands M.E.C., Coventry and Warwickshire M.C. and Motor Cycling C. are invited to participate in the SUNBAC race meeting on the Silverstone club circuit on 31st August. Entries close on 18 th August and regs. may be obtained from J. D. Woodhouse, 106 Jockey Road, Sutton Coldfield, Warwickshire. There are races for sports cars, popular sports cars and racing cars as well as high speed trials. If you send in your entry very quickly to E. E. Davis, 12 Gaysham Avenue, Gants Hill, Ilford, Essex, you will be able to have a go in the West Essex C.C.'s circuit sprint at Debden on 28 th July. There are classes catered for, and members of the following catubs have been invited: B.A.R.C., Bentley D.C., B.R.S.C.C., Harrow C.C.,' London M.C., M.G.C.C. (S.E. Centre), Romford E.C.C., Seven-Fifty M.C. and entrants in the Association of Eastern Motor Clubs Championship. The competition comprises 1.5-mile Essex circuit. ... The Morecambe C.C. are holding another of their excellent Illuminations Rallies on 10th-11th August and the event is open to members of the Airedale and Pennine M.C.C., B.A.R.C.. Airedale and Pennine M.C.C., B.A.R.C. B.T.R.D.A., Cavendish C.C.. Cumberland S.C.C., Furness D.M.C., Fylde M.S.G. Kilmarnock C.C., Knowldale C.C. and WestBroadlands, Bolton-le-Sands, near Carnforth, Lancs. . . The Second Festival Autocross of the Cambridge C.C. takes place at Longstowe on 28 th July. Entries, which close on Monday, should be addressed to M. J. Monday, should be addressed to M. J. Dockray, Brooklands Farm, Caxton End, Bourn, Cambs. The event is open to members of the B.T.R.D.A.. East Anglian M.C., Falcon M.C., Romford E.C.C., Fenland M.C., Peterbornugh M.C., Harlow and D.A.C., Bourne D.M.C.. North London E.C.C. and entrants in the Eastern Area Special Events Championship. . The Stackport M.C., Championship. . The StnckDort M.C., promoting the Mottershead Autocross on August Bank Holiday Monday at Disley. Cheshire. More information can be obtained


## COMING ATTRACTIONS

20th July. LEINSTEN EVENTS 21st Dunboyne, Eire (F.L.). COUPE DE LA VILLE DE LOURENCO-MARQUES, South Africa (F.L.).

27th July. PHOENIX PARK Italy (F.J.). 28th July. SOLITUDE GRAND PRIX, Germanv ( $F .1$ ).
HOOSIFR GRAND PRIX, U.S.A. (F.L.).
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CESANA-SESTRIERE HILL-CLIMB, Italy (S., G.T., T., F.J.).

20th July. BRITISH EVENTS Silverstone, near Towcester, Northants
(F.1, F.J., T., S., G.T.) Starts 10.15 a.m. $\xrightarrow[\text { (F.1, F.J., T., S., G.T.). Starts } 10.15 \text { a.m. }]{\text { Jaguar D.C. Sprint, Goodwood, near Chiches- }}$ Jaguar D.C. Sp
21st July. Midland A.C. Inter-Club Hill-Climb, Shelsley Walsh, near Worcester. Starts 11 a.m.
Seven-Fifty
Seven-Fifty M.C. (Southern Centre) HiltSwansea M.C. Sprint, Pembrey, near Llanelly, Carmarthenshire.
Herts County A. and Ae. C. Sprint, Brands Hatch, near Farningham, Kent. Starts 1 Harlow and D.A.C., North London E.C.C. London M.C. Driving Tests. Starts North Weald Aerodrome, near Epping, Essex. Mid-Surrey A.C. and Malden and D.M.C. Driving Tests. Starts Longmoor, Hants.
th July. Jersey M.C. and L.C.C. Hill-Climb 25th July. Jersey M.C. and L.C.C. Hill-Climb
Bouley Bay, Jersey, Starts 2.30 p.m.
from Desmond Bell, "Fairlie", 17 Longnor Road, Hazel Grove, Stockport, Cheshire.
B.A.R.C. (N.W. and Yorks Centres) have combined to co-promote a sprint meeting at Oulton Park on 27th July. There are classes for all sorts of cars, including marque sports cars and 850 c.c. Minis, while there will also be an inter-club competition. Entries must be received by tomorrow by Mrs. C. M. Hamilton Smith, Milestones, 12 St. Andrews Road, Liverpool, 23. . . . Leicestershire C.C. are holding a closed driving tests meeting on 28th July-on grass-and entries, which close on Monday, can be obtained from Miss P. Stonehouse, 1531 Melton Road, Queniborough, Leicester. That go-ahead club, the Dudley and D.C.C. $\dot{\text {, }}$ are co-promoting a sprint meeting at Church Lawford on 28th July in association with SUNBAC, Walsall and D.C.C. and Quinton M.C. Once again there are classes for all sorts of motor cars, from Minis to Cooper-

Buicks, and entries should be addressed to B. Ferriday, 97 Castle Road, Tipton, Staffs, who must receive them by tomorrow.
Bolton-le-Moors C.C. have their Bolton Rally on 17th-18th August, a qualifier for the Rally on 17 th-18th August, a qualifier for the
B.T.R.D.A. Silver Star and Motoring News Rally Championships. It is open to members of the B.T.R.D.A., London M.C. Knowldale C.C., Liverpool M.C., B.A.R.C., Austin-Healey C., Chester M.C., Cavendish C.C. and Wolverhampton and South Staffs C.C. and regs. can be obtained from Harwood, Bolton. . . The Liverpool M.C. are holding a restricted driving tests meeting at Bewsey Hall, Burtonwood, near Warrington on 4th August open to the following clubs: B.A.R.C. (N.W. Centre), Hagley and D.L.C.C., M.G.C.C., B.T.R.D.A., Severn Valley M.C., North Wales C.C., Mid-Cheshire M.C., North Staffs M.C. and Morecambe C.C. Regs. and entry forms from Mrs. Margaret Reakes, 86 Fairholme Avenue, Eccleston Park, Prescot, Lancs.

## Cavendish Car Club's BLACK TROPHY RALLY

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OT long ago there used to be a "close" season for rallying, but this period has been reduced recently, and perhaps the best event available in July is the Black Trophy Rally, organized by the Cavendish Car Club, mainly to keep its own circus members out of mischief, and also to settle several longstanding feuds which have sprung up over the previous season. The "Black" has been somewhat of a nomadic rally, moving from somewhat of a nomadic rally, moving from area to area over the years, but with its
amalgamation with the same club's Greenall Trophy Rally the area chosen is now Wales. The night of 13 th-14th July saw about 60 starters leave the Sandy Bank Garage near Wellington on a long section towards the south of Shrewsbury, after almost unlimited plotting time had allowed all the 72 controls to be laid out in comfort, incidentally showing that the organizers were confident about "no clean sheets"! After only $5 \frac{1}{2}$ hours real rallying the Phil Simister/Graham Robson Cortina GT finished with the only clean sheet, no fewer than 15 minutes in front of David Pollard (Rapier), with only seven crews losing less than half an hour.
The first few tight sections were in the Habberley area, and included passage through Castle Culverpatch where one local saw fit to drive his own car across a public road and block it-such that the only alternative was to drive round the car over said local's lawn. There was in fact no cause for this demonstration as there was no furious driving or excess noise at this point. The run through Eastridge Wood was made easier by one control being unattended, but Twigdon's Sprite began to show signs of misfiring, causing unhelpful baulking and loss of time to Roy Dixon's Anglia, though this was only the start of its troubles as a rear wheel later came off, too! Hereabouts Pat Spencer's Cooper was also held up by a local who offered violence until her navigator Ted Rowland got out to reason with him-collapse of irate party!
Although Map 129 was used for an hour or so, the Long Mynd was not used (this in itself must be a record). but the usual tight sections over Linley Hill were made more entertaining by all the gates being shut, and the 59 -second allowance was well and truly used here by all!
By midnight the route had led on to Map 128, with very little new stuff in use, and the Clun Forest region was visited next, where Bill Bengry was seen to be making heavy weather of a "Cavendish 30 averace" in his standard, three-speed, drum-braked Siab, and near Newcastle an unhappy misplot caused the Pollard/Baines Rapier to lose nine minutes in a long detour to find the white road which does go after all-Map 128 can still spring surprises. Another surprise here was that the usually reliable Reg McBride had an argument with a grass bank, to the detriment of his other Anglia's steering and he retired. Poor Reg-last week it was engine failure, and now this. The first really unknown road was north of Beguildy through "The Moat" where several novices held a panic meeting in the farmyard while lost, thus causing delay to Brian Ryder/

Colin Malkin who knew where they were going! Ten miles farther on the Ron Wilson/John Hopwood Anglia 1500 stopped when it blew a hole in the exhaust manifold, while to complete a night of misfortune for the Macclesfield Anglias, Grange/Potts took a wrong 'un in the last section before supper and lost about 15. At the night halt near Newtown only Simister held his clean sheet, with Roy Dixon on two and Thomas's VW on three.
A much-decimated field attacked the second half, which looked even tighter than the first, and took in most of the well-known "Godiva" territory south of Newtown and all the rough stuff on the west of the map in 35 controls and two hours. Two fords near Mochdre took their toll-in the first Dixon's Anglia shed its throttle linkage and in the second Grange's Anglia holed its radiator. Simister's Cortina contented itself merely by developing a faulty fuel gauge which at first suggested a holed tank-but the gauge did not move from quarter full for the rest of the night!
Fan Hill was rough and tight, as usual while the rough stuff near Trefeglwys caused trouble (more closed gates), and marshal Mike Wood was having no nonsense at his control, even though a marauding VW (Margaret Oakden) tried to mow him down. The Morris 1100 of Bache/Binns threw its exhaust system in this area causing a wise withdrawal, while Bob Rigby's navigator succumbed to sickness and left poor Bob to succumbed to sickness and left poor Bob to
drive and navigate the Sprite for the rest of the rally.
At the last control-on the Welshpool/ Newtown main road-arrivals were late ane few. Almost every B.M.C. Mini seemed to have hit something, at least two having been rolled (but the combination of Michelin X and Gold Seal tyres cannot have helped), while an Anglia and Mini had had a shunt ing match along the way. One monstrous example of the f.w.d. brigade looked as if it had rolled every week for the past season, and had a Mini van front end, a boot lid which did not open, and bilious orange paintwork, with a lot of mud and grass tufting for good measure! Hardly the car to improve the public image of rallying?

