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This week Autosport celebrates its twelfth year of uninterrupted publication. Strikes, disputes, paper shortages - the magazine has survived them all, on one notable occasion printing in Paris during a period when the publishing industry had more or less come to a standstill owing to a serious dispute between employers and printing staff. During the dozen years, there has been an immense change in the motor sporting scene. When Autosport first made its appearance, the names with which to conjure were Farina, Fangio, Villoresi, Fagioli, Ascari, Bonetto, Sommer, Rosier, Chiron, Parnell, Bira, Serafini, Taruffi, De Graffenried and a young man, not yet 21 , named Stirling Moss. Not long afterwards, the last-named celebrated his coming-of-age by winning the Tourist Trophy at Dundrod in the most appalling weather conditions in the XK 120 Jaguar. It is a strange fact that not a single one of the drivers mentioned is in action at the present time, Moss, possibly the greatest of them all, still convalescing after a dreadful crash at Goodwood last Easter.

In $1950,500^{\circ}$ c.c. racing was at the height of its popularity, circuit racing was just gaining ground in Great Britain, with meetings at Silverstone, Goodwood, Brands Hatch, Castle Combe and Gamston. B.R.M. had appeared with the enigmatical V16, H.W.M. were doing well in Formula 2, but in the main, single-seaters were being constructed in the 500 c.c. category by Cooper, J.B.S., Emeryson, Kieft and Marwyn. The Lotus was then a "one-off" trials car, driven by Michael Lawson, whilst Colin Chapman was to be seen in Club races with such a highly tuned Austin 7 that the 750 club regulations had to be altered to give other competitors a chance. As for full-scale G.P. racing, this was dominated by Alfa Romeo, Ferrari and Maserati, and there was little hope of a British break-through despite the technical promise of the B.R.M.

It was still the era of fine road circuits at Dundrod, Jersey and the Isle of Man-none of which is still used today for motor racing. Hill-climbs, sprints, rallies and trials were very popular. In 1950, British successes abroad were confined mainly to 500 c.c. events, Allard and Frazer-Nash wins in U.S.A. and John Claes' victory at Chimay in the H.W.M., and of course, his historic Liège-Rome-Liège success with the Jaguar. No one had as yet heard of the World Champions-to-be, Mike Hawthorn and Jack Brabham, although in America Phil Hill was becoming known in sports-car events.

What the next 12 years have in store for us, who can tell? However, there is little doubt that in Great Britain a technical renaissance has been achieved and it is also practically certain that the World Championship driver and make will come from this country.

## OUR COVER PICTURE

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## PIT \& PADD0CK



## NEW FORD FIVE-BEARING ENGINE FOR THE <br> CLASSIC AND CAPRI <br> All-Synchromesh Gearbox also Introduced

There is little doubt that, in the field of engine design, the Ford engineers are well up with the leaders. One has only to watch a Formula Junior race to realize this.

It is thus of extreme interest that this firm have introduced a new five-bearing, four-cylinder engine. The cylinder spacing is the same as that of the smaller units, and indeed the bore is identical at 80.96 mm . In increasing the stroke to 72.7 mm . it has been considered advisable to use five bearings instead of the normal three. This ensures smooth running and long life.

The original design was laid down with this possibility in view, and many components are common to all sizes of the engine, irrespective of the number of
main bearings. Many machining operations are also identical, which greatly reduces production costs.

The new engine has dimensions of 80.96 mm . x 72.7 mm . ( 1,499 c.c.). It develops 64 b.h.p. at 4,600 r.p.m. for the Classic and Capri, but it is expected to be used in sports cars, when a much higher compression ratio can safely be achieved. In standard form, a single downdraught carburetter is used and other engine details follow those of the Anglia, with a chain-driven camshaft and pushrod valve operation.
Of tremendous importance is the announcement of a new gearbox with synchromesh on all four speeds. The time is rapidly approaching when nobody will buy a car with a crash-type bottom gear, and the fact that Fords have spent nearly a million pounds in developing the gearbox underlines this undoubted fact. For the Classic and Capri, the overall ratios are $4.125,5.824,9.883$ and 14.615 to 1 . This is a superb gearbox, with ultralight operation and a crash-proof change.
In spite of this larger engine and the new gearbox, the prices of the Classic and Capri remain as before-a remarkable achievement.

John V. Bolster.


The first British car home in the Tourist Trophy was John Coombs's E-type Jaguar, driven by Roy Salvadori. The above picture shows Salvadori's Jaguar being given a final check in the paddock on a Crypton precision engine tester. Crypton Equipment of Bridgwater, Somerset (M.I. Group), introduced at Goodwood a new service for sporting motorists, the Crypton Sports Car Service, using a mobile unit fully equipped with the latest television-type electronic engine testers, including the recently introduced low-priced Scopemaster.

## SNETTERTON

OVER 150 entries have been attracted to the S.M.R.C. Snetterton race meeting this Sunday. The meeting starts at 2.30 p.m. and there are races for most classes of car including a pre- and post-1950 single-seater racing car event. Chris Summers has entered his fantastic Cooper-Chevrolet which recently lapped at 102.91 m.p.h.-not far off Stirling Moss's V8 Lotus record of 104.23 m.p.h.!-and Syd Day and Patrick Lindsay head the "older generation" class with their E.R.A.s.
S. Norrish, ltd., 220 Great Portland Street, London, W.1, have been appointed sole distributors for England and Wales of Typrod Link Car Mats.
THE "Double 400" at Bridgehampton circuit, Long Island, New York, on 15 th-16th September, counts for all three sections in the G.T. Championship of the World. Both events are of 400 kilometres duration. Awards total $\$ 10,850$. Studebaker-packard intend to participate in the 1964 East African Safari Rally. Introduction of new cars prevents representation in the 1963 event.

## NEWS FROM AUSTRALIA

The Australian Grand Prix for 1963 will be held at Sydney's Warwick Farm on 10th February. Up until this year the Grand Prix has rotated around the States of Australia, but recently the Confederation of Australian Motor Sport decided to award it to the circuit with the best facilities and organization capable of putting on the event.

The Australian Grand Prix will for 1963 take the place of the Warwick Farm International " 100 " which has been run with participation of overseas drivers during their tours in 1961 and 1962. Warwick Farm is like Aintree inasmuch as both horse racing and motor racing events take place at the same venue with spectators using the same grand stand facilities for both sports.

Very shontly invitations will be issued to a very limited number of internationally known drivers to compete in the 1963 Australian Grand Prix, the New Zealand Grand Prix and a number of other races in both countries. This and other important racing car events in Australia and New Zealand are at present run to Formule Libre conditions, and an announcement is expected before the end of the year as to whether this will be the case after the 1963 season.

## ANGLO-AMERICAN EQUIPE

The association existing between Messrs. J. T. Boileau, C. I. Benson and Ian Burgess, which has hitherto been carried out under the above name, has been dissolved as from 7th August.

## OLLON-VILLARS

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The late Jean Behra's record of 4 mins. 46.7 secs. took a hammering at last Sunday's Swiss Ollon-Villars hill-climb. Jo Bonnier's Formula 1 Porsche made best time of 4 mins. 27.8 secs., second best being the leading European Mountain Championship entrant Lodovico Scarfiotti who climbed in 4 mins. 34.7 secs. in the works 2-litre Ferrari and assured himself of the 1962 Championship despite the fact that one round remains.

## Results

Formula 1: 1, Jo Bonnier (Porsche), 4 m .27 .8 s.; 2, Karl Foitek (Lotus), 4 m .36 .4 s . Formula 2, Habegger (Lotus), $4 \mathrm{~m} .50 .6 \mathrm{~s} . ; 3$, Roland Boddi (Cooper), 4 m .50 .7 s. 2,000 e.c. Sports Cars: 1, Lodovico Scarfiotti (Ferrari), $4 \mathrm{~m} .34,7 \mathrm{~s}$.; 2, Josef Greger (Porsche), 4 m .36 .6 s .; 3, Heini Walter (Porsche), $4 \mathrm{~m}, 41.0 \mathrm{~s}$. G.T. over 2,500 c.c.: 1, Carlo Abate (Ferrari 250GTO), 4 m . 47.3 s.; 2, Edgar Berney (Ferrari 250GT), 4 m . 58.2 s .

The Lotus Elites which carried off the team award and class win in the T.T. were prepared at Derby by Ron Bennett and Cyril Endersly, entered as "Team Elite". They have no connection with Team Lotus.
Next year's Monaco Grand Prix will also carry the title Grand Prix d'Europe.
To Colin and Hazel Chapman, a brand new junior (male), well above the current formula weight limit.
Betty brabham, on behalf of the Doghouse Owners' Club, presented Anthony Marsh with a cheque for 200 guineas, part of the proceeds from the club's recent garden fête. The money goes to the funds of the Springfield Boys' Club, Clapton, and many motor sporting personalities were present last Tuesday at the Steering Wheel Club where the presentation was made.

##  <br> SPORTS NEWS


A lexander engineering co., LTD., this week introduced conversions and accessories for the Morris 1100. Stage 1 conversion comprises a modified cylinder head (also available separately), two $1 \frac{1}{4}$ in. semi-downdraught SU carburetters with manifold and a set of double


The twin-carburetter engine conversion.
valve springs. The complete kit with necessary gaskets costs $£ 4710 \mathrm{~s}$. and this gives the car a claimed maximum speed of $85.7 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. and a $0-60 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. time of 14.4 secs. The $£ 95$ Stage 2 conversion will give the Morris 1100 a maximum speed in the 90s.


Peter Easton recently bought a Fiat 1500 from Anthony Barclay. Extras include a rev. counter, Britax safety belts, Koni shock absorbers and a Cibié fog lamp.

## SOUTH AFRICAN NOTES

$\mathbf{A}^{\mathrm{N}}$ interesting partnership has been formed in South African racing circles. Doug Serrurier and Peter De Klerk are to drive as a team sponsored by a wealthy Johannesburg businessman. Serrurier is in Britain at the moment "shopping" for potent machinery-a V8 Lotus-B.R.M. and even a Ferrari are mentioned as possibilities! The object of all this is to find an answer to the present domination of the Lotus 21 s of Syd van der Vyver and Ernie Pieterse and to offer more opposition to the "overseas" contingent due at the end of the year.
W. R. Skinner.

Champion's latest sparking plug, the
N5, which incorporates a five-ribbed insulator to resist flashover and a "Powerfire" electrode is now available for most makes of car.

## CRYSTAL PALACE

The B.R.S.C.C. are holding a National race meeting at Crystal Palace tomorrow, the main event being the London Trophy for Formula Junior cars. Entries for this race include Alan Rees, Mike Spence, Adam Wyllie and Jack Pearce (Lotus 22s) and John Hine, John Fenning and Peter Ashdown (Lolas). The sports and G.T. races are final qualifying rounds for the AuTOSPORT Championship and amongst drivers entered are Les Leston, Bill Shaw and David Buxton (Lotus Elites), Stephen Minoprio (Marcos), David Piper (Ferrari G.T.O), Chris Lawrence (Morgan Plus 4), Dick Protheroe (Jaguar E), Peter Boshier-Jones (Lotus 23), Roy Pierpoint (Lotus 15) and Dizzy Addicott (Elva Mk. 6). Syd Day leads the E.R.A. contingent in the Historic Racing Car event while the saloon car race includes everything from Chris Lawrence's Renault Dauphine to Peter Sachs's Chevrolet. The first race is at 2 p.m.


Colfix Trailers, Ltd., 81-85 Barlow Moor Road, Manchester, 20, recently introduced a towing bracket for the Morris 1100 . It can tow up to 5 cwt. and is quickly and easily detached.

## THE BROOKS REEL SAFETY BELT

The Brooks reel safety belt is a most ingenious device. It is, in effect, a modified version of the inertia harness used by military air crews.

The belt harness is of Terylene and a patent flip-type buckle allows quick fastening or instant release. The inertia reel normally keeps the harness tidily out of the way of feet or from being shut in the door, but it is easy to pull out as much of the belt as is required by the wearer. It is kept taut by light spring pressure but allows freedom of movement, such as leaning forward to reach a switch or to pick up a glove from the floor.

Movements made at normal speed are completely uninhibited. A sudden movement caused by a crash immediately locks the inertia reel. This locking takes place irrespective of the position of the body at the moment of impact, when the security is equal to that offered by a fixed belt. The extra freedom given by this inertia reel allows the user to relax on a journey without feeling constricted

We have recently had an opportunity to test the Brooks belt on a Hillman car. It is very well made, extremely strong, and appears to live up to the manufacturer's claims. The price will be around $£ 7$ and the makers are J. S. Brooks, Ltd., of Birmingham, a subsidiary of Raleigh Industries Ltd.-J.V.B.
THis Saturday's S.U.N.B.A.C. Silverstone race meeting includes events for sports, 1172, Formule Libre and saloon cars and the organizers point out that there are no handicaps!

"PUTTING ON THE STYLE." Lonnie Donegan recently took delivery of the first Alfa Romeo 2600 Convertible delivered in England. The car was supplied by S. Morris and Co., the London Distributors.

TTHE main event at the Jaguar Drivers' Club Silverstone meeting on 8th September will be the Colibri Trophy, sponsored by Colibri Lighters, Ltd. This is a 60-lap scratch race for saloon, G.T., sports and sports-racing cars with a Le Mans start and a compulsory pit stop to change a rear wheel. Colibri's managing director, Peter Lait, will be having a go in his Daimler SP250.
The 1.7-litre Ford engine as fitted to the Reliant Sabre is now "standard" with what was previously known as the Stage 2 conversion. This comprises twin semi-downdraught SU carburetters and produces 90 b.h.p. at 4,600 r.p.m., a top speed of $110 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. being claimed for the car.


OPEL KADETT. A conventional car recently introduced by the German branch of General Motors, having a 993 c.c. engine developing 40 b.h.p. at 5,000 r.p.m. An allsynchromesh four-speed gearbox is used in this car which has been designed to compete against the Volkswagen 1200.

The recent Finnish 1,000 Lake Rally, an event counting towards the European Rally Championship, was won by Toivonen and Kallio, driving a Citroën. Tom Trana's Mini-Cooper had led until about half-way when he retired after modifying the car against a telegraph pole. Keinänen/Eklund (Skoda) were second, Carlsson/Haggbom (SAAB) third, Söderström/Olsson (Volkswagen) fourth, Lampinen/Ahava (SAAB) fifth and Larsson/Börjsson (Volkswagen) sixth.
Many of his friends will be sorry to learn that Roger Nathan, whilst practising at Brands Hatch last Saturday, crashed badly in his Lotus Elite. Roger was taken to hospital, but it was later learned that he was only bruised and shaken. We wish him a speedy recovery.


Mitch says Cintura. There are really two Nancy Mitchells-and both f fbem took part in this test of the Cintura tyre. The first Mitch is, of course, a top flight driver, Ladies' European Cbampion in 1956 and 1957 , and winner of enough Ladies' Cups to fill a car park; and former Motoring Editor of 'Vogu' who bas driven practically every make of motor car there is. The second Mitch is wifend mother, deeply concerned witb road safety. In botb capacities, Nancy Mitcbell thougbt bighly of the Cintura. Here are some extracts from ber tape recorded report. The Cintura in action "I didi 1700 test miles on Cinturas when I went over to belp run a control for the Tullip Rally. We went down to the Soutb of France frist, and tben back to Holland. The tyres were fited to ony M.G. 'A' coupé". "Incidentally, on the back, on the luggage erack, I was carrying my great big trumk. It's a buge cabin trunk, a fitted one, made of rawbide. It weiegbs a ton. A real brute. And the remarkable thing is, itseemed to makeno difference at all to the superb roadbolding of the Cinturas." "I didn't drive at terrifically bigb speeds, but offen I was well over the So mark, and the Cinturas felt as safe as a bouse". "We bad every kind of weather-sometimes passing from bot sumbinine to torrential rain-in the Jura, for example. But it doesn' seem to matter to Cinturas whetber it's raining or not. I just went on at the same bappy speed. I bad absolute corfidence in tbem." "Cornering: W Well, wist perfecteven in the wet. And althoughb I bad that brute of a trunk on the lugogge rack, I never bad a nasty moment. And I was putting ber in quite fast. I think the cornering of Cinturas is most tinpressive." "You know, they're doing a lot of work on the French roads at the moment, so that you do bit nasty bits quite suddenly. We ell, the Cinturass really did absorb the bad bits.... and made the ride mutb s.sfer", "Then on one stage it was mountains, mountains, mountains. I t bink I got top gear about fourt times in sixty miles. It was then I Ipprecciated the remark abble ligbtness of bandling Cinturass give a car. It wasa agenumine beneftu". "I would say the Cintura is afirst-rate rally ying tyre. Itsroad bold ding is so good under every kind of condition. P'd bave no besitation in fitting Cinturas again and again." "Some advice for women drivers (and their husbands) Nancy Mitchell conduded: "Cinturas make a sporting kind of car mudb ligbter and safer to bandle, muxb more a woman'scar. They would give even a big poweffil car the bandling qualities of a lighter family saloon. So that if a family is changing over to a more powefful car, then it makes the transition mucd easier and safer for the wife if the new car is fitted with Cinturas: Cintures give you competition standards of road-holding but with absolutely no vices. They're as mutb at bome in the bighb street as they are on an intermational rally." The basic facts about the Cintura The basii structural fact about the Cintura is that it bas its own built in 'safety belt'. (Infact, 'Cintura' is derived from the Italian for 'belted'.) Tbis 's sfefety belt is an inextensible textile belt rumuning rigbt round the circunference of the tyre under the tread. It bolds stbe tyre profle vitually unchanged, even at high speeds; this structural lifference in the Cintura gives you tbree big advantages. Advantage 1. Mutb cooler and safer running at bigh bpeed. Advantage 2. A low slip-angle and continuously open tread pattern for phenomenal road bolding and cornering. Advantage 3. A very low rolling resistance giving long tyre life, less a bborption of e engine power, ,and reduced fuel consumption. In short, the Cintura is the only tyre fully matched to the potential of today's top cars. On anotber page you will fund a list of the cars for which Cinturas are available. Is your car on the list? Then send away now for your copy of the Cintura book. the built-in safety belt

## THE "AUTOSPORT" WORLD CUP



## Strong British Team for Zandvoort "Two Hours" Decider-Germans to Compete for Vredestein Trophy

On Sunday, British and Dutch G.T. teams will compete in the deciding leg of the annual Autosport World Cup event. There will also be a German team, but this is not eligible this year for the competition, and will compete for the Vredestein Trophy, which is equivalent to the "Senior Service" Trophy at the Snetterton meeting.

As Great Britain won decisively at Snetterton, the odds are very much in favour of Pat Fergusson and his men retaining the Trophy. However, as happened in the first of the series, the Dutch are quite capable of turning the tables on their own circuit, and our men will have to take the opposition very seriously.

Last-minute change in the British party is Barry Wood (Sprite) in place of T. Entwistle (T.V.R.).

The Dutch team will be captained by Ben Pon (Porsche Abarth). In the Formula Junior race, two Jim Russell Lotuses will be driven by Dutchmen Tonio Hildebrand and Ad Bouwmeester. Gregor Grant.

## 4 PAT FERGUSSON, British Team Captain

Dutch Team Captain, BEN PON

WIth the full range of extra track components now available from

IN addition to a works Cooper and three North American Racing Team Ferraris, the organizers of the Grand Prix de Puerto Rico have secured entries from Roger Penske (Cooper Monaco) and, so they say, the works Project 212 Aston Martin. Entries from Lotus and Porsche are also expected. How does one get to Puerto Rico

Airfix, the model motor racing enthusiast can construct a miniature replica of the world's Grand Prix circuits. Other spare parts and accessories range from the racing car's rear axle assembly to a complete electrically powered Formula 1 Cooper or Ferrari.


One of the world's top-selling thoroughbred sports cars, the Austin-Healey 3000 , now has further refinements as a high-performance, occasional four-seater convertible. For all-weather motoring in unusually high standards of comfort the latest model has wind-up side windows, swivelling quarter lights and a new quick-action hood which can be easily operated by one person from inside the car. In addition, the latest wrap-around windscreen with bright stainless steel surround gives this over- 115 m.p.h. sports convertible improved aerodynamics and a sleeker appearance. The suspension has been improved by the fitting of stiffer coil springs at the front, resulting in notably improved stability and road-holding powers.