Simister survived the second half by the skin of his teeth, being again the only car to clean the lot (and this from second on the road, where all the gates were shut and the marshals "cold"), thus proving how useful is this new Cortina GT-but his SPs will never be the same again. Several entries from the Midlands and the south entries from the Midlands and the south
found that these Cavendish types are all together too fast for them, and were not seen after the night halt.
As Fidler would have it-"A reight good do."

Graham Robson.

## RESULTS

1, P. Simister/G. Robson (Cortina GT), 0; 2, D. (Mini 850), 18 m .; 4, A. Costello/G. Cooper Rapier), 20 m .5 . M. Thomas/T. Williams (VW) $20 \mathrm{~m} . i=6, \mathrm{R}$. Dixon/D. Ralphs (Anglia 1200), 21 m Team Award: Simister and R. Wilson 23 m . Best Semi-Expert: B. Ryder/C. Malkin (Cooper-Mini), 33 m . Best Novice: J. Jukes/N. Salt (Mini).


## SPINNING SILVERSTONE

## The Second Annual "750 Silverstone" Meeting

## by ROBERT GRANT

LAST Saturday's meeting at Silverstone organized by the Seven-Fifty M.C. saw of showers which did nothing more than enliven the proceedings. There were several incidents and innumerable gyrations: one team, however, succeeded in severely bending both their vehicles through no fault of the weather! The day's events included two heats and a seven-lap final for both 750 and 1172 cars, three seven-lap events and a tenlap Formule Libre event.
The first two events were the first of the heats for the 750 and 1172 cars. In the 1172 race Arthur Mallock (U2) won from Bryan Small (Milmor) and Ian Tollady (Aquila). R. Ecclestone (Dison 63) had the misfortune to break a half-shaft on the line. Nobody can say that 1172 racing is dull since there were no fewer than eight gyrations at Woodcote on the first lap! In the 750 event C. Lyford (Austin) had to relinquish his lead, due to a pit stop at the end of his first lap, to D. Hollister (Austin). Lyford eventually finished second
while B. King (Delta) took third spot some seconds in arrears.
The ten lap Formule Libre event which followed was the most exciting race of the day. Just before the start there was a short sharp shower and, since nobody had time to alter tyre pressures, the yellow flags were kept busy. Mike Beard (Lotus 17) led into Copse hounded by Ken Wison (ListerJaguar) and Rod Banting (Brabham F.J.). From then on Banting pulled out a steady lead followed by M. Davies (Lotus 20) But behind these two a great battle ensued between Ken Wilson and Dick Wrottesley, both in Lister-Jaguars, and Mike Beard. On the last lap Beard looked all set to take third place, but a tête-à-queue at Becketts left the place to Wrottesley.
Event four was a seven-lap race for sports and G.T. cars divided into two classes. Mike Beard this time reversed the order, Dick Wrottesley, who had lead throughout, just managing to coast over the line with a very managing to coast over the line with a very sick motor to take second spot. M. Fox
(Lotus) seemed to suffer brake troubles

CLOSE DICING down the field in the saloon car race, with $P$. Hutchence on the inside of B. Hawkins. What an exhaust pipe!
since he first collected a marker barrel at Woodcote and then on his next lap went straight on, damaging his car rather badly.
The seven-lap saloon car race provided a runaway win for the TTT Jaguar driven by J. Adams. The main excitement of the race, was Rod Embley's "Mini powered by Ford" which lapped at a fantastic number of knots to take second place overall. Farther down the field A. Alexander (MiniCooper) and R. Else (D.K.W.) had a great scrap, with the Mini just taking the honours.
In the seven-lap Formula Junior race Rod Banting (Brabham) scored his second win of the day, this time from M. Slater (Cheetah) and A. Hodge (Lola) whose placings were hotly contested. Mike Paris (U2) was the first car to cross the line in the Monoposto class.
After another five-lap qualifying race the seven-lap final for 750 cars took place. Keith Vickery (Jomo) won, but only just, from C. Lyford and D. Hollister both in Austins; these three cars had circulated very closely throughout and had been joined by B. King (Delta) until he retired with locking brakes.
The 1172 final was very hotly contested with Arthur Mallock (U2) and Ian Tollady (Aquila) scarcely feet apart, the superior brakes of the former deciding who collected the silverware. Bryan Small (Milmor) was third and Clive Garnham (Terrier) fourth.

## pesults

1172 Formula Heat 1 ( 5 laps): 1, A. Mallock (U2); 2, B. Small (Milmor); 3, I. Tollady (Aquila). 750 Formula-Heat 1 ( 5 laps): 1, D Hollister (Austin); 2, C. Lyford (Austin); 3, B. King (Delta). Formule Libre (10 laps): 1, R.
Banting (Brabham); 2, M. Davies (Lotus 20); 3, Banting (Brabham) ; $2, ~ M . ~ D a v i e s ~(L o t u s ~ 20) ; ~$
R. Wrottesley (Lister-Jaguar). Sports and G.T. $\begin{array}{lc}\text { R. Wrottesicy } \\ \text { cars ( } \\ 7 & \text { lister-Jaguar). Sports } \\ \text { Overall winner: M. J. Beard }\end{array}$ cars (7 laps). Overall winner: M. J. Beard (Lotus 17). Up to 1,650 engined cars Class: 1, D. Hayden (Lotus 7); 2 , engined cars Class: 1, D. Hayden (Lotus 7); 2,
V. Gardner (A.-H. Sprite); 3. R. Bond-Smith (Reio Mk. 3). Over 1,650 c.c. Class: 1, M. J. (Rejo Mk. 3) ${ }^{\text {Over }} 1,650$ c.c. Class: 1, M. J.
Beard (Lotus 17); $2, ~ R$. Wrottesley (Lister-Jaguar) 3eard (Lotus 17); 2, R. Wrottesley (Lister-Jaguar) (7 laps). Overall Winner: J. Adams (Jaguar 3.8). Up to 1,500 c.c. Class: 1, R. Embley (MiniFord) ; 2, E. Bunce (Tornado); $3, \mathrm{~B}$. Sherwood (Tornado). Over 1,500 c.c. Class: 1, J. Adams (Jaguar); 2, M. Runham (Jaguar); 3, A. Hartwel Sunbeam Rapier). 1172 Formula-Heat 2 ( 5 laps): 1, M. Paris (U2); 2, R. Breese (U2), 3, D. Mean (Milmor). 750 Formula Heat 2 ( 5 laps): 1, K. Vickery (Jomo); 2, J. Jones (Austin); 3, I. Bates (Austin). Formula Junior and Monoposto (7 laps). Overall winner: R. Banting (Brabham). Formula Junior Class. 1, R. Banting (Brabham); 2, M. Slater (Cheetah); 3, A. Hodge (Lola). Monoposto Class: 1, M. Paris (U2); 2, E. OgilvieHardy (Project X); 3, M. Cowburn (Anco). 750 Formula-Final ( 7 laps): 1, K. Vickery (Tomo) 2, C. Lyford (Austin); ${ }^{3,} \mathbf{D}$. Hollister (Austin). 1172 Formula-Final (7 taps): 1, A. Mallock (U2)); 2, I. Tollady (Aquila) 3, B. Small (Milmor).

DOING THE ADVERTISEMENT SIGNS NO GOOD (they had just been repainted for the Grand Prix!) are C. Friday (below, left) and M. Fox (below, right). Friday, after a very hairy drive, smacked the bank after Woodcote quite hard, his Mini being badly bent. Fox, who appeared to be suffering from a grabbing brake, also bent his M.G.-engined Lotus Mk. 8-the ex-Colin Chapman-Roy Bloxam car.

R.A.F.M.S.A.

ROMFORD E.C.C.

## DEBDEN SPRINT

THE R.A.F.M.S.A. and the Romford E.C.C. co-promoted speed trial on the 1.5 -mile circuit at Debden airfield on 7th July attracted a full entry, who enjoyed a pleasant and informal day's sport. There was no obvious B.T.D. car after the practice session in the morning, when J. Salmon (Lotus-Ford 7) put in the best lap time of 1 min .9 .4 secs., followed by M. Phillippe, similarly mounted, 1 min . 11.0 secs., while Richard Allen (Anglia) and Bill Camp (Cooper Special) both did 1 min .12 .0 secs.

The course to count in the afternoon's runs was two laps from a standing start, four cars on the track starting at 10 -second intervals. Camp put up the best time on the first runs of 2 mins. 24.8 secs., and this was bettered during the second runs by both Salmon and Phillippe. The very last attempt of the day was made by Camp who got the bit between his teeth and, never fast through the corners and extremely quick in straight lines, recorded B.T.D. of 2 mins. 18.8 secs.