## MALLORY PARK

$\mathrm{R}_{\text {Eigning motorcycle world champion }}^{\text {mary }}$ Gary Hocking heads the list of entries for this Sunday's B.R.S.C.C. Mallory Park meeting which starts at 2.30 p.m. He will drive a Formula 1 Lotus in the single-seater racing car event. John Taylor will be driving Bob Gerard's Formula 1 Cooper-Ford in this event and Brian Mann will conduct Ian Sievwright's Ferrari 625. Other leading drivers who will be at Mallory Park are Arthur Mallock (U2), Ken Baker (Jaguar E), Gordon Jones (Marcos-Cimax), David Buxton (Lotus Elite), Chris Meek (Elva Courier), Jack Pearce (Lotus 22), Brian Berrow-Johnson (Lotus 20), Tony Lanfranchi (Elva Mk. 6), Tony Kilburn (Lotus 11), Laurie Keens (Lotus 23), Anita Taylor (Anglia) and Michaelle Burns-Grieg (Cooper-Mini).
$\mathrm{C}_{\text {hris meek would like to thank all }}$ those people who wrote to him while he was undergoing a series of operations in St. James's Hospital, Leeds. He has been discharged and hopes to race at Mallory Park on Sunday.
A New car/portable radio suitable for operation indoors, outdoors or installed in the car has been added to the range of Philips car radios. This new all-transistor radio-model 390T-operates from a 9 -volt dry battery as a portable or as a car radio using the vehicle's 12 -volt D.C. supply. It is available in red and white or grey and white and costs $26 \frac{1}{2}$ gns.

# OULTON PARK 

## RACE MEETING

Report and Pictures by

## FRANCIS PENN

Last Saturday-when the sun shone!saw over 180 competitors participate in the Chester/750 Motor Clubs' big restricted meeting at Oulton Park.

The meeting started extremely late, due to practice running long past the appointed hour, with a couple of halfhour speed trials, complete with Le Mans-type starts and pit stops to change four valve covers (tyre type!). In the first a bad crash occurred at the Bailey Bridge when R. Entwistle, a substitute


WINNER of the big class in the closed car race was N. Cussons (Aston Martin DB4).
driver of the Radcliffe Garages' Elite, and J. Finlay, driving a TR4, appeared to touch, then, locking wheels, gyrated in opposite directions. The former spun off and hit a tree, sustaining injuries which later proved fatal, and the latter crashed against a concrete verge, breaking an arm and suffering other injuries,

Thirteen competitors qualified in the first trial and 23 in the second.
Event 2 was a 7-lap race for 1172 Formula cars, once again proving Arthur Mallock supreme in lthis category, on this occasion his U2 taking the flag some 11 seconds ahead of J. B. Moore (Warwick Mk. II), with J. Corfield (Terrier Mk. II) third.
Next came the 750 Formula cars over a similar distance. This was led to the half-way mark by B. A. M. Small (Austin), who then disappeared to leave D. A. White (Impala 750) a certain winner by the margin of 40 seconds from J. M. Cotton (Finesse), with H. L. Bloor (Lewis Mk. 1) third. All these pretty sounding names were variations on the Austin 7 theme.
Unlimited sports cars were next, providing Rodney Bloor's Lotus 23 with its first win of the day. He easily beat P. S. Borthwick (Lola), who, in turn, vanquished, after a great scrap, T. Hay-


LEADING M. Ridout's ClairmonteConnaught at Lodge Corner is N. Syrowiec's Triumph TR3A-a shot taken during practice.
den's similar car. In the early tours J. L. Fenton (Lotus XI), who might have made a place, lost his chances by a spin at Lodge.

Closed cars in three classes, i.e., up to 1,000 c.c., 1,600 c.c. and unlimited, saw the day's best race, between the Elites of D. Alderson and B. Smallthwaite, who circled together, never more than a length apart to finish less than a second separating them. Third was A. D. Bennett, similarly equipped. G. W. John (Marcos) took the up to 1,000 c.c. class from R. Ashcroft's T.V.R. after D. Rees (Marcos) unaccountably slowed on his last lap. The big class went to N. Cussons (Aston Martin DB4) from the Jaguars of J. Newman and I. J. Williams.

Event 6 for open cars in similar classes to the last race was again a gift to Rodney Bloor. This time his Lotus 23 finished 28 seconds ahead of J. M. Wheatley's Lotus Super 7 and G. Birrell's Lotus XI. To be honest, Bloor really had no opposition. The other classes were won by F. W. Smith (Lotus 7) and B. J. Hough (Cooper-Bristol). Unfortunately, P. J. Hawtin inverted his Frazer-Nash at Deer Leap, the driver sustaining injuries requiring immediate removal to hospital.
The last race of the day, over 10 laps, was for Formula Junior cars, again split into three classes: Monoposto, F.J. frontengined and F.J. rear-engined. This provided a good scrap between Keith Francis (Lotus 20), Alan Rollinson (Cooper), Jacques Maglia (Lotus 22) and Edwin Dawson (Envov-Ford), who finished in that order. The Monoposto class was taken by M. R. Paris in Mallock's U2 and the F.J. front-engined cars by J. Bouckley (Lola).

In view of the fatal accident and two others involving possible serious injury to drivers, together with the obvious subsequent official inquiry into same, any comment on the meeting or the standard of driving would serve no useful purpose in this report.

## Results

1172 Formula: 1, A. M. R. Mallock (U2-Ford), 81.47 m.p.h.; 2, J. B. Moore (Warwick Mk. 2), 3, J. Corfield (Terrier Mk. 2). Fastest lap: Moore, 82.83 m.p.h. 750 Formula: 1, D. A. White (Impala), 68.44 m.p.h.; 2, J. M. Cotton (Finesse); 3, H. L. Bloor (Lewis Mk. 1). Fastest lap: B. A. M. Small (Austin), 69.90 m.p.h. Unlimited Sports Cars: 1, R. J. Bloor (Lotus-Ford 23), 84.64 m.p.h.; 2, P. S. Borthwick (Lola-Climax); 3, T. Hayden (Lola-B.M.C.). Fastest lap: Bloor, $86.13 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. Closed Cars. Up to 1,000 c.c. class: 1, G. W. John (Marcos-Ford); 2, R. Asheroft (T.V.R.-Ford); 3, D. A. T. Rees (Marcos-Ford). 1,001-1,600 c.c. class: 1, D. C. Alderson (Lotus Elite), 81.72 m.p.h.; 2, B, J. Smallthwaite (Lotus Elite); 3, A. D. Bennett (Lotus Elite). Over 1,600 c.c. class: 1, N. Cussons (Aston Martin DB4); (Jaguar 3.8). Fastest lap: Smallthwaite, 83.11 m.p.h. Open Cars. Up to $\mathbf{1 , 0 0 0}$ c.c. class: m.p.h. Open Cars. Up to 1,000 c.c. class: 1 , Morgans (Lotus 7) and T. Hayden (Lola-B.M.C). Fastest lap: Morgans and Hayden, $82.69 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. Fastest lap: Morgans and Hayden, $82.69 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. 23), 84.99 m.p.h.; 2, J. M. Wheatley (Lotus Super 7); 3, G. Birrell (Lotus-B.M.C. 11). Fastest lap: Bloor, $86.73 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. Over 1,600 c.c. class: 1, B. J. Hough (Cooper-Bristol), 79.17 m.p.h.; 2, E. C. Booth (Frazer-Nash); 3, T. Brooks (M.G.A 1600). Fastest lap: Bloor, 80.81 m.p.h. Formula Junior and Monoposto Cars. Monoposto Class: 1, M. R. Paris (U2-Ford), 81.27 m.p.h.; 2, J. B. Moore (Warwick Mk. 2) ; 3, F. J. Tiedeman (Milli Doppio). Rear-engined class: 1, K. M. Francis (Lotus 20), 89.80 m.p.h.; 2, A. W. Rollinson (Cooper-Ford Mk. 3); 3, J. Maglia (Lotus-Ford 22). Front-engined class: 1, J. Bouckley (Lola Ford), 78.87 m.p.h.; 2. P. D. Ivey (Elva-DKW).


MIXED BAG at Old Hall Corner in the second half-hour speed trial. A total of 23 cars qualified in this event.

Autosport, August 31, 1962

JOHN BOLSTER TESTS

# A WorksModified Sprite Mark 2 



The Austin-Healey Sprite, in its Mark II form, is a practical and most attractive little sports car. The Donald Healey Motor Co., Ltd., of the Cape, Warwick, is the parent firm which originates the design of the cars, and this company also specializes in modifying the basic machine. Obviously, the standard model is turned out at a competitive price, but there is considerable scope for the man who can afford de luxe equipment and special tuning.

I have recently had the pleasure of using a fully modified Sprite which had received "the treatment" at Warwick. First of all, an extremely effective fibreglass hard top had been added, plus a pair of lightweight glass fibre bucket seats and a set of fitted carpets. These items cost $£ 52$ 10s., f18 16s. and $£ 10$ respectively.
Then the Healey Sprint Kit had been fitted. This entails enlarging and polishing the ports while lining up the manifolds. Two $1 \frac{1}{2}$ ins. SU carburetters and a high-efficiency exhaust system are used. The chassis benefits from an antiroll bar, heavy-duty front springs, and a set of special damper valves. For the driver's pleasure, a wooden steering wheel is fitted. The complete cost of this Sprint kit is $£ 71$.


In addition, the engine tuning had been carried a good deal further. A set of high-compression pistons at $£ 1212 \mathrm{~s}$. was installed, together with a three-quarter-race camshaft and distributor at $£ 195 \mathrm{~s}$. Larger valves were incorporated, costing 17s. $6 d$. each for the inlets and $£ 13 s$. for the exhausts. A lightened flywheel at $£ 66 \mathrm{~s}$. and a nine-spring clutch at $£ 1510$ s. Were added, plus an oil cooler at $£ 16$. An alloy rocker cover with quick-action filler cap completed the engine at $£ 66 \mathrm{~s}$. Fitting charges would be extra on these items, the work having been carried out to racing standards, with all strategic bolts and nuts drilled and wired. The block was bored .060 in. oversize to bring the capacity up to 995 c.c.

4,000 r.p.m., things were beginning to happen, and in the band between 5,000 and 7,500 r.p.m., the performance was almost beyond belief.

The figures speak for themselves. The 0 to $60 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. time of 10 seconds is tremendous motoring but the standing quarter-mile in 17.2 secs. is simply breathtaking, $80 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. coming up in third during this exercise. The acceleration continued strongly in top gear, 90 m.p.h. being seen on any short straight. With a good long run, a timed 100 m.p.h. could be appreciably exceeded.

Driven sensibly, the engine was by no means intractable though it would not suit auntie. I employed the machine as a town carriage on occasion, one oiled plug being the sole penalty for this


A dise brake and wire wheel kit is a "must" for a little motor of this calibre, at $£ 103$. The test car had a 4.55 to 1 axle nose assembly, costing £25. Apart from these few items, "my" Sprite was "absolutely standard, old man"!
From the above specification, it is obvious that the test car was a pretty hot little package. The engine was dead smooth, flashing up to 7,500 r.p.m. at the drop of a hat. Conversely, practically no power was generated under 3,000 r.p.m. and it was advisable to keep below half throttle when coaxing the willing little unit past this critical speed. At
indignity. The clutch was smooth and the gear change excellent, but while the interior noise level was high, it would be acceptable to the young enthusiasts who would own such a car. I cruised for considerable distances at 6,000 r.p.m. without feeling that I was overdoing it.

The ride, of course, was hard and the seats lacked padding, though they gave excellent lateral location. All this is typical of the small competition car, and would be valued as such by the enthusiastic driver. The usual oversteer had vanished, a completely neutral characteristic being displayed. The

machine could be cornered very fast, and while it did not encourage one to adopt extreme angles of drift, the roadholding was very satisfactory for hard driving. Bumps could cause a momentary unsticking of the rear end, but a flick of the steering wheel soon subdued that. Severe bumps could force the rear suspension to bottom, but this was exceptional.

The brakes gave me every confidence, and a fat lady who suddenly waddled into the middle of the Watford By-pass evidently had confidence in them too. All four wheels left impressive black lines, the car remaining straight with no
hopping or tramp. The steering was sensitive, giving good "feel" on wet roads, at the expense of some kick-back on bumpy surfaces.
There was something very endearing about this little car. It seemed to be so well made, with absolutely no rattles. There were noises, of course, but they were all functional sounds that one expects in a sporting vehicle. The hard top was very neat indeed, the sliding windows fitting satisfactorily with no tendency to open or close themselves. In spite of the low roof line, fully sufficient head room was provided for a tall driver. The driver and passenger were


comfortable on a long journey, but though the spare wheel seemed to occupy more than its fair share of the boot, there was extra luggage space behind the seats which I found suitable for the carriage of a large dog.

The Austin-Healey Sprite is a jolly little sports car which adds good looks to its virtues in its Mark II form. When modified at Warwick it becomes a genuine $100 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. car with formidable acceleration, which can take on almost anything on four wheels up to 2 -litres capacity.

## SPECIFICATION AND PERFORMANCE DATA

Car Tested: Austin-Healey Sprite Mk. II, price $£ 623$ including P.T. For prices of extras see text.
Engine: Four cylinders 64.3 mm . x 76.2 mm . (995 c.c.). Pushrod-operated overhead valves. Compression ratio 10.6 to 1 . 68 b.h.p. at 6,500 r.p.m. Twin SU carburetters. Lucas coil and distributor.
Transmission: Special nine-spring single dry plate clutch. Four-speed gearbox with central remote control and synchromesh on upper three gears, ratios $4.55,6.18,8.73$ and 14.60 to 1 . Open propeller shaft. Hypoid rear axle.
Chassis: Punt-type chassis-body structure. Independent front suspension by wishbones and helical springs with torsional anti-roll bar. Rack and pinion steering. Rear axle on quarter clliptic springs and radius arms. Lever-type hydraulic dampers all round. Disc front and drum rear brakes with hydraulic operation. Knock-on wire wheels fitted $5.20 \times 13$ ins. tyres.
Equipment: 12-volt lighting and starting. Speedometer. Rev.-counter. Oil pressure, water temperature and fuel gauges, windscreen wipers and washers. Flashing direction indicators.
Dimensions: Wheelbase 6 ft .8 ins. Track (front) $3 \mathrm{ft} .9 \frac{3}{3} \mathrm{ins}$., (rear) 3 ft . $8 \frac{3}{3}$ ins. Overall length $11 \mathrm{ft} .5 \frac{1}{4}$ ins. Width 4 ft .5 ins . Turning circle 21 ft . 6 ins. Weight 13 cwt .
Performance: Maximum speed $101.1 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. Speeds in gears: 3 rd 80 m.p.h., 2nd 58 m.p.h., 1 st 32 m.p.h. Standing quarter-mile 17.2 secs. Ac7.8 secs., $0-60$ m.p.h. 10 secs., $0-80$ m.p.h 17.2 secs.
Fuel Consumption: Driven hard, 27.3 m.p.g.


# AROUND 



THE FLAG (above): Innes Ireland receives the chequered flag after his race-winning drive in the U.D.T.-Laystall Ferrari 250 GTO
"FERRARI-JAGUAR" (right) : John Coombs fitted Jaguar hub caps on to the recessed Ferrari ones to facilitate the use of the hammer.

JM'S PROGRESS (below) : Jim Clark on his very consistent line at St. Mary's. He found the Aston Martin a handful on the tricky Sussex circuit.


VICTOR'S SPOILS (left): A jubilant and garlanded Innes Ireland holds aloft the "News of the World" Trophy, watched by the local constabulary.
"WHITMORE THE WIZARD" (below): To prove that he is no chicken, John Whitmore wore his new "club" helmet. He is an hon. member of an American club whose insignia he bears.


ASTON ATTENTION (above) : Mike Salmon works on the gearbox of his Zagato Aston Martin while Jean Bloxam prefers to watch the race.


WRECKAGE RECCE (above) : After the race Mike Parkes takes John Surtees and Ronnie Hoare to see the mess of Madgwick.

PIT WORK (right): Graham Hill cleans the very dirty windscreen of his Ferrari whilst mechanics attend to refuelling and tyre changing.
"LAVATORY CHAIN!" (below): John Coombs fitting his special invention which enabled Graham Hill to open the filler cap as he halted at the pits.


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SOLEMN SURTEES (above): "When I Ieft it Surkeas here it wasn't in this state officer! caused by Robin Benson's Ferrari. LOTUS 26? (left): The weird and wonderful provoked more than a little commention mechanics.
£20,000 WORTH! (below) : Robin Benson's Ferrari came to rest on the left of the already modified Aston Martin and Ferrari, doing them a further bit of no good.


Warm and windy weather greeted the multitudes that attended last Sunday's B.R.S.C.C. meeting at Brands Hatch. The racing was "hot" too, the 13 10-lap races being highlighted by a handicap "strictly for the birds"
John Bloomfield's pretty Diva-Ford provided the main surprise in the 1 -litre G.T. race which opened proceedings, but Stephen Minoprio's grey Marcos passed

## AN ENTERTAINING BRANDS

## BY MICHAEL KETTLEWELL

the Tunex Conversions-built machine on the fourth lap at Paddock and scored his customary win. Keith Holland's G.S.M. was third, holding off the onslaught of John Miles (Sprite) and Jack Mathe (Speedwell). Ponti de Lautour's Ecurie Elan Sprite kept two similar cars at bay after a race-long contest.
As most of his potential opponents non-started, Dizzy Addicott's ride to victory in the over 1,100 c.c. sports car event could easily be described as a Sunday afternoon's outing in the country. Addicott finished half a lap ahead of Lord Clydesdale's Lola and the Lotus 11s of Jeremy Griffin and Charles Hodgson, his Mark 6 Elva failing to beat his class lap record by 0.2 sec
The race for 850 c.c. saloon cars was, of course, the usual Mini epic, our friend the NSU once more being lastthough it gets faster at every meeting! Emitting rubber smoke at the corners, Michael Lacey's Austin outstripped rivals Barry Hall and Richard Gibbings and set up a new class record of 67.6 secs., $66.04 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. The main interest centred upon Gibbings's progress through the field after a fifth lap spin and the duel waged between John Barrett and John Oakley, the fourth and fifth finishers.

Driving for most of the race without a gear lever, Ken Baker easily won the big G.T. race. His E-type equalled his own class record established last July. Pip Arnold's Morgan was second and David Alexander's similar car third. This event was notable for a first lap "moment" at Druids and some very close racing towards the tail of the field, in the midst of which was usually John Webb's smart E-type.

The next event was expected to be a hairy old dice . . . and so it was! Well, what could you expect with the four $1 \frac{1}{2}$-litre Anglias of Doc Merfield, Chris Craft, Alan Peer and John Young at the rear of the grid, having missed their practice session, and Albert Powell's

Richard Gibbings completes his "Dunlop benefit" at Paddock!

"battle-scarred" 3.4 Jaguar and Colin Hextall's Tornado Talisman at the front! Paul Webb's 1,340 c.c. Anglia led as far as Paddock, there giving up the ghost, therefore Powell led at Druids with Peer, Hextall, Craft and Merfield in hot pursuit. Peer had simply sliced his way through lesser brethren from the back, while poor Young was caught up in the traffic jam for a while. At the end of the first tour-completed without inci-dent!-Peer passed Powell at Paddock but went on to the grass and lost his place. At Druids they all led, but by the


They ALL led at Druids!
time they completed the lap Powell had the lead. Powell was quite often sideways in his attempts to stave off the attacks of others, who could be in any order, but Peer slipped by at Paddock on the sixth round and managed to hold his advantage this time. Powell was second and Merfield scratched past the now-orange Anglia of Craft on the inside of Druids to be third. Then Hextall took Craft, Merfield passed Powell and Hextall tried to copy, only to come unstuck and hit the bank at Clearways on his ninth lap. So the race finished in the order Peer, Merfield, Powell, Craft and Young, and Peer equalled Craft's class record of 64 secs. during his brilliant race.
The Formula Junior race was another closely fough't event. Brands Hatch's familiar "pink peril", Brian BerrowJohnson's Lotus 20, made the initial running, but his Superspeed-engined car lost the lead to top Jim Russell pupil Mike De-Udy's Lotus 22 on the third round. De-Udy managed to stav ahead too, driving extremely well on what, to him, was unfamiliar territory, and he won by 0.4 sec . Teddy Pilette (Merlyn) had been third until he quitted the circuit at Paddock on his fourth lap, and after this incident Lionel Brooke (Lotus 20) took up his position. Charles CrichtonStuart drove creditably to be fourth in his new Cooper-Ford and was only a second behind Brooke and, indeed, only three seconds behind the winner. Close behind came young Melvyn Long (Lotus 20), another promising Russell star, and John Mew (Lotus 20), who had made a poor start.

Peter Deal (Lotus 7) won the 1-litre

Alan Peer during one of his efforts to keep ahead of Albert Powell, after passing him on the outside at Paddock.
sports car race from Peter Gethin (Lotus 7) and David Porter, who drove an i.r.s. Lotus 7. Northern exponent John Haynes provided most of the excitement with his rapid handling of a Lotus 7 from the back row of the grid into sixth position, although at one stage he had been fifth.