In the unmodified saloon class up to 850 c.c. Bryceson's Saab beat the Minis comfortably, and D. Wynn-Williams took first in both the over 850 c.c. class in his touring car, an Austin-Cooper, and the modified saloons up to 1,200 c.c. in his 850 c.c. Austin 7, narrowly beating R Lyon's Austin-Cooper S in 2 min .41 .6 secs. Richard Allen gave his usual display of fast driving in his Anglia and won the ove 1,200 c.c. modified saloon class in 2 mins 29.6 secs. comfortably from Drury (Cortina) and Maurice Winch, still battling round in his Simca.
F/Lt. Bowers won the R.A.F. B.T.D cup in the up to 1,300 c.c. sports cars, but Bone (G.S.M. Delta) took the class award. In the sports-racing class of that capacity Dennis Pollard's Mercury-Climax looked the fastest and like a Lotus 23, but he hasn't sorted out the troubles yet and was beaten by the Lotus 7s of Salmon and Phillippe. The day was without incidents except for a number of minor spins, and the only job for the St. John Ambulance was to job for the St. John Ambulance was to patch up our R.A.C. Stew

Chris Pelling.

## results

B.T.D.: W. J. Camp (Cooper Special), 2 m . $\begin{array}{llllll}18.8 \text { S. } & \text { Standard } & \text { Saloons up to } \\ \text { Bryceson } & \text { (Saab), } & 3 & \mathrm{~m}, 0.2 & \text { s. } & 851-1,200 \\ \text { c.c.c.: } & \text { D. }\end{array}$ Wynn-Williams (Austin-Cooper), 2 m .48 .6 s Modified Saloons up to 1,200 c.c.: D. WynnWilliams (Austin 7), 2 m .40 .2 s. Over $^{\text {1,200 }} \mathbf{2 0 0}$ c.c.:
R. N. Allen (Anglia), 2 m .29 .6 s Sports Cars up to 1,300 c.c.: A. P. Bone (G.S.M. Delta) 2 m .44 .8 s . $1, \mathbf{3 1 0 1 - 2 , 0 0 0}$ c.c.: R. M. Johnson (Tojeiro), $2 \mathrm{~m}, 41.0 \mathrm{~s}$. Over $\mathbf{2 , 0 0 0}$ c.c.: J. C. Pryke (Austin-Healey), 2 m .37 .6 s . Sports-Racing
 2 m .30 .0 s . Formule Libre: W. J. Camp (Coope Special), 2 m .18 .8 s . Best Time by R.A.F.M.S.A. R. C. Bowers (Turner), 2 m .48 .2

AIREDALE \& PENNINE M.C.C. B.A.R.C. (YORKS CENTRE) YORKSHIRE S.C.C. DRIVING TESTS
The co-promoted Driving Tests open to members of the Airedale and Pennine M.C.C., the B.A.R.C. and the Y.S.C.C., were held at Marston Moor Airfield, near Tockworth, Yorkshire, on 7th July.

There were 73 entries, divided into several classes and competitors had to complete a circuit of eight tests and a repeat of four of the tests.
The Best Performance Award, on "figure of merit", was won by H. O. Holliday (Riley 1.5) and the "Best. Time of the Day" award by G. F. Chippindale (MorrisCooper).
D.H.W.

## RESULTS

Best Performance: H. O. Holliday (Riley 1.5). Class Winners: B. Strauss (Morris Mini); R.N. Lee (Morris-Cooper S); F. J. Smith (Ford Anglia) ; C. L. Jolley (Ford Cortina): J. E. M. Denton G. Haigh (B.N. Special). Novice Award: D. Arnott. Ladies' Award: Miss L. P. Reddy.

## Taunton M.C. ST. AUDRIES BAY HILL-CLIMB

THE course at St. Audries Bay is one which places the onus on the driver, consisting of approximately 1,000 yards of extremely tricky motoring. From the start the driver swings left-handed, then up a short straight to a blind brow, which cunningly conceals the first sharp right-hander, which is usually approached slightly airborne! From, there, a short sprint leads into a nasty "S" twist, into a dark, tree-lined tunnel bordered with a very solid cowshed wall. Once through this, a 75 or so yards straight leads into a sharp, right-hand climbing turn, with an opposite twist to the exit. Away up the bumpy hill, into a fast right-hander, a short sprint, then braking hard for the final lefthand corner, just before the finishing line. There is no latitude for error, as several people have found out in the past. A large hole in the hedge on the first corner marked a non-standard exit in practice, and the bank on the one after the farmyard showed signs of contact from several wayward motors.

The usual battle developed among the Cooper-Minis, the class finally going to Geoff Mabbs, in 49.75 secs. The up to 1,300 c.c. saloons went to D. Rowe's Mini, in a spirited run of 50.99 secs., getting the tail into the hedge on his first run just before the last corner. Several folk had horrid moments (the bank looked pretty hard on this bend!) and one man almost vanished from view in a cloud of burning Dunlop, on braking! Fred Ferris's D.K.W. was not quite suited to the hill, but was cornered firmly.
David Harris had a theory about getting through the farmyard flat out, and tried hard to put it into practice with his Riley. Result, a class win, but beads of perspiration on the brows of the marshals guarding that particular spot!

Amie Lefevre startled himself (and quite a few others) by winning Class 5 , in the cracking time of 47.50 secs. with his' Midget. R. Smart had a moment at "Lodge" on his first run, and a searing tail wag in the narrow farmyard later on in the day, narrowly missing the watching photographer at the end of the cowshed!

Class 5 was quite a family affair, for the Eltons, father, son and daughter, were all driving M.G.s in spirited fashion, not far separated in times. One day, perhaps, Elton Motors will score a 1-2-3 in this class! This group contained a little excitement on the final runs, in the shape of some interesting acrobatics by Arnold Denman.
From a viewpoint lower down in the field, the writer was most intrigued to observe the blue Turner come into view against the skyline, driving along the top of the hedge. Coming to a halt, it teetered for a long second, and then gracefuly rolled down a seven-foot bank into the field, landing upside down. A horde of marshals and spectators descended on it in a matter of seconds, and Mr. Denman came out from underneath quite cheerfully, though the hardtop had been softened a trifle.

Tom Pascoe drove the grey Porsche in good style, despite the fact that he had come all the way from Pontllanfraith in time for the morning practice. It must have been a trifle exasperating for him to know that "home" was merely a mile or so, as the crow flies, across the Bristol Channel, but a very long way round by road!

Ian Swift was a comfortable winner in Class 6, in 46.83 secs., though A. Cook's Downton Sprite made a lovely noise and seemed quite rapid. A. Lewington had a sudden transmission breakage approaching the last bend, and spun in the narrow road without damage. Repairs took until the second run, when he won his class in 52.42 secs.

The racing class was a battle between Wally Cuff and Ted Williams, Cooper and Elva mounted respectively, during which Wally put up a new course record in 43.28 secs. with his latest Cooper, and Mr. W came through the farmyard mostly sideways on one run. The interesting Excalibur Mk. 5 made a startling noise, and scuttled up on its tiny wheels in a very smart time around the late forties, while several of the big Cooper Twins were down to "singles", much to their drivers' annoyance.

Despite an unfortunate delay in practice,
during which Doctor Spare, acting C.o.C., was called upon to act in a medical capacity for a visitor to the holiday camp, and Arnold Denman's excitement, which naturally held up proceedings for a while, the meeting ran well, finishing with a pleasant prizegiving ceremony, in which trophies for the previous meeting were presented by the lady member of our Autosport team "on the spot"
The next St. Audries Bay meeting will be held, all being well, in September.

Tony Hollister.

## RESULTS

B.T.D.: W. Cuff (Cooper-Climax), 43.28 s. Class 1: 1, G. Mabbs (Austin-Cooper S), 49.75 s .; 2, G. Bond (Morris-Cooper), 50.37 s. Class 2: (Morris Mini), 55.03. Class 3: D. Harris (Riley 1.5), 50.55 s . Class 4: 1, J. Knowles (A.-H Sprite), 50.79 s.; 2, N. Trickett (Morris Mini) 52.71 s. Class 5: 1, A. Leferre (M.G. Midget), 47.50 s.; 2, R. Smart (Lotus Elite), 47.63 s.
Classes 6 and 7: I. Swift (Morgan Plus 4), 46.83 s . Classes 6 and 7: I. Swift (Morgan Plus 4), 46.83 s .
Class 9: A. Lewington (Lewington Special), 52.42 s . Class 9: A. Lewington (Lewington Special), 52.42 s . 2 , E. Williams (Elva Junior), 44.08 s .


TOO NEAR the wall-according to the photographer!-was R. Smart with his Lotus Elite in the farmyard. He was second in his class.

## HAGLEY \& D.L.C.C.

## DRIVING TESTS

ON Sunday, 7th July, the Hagley and District Light Car Club moved to a new venue for their Restricted Driving Tests counting towards the B.T.R.D.A. Flather Star Championship, which took place near Alcester at the
Motor Co., Ltd.
Of the thirty competitors, by far the most outstanding performance was put up by Don Harris in his 1,172 c.c. D.M.F. Special, for he not only made B.T.D. but overcame a five per cent specials handicap to win the Harvey Cup by 10 seconds from Dick Squire (M.G.). Third quickest was Mac Hazlewood (M.H.S. Special), although at one time Ian Mantle (Mini-Cooper S) appeared to be set for possible best performance until two faults put him back, causing him to make a little more effort on Test 9 where he destroyed the finish box.
Test No. 9, a fast one, was repeated after the finish of the official runs with each entrant making a half-crown donation and the winner taking all in his respective class. these being Don Harris, Ian Mantle and Ralph Broad respectively.

Max Trimble.
Harvey Cup: D. Harris, 376.4 s . Cutler Cup:
W. T. Meredith, 396.5 s. Class D. Winner: R.
Broad, 441.8 s. First Class Awards: R. Squire,
386.8 s; D. H. Holland, 396.8 s.; P. G. Vincent,
452.3 s. Second Class Awards: M. Hazlewood,
388.8 s. J. Handley, 397.9 S. Team Award: D.
Harris, W. T. Meredith, R. Broad. Club Team
Award: M.G.--P. J. Anton, R. Squire and E.
Townsend.

# Record Breaking Elvington 

BY JOHN HIGHAM

THE large crowd which attended the B.R.S.C.C. (Northern Centre) Elvington meeting on 7th July were treated to very fine racing indeed, the track record being broken no fewer three and six. Tony Lanfranchi eventually made the record his for a year, with a time of 1 min .14 .2 secs., a speed of $82.48 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. ; this, incidentally, on a 1.7 mile circuit with eight corners per lap. The first race, for Grand Touring Cars, was split into two classes, up to 1,150 c.c. "Tatty Turner" made a cracking start from pole position on the grid and led throughout to take the chequered flag 37 secs. in front of Frank Radford's Lotus Elite, which, in turn, was 6.8 secs. in front of Malcolm Wayne's new Elva Courier.

Race 2 was for Sports Cars up to 1,500 c.c. and was completely dominated by the C.c. and U2 driven by Finney, who was Beacon challenged, although F. W. Smith in never challenged, althis fotus 7 got within secs. of the his Lotus to finish second.
Event 3 was for Formula Junior and sports-racing cars. This race was an absolute cracker; with the track record taking a pounding from Dennis O'Sullivan, who proke it twice, while Adam Wyllie smashed it once and Tony Lanfranchi a further two
times. At the end of the race the record stood at 1 min . 15.4 secs., a speed of 81.17 m.p.h., to the credit of Dennis O'Sullivan. We didn't expect a sports-racing car to win this event, but it just proves how the "wise men" can be wrong: Lanfranchi got in front men York Corner on the first lap and was never headed, taking the flag 9.8 secs. in front of Wyllie who, in turn, was 0.8 sec in front of O'Sullivan. Wyllie and O'Sullivan had a marvellous scrap throughout the whole of the race, and one simply didn't know who was going to appear in front of the other at any particular part of the the other at any particular part of in circuit. Bouckley to finish a well judged race in third spot in Class A.
The Daily Mirror Trophy was another 16-lapper for Grand Touring and Sports Cars and gave Finney in his Beacon U2 his from Warwick Banks in the "Tatty Turner" gradually fading out as Finney increased his lead at the rate of approximately $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{sec}$. per lap. Banks was 38 secs. in front of the third man, the consistent Porter in his Lotus 7. Wilson in the Ginetta-Ford, who had been going very well, disappointed us by having to retire; Gordon Birrell pulled into the pits but resumed after adding water.
Race 5 for modified production saloons looked on paper a gift for John Fitzpatrick, and so it proved to be. Fitzpatrick led from the drop of the flag and simply hurled his Mini-Cooper round the track to win from Scott-Davies in his A40, who was 21 secs. behind the leader. Hodkin in his Mini-Cooper was third, a further 1.8 secs. behind. The scrap of this race was the terrific dice between Barton and his fantastically quick Minor 1000, Hodkin, ScottDavies and D. R. M. Kay in his very fast Anglia; these four were changing places two or three times per lap and really gave the spectators value for their money, coming through Village Bend sometimes three abreast and invariably two, and always three abreast down the straight. It was indeed a really good battle, which resulted, unfortunately, in Barton spinning off; by doing so he dropped from second to seventh, but fought his way back to fourth place by the time the race finished. Kay, unfortunthe time the race finished. Kay, unfortunresult of a holed piston.

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ran out of brakes mid-way through the vent and Bergel was forced to retire.
Crossle, who obviously hadn't been pushing things too hard in the heat, now piled on the pressure to cross the finishing fine at an average speed of $76.12 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$., compared with his average of 72.50 in the compat.
Templeton's new 1,498 c.c. twin-cam Ford engine, which he has now fitted to his Lotus, made considerable impact on the Formule Libre event, of recent years dominated by Pringle and his $2 \frac{1}{2}$-litre CooperClimax. Determined to show the critics that the Cooper was still the fastest car on the course, Pringle got off to an excellent start, burning up the circuit in a masterly styrt, But throughout the first half-dozen style. But throughout the first hail-dozen laps Templeton sat firmly on his tall, pushing the leader to the limit. On the eighth lap Templeton saw his opportunity and got ahead, at the same time equalling the course record held by Pringle at 64.2 secs., an average of $85.64 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. With three laps to go it looked as if the Pringle monopoly was about to be broken, but with 500 yards was go to the finishing line the Lotus went sick and Pringle, right on his tail, stormed through to take the chequered flag yet again. Templeton motored slowly across the finishing line to take second place, while third man home was Tommy Reid in his Lotus 22, some distance behind.

Reid's progress up through the field, after a nasty spin on the first lap, was the highlight of the Formula Junior scratch which was dominated throughout by Mervyn McKinney in his Cooper. With half of the 10 laps gone he had managed to push into fourth place. On the seventh lap he passed Eyre-Maunsell's Lotus for third place and a lap later was hunting the leader, having
passed Luke Duffy's Cooper. Had the race lasted another two laps it seemed certain that Reid would have taken the lead, but theme was against him and he had to be time was against him and he had content with second place. Eyre-Maunsell content with second place.
passed Duffy for third place.

## RESULTS

Harp Lager Trophy. Heat One: 1, J. S. Slater (Lotus-Ford 23B), 78.10 m.p.h.; 2, J. Crossle (Crossle-Ford); 3, G. J. C. 1'Amie (Crossle-Climax). Heat Two: 1, J. A. Burke (Gordini), 65.86 m.p.h.; 2, B. Mullen (Triumph); 3, B. Nelson (Turner). Heat Three: 1, N. Conn (Sunbeam Alpine), 64.41 m.p.h.: 2, C. W. Eyre-Maunsell (Sunbeam Alpine); 3, B. Lambe (Turner-Climax), Heat Four: 1, R. Bergel (Bugatti Type 35), 62.91 m.p.h.
W. T. Todd (Anglia); 3, J. T. Spence (Anglia) W. T. Todd (Anglia); 3, J. T. Spence (Angl: 1, J. Crossle (Crossle-Ford), 76.12 m.p.h.; Final: 1, J. Crossle (Crossle-Ford), 76.12 m.p.h.;
2, N. Conn (Sunbeam Alpine); 3, B. Lambe (Turner-Climax). Sports Car Scratch. Class A: 1 , R. N. Desano (Austin-Healey Sprite), 68.10 m.p.h.; 2, J. A. Nesbitt (Lotus-Ford); 3, A. . Hobbs (Lotus-Ford). Class B: 1 , W. Keid (Triumph), 67.51 m.p.h.; 2, C. W. Eyre-Maunsel (Sunbeam Alpine);
Class C: 1, R. McElhinney (Lotus-Ford), 73.86 Class C: . 1, R.; 2, C. S. Porter (Lotus); 3, B. Nelson m.p.h.; 2, Class D: 1, J. S. Slater (Lotus-Ford 23B), 75.69 m.p.h.; 2, J. A. Dickson (CrossleFord); 3, R. J. Duncan (Jaguar D). Vintage and Ford);Vintage Thoroughbred Handicap: 1, C. J. T. Post-Vintage (Austin 7), 44.63 m.p.h.;
McMeekin (Austin
Porter (Lagonda); 3, R. D. Stewart (Lagonda) Porter (Lagonda); ${ }^{3}$. R. McKinney (Cooper-Ford) 79.94 m.p.h.: 2, T. D. Reid (Lotus-Ford 22) 79.94 m.p.h.; Eyre-Maunsell (Lotus-Ford). Mini Grand Prix: 1, R. D. McCutcheon (AustinCooper), 65.95 m.p.h.; 2, R. J. Woodside (Morris Cooper), 65.95 m.p.h.; (Morris-Cooper). 1,172 c.c. Scratch: 1, J. Black (Lotus-Ford), 69.58 m.p.h.; 2, J. Davidson (Crossle-Ford); 3, R. Raymond (Crossle-Ford); Formule Libre: 1, Y. R. Pringle (Cooper-Climax), 83.56 m.p.h.: 2 , M. Templeton (Lotus-Ford 22): 3, T. D. Reid (Lotus-Ford 22) Saloon Car Handicap: 1, W T. Todd (Ford), 64.23 m.p.h.; 2, J. T. Spence (Ford); 3, G. Windrum (Sunbeam). Fastest Lap: M. Templeton (Lotus-Ford 22), 1 m .4 .2 s ., 85.64 m.p.h.


A LOTUS ELITE investigates the straw bales, watched by an attentive audience.

The Formule Libre race for racing, sportsracing and G.T. cars was a fitting climax to a grand day's entertainment. The track record again took a terrific beating in this race, O'Sullivan and Lanfranchi taking it in turns to break the record six times between them. The whole race was full of interest throughout.
The front row of a 25 -car field was occupied by Tony Lanfranchi in pole position, O'Sullivan, Finney and Hammant (Alexis), while in solitary splendour at the back of the field due to trouble in practice was Alan Rollinson in the Anglo-Scottish Formula 1 Cooper-Ford. At the drop of the flag Lanfranchi made a simply perfect start and led into York, a lead he kept until lap seven when he spun and dropped to second behind O'Sullivan's Brabham. In his efforts to reduce the 10 -second deficit Lanfranchi brought the record down to 1 min .14 .2 secs. ( $82.48 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$.$) , but immediately after$ this effort he did a further nonsense and dropped to third behind Finney in the Beacon U2. Scott-Davies was missing on lap seven, while Breakell retired, as did Bywater. Between times, Lanfranchi had worked his way back up to second place again behind O'Sullivan, only to retire on the 11th lap as a result of a broken rear oil seal on the gearbox (a trouble he had in practice and which the mechanics had slaved to overcome in the $1 \frac{1}{2}$ hours between practice excitement had been going on Rollinson in the Formula 1 Cooper-Ford had been going like the proverbial bomb; from the back row of the grid he had worked his way through to 10 th on lap two and sixth on the third lap, but he also spun off and dropped to 11th. By lap nine he was back to fourth, became third on lap 10, and second on lap 12. This position he kept until the end of the race, 14.8 secs. in front of Finney in the amazingly quick Beacon U2, and 29.8 secs. behind Dennis O'Sullivan.