After posing for photographers, the glamour girls lined up for the start of their handicap race. First away was Mary Wheeler's T.V.R., with a 1 min . 20 secs. start, to be followed by Jean Aley's Cooper-Mini (1 min.), Elizabeth Osborn's Lotus Super 7 (50 secs.), Michaelle Burns-Grieg's Cooper-Mini (40 secs.), Gillian Sturgess's E-type Jaguar (credit lap +35 secs.), Anita Taylor's Anglia (30 secs.), Jenny TudorOwen's Aceca-Bristol (credit lap +25 secs.), Daphne Freeman's Mini-Minor (credit lap +20 secs.) and Wendy Hamblin's Lotus 7 on scratch. Anita Taylor soon passed Gillian Sturgess, who treated brother Robin's E-type with all the respect it deserved, and Jenny Tudor-Owen, who drove a cautious race in Hugh Results
Grand Touring cars up to 1,000 c.c.: 1, S. J. C Minoprio (Marcos-Ford G.T.), 69.60 m.p.h. 2 J. R. Bloomteld (Diva-Ford G.T.); 3, K. G. Holland (GSM. Delta). Fastest lap: Minoprio, 71.31 Addicott (Elva-Climax Mk. 6, 75.87 m.p.h.; 2 Lord Cydesdale (Lola-Climax); 3 , J.p. Griffin (Lotus-Climax 11). Fastest lap: Addicott, 78.04 Lacey (Austin Mini), 64.62 m.p.h.; 2, B. W. F. Hall (Austin Mini); 3, R. J. D. Gibbings (Austin Mini). Fastest lap: Lacey, 66.04 m.p.h. Grand Touring cars over 1,600 c.c.: Overall Winner: K . Baker (Jaguar E), $69.64 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. Over $3,000 \mathrm{c.c}$. class: 1, K. Baker (Jaguar E), 69.64 m.p.h.:. 2 , Waruar Pearce (Jaguar XK 150); 3, J. Webb ${ }^{1,601-3,000}$ c.c. class: 1. Pastest lap: Baker, 72.00 m.p.h. 1,601-3,000 c.e. class: 1, P. H. Arnold (Morgan Plus 4), 67.45 m.0.h.: 2 2, D. Alexander (Morgan
Plus 4): 3. B. E. Hampsheir (M.G.A 1600). Fastest Plus 4); 3 , B. E. Hampsheir (M.G.A 1600). Fastest
lap: Amold, $68.89 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. Saloon Cars over 1,000 lap: Amoid, 68.89 m.p.h. Saloon Cars over 1,000
c.c.: 1, A. Peer (Ford Anglia), $68.24 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{ph}$.; 2. D. P. Merfield (Ford Anglia); 3, W. A. Powell Jaguar 3.4). Fastest lap: Peer, $69.75 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. Formula Junior: 1, M. De-Udy (Lotus-Ford 22) Ford 20.p.h.; 2, B. E. Berrow-Johnson (LotusC Crichton-Stuart (Cooper-Ford Mord 20); M. Long (Lotus-Ford 20): Crichton-stuard Mk. 3) i 5 , (Lotus-Ford 20) Fastest lan: De-U. Mew Lotus-Ford 20). Fastest lav: De-Udy. 79.71 m.p.h. Cports Cars up to 1,000 c.c.: 1, P. W. J. Gethin (Lotus-Ford 7) ; 3, D. B. Porter (LotusFord 7). Fastest lap: Deal, $74.65 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. Ladies ${ }^{\text {' }}$ Invitation Handicap: 1, Mrs. E. A. Osborn (Lotus Super 7), 62.93 m.p.h.; 2, Mrs. W. Hamblin (Lotus-Ford 7); 3, Mrs. J. Aley (Morris MiniCooper); 4, Mrs. M. Wheeler (T.V.R.-Climax);
 Hamblin, 68.47 m.p.h. B.M.C. Mini-Coopers: 1 , J. R. Aley (Morris Mini-Cooper), 65.94 m.p.h.; , A. D. Rutt (Austin Mini-Cooper); 3, G. Morgan (Morris Mini-Cooper). Fastest lap: Morgan and Rutt, 67.43 m.p.h. Grand Touring Cars 1.0011,600 c.c.: 1, G. M. Jones (Marcos-Climax G.T.), ${ }_{\text {Shaw }} 71.54$ m.p.h.; 2, L. Leston (Lotus Elite); 3, W. J. Shaw (Lotus Elite). Fastest lap: Jones, 73.18 Hegbourne (Lola-Climax), 76.36 e.c.: Hegbourne (Lola-Climax), 76.36 m.p.h.; 2, L. W. Ford 23). Fastest lap: Beckwith Beckwith (Lotus78.32 m p hastest lap: Beckwith and Hegbourne, Williams (Austin A40), 68.11 , Young (Ford Anglia): 3, F. O W. Williams M. A. A40). Fastest lan: J. Williams, 6975 Austin 1,172 c.c. Sports Cars: 1, S. A. Goodwin (PegasusFord), 64.08 m.p.h.: 2, B. J. Parker (Reio-Ford)3, R. E. Easterling (Rejo-Ford). Fastest lap: Easterling, $71.31 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$

Dibley's Aceca, also passed the E-type on the fourth lap and wrested the leat from it. Poor Michaelle Burns-Grieg, all the way from Scotland with her Cooper-Mini, had the thing die under her at Clearways on the fifth lap; however, she revived it to carry on motoring two laps-later. Incidentally, during practice, Michaelle drove with the hand brake on! Meanwhile, Elizabeth Osborn, driving the first of what she hopes to be many races, snatched the lead from Jenny Tudor-Owen at Paddock on the sixth lap and, what's more, began to draw away from the rest of the field. Even after venturing towards Druids backwards on her eighth lap, Elizabeth went on to win. Scratch-girl Wendy Hamblin brought David Porter's Lotus 7 across the line inches ahead of Jean Aley to be second and Mary Wheeler, Anita Taylor, Jenny Tudor-Owen, Daphne Freeman, Gillian Sturgess and the delayed Michaelle Burns-Grieg followed. What a splendid race!
The Cooper-Mini dice followed. The experienced John Aley just managed to keep Tony Rutt and George Morgan at bay, finishing 0.4 sec . ahead of the practically dead-heating pair. Farther down the field a grand scrap went on for sixth position between three lads having their first-ever race, Philip Wicks, John Thorpe and Michael CampbellCole. Seventeen-year-old CampbellCole, entered by Motor Racing Stables, was the most enterprising-and no doubt with a little more experience he will be a man to watch. However, he unaccountably lost his place on the last lap to Thorpe.
Even Les Leston and his Elite could not beat Gordon Jones and the only Climax-engined Marcos in captivity. Leston and Bill Shaw, who was always right up with DAD 10, chased the "wooden wonder" relentlessly and even when Jones was held up by backmarkers they could not manage to pass it. Surprisingly, Jones's fastest lap was a second off his record.
Mike Beckwith's Lotus 23 led for the first one and three quarter laps of the 1,100 c.c. sports car race, then, pressed hard by Tony Hegbourne's fleet little Lola, he made a mistake at Clearways. This dropped him to sixth place, though he made up ground rapidly and was right on the tail of Laurie Keens's second-place Lotus 23 at the end, Hegbourne having won the race.
Frank Williams (A40) made the running in the 1 -litre saloon car race until the end of the fifth lap when he was taken by surprise by Mike Young (Anglia) who sneaked by at the end of Clearways. Right behind Young was Jonathan Williams's notorious black A40 which also passed Frank Williams and then went into the lead at Paddock after a very neat manoeuvre. Williams went on to win, harried all the way by Young, and he set up a new class lap record of 64 secs., 69.75 m.p.h., which, believe it or not, equals the over 3 -litre and 2-litre records ( 3.4 Jaguar and $1 \frac{1}{2}$-litre Anglias respectively). Young Jonathan travels deceptively fast!
A shower of rain heralded the 1172 sports car race, a dull event in which only six cars started. Tony Goodwin won this as he liked in Phil Chapman's Pegasus and the Rejos of Bernard Parker and Rod Easterling were second and third, the latter having revolved twice.


JACK BRABHAM'S own creation makes its British début.
first appearance of the interesting new Brabham in England.

This should be a fine race, for Oulton is a real drivers' circuit, and the crowd will doubtless be treated to a tremendous struggle for honours featuring Hill, Surtees, Clark, McLaren, Ireland, Gregory, Taylor, Brabham, Bonnier and Co.
A fine entry has also been received for the sports-racing and touring car events, the former including such well-

## THE GOLD CUP AT OULTON PARK

## 26 Entries for Important <br> Formula 1 Race-14 with V8 Engines-New Team

 Driver for B.R.M.BY GREGOR GRANT

THE line-up for Saturday's 73-lap (201 miles) International Gold Cup race at Oulton Park is of full Grand Prix calibre, the only important marques absent being Ferrari and Porsche. In point of fact, with recollections of Pescara and Monza both counting for the World Championship in 1957, it is a pity that Oulton Park could not have been given that status in place of the cancelled Spanish race.

It is indeed a star-studded field, works entries being Bruce McLaren (CooperClimax), Jack Brabham (BrabhamClimax), John Surtees and Roy Salvadori (Bowmaker Lolas), Graham Hill, Richie Ginther and Bruce Johnstone (B.R.M.s), Jim Clark, Trevor Taylor (Lotuses) and Tony Settember (Emeryson). In addition there are two U.D.T.Laystall Lotuses for Innes Ireland and Masten Gregory, Gary Hocking in Parnell's Lotus, Jo Bonnier in the Walker Lotus, and Keith Greene (GilbyB.R.M.), the Germans Wolfgang Seidel and Gunther Seifert (Lotuses), Bernard Collomb of France (Lotus), Ian Burgess (Cooper), Tony Shelly (Lotus), Phil Robinson (Lotus), the Lotuses of Gerry Ashmore and Graham Eden, Jack Lewis (Cooper), and Carel Godin de Beaufort (Porsche).

It is interesting to note that South African Bruce Johnstone has been given a drive in a V8 B.R.M., and that Gary Hocking will be facing top-class opposition for the first time in car-racing. Bonnier will be seen in a British G.P. car for the first time since he left B.R.M. to join Porsche. This will also be the
known performers as Ireland (Lotus), Blumer (Cooper), Graham (Lotus), Beckwith (Lotus), Hawkins (Lotus 23) and Jim Clark in the 2-o.h.c. Ford-powered Lotus 23. Morris and Austin MiniCoopers dominate the 1,000 c.c. saloon category, including Christabel Carlisle, John Whitmore, John Love and Bill Blydenstein. In the 2-litre class, Harper's works Rapier is joined by the Alan Fraser-entered cars of Pilsworth, Jopp and Cuff Miller, against Hutcheson's Riley, and the Vauxhalls of Aston and Banks.