## RESULTS

Grand Touring Cars up to 2,000 c.c. Overall Winner: F. W. W. Banks (Turner-Climax). Up to 1,150 c.c. Class: 1, F. W. W. Banks (TurnerClimax); 2, M. G. White (Turner-Climax). 1,1512,000 c.c. Class: 1, F. Radford (Lotus Elite); 2,
 $76.48 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. Sports Cars up to 1,500 c.c.: 1, P. J. Finney (Beacon U2-Ford); 2, F. W. Smith (LotusFord 7) ; 3, D. C. Thompson (Lotus-B.M.C. 7). Fastest lap: D. B. Porter (Lotus-Ford 7), 1 m . 21.4 s., $75.18 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. Formila Junior and SportsRacing Cars. Overall Winner: A. Lanfranchi (Elva-Ford Mk. 7). Formula Junior Class: 1, A, R. Wyllie (Lotus-Ford 27); 2, D. O'Sullivan (BrabhamFord); 3, J. Bouckley (Lola-Ford). Sports-Racing Cars Class: 1, A. Lanfranchi (Elva-Ford Mk. 7); 2 J. M. Rutter (Aston Martin DB3S). Fastest lap: O'Sullivan, 1 m .15 .4 s ., $81.17 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. Grand Tour ing and Sports Cars: 1, P. J. Finney (Beacon U2Ford); 2, F. W. W. Banks (Turner-Climax); 3, D. B. Porter (Lotus-Ford 7). Fastest lap: Finney, ${ }^{1} \mathrm{~m}$ m. 19.8 s., 76.69 m.p.h. Saloon Cars: (AusFitzpatrick (Mini-Cooper); 2 , J. Scott-Davies (Aus tin A40); 3, N. L. Hodkin (Mini-Cooper). Faseslap: Fitzpatrick, $1 \mathrm{~m}, 26.6$ s., $70.67 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. Formule Libre: 1, D, Collinson (Cooper-Ford); 3, P. J. Finney A. Rollinson (Beacon U2-Ford). Fastest lap: A. Lanfranchi (Elva-Ford Mk. 7), 1 m. 14.2 s., $82.48 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$.

## CALDERVALE M.C.

## ELLAND M.C.

M.G.C.C. (N.W. CENTRE)

BAITINGS DAM
HILL-CLIMB

Raitings dam on the A58 a few miles west B of Ripponden is surely becoming one of the finest venues in the north for speed hill climbs and was used to good effect on 30th June for a co-promoted event onen to the members of Caldervale M.C., Elland M.C. and the M.G.C.C. (North-West Centre)

Despite very changeable weather, the 45 entrants entertained a crowd of nearly 1,000 with some very keen competitive motoring. Practising took place during the morning on a rain-soaked surface and provided some indication of the hard-fought duels anticipated for the afternoon. Almost without exception, all the drivers improved their times during the afternoon session.

As one would expect, the Mini brigade was out in force and the 997 c.c. AustinCooper of C. H. B. Wadsworth claimed B.T.D. with 37.72 secs. P. Jasper excelled in his Imp in Class 3 and the Climax-engined Lotus 7, driven by S. Godley, won Class 6 by a 2.6 secs. margin.
In the production sports cars (1,201-1,800 c.c.) Len Hunt performed well, but only beat his wife Jennifer by 0.3 sec . after six attempts, and John Thompson, improving steadily throughout the day, took a welldeserved first place.
The close co-operation between members of the promoting clubs was in evidence throughout the meeting and contributed considerably to the outstanding success of this event.

## RESULTS

B.T.D.: C. H. B. Wadsworth (Austin-Cooper) Barton (Moloongini, 41.21 to 1,100 c.c.: $1, B$ Austin Mini), 41.58 s.; 3, W. Studdard (Austir Mini), 41.84 s. F.w.d. Multiple Carburation up to 1,100 c.c.: 1, C. H. B. Wadsworth (AustinCooper), 37.72 s.; 2, P. Brierley (M.G. 1100) $38.63 \mathrm{~s} . ; 3$, D. B. Smith (Austin-Cooper), 38.96 s . Galoons r.w.d. up to 1,100 c.c.: 1, Po Jasper (Hillman Imp), 44.24 s ; 2, M. R. Davies (Minor 1000 ), 47.80 s.; 3, A. E. A. Atkinson (Triumph Herald), 47.94 s. $\mathbf{1 , 1 0 1 - 1 , 8 0 0}$ e.c.: 1, R. Riley (Triumph Vitesse), 43.18 s.; 2, D. Hepworth (Riley 1.5), $43.21 \mathrm{~s} . ; 3$, L. E. North (Sunbeam Rapier), 43.73 s. Production Sports Cars up to $\mathbf{1 , 2 0 0}$ c.c.: 1, S. Godley (Lotus 7), 38.16 s.; 2, S. Godley (Turner-Climax), 40.78 s.; 3, J. Ainley (Sprite), 41.56 s. $1,201-1,800$ c.c.: 1, J. Thompson (Porsche 1600 ), $40 \mathrm{~s} . ; 2$, D. Kemp (Sprite s/c), 40.42 s 1. J. A. Gunt (M.G.A), 41.19 s. Over 1,801 c.c.: 1, J. A. Geary (TR3), 40.01 s.; 2, D. Hepworth
(Austin-Healey 3000), $40.49 \mathrm{s}$. . 3 , R. Gray (TR2), (Austin-
40.96 s .
M.G.C.C. (N.E. CENTRE)

NIGHT NAVIGATION RALLY
THE M.G. Car Club held their Eighth Annual Night Navigation Rally on 6th7th July and this year it featured two start ing points: Bradford, Yorks, and Bury, Lancs, with a common meeting point in the Hebden Bridge area. At the start, black spots, noise zones and the location of passage controls, common meeting point and control 1 were given, the full list of controls being issued at the C.M.P. The 32 starters proceeded through 45 time controls, 38 of which were manned, seven having large letters displayed, to the finish outside Bradford and a tie-deciding driving test
The route mileage was 105 miles and was all on sheets 95 and 96 O.S., the idea of the event being a short, sharp route, no daylight dicing and mainly short sections, all under 5 minutes and allowing no navigational or driver errors, linked by three slightly easier sections of about $10-15 \mathrm{~min}-$ utes each giving time to plot.
Of the 35 entries, 32 started, 27 finished and the winner was found on the road section.

## RESULTS

1. J. Anderton/R. Barraclough (Ford Anglia) 100 points lost. First Class Awards: G. Halliwel (Mini-Cooper), 130; G. Baker (Mini), 270; R. A Fall (Mini-Cooper), 1 fail, 120. Novice Award: Dr. J. B. Blomfield (Wolseley 6/110), 350 . M.G. Award: A. W. Raylor (M.G.A 1600), 1 fail, 260 Team
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The day started，as usual at their closed to club events，with three handicap races， each over five laps．The first was taken by Tom Entwistle，whose T．V．R．Grantura stormed through the field to win by two seconds from W．J．H．Moss in an Elva－ Alfa Romeo，with J．F．Normanton＇s A40 in third place．
Handicap No． 2 went to Don Jones （Morgan Plus 4）by three seconds from E．A Worswick（Lotus－Climax 7）with M．R Johnsen＇s Austin－Cooper the other placeman In Race＂C＂Mike Bell＂kidded＂the handi cappers more than somewhat when his Terrier－Ford took the flag by some 20 seconds ahead of Mike Warner（Lotus Elite） with D．M．Flanagan＇s Mini－Cooper trailing a further six seconds in arrears．A near bad smash occurred when A．G．Pope＇s brand－ new Marcos Spyder appeared to lose all its steering at Esso，went out of control and crashed through the main sign，the driver escaping unhurt but rather annoyed！
In the 10－lap race for Formula Junior and Formule Libre cars it was Alan Rollinson （ 1,475 c．c．Cooper－Ford）by three seconds

## B．A．R．C．MEMBERS AT OULTON PARK

## A Well－Organized Club Meeting

BY FRANCIS PENN


ELVA－ALFA ROMEO driver W．J．H Moss finds Tommy Entwistle＇s T．V．R． on his tail at Old Hall Corner．
from the Juniors of Roy James（Brabham） and Edwin Dawson（Lotus），these three leay－ ing the rest of the field well behind．So fast was their passage that，on the fourth．James put in a tour at $94.48 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$ ．to smash the put in a tour at 94.48 m．p．h．to sm

Next on turn were Marque cars over seven laps，this one allowing Tom Entwistle his second win of the day when his T．V．R． Grantura took the flag some five seconds ahead of Dick Crosfield＇s Daimler，which，in turn，only just held off John Harris in the big Austin－Healey．This was third by a ＂nose＂only from Adrian Dence＇s Morgan Plus 4.