Nicky Byrne (Mercedes-Benz) has the 3-litre class all to himself (where are the Zodiacs?), whilst the "Jaguar" sec-


JIM CLARK and the Lotus 25 are a difficult combination to beat.
tion contains Graham Hill, Mike Parkes, Roy Salvadori, Jack Sears and Peter Dodd.
The sports-cars open the programme at 11.30 a.m., then come the saloons at 1.30 p.m., with the Gold Cup at 2.45 p.m. Incidentally, the sports-racing car event is a qualifier for Classes $E$ and $F$ in the Autosport Championship.

## THE ENTRIES

International Gold Cup Race for Formula 1 Racing Cars (73 lans, 201 miles): Jack Brabham (Brabham-Climax); Bruce McLaren (CooperClimax); John Surtees (Lola-Climax); Roy Salvadori (Lola-Climax); Gerald Ashmore (LotusAshmore (Lotus-Climax*); Jim Clark (LotusClimax); Trevor Taylor (Lotus-Climax); Jack Lewis (Cooper-Climax*); Wolfgang Seidel (LotusB.R.M.); Gunther Seifert (Lotus-Climax*); Innes Ireland (Lotus-Climax); Masten Gregory (LotusClimax or Lotus-B.R.M.) ; Philip Robinson (LotusClimax*); Graham Hill (B.R.M.); Richie Ginther (B.R.M.); Bruce Johnstone (B.R.M.); Keith Greene (Gilby-B.R.M.); Bernard Collomb (Cooper-Climax*); Anthony Shelly (Lotus-Climax*); Gary S Hocking (Lotus-Climax*); Ian Burgess (Cooper Climax*); Carel Godin de Beaufort (Porsche*) Joakim Bonnier (Lotus-Climax); Tony Settember (Emeryson-Climax*).

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* = 4-cyl. car
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Sports Car Race ( 19 laps, 50 miles): Up to 1,600 c.c. Class: Maxwell Ward (Lotus-Ford 11); Mk. 6); Bill Ferguson (Lola-Climax); (Elva-Climax (Elva-Climax Mk. 6); Nick Garbett (Lotus-Ford 23); Tony Kilburn (Lotus-Climax 11); Peter Dickinson or J. D. Hislop (Lola-Climax); Rodney Bloor (Lotus-Ford 23); Mike Beckwith (Lotus Ford 23); Laurie Keens (Lotus-Ford 23); John Nicholson (Lola-Climax); Tony Lanfranchi (ElvaClimax Mk. 6); Peter Borthwick (Lola-Climax), Bob Hicks (Lotus-Ford 23); Paul Hawkins (Lotus-

Ford 23); Bruce Johnstone (Lotus-Ford 23); Jimmy Mackay (Lola-Climax); Jim Clark (Lotus 23); Chris Williams (Lotus-Ford 23); Bill Bradshaw (Lotus-Ford 23).

Over 1,600 c.c. Class: Jimmy Blumer (CooperClimax Monaco); Douglas Graham (Lotus-Climax 15); Innes Ireland (Lotus-Climax 19); Mike Martin DB3S); Peter Sutcliffe (Jaguar "D"); Jim Diggory (Aston Martin DBR2).
Saloon Car Race (19 laps, 50 miles): Up to 1,000 c.e. Class: Christabel Carlisle (Morris Mini-Cooper); John Love (Austin Mini-Cooper); John Whitmore (Austin Mini-Cooper); Billy Blydenstein (Morris Mini-Cooper); Tony Rutt Mini-Cooper) San -Ldr. Jisle (Morris Mini-Mini-Cooper); Sqn.-Lar. J, (Morris Mini-Cooper): Bill Borrowman (Austin Mini-Cooper); R M. Wilson (Morris Mini-Cooper).
1,000 c.c. to 2,000 c.c.
1,000 c.c. to 2,000 c.c. Class: Peter Harper (Sunbeam Rapier); Peter Jopp (Sunbeam Rapier); Peter Pilsworth (Sunbeam Rapier); Ellis Cuff Miller Bill Aston (Vauxhall VX 4/90): Warwick Banks Bill Aston (Vauxhall VX 490 . Warwick Banks (Vauxhall VX 4/90).
2,001 c.c. to 3,000 c.c. Class: Nicky Byrne (Mer-cedes-Benz 220 SEb).
Over 3,000 c.c. Class: Graham Hill (Jaguar 3.8); Roy Salvadori (Jaguar 3.8); Michael Parkes (Jaguar 3.8); Jack Sears (Jaguar 3.8); Peter Dodd (Jaguar 3.8).


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IN an article which I wrote earlier this season I covered motor racing from the financial, public interest and safety aspects. I now beg leave to push these vital matters into the background just for the moment and to concentrate on the purely technical side of Formula 1 racing. If you have Tom Pritchard's article, "Grand Prix Car Performance" beside you, so much the better (AutoSPORT, 3rd August, 1962).

Perhaps the thing which has surprised most people is the relatively low maximum speed of the current projectiles. If a Grand Prix had been run on the Sarthe circuit during the recent 24 hours' sports car affair, the G.P. machines would have been soundly trounced on the Mulsanne straight! It makes you think.

It may well be a good thing that the maximum velocity is within reason, for the current crop of single-seaters gives little protection to the automobilist during hedging and ditching excursions. Nevertheless, the constructors have obviously been given furiously to think, and much is being done in the windcheating department.
One understands that the Grand Prix drivers, through their association, are going to have something to say about cramped cockpits. It is to be hoped that minimum dimensions will be laid down and, personally, I hate those kiddie-car steering wheels. Nevertheless, I fear that the reclining driving position
has come to stay, and after all there are precedents. Once the "Brooklands crouch" had invaded the motor-cycling world, the boys were soon doing it round the Isle of Man, to the terror of their conservative elders. Intrepid pedal-cyclists race round France at fantastic speeds, with their noses almost skimming their front tyres, all trying to make the smallest possible hole in the wind. When the late and great Goldie Gardner took records almost lying on his back, it was certain that his posture would eventually be copied on the circuits.

In an open-wheeled single-seater racing car the tyres present the greatest resistance to the wind. However, much has been done to clean up body shells, and Lotus have even gone to the trouble to take the springs and dampers inboard, though the gain must be trivial. Much thought has been given to the possibility of repositioning the radiator to reduce cooling drag. Ian Burgess fitted two small radiators just ahead of the rear wishbones so as to have a streamlined nose. Unfortunately the weight distribution suffered and he reverted to the standard layout. The new Gemini has a sharp nose with ducts recessed at each side, but nobody seems attracted by the surface radiator, as used by George Eyston and other record breakers, not to mention the very first version of the Vanwall.

The actual construction of chassis is
causing much discussion, ever since Colin Chapman deserted the multitubular fold. Now I have often repeated the undoubted truth that the strongest and most rigid car chassis is a tubular backbone of very great diameter and the minimum wall thickness. Several designers are taking a new interest in the backbone construction for sports cars, I understand, but Chapman has adapted it to the single-seater racing car. The tube has become a much more complex structure because it has had to be pierced to admit Jimmy Clark and a Coventry Climax engine. The rigidly mounted power unit is a stressed member, but Jimmy isn't. Perhaps he will be welded into next year's model.

The object of the exercise, of course, is to achieve the greatest possible torsional rigidity. With current suspension systems, the most rigid car will be the fastest round corners-it's as certain as that. Nevertheless, the suspension design of Grand Prix cars tends to be simple almost to the point of crudity, though it has been developed to give quite remarkable results. It cannot be long before the advantages of interconnecting the front and rear suspension systems are found to be as real in racing as on the road. Such a design could add complexity to the racing car, but it is likely to reduce the overwhelming importance of rigid construction. It is on wet roads that these more advanced suspension systems will excel, and in this

connection we should give thanks to the tyre experts for the remarkable treads and materials that they have developed.

It is excellent that the British V8 engines are now becoming really reliable. Fundamentally, the next stage must be to increase their r.p.m. All the while you can fill your cylinders, the faster you can turn your engine and the more power it will give. The "eight" beats the "four" because it can turn faster and therefore burn more petrolair mixture in a given time. Although we are on top at the moment, the shadow of the Honda looms already and complacency would be fatal.

The Honda car engine is not yet available for examination, but their racing motor-cycle engine is common currency. The four-cylinder 250 c.c. Honda engine develops 184 b.h.p. per litre. This magnificent result is only possible because the unit peaks at 14,000 r.p.m. and will run up to 18,000 r.p.m. Anybody wishing to compete with it in the 250 c.c. class must have an engine that will turn equally fast or faster.

The design of this fantastic unit is relatively straightforward except that it employs four valves per cylinder with a bore of only 44 mm . Perhaps the small valves have been chosen for their light weight, in view of the extremely high speed, but I think that the choice was dictated by considerations of ramming. In a high-efficiency engine with inlet and exhaust systems of tuned lengths, it is now known that the port shape is vital. An appreciable curve close to the valve seat is fatal and it is much easier to find room for a straight run of adequate length with a small valve-hence two small valves are better than one big one in spite of possible pumping losses.

To "multiply" such a 250 c.c. engine into a 16 -cylinder $1 \frac{1}{2}$-litre would be perfectly feasible, but not in a reasonable time. Hence, Honda have built a relatively straightforward V8 for next year,
which has already had many months of development work. It would appear that a V12 is on the drawing board and may be built if the $1 \frac{1}{2}$-litre formula seems likely to have a long life.

Various figures have been quoted for the performance of this engine, but there


LOTUS front suspension. Springs and dampers have been taken inboard, though the gain in reducing drag must be trivial.
is no doubt that it can now develop well over 200 b.h.p. continuously. When it comes to the starting line, it is likely that it will have a performance of 150 b.h.p. per litre in round figures, which means 225 b.h.p. in the 11,000 to 12,000 r.p.m. band. I bet it makes a lovely noise!