Grand Touring Cars up to 1,150 c．c．，again

START of the Formule Libre race，those nearest Frankie Penn＇s camera being Hans Seng Lee（Lotus 22），Roger Mac （Jaguar E）and John Thurner（Lotus 23）．
over seven laps，showed＂Tatty Turner＂in the hands of Warwick Banks，to be too fast for placemen John Bloomfield（Diva－Ford） and Nick Grace（Ginetta G4）．
Seven laps for saloons for the Spring Grove Trophy came next，which allowed the redoubtable Doc Merfield to show the paces of the Willment Lotus Cortina when he beat the A40s of Mick Cave and J．F．Normanton by a couple of seconds．The Mini brigade， on this occasion，only landed a fourth place， driver being R．G．Smith．

The sports car race，again over seven laps， provided a grand scrap between Chris Williams（Lotus 23）and Mac in his very hot E－type，only a second separating them at the finish．John Thurner in another Lotus 23 came third，a further second down．

The last race of the day was a seven－ lapper for Grand Touring cars over 1,150 c．c．，in which the aforementioned Mr．Mac had an easy passage to win by some four seconds from Peter Brayshaw＇s Marcos，who did well to stay put where he did！Tom Entwistle was delighted to end up with third spot－two wins and a place for his T．V．R． Grantura－quite something！

## RESULTS

Handicap Race（ 5 laps）： 1 ，T．Entwistle（T．V．R． Grantura）， 83.61 m．p．h．；2，W．J．H．Moss（Elva－ Alfa－Romeo Mk．6）；3，J．F．Normanton（Austin A40）．Fastest lap：T．Fletcher（Lister－Jaguar）， $1 \mathrm{~m} .56 .4 \mathrm{~s} ., 85.39 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$ ．Handicap Race（ 5 laps）： 2，D．S．Jones（Morgan Plus 4）， 78.09 m．p．h．； Johnsen（Austin－Cooper）．Fastest lap：Worswick， $1 \mathrm{~m} .57 .4 \mathrm{~s} ., 84.66 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$ ．Handicap Race（ 5 laps）： 1，M．M．Bell（Terrier－Ford Mk．2）， 80.24 m．p．h．； ${ }^{2}, \mathrm{M}$ ．Wamer（Lotus Elite）；3，D．M．Flanagan Marcos－Ford） $2 m$ ． 8201 m．p．h．Formula Junior and Formule Libre Cars（10 laps）．Formula Junior and Formule Libre Cars（ 10 laps）．Overall Junior Class：1，R．J．James（Brabham－Ford）， 91.86 m．p．h．；2，E．Dawson（Lotus－Ford 22）； 3 ，I $91.86 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h} . ; 2$ 2，E．Dawson（Lotus－Ford 22）；3，L． 45.2 s．， $94.48 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$ ．Formule Libre Class： 1 ， Rollinson（Cooper－Ford）， 92.07 m m．p．h．；2，R．A Mac（Jaguar E）；3，J．Thurner（Lotus－Ford 23）． Fastest lap：Rollinson， 1 m ． $46.2 \mathrm{~s} ., 93.59 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$ ． Marque Scratch Race（ 7 laps）： 1 ，T．Entwistle （T．V．R．Grantura），
80.45 m．p．h．；2，R．J．Crosfield
（Austin－Healey 3000）．Fastest lap：Entwistle， 2 m .0 .6 s .1 .82 .42 m．p．h．Grand Touring Cars up to 1,150 c．c． （7 laps）：1，W．Banks．（Turner－Climax）， 80.70 m．p．h．；2，J．R．Bloomfield（Diva－Ford）；3，E．N． Grace（Ginetta G4）．Fastest lap：Banks， 2 m ． 0.8 s．， 82.28 m．p．h．Saloon Cars（7 laps）．Overall

Winner：D．P．Merfield（Lotus Cortina）．Over 1，200 c．c．Class：1，D．P．Merfield（Lotus Cortina）， $78.69 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. ； $2, \mathrm{~J}$ ．F．Normanton（Austin A40）； 3，E．J．B．Mitchell（Ford Anglia），Fastest lap： Normanton and Merfield， $2 \mathrm{~m}, 4.2 \mathrm{~s} ., 80.03 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$ Up to 1,200 c．c．Class： 1, M．H．Cave（Austin A40）， ${ }^{78.51}$ M．M．p．h．2，R．R．G．Smith（Austin－Cooper） 3，M．Knic（ 79.77 mph Sports Cars（ 7 laps） ${ }_{\text {Overall }} \mathrm{m} .{ }^{4.6}$ S．， $79.77 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p.h}$ ．Sports Cars（ 7 laps）． Overail Winnere 1,200 c．c．Class： R （Lotus－ Ford 23），Over 1,200 e．c．Class： 1, R．S．Mac （Lotus－Climax 7）．Fastest lap：Mac， 1 m． 56 s ．， Lotus－Climax
85.69 m．p．h．Fp to 1,200
c．c．Class：1，C．M．M． $85.69 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$ ．Up to 1，200 c．c．Class：1，C．M．M． Thurner（Lotus－Ford 23）；3，P．Gethin（Lotus Ford 23）．Fastest lap：Gethin， 1 m ． 54.8 s．， $86.58 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$ ．Up to 1,000 c．c．excluding o．h．c． engines Class：1，D．B．Porter（Lotus－Ford 7）， 82.89 m．p．h．；2，D．Eva（Lotus－Ford 7）；3，F．W． Smith（Lotus－Ford 7）．Fastest lap：Porter， 1 m ．
 1,600 c．c．Class：1，R．S．Mac（Jaguar E）， 82.73 m．p．h．；2，P．Brayshaw（Marcos－Ford）；3，T． Entwistle（T．V．R．Grantura）．Fastest lap：Mac， 1 m． 59.6 s．， 83.11 m．p．h．1，151－1，600 c．c．Class： 1，C．Hodgson（Lotus Elan）， 79.00 m．p．h．；2，R． Duggan（Lotus Elite），3，G．Durham（Porsche Carrera）．Fastest lap：Hodgson， $2 \mathrm{~m} .1 .2 \mathrm{~s} ., 80.01$ m．p．h．

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## M.G.C.C. (S.E. Centre) and B.A.R.C. FIRLE HILL-CLIMB

For some strange reason the second of F this year's four hill-climbs at Firle was blessed with warm sunshine, as was the first last May. Why? I don't know-but it made a very pleasant change from the vile weather conditions that have been experienced recently!
The South-Eastern Centre of the M.G. Car Club ran a splendid meeting last Sunday, catering for members of their club and the B.A.R.C., and there were no irritating delays or breakdowns that so often mar such events. Duplicated results were available seconds after Claude Rye's Lotus-M.G. MK. 6 had completed the last climb of the
Nay. Normal and Improved Touring Cars opened the proceedings, the majority of the competitors enjoying themselves hugely in their standard shopping tin-ware. R. K. Reeve's Austin Mini had the 1-litre class sewn up right from the first runs.
R. Lyons's Austin-Cooper S looked like winning the 1,300 c.c. class-and so he did, beating the M.G. 1100 s of R. N. Crowder and Joe Tymon by a handsome margin. G. Colling's Lotus Cortina was declared provisional winner of the over 1,300 c.c. division, but a protest was made as it is officially a G.T. car at the moment. Len Bridge, driving the LawrenceTune Vauxhall VX4/90 which completed in the recent Brands Hatch Six-Hour race, was, therefore, declared winner from Gerry Marshall (Rapier).
Surprisingly, no hot Minis were to be found with the Sprites and Midgets in the Special Touring and G.T. Cars up to 1,000 c.c. class. The difference between the standard and modified cars was remarkable, Nick Ramus winning the class in his potent Sprite. The W.S.M.-bodied M.G. Midget of Mike Lewis was second, ahead of the W.S.M.-Sprite of Douglas Wilson-Spratt himself.

There was no stopping John Bloomfield's Diva in the 1,300 c.c. class, which was not really surprising as this potent device is fitted with an 1,100 c.c. Ford engine of immense power. Bloomfield's 27.31 secs.

## WINCHESTER \& D.C.C.

 DRIVING TESTSForty competitors appeared to do battle on the parade ground of the "Green Jackets" camp near Winchester on Sunday, 7th July, in yet another round of the A.C.S.M.C. Driving Tests Championship and, following as it did on the Goodwood offering in pouring tain the previous day, it was with great relief that it dawned a fine and eventually sunny day.
The six tests were laid out in two series of three, at each of which the best time from two runs was taken for each competitor's final score.
Test 1 involved a "scissors" entry to two garages and a return through the scissors, Test 2 a wiggle-woggle through four pylons encircling the last, handbrake in the box and return through the wiggle-woggle, and


HOBBY-NOT COUNTY! This sign is to be found on a well-known North London clubman's car.
was just too quick for the T.V.R. Grantura of Charles Saunders, which performed in 29.33 secs. After going sideways at the first corner during his first attempt, Amie Lefevre did 29.81 secs. to take third place.
The 1,600 c.c. class was close-fought, although L. C. Fryer's Lotus Elan seemed to have just that little bit extra needed to win the class from John Allan (Fairthorpe). Len Hall (M.G.A) and Norman Lefton (M.G.A Twin-Cam); the latter (the class recordholder) suffered from a misfiring engine so only attempted one climb.
The big G.T. class comprised no fewer than 22 competitors and all seemed set for a dice between John Sharp's M.G.B-engined M.G.A and the incredibly rapid supercharged Elva Courier of Danny Gladwin. charged Elva Courier of Danny Gadewin, them to second and fourth positions respectively, although, of course, this was no disgrace. M. Knights's immaculate Aston Martin DB4 stormed to the top in 27.65 secs. to annex the class. Last May P. H. Giddings had rocketed up in 28.69 secs. in a 1928 Frazer-Nash fitted with a 1926 A.C. engine and on Sunday this incredible device did 28.66 secs. to take third place in the most hotly contested class of the day. How this chain-drive car can be coaxed up Firle so quickly only Mr. Giddings knows!
The 1,300 c.c. sports-racing class went to Mike Crabtree's Climax-engined Lotus 7. which had been ill during practice, with a time of 26.53 secs. David Amette was almost as neat in the Attila-Climax in 27.12 secs., while Horace Appleby's B.M.C.engined Lotus 7 was a praiseworthy third in 27.37 secs.