If the current Ferrari is somewhat outclassed, this position could easily be
reversed when the straight-eight appears. This engine has eight Gilera motor-cycle cylinders and the Italians know almost as much as the Japanese in this field. The drive is from the centre of the crankshaft, with the engine mounted across the chassis. The transmission to the gearbox and final drive is undoubtedly by spur gears, thus avoiding the power loss occasioned by right-angle drives. Obviously, the potentiality of this car must be very great, as the engine should develop almost as much power as the Honda

If engine reliability is being attained, there are still plenty of transmission problems. In addition to actual failures, the new engines require five or six gears, of which the exact choice of ratio is critical. Indeed, circuits not only demand different overall ratios, but even the number of gears needed is not constant. It is possible to have too many gears as well as too few, and their relationship may not be ideal if one simply changes the drop gears to give the right top speed. What a change from the $2 \frac{1}{2}$-litre four-cylinder cars, which had so much "punch" that they needed only two gears on some circuits!

Should the present formula for small engines persist, higher revolutions and even "peakier" power curves are bound to add to these transmission problems. The logical conclusion is that multispeed gearboxes will eventually give way to infinitely variable transmissions. By this, I do not mean automatic transmission but a gearbox with no "steps" which is under the driver's full control, probably operated by his left foot.

If this prediction appears too fanciful, may I remind readers that I predicted an engine with telescopic inlet and exhaust pipes many years ago. To those people who vented their mirth in the correspondence columns I would merely remark that such a racing engine is on the test bench, now!

THE Shorrock supercharger has a most enviable reputation. Once upon a time, "blowers" used to have a short life and a merry one. Shorrocks have changed all that, and now it is well known that this beautifully made eccentric vane compressor will outlast three engines without overhaul.
"Blowing" is considered by many people to be the best way of increasing the performance of an engine. This is

## JOHN BOLSTER TESTS

## A SHORROCK-SUPERCHARGED MINI

because no dismantling or alteration of parts is necessary, and the low-speed flexibility is always greatly improved. It was thus most interesting to put a supercharged Austin 7 (identical to a Mini-Minor) through a long and arduous test.

All the advantages of the supercharger are at once apparent. The car accelerates cleanly from less than $15 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. in top gear. Obviously, there is no actual boost at very low speeds, but the petrol/air mixture, in passing from the carburetter to the engine, is mixed mechanically in traversing the rapidly rotating "blower", and the distribution is
consequently better than in any normally aspirated engine.

Further up the scale, as a positive pressure is built up in the induction tract, a delicious sound is heard, reminiscent of the days of real motor racing. This characteristic supercharger whine is more prominent inside the "Mini" because the compressor is situated right against the bulkhead. Nevertheless, it only becomes really inspiring at peak revolutions, below which the unit is singularly unobtrusive.

The performance is considerably aug-
mented, no less than 10.8 seconds being saved in passing from a standstill to 60 m.p.h., for example. The maximum speed also benefits to the tune of 7.3 m.p.h. This amelioration of speed and acceleration is sufficient to give the "blown" car an absolute mastery over its standard sisters. Continuous use of full boost has no adverse effects, even on M1.
The supercharged Austin 7 has thus many of the attributes of a tuned example, for it is considerably faster than standard and has a very useful improvement in acceleration. Yet, it also boasts a flexibility in top gear that is entirely foreign to a raised-compression, twin-
carburetter job. During normal driving, a standing start in third gear is perfectly natural, with no clutch slipping or judder. This alone proves how different the Austin 7 with forced induction is from the catalogued model.

Although the brakes of this car are perhaps not its strongest feature, the extra performance did not appear to worry them unduly. To drive, the supercharged Austin 7 resembled a car with a considerably larger engine, but there was nothing "tuned" about it. For some people, such a performance is almost ideal, and is more than worth the appreciable increase in fuel consumption which is involved. It is worth remembering, too, that the engine may be returned to standard at once by simply unbolting the "blower". Incidentally, the supercharger is connected to the lubrication circuit, but its appetite for oil appears to be almost too small to measure.

The test car was submitted by the Allard Motor Co., Ltd., Clapham Common, S.W.4.

## PERFORMANCE FIGURES

|  |  | Standard |  |  |
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|  |  | Car | Supercharged <br> Car |  |
| Maximum Speed | $\ldots$ | $74.5 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. | $81.8 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. |  |
| $0-30 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 6.2 s. | 4.5 s. |
| $0-50 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 16.9 s. | 12.1 s. |
| $0-60 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 26.3 s. | 15.5 s. |
| $0-70 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |  | 22.9 s. |
| Standing $\frac{1}{4}$ mile $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 23.3 s. | 20.6 s. |  |
| Fuel Consumption | $\ldots$ | $40.1 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{g}$. | $27 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{g}$. |  |



# FORMULA 1 PORSCHE 


the starting grid, only to be put out of the race in the first-lap shunt at the Gasworks Hairpin.

The Belgian Grand Prix was eschewed in favour of some development testing, during which Gurney lapped the Nürburgring in 8 mins. 44 secs. and completed 15 laps at an average speed inside the lap record. At Rouen his car was nothing like as good-but it won the race. It won again, more convincingly, at Solitude and was third in the British Grand Prix until the clutch started to slip.

Returning to the Nürburgring for the German Grand Prix, Gurney again found the car nothing like as good as during the late-June testing session, but nevertheless managed to set up the fastest practice lap in 8 mins. 47.2 secs. 10.6 seconds inside Phil Hill's lap record. He led the race, run in appallingly wet weather, for two laps, and was then passed by Graham Hill's B.R.M. He lost another place when a battery lead came adrift, but hung on to finish only 4.4 seconds behind the winning B.R.M. and 1.9 seconds behind Surtees's Lola.

Rarely have three cars and three drivers been so closely matched. Gurney did not win the race, but he showed


Burz The cockpit is a very stark affair and the be removed
in and out.
Showing the fuel and oil tanks. The oil at the front. The main fuel tank is mounted and behind the seat and is supplemented by ose of the car, alongside the oil tank, and above the driver's knees.

that the Porsche, at last, is truly competitive. It is still a little slower than the Climax-engined cars (especially the Lotus and the Lola) on the straight, but it is not far behind in roadholding and is probably the best of all on braking. With a few more b.h.p. it would be a sure-fire winner. Fuel injection could well make the extra power available, but Porsche seem unable to do anything in a hurry and unless they get a fuelinjected car raceworthy this year they will probably find themselves left behind again next season.
Of all the current Formula 1 cars the Porsche is the most unconventional. It has an air-cooled, horizontally opposed engine, whereas everyone else uses watercooled "V" engines. It has torsion bar suspension in place of the otherwise universal coil springs (with auxiliary bump rubbers). And while all the other manufacturers use proprietary disc brakes, Porsche make their own, with the disc (actually a ring in this case) bolted to the wheel-carrier and the caliper mounted on the upright on the inner side of the ring.
The chassis is made up of mild steel tube, with a wall thickness of 1 mm . and diameters ranging from 30 mm . to 15 mm . Since the car was first raced a considerable amount of bracing has been added-notably to the side frames and the scuttle, but several frames still remain un-triangulated. The question of chassis stiffness seems to be a bone of contention in the Porsche factory, but these additions at least confirm that the original 1962 chassis was not stiff enough.
Front suspension was initially by a wide-based bottom wishbone and a narrow-based "cantilever-type" top wishbone, the latter pivoting on the chassis and acting on an adjustable longitudinal torsion bar and an inboard-mounted Koni damper. Since Monaco a long top radius arm has been added to stabilize this layout and to react braking loads. The front upright is ball-iointed at both ends and the steering arm is bolted to it at hub level; the steering gear is rack-and-pinion-another departure from customary Porsche practice.
The front roll centre is fairly low at about 3 inches from the ground, and body roll (and its effect on wheel angles) is restrained by a short torsion bar connected to the top wishbones-another feature presumably inspired by the 1961 Lotus.
The rear suspension is basically similar, but both wishbones are relatively narrow-based. The top one is crossbraced, and experiments have also been carried out with "stressed-skin" bracing -presumably without any positive result as the idea has since been discarded. As at the front, the top wishbone acts on a longitudinal torsion bar, an inboard damper, and an anti-roll bar. The rear roll centre appears to be only 2 inches or so from the ground. Wheelbase is $90 \frac{1}{2}$ inches ( $2,300 \mathrm{~mm}$.), front track $51 \frac{1}{4}$ inches ( $1,300 \mathrm{~mm}$.) and rear track $53 \frac{1}{2}$ inches ( $1,360 \mathrm{~mm}$.).

Despite repeated requests, Porsche decline to give anything other than superficial information about the engine. It has a cast Elektron crankcase and cylinder block, and aluminium alloy cylinder heads. Bore and stroke are 66 mm . by 54.6 mm ., giving a capacity of 1,494 c.c. The crankshaft runs in nine main bearings, and drives the four overhead camshafts via a series of shafts


The rear disc brake and the now discontinued "sheathing" for the top wishbone. The brake is of Porsche manufacture, the disc being bolted to the wheel-carrier and the caliper mounted on the upright on the inner side of the disc.
and bevel gears; a similar arrangement is used to drive the cooling fan, which is made of resin-bonded glass-fibre. There are two plugs per cylinder, and sparks are provided by four coils and two distributors. With four 38 mm ., twin-choke, downdraught Weber carburetters the power output is 180 b.h.p. at 9,300 r.p.m.
Transmission is by a mechanically operated single dry-plate (except at Aintree!) clutch and a six-speed gearbox/final drive unit, with gear selection by means of a very complicated-looking but extremely effective linkage. Full use of all six gears is essential to keep the engine speed in the useful part of the power curve. One of the most significant features of this transmission is the use of sliding couplings within the final drive assembly, which has eliminated the need for splined drive shafts.

The body is much lower and slimmer than on previous Porsches, and there is very little wasted space within it. The main fuel tank is mounted alongside and behind the seat, and is supplemented by tanks at the nose of the car (alongside the oil tank) and above the driver's knees. The oil radiator is mounted low down at the front, and the bottom chassis tubes are used as oil pipes for the dry sump lubrication system.

The cockpit is stark and the steering wheel has to be removed to allow the driver to get in and out. There are only three instruments-tachometer, oil pressure gauge and oil temperature gaugeand the gearshift is on the right.
Because of "breathing space" before the next World Championship race, Porsche have the opportunity to do a little more development work and turn what is already a potential winner into a worldbeater. Another 10 b.h.p. would make all the difference, and the reliability of the engine-and the rest of the carsuggest that this should not be too difficult to find.