Two drivers starred in the over 1,300 c.c. division: Claude Rye and David Beckett. Rye did an astonishing 26.58 secs. in his positively ancient M.G.-engined Lotus Mk. 6 to finish second to Beckett, who hurled his Costin-bodied Lister-Jaguar up in 25.50 secs. which, at one time, stood as B.T.D. It is very thrilling to see big, hairy motor cars being driven to the limit.
Five "bangers" and one very sick Kart brought up to racing car standards comprised
the last of the first series was merely entry into four garages.

The second series of tests started with a large open "slalom" of "double-bubble" shape followed by Test 5 , incorporating two garages and a fan line of three entries over a line, and Test 6 was a curious involved affair with a wiggle-woggle, reverse between two lines, entry into two garages, further two lines, entry into two garages, further through the wiggle-woggle.
The entry was divided into the usual A.C.S.M.C. classes, but the team arrangements were that only one car in the threecar teams could come from certain classes, thus obviating the usual three-Mini or threeSpridgets certain winners type of team.

As a result the Cruttenden (MiniCooper)/Bishop ( 100 E )/Dunton (Midget) team came out on top, beating the home club's team of Humphrey (Mini)/Ozanne (Vitesse)/Harnett (Cannon) by a substantial margin of 30 seconds.

The usual polished performances were laid on by the more experienced pilots, Randall as ever taking B.T.D., chased by Denis Beare (Sprite) and Dunton (Midget). Peter Musgrave (T.M.S. II) was very neat and held off a challenge of Bryan Greaves. over from the island with his special and a new Midget (with which he does not yet look happy). Leo CRUTIENDEN.

## results

B.T.D.: R. Randall (M.G. Midget), 190.6 s . Ladies award: Mrs. R. Blundell (Cannon), 241.8 s. Best over 1,200 c.c. saloon: J. Ozanne (Vitesse),
261.1 s. Teams: 1, Cruttenden (Cooper), Bishop 261.1 s. Teams: 1, Cruttenden (Cooper), Bishop
$(100 \mathrm{E})$ and Dunton (Midget); 2, Humphrey (Mini), (100E) and Dunton (Midget); 2, Humphrey (Mini),
Ozanne (Vitesse) and Harnett (Cannon). Minis: Ozanne (Vitesse) and Harnett (Cannon), Minis:
1, J. Harnett (Mini), 208.1 s.; 2, G. M. Hutchings (Mini), 210.3 S.; 3, G. Lindley (Mini), 214.3 Coopers: 1, L. Cruttenden (Austin), 206.9 s.; 2,
R. Clear (Austin), 214.1 s.; 3, B. D. Gardner R. Clear (Austin), 214.1 s .; 3, $\mathrm{B}, \mathrm{D}$ D. Gardner
(Austin), 220.6 s . Saloons up to 2,000 c.c. 1, G. (Austin), ${ }^{220.6 ~ S . ~ S a l o o n s ~ u p ~}{ }^{\text {Tipple }}$ (Anglia ${ }^{105 E}$ ), 244.8 S.: 2, F. F. Bishop (Popular 100 E ), 260.3 s.; $3, \mathrm{~J}$. Ozanne (Vitesse), 261.1 So Sports cars: 1, R. Randall (Midget), Dunton (Midget), 206.1 s. Specials: 1, P. Musgrave (T.M.S. II); 2, B. Greaves (Chandier); 3 J. Harnett (Cannon).
the 1 -litre racing car class. Best of these was Mike Whitworth's Cooper-Matchless, which was timed at 28.83 secs.

Only two cars were to be found in the over 1-litre class-all the same Patsy Burt's record of 24.45 secs. established last May remained unbroken by only 0.61 sec . Gordon Parker really got his ex-George Keylock single-cam Cooper-Climax motoring to record a neat 25.06 secs. on his second run. Bill Camp was also fast in his 1,650 c.c. Ford-engined Cooper Special; 26.70 secs. was his best time.
During the course of the slickly run meeting most of the class lap records were conquered, 12 in all. The club are proud to have run off the 202 climbs in under 200 minutes, which is some going.

Michael Kettlewell.

## results

B.T.D.: G. Parker (Cooper-Climax), 25.06 s. Best Lady: Mrs. E. M. Price (Lotus-M.G. Mk. 6),
28.75 s . Normal and Improved Touring Cars 28.75 s. Normal and Improsed Touring Cars up
to 1,000 c.c.: $1, ~ R . ~ K . ~ R e e v e ~(A u s t i n ~ M i n i) ~$
 34.36 S.: 2, W. L. Pratt (Fiat 600), 35.28 s.; 3,
G. P. Howard (Mini-Cooper), 35.46 s. 1,001,
1,300 c.c.: 1, R. Lyons (Austin Mini-Coper \$) 1,300 c.c.: 1, R. Lyons (Austin Mini-Cooper S), 3. J. Tymon (M.G. Crowder (M.G. 1100 ), 35.93 s. Over 1,300 c.c.: 1, L. S. Bridge (Vauxhall VX4/90), 33.20 s.; 2, G. D. R. Marshall (Sunbeam Rapier), $34.53 \mathrm{~s} . ;$ Special Touring and G.T. Cars up to 1,000 c.c.: 2, M. Lewis (M.G. Midget), 31.10 s .; 3 , D. . H. $\mathbf{1 , 0 0 1 - 1 , 3 0 0}$ c.c.: 1, J. R. Blatine 31.94 s . Ford GT), 27.31 s.; 2, A. C. Saunders (T.V.R.$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Climax), } & 29.33 & \text { S.; } & \text { A. F. Lefevre (M.G. } \\ \text { Midget) } & 29.81 & \text { s. } & 1,301-1,600\end{array}$ Fryer (Lotus Elan), 29.47 s.: $2, \mathrm{~J} . \mathrm{H}^{2}$. Allan ${ }_{30}$ (Fairthorpe), 30.14 s ) Over $\mathbf{1 . 6 0 0}$. ${ }^{3,}$ L. Hall (M.G.A),
 28.39 s.; 3, P. H. Giddings (1928 Frazer-Nash),
 D. Amette (Attila-Climax Mk. 1), $27.12 \mathrm{~s} . ; 3$, H. A. Appleby (Lotus-B.M.C. . 7),
1,300
c.c.: 1 , D. A. A. Beckett (Lister-Jaguar), 25.50 s.; 2, R. C. Rye (Lotus-M.G. Mk 6),
D. S. Price (Lotus-Climax 7), 27.51
s. Sacing Cars up to 1,000 c.c.: 1, M. P. Whitworth (Cooper-J.A.P.), 29.15 s. ${ }^{28.83}$ S.; 2 , J. Harding Norton), 29.24 s. Over 1,000 c.c.: 1, G. Parker (Cooper-Climax), 25.06 s.; 2, W., J. Camp (Cooper-Ford Special), 26.70 s.

## MINI-SETEN C.

## STAVERTON SPRINT

ON 7th July a sprint was organized at Staverton by the Western Centre of the Mini-Se7en Club, who performed this task very well.

In all 58 cars entered comprising 15 normal production Minis of 848 c.c., 10 normal production 997 c.c. Cooper-Minis, five normal production ADO15 vans and pickups, 18 modified 848 c.c. ADO15 cars, three modified 997 c.c. Cooper-Minis and one 1,088 c.c. Austin-Cooper, two Sports and G.T. cars over 1,600 c.c., one
Jaguar XK $140 \quad 3,442$ c.c., one Jaguar Etype 3,781 c.c.
Practice started at 10.30 a.m. in ideal conditions, very warm and dry. It had to landed suspended at 1.45 p.m. while a plane landed and another took off. The
course was approximately 800 yards in length. The surface was of concrete and included a left-hand bend of 90 degrees, a slight right-hand bend and, at two-thirds distance, an artificial chicane.
It was interesting to see the E-type Jaguar of Ken Wilson ( 29.31 secs.) beaten in practice by the Cooper-Mini of Digby Martland ( 28.97 secs.), third overall in practice being Tony Wells' Austin-Cooper ( 30.82 secs.). In the afternoon rain dampened things down a little, with the E-type demonstrating a very interesting back weave in the wet. The Minivan of R. W. Brown made the spectators gasp as it did a complete double turn spin through the chicane. The rain having stopped, times began to improve. Robin Taylor.

## RESULTS

B.T.D.: K. Wilson (Jaguar E), 27.09 s. Best time by a Mini: D. Martland (Cooper-Mini), 27.33 s . Best Handicap: J. Arnold. Best Lady Driving: Miss Pam Clee. Class Winners: A. D. Belcher, $32.99 \mathrm{s}$. ; C. H. B. Wadsworth, 30.04 s .; D. W. Warren, $34.10 \mathrm{~s} . ;$ J. L. Arnold, 34.21 s .; D. Martland, $27.33 \mathrm{~s} . ; \mathbf{K}$. Wilson, 27.09 s .

## Chess Valley M.C. THREE COUNTIES RALLY

Following the Burnham Beeches section is a rather long 'dead' section to Section 2. We apologize for this, but the intervening country is not suitable for rallying. We could have had a silly section, but we don't have silly sections on this event". This extract from the Route Instructions of the Chess Valley M.C.'s Three Counties Rally adequately sums up the sentiments of the organizers, and is a fair commentary on the excellence of the event as a whole. True three of the ten sections were "any order", a device frowned upon by most purists these days, but these were "any orders" with a difference, being of such a nature as to leave no possible doubt (with one exception) as to the route to be taken. They were not the dangerous guessing game that this type of section can so easily become, and indeed, of section can so easily become, and indeed, it would have taken a quick crew to clean
them even had they been presented "in order", as many would have preferred. The exception referred to gave competitors the option of using the ford at 743634 as a slightly shorter means of reaching control 17. Those who knew the ford in question played it safe and avoided it, but there are now several cars liable to rusty door locks. As a London Counties Association Championship event, the Three Counties was fully-subscribed last year, and attracted a good entry of over 80 cars out of a maximum of 90 , starting from Beaconsfield at the sensibly late hour of 11 p.m., field at the sensibly late hour of 11 p.m., but, alas, leaving late numbers with a cer-
tain amount of daylight dicing. However, the route, on 159,169 and 181, was truly excellent, and most of the daylight stuff was on very remote roads, including some rather sporty "whites", and there were less than usual tales of phenomenal avoidances to recount at breakfast, at the Royal Huts to recount at breakfast, at the Royal Huts
Hotel in Hindhead. The chief topic was Hotel in Hindhead. The chief topic was
BOJ, for once again that famous and much rallied Mini was in need of some moderate panel beating following a manoeuvre which driver Pete Gilbert indignantly denied as being "flipping" and navigator Julian Chitty equally firmly declined to accept as "rolling". BOJ, virtually brakeless since supper, came downhill to control 80 a bit smartish, spun, smote a telegraph pole, stood on its nose smote a telegraph pole, stood on its nose
and then subsided onto its nearside door handle. It was righted immediately, before it could impede Peter Jones and Ted Cowell, following closely behind, and was motored on to second place overall with a loss of seven minutes on the 175 -mile route.

Gilbert and Chitty were four minutes down on Bill Rogers and Pete Valentine in an 848 c.c. Mini (absolutely standard, old boy!). who had gone round with an overall loss of three minutes. Originally placed fourth. sixth and eighth respectively, with losses of 18, 21 and 23 minutes were the Healey of Jack Wolchover and John Davenport, the Battin/Lush Mini and the Bishop/Lockyear 1100 , but these three crews had lost time searching in vain for a method of complying with the stated approach direction to control 71. Despite being checked three times, the route card was in error and the timing for this section was quite properly scrubbed, bringing the 1100 up to third overall. with the Mini fourth and the Healey fifth, though
with a reduced penalty of 13 minutes, one less than the Ambrose/Addington Allardette who were, in turn, one minute up on the Jones/Cowell Herald.
Apart from the "any-order" sections, there was a short "tulip", an easy "barred squares" section, used more, as a variation on the "link section" theme rather than as a device to catch anybody, and a section in the middle of the rally demanding route check information. This was a more-thanfair example and gave little trouble to competitors, while it enabled the organizers to redeploy their very excellent marshals elsewhere. For the rest, the sections were pure "plot and bash", quite straightforward and with the pressure fully on all the time. Few indeed were the drivers who had much of the road read to them. The pattern was set almost from the start, with a rare old chase around Burnham Beeches from which only Rogers and Valentine emerged unpenalized.
There followed the first "any order", south of Reading and after this the "tulip" led just off 169 (which was specified) to 168 (which was not) for a mile or two, but there was no trickery and even those without the
adjoining sheet were in little danger of get ting lost. "Barred roads", in the hilly country around Alton led to supper at Greatham. Three short and enjoyably hectic sections used the best areas around Petersfield, although the "white" west of H.M.S. Mercury was a shade rough for many, and the tempo increased as the route ran out across the top half of 181. At this stage, three-minute sections were, "breathers" the preponderance being "ones" and "twos", all but two being marshalled, and most efficiently marshalled at that.
Even without the aid of time cards results were provisionally announced at breakfast, typical of the efficiency displayed at all stages of the Three Counties Rally. In particular, the regs. and final instructions were printed to National standards. This small club can be well satisfied with its efforts.

Ron Ambrose.
1, W. Rogers/P. Valentine (Mini), $3 \mathrm{~m} . \dot{2}{ }^{2}$, P. Gilbert/J. Chitty (Mini), 7; 3, M. Bishop/D.
Lockyear (1100), 10; 4, W. Battin/D. Lush (Mini), 13; 5, J. Wolchover/J. Davenport (Healey), 13; 6, R. Ambrose/M. Addington (Allardette). 14;7, P. Jones/A. Cowell (Herald), 15; 8, J. Durban/ C. White (Rapier), 20; 9, Mrs. J. Jones/D. Stockall (simca), $22 . \quad$ Team Award: Rogers/Valentine,
Gilbert/Chitty
and Wolchover/Davenport.

## B.A.R.C. (S.E. Centre) GOODWOOD DRIVING TESTS

This annual event qualifying for the Association of Central Southern Motor Clubs Driving Tests Championships was organized with commendable ability on Sunday, 14th July, 1963, and was blessed with weather above the standard of that obtaining generally this summer.
The tests were five in number, the first four being laid out together amongst the sound-absorbing walls of the R.A.F. base (luckily none of these massive structures was used for a marker) and these were attempted twice before the fifth test was laid out for a solitary matinée performance again the best time from two attempts to count.
Test 1 was forward round a pylon to astride a line, reverse off, forward astride another line, and reverse off to encircle a pylon in reverse and finish astride, still in reverse. Odd but interesting! The next effort was forward around a pylon, forwards and backwards in channels four times, to reverse astride a line and forwards to the finish.

Test 3 was a simple blind forward to stop astride, reverse off and continue in reverse around a pylon to astride the line again and forwards again around the same pylon (economic!) to stop astride. The last of the morning's offerings was forward around a pylon to astride a line, reverse off and forwards to stop astride. Very simple indeed, and by no means a memory teaser.

Test 5, after lunch, was a complex-looking affair forward through a wiggle-woggle turn in the inevitable box and stop astride a line very awkwardly placed (except for Minis and Spridgets) and reverse off through the same set of pylons, wiggle-woggle-wise, stop astride a line off to one side and then forward to the finish.
The usual bunch of competent enthusiasts were to be seen wearing rapidly through the tyre company's best offerings, some with
their usual success and others less so! Ron Randall gave his usual delightful polished performance, thus achieving B.T.D. The man is miraculous with the almost clockwork certainty of his performance
In the Mini class Graham Lindley, John Harnett and Graham Hutchings were at their enthusiastic best, the honours this time going as indicated by the order above. Gerry Clear just managed to force John Francombe into an error in the second run of the last test up to which point they were dead level, and John's error allowed Mike Robinson up into second place, too.
Ken Ballamy was a pleasant surprise in the Saab and took the class from Gillham's Herald. Les Bishop played with the opposition in Class D with his usual aplomb, flinging the "Pop" about very well. Pat Mann was neat and David West eager in their Sprites. The inevitable Randall, Calton, Dunton equipe appeared in full glory in Class H and were not at all worried by Cornish or Greaves, but Beare, in his blown 948 Sprite, was class winner when Randall took B.T.D. award.

Leo Cruttenden.

## RESULTS

B.T.D.: R. Randall (M.G. Midget). Best Chichester M.C. Member: P. Musgrave (T.M.S. R. Randall, J. Dunton and J. A. Calton (M.G. Midgets). Best Lady Driver: Mrs. Valerie Davison (Austin-Healey Sprite). Minis: 1, G. D. Lindley; 2, J. Harnett. Cooper-Minis: 1, R. G. Clear; 2, M. Robinson. Saloons up to 1,100 c.c.: (Triumph Herald). 1,101-1.400 c.e.: F. F. Bishop (Ford 100E), 1,401-2,000 c.c.: D. Grayson (Ford Cortina G.T.). Sports Cars up to 1,000 c.c. (Austin-Healey Sprite) $1,101-1,4002$, D. A. West (Austin-Healey Sprite), $1,101-1,400$ c.c.: $1, D^{\text {D }}$. A.
Beare (Austin-Healey (M.G. Midget) Over 1,400 c.c: , Clarke (Sun beam Alpine). Specials: 'P. G. Musgrave (T.M.S. ID.

## Colourful Line-up for

Leinster-Martell Meeting

BY BRIAN FOLEY

Tuly is motor racing month in Eire, and on the 20th the Leinster Motor Club hold their Leinster-Martell Meeting at Dunboyne, Co. Meath, followed by the Irish Motor Racing Club's Phoenix Park Meeting
the following Saturday. Lack of entries has forced the cancellation of the Dunboyne Trophy Formula Junior Scratch Race. Nevertheless, there is a varied and colourful entry for the Holmpatrick and Leinster Trophy Formule Libre Handicap Races. The former is divided into two separate races, the result being based on the combined results and is confined to drivers normally resident in Ireland. Heat 1 is made up of a large collection of production cars and specials. Heat 2 includes a Marcos to be driven by Adrian Boyd, and a Ginetta to be driven by Denis Kingham. John Crossle and John l'Amie are entered in two of the latest rear-engined, sportsracing Crossles. Last year's winner, Robin Rennicks will drive the M.G. Twin-Cam based Phoenix Special.
Biggest race of the meeting is the 100 mile Leinster Trophy. John Pringle set up a lap record of $100 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. last year, and
should be faster this year with his 1963, $2_{2}^{2}$-litre Cooper-Climax. Malcolm Templeton may well be the fastest man of all: he now has a 1.6 -litre twin-cam Ford unit in his Lotus 22. Tommy Reid is to drive either his Lotus 22 or a $1 \frac{1}{2}$-litre Lotus-Ford 18. Dan McAlister and Eugene Ward will drive their $1 \frac{1}{2}$-litre Coopers. Mervyn McKinney (Cooper) and John Pollock (Gemini) are amongst the fastest Junior drivers. Adam Wyllie is bringing over his Lotus 27, and also from Scotland are Jack Slater, Bill Stein and John Romanes in Lotus 23s. Bill Bradshaw and Robin McArthur are also entered in Lotus 23s. There are also quite a few English competitors who are well-known in club racing. Dunboyne is approximately ten miles from Dublin. Roads will be closed from 2 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. The first race, Heat I of the Holmpatrick Trophy, is due to start at 2.40 p.m.

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