## FORMULA JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP OF IRELAND

ONE MINUTE TO GO: The cars lined up on the grid. In the front row are Bill Bradley (Cooper, 14), Bob Olthoff (Brabham, 5) and Tommy Reid (Lotus, 18), and John Rhodes (Alexis, 39) and Jack Pearce (Lotus, 22) are in the second. Also prominent are John Pollock (Gemini, 17), Malcolm Templeton (Lotus, 11), David Prophet (Alexis, 38), Maurice Acheson (Lotus, 21), Richard Attwood (Cooper, 12), Paddy Hopkirk (Lotus, 15) and Luke Duffy (Cooper, 10).

The Midland Racing Partnership once again won the Formula Junior Championship of Ireland. This time Bill Bradley scored for the team in a CooperFord. The race was run on a wet track, and Bill Bradley won after a splendid battle with Bob Olthoff's BrabhamB.M.C., which ended when the South African driver had oil on his rear brakes and spun. He soon rejoined the race and eventually finished fourth. Richard Attwood, Bradley's M.R.P. team-mate, took over second position, but he lost second gear, and was passed by Hugh

Dibley in the Scuderia Light Blue Lola. Dibley drove a meteoric race, having had very little practice on the $1 \frac{1}{2}$-mile circuit-he also made Kirkistown history by landing the first aircraft on the circuit half-way through practice!

So the race ran its course and Bill Bradley won from Hugh Dibley, Richard Attwood and Bob Olthoff. Last year's winner, John Rhodes, was well up until he spun his Alexis on the fourth lap, and Jack Pearce, another of several British entrants, retired when his gear lever broke off.

Bill Bradley, the eventual winner, in his M.R.P. Cooper-Ford.



Overall winner of the Copenhagen Grand Prix, which took place at the Roskilde Ring during last week-end, was Jack Brabham, in his Lotus-Climax V8. He also set a new record lap in 42.7 seconds.

The race was run in three heats, the first taking place on Saturday over 20 laps and the second and third, of 30 laps, on Sunday.
Practice sessions were held on Friday, Jack Brabham ending up fastest with 43.4 secs. Next came Masten Gregory in the U.D.T. Lotus-Climax, with a lap in 44.1 secs.; in the ensuing races he drove the Lotus-B.R.M. John Surtees, third fastest in the Bowmaker LolaOlimax, also lapped in 44.1 secs., and then ran into engine trouble. New bigend bearings were fitted during the night, and run-in during Saturday morning. Innes Ireland, in the other U.D.T.Laystall Lotus, was fourth fastest in 44.2 s., and Roy Salvadori, in the second Bowmaker Lola, did 45.0 secs. for fifth fastest time. Behind him came Ian Burgess, in the first of the four-cylinder cars, in 45.3 secs.-faster than Trevor Taylor's Lotus 25, which did 45.4 secs.


JACK UP THE WALL: Brabham and his Lotus on his winning way.

## BRABHAM WINS AT ROSKILDE

In the first heat Jack Brabham took the lead at the start and never lost it. He romped home first ahead of Masten Gregory, Innes Ireland and John Surtees. Trevor Taylor took 11th place, his car suffering from continuous misfiring, and spinning towards the end of the race.
Saturday's Formula Junior race was won by John Love (Cooper) from Yngve Rosqvist (Cooper) and Frank Gardner (Brabham). Christabel Carlisle, driving a works Cooper-Mini, scored a sixseconds victory in the 1,000 c.c. touring car race from Börge Nielsen (Morris), and Arne Ditlevsen (Austin). She repeated this performance-in the same car-in the 1,300 c.c. production car event, leading Fritz Möller (Morris) and


ABOVE: Jay Chamberlain (Lotus) passes John Surtees, who had spun his Lola. BELOW: Surtees's team-mate Roy Salvadori passes Jay Chamberlain who had made an unscheduled manoeuvre.


Robert Fischer (SAAB) home by the same margin.

Paul Hawkins and Bob Hicks, in Lotus 23 s , took the first lwo places in the first heat of the sports car race. The second heat went to Frede Andersen (Lotus 11) from Jörgen Ellekaer (Lotus 17).

In the second heat of the Formula 1 race, on Sunday, it was Masten Gregory who took the initial lead. Brabham, driving impeccably, soon overhauled him, the former Champion's car looking and sounding perfect. Roy Salvadori went out of the race on the first lap when he became involved with Gary Hocking, in the Lotus he has bought from Tim Parnell, and Ian Burgess, both of whom were able to continue. In the end Jack Brabham won from Innes Ireland and John Surtees, who had gear selector trouble.

In the final heat Brabham again took the lead right away and was never seriously challenged. Masten Gregory took second place, while third spot went to Innes Ireland after a shunt with John Surtees: as the ex-motor-cyclist was about to pass Innes for third place, both cars touched and spun. Surtees retired, but Ireland climbed back again to third. Fourth place, after a magnificent drive, went to Gary Hocking's four-cylinder car. Overall results were: 1, Brabham; 2, Gregory; 3, Ireland; 4, Hocking.

The second heat of the Formula Junior race went to John Love, while teammate Tony Maggs won the third after Frank Gardner's Brabham had been put out while leading in a collision with Dave Riley's spinning Cooper. The Brabham was badly damaged, but neither driver was hurt. The overall results were: 1, Love; 2, Maggs; 3, Paul Hawkins. Overall victory in the sports car race went to Paul, too, from Bob Hicks and Frede Andersen.
Christabel Carlisle was fantastic in the 1,000 c.c. and 1,300 c.c. touring car races. She won every heat of each event to score overall victory from Möller and Nielsen in the 1,000 c.c. event and from

Möller and Fischer in the 1,300 c.c. category.
Formula 1: Overall Results $59 \mathrm{~m} .14 .1 \mathrm{s.;}$ 2, Masten Gregory (Lotus-B.R.M.), 59 m.
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s.
4, Gary Hocking (Lotus-Climax), $61 \mathrm{~m} .35 .4 \mathrm{s.;}$ 5, Ian Burgess (Cooper-Climax), $61 \mathrm{~m} .48 .2 \mathrm{~s} . ; 6$, Trevor Taylor (Lotus-Climax), 62 m .29 .6 s . Fastest lap: Brabham, 42.7 s . 38 Formula Junior: 1, John Love (Cooper-B.M.C.), $\begin{array}{ll}38 \mathrm{~m} . & 31.8 \mathrm{~s} . ; \\ 38 \mathrm{~m} . & 45.1 \mathrm{~s} ; \\ 39 & \text { 2, Tony Maggs (Cooper-B.M.C.), }\end{array}$ $38 \mathrm{~m} .45 .1 \mathrm{s.j} 3$ 3, Paul Hawkins (Lotus-Ford 22), 39 m .22 .2 s . Fastest lap: Love and Yngve
1,300 c.c. Sports Cars:
Ford 23), $25 \mathrm{~m} .15 .2 \mathrm{~s} . \mathrm{I}^{2}$, Paul Hawkins (Lotus23), $25 \mathrm{~m} .19 .9 \mathrm{s.;}$ 3, Frede Andersen (LotusClimax II), 26 m .43 .5 s. Fastest Iap: Hawkins,

1,000 c.e. Saloons, Group 2: 1, Christabel Carlisle (Morris), $19 \mathrm{~m} .56 .9 \mathrm{~s} . ; 2$, Fritz Möller (Morris), $20 \mathrm{~m} .03 .4 \mathrm{~s} ; \mathrm{s}^{2} 3$, Börge Nielsen (Morris), Fastest lap: Carlisle, 52.8 s .

1,300 c.c. Saloons, Group 3: 1, Christabel Carlisle (Morris), $19 \mathrm{~m} .50 .3 \mathrm{~S} . ;$ 2, Fritz Möller $^{\text {Morris) }, 19 \mathrm{~m} .58 .1 \mathrm{~s} ;} 3$, Robert Fischer (SAAB) Morris), $19 \mathrm{~m} .58 .1 \mathrm{~s} . ;$ 3, Robert Fischer (SAAB),
20 m .26 .7 s . Fastest lap: Carlisle, 53.0 s , 1,600 c.c. Saloons, Group 2. 1, Witrup 1,600 c.c. Saloons, Group 2: 1, Wittrup Willum-
sen (Volvo), 20 m .07 .0
s.; 2 , Hans Nielsen $\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { sen (Volvo), } 20 & \mathrm{~m} . & 07.0 & \mathrm{~s} . ; & \text { 2, Hans Nielsen } \\ \text { (Volvo), } 20 & \mathrm{~m} . & 14.8 & \mathrm{~s} . ; & 3, & \text { Aage Buch-Larsen }\end{array}$ (Volvo), 20 m .14 .8
(Volvo), 20 m .21 .9 s.


AN OVERJOYED CHRIST ABEL CARLISLE after her runaway wins in the 1,000 c.c. and 1,300 c.c. saloon car races.

TAking advantage of an early dry track, George Brown rode his 998 c.c. Vincent motor-cycle to victory in last Sunday's National Hill-Climb at Shelsley Walsh. The sun kept shining just long enough to allow Peter Boshier-Jones and Phil Scragg to share second best time, and for Josh Randles to finish fourth. Then down came the rain in buckets, preventing any of the racing cars from getting to grips with the early runners. Later on, the sun did come out again, allowing Tony Marsh to win a round in the Championship, but his time of 38.48 secs. fell far short of George Brown's winning 36.82 secs.
The meeting opened promptly at 12 o'clock with a newly instigated class for Grand Touring cars up to 2,600 c.c. First car away was J. F. May's Porsche 90 which climbed in a respectable 44.24 secs. to set the ball rolling. Two runs later R. Rose, driving the ex-Austen Nurse Lotus Elite, howled up to record 41.46 secs., and although Ray Meredith got down to 41.90 secs. with his Morgan, Rose maintained his lead till the end
The big G.T. cars came out next, the class containing three E-Types and a 150 " S ". There should also have been a Jaguar 3.8, but in practice the driver, new to the hill, had gone straight on after crossing the finishing line and was last seen disappearing down a field. As all the second runs were in the rain Phil Scragg only had his first run which at 39.02 secs. was sufficient to secure a class win, no other competitor being able to get into the thirties.

The next class was also new to the hill as it allowed all sports racing cars of up to $1,600 \mathrm{c.c}$. to compete together and contained no fewer than 10 Lotuses, or should I say Loti? The exceptions to the rule proved only three in number, namely, Gerry Tyack in the ex-Fielding Emeryson, Tony van Moyland in Fielding's old centre seater Cooper 1100, and Tim Cash with a Ford-engined Terrier. Tyack was very disappointing and Jack Richards was the first driver to really get up fast with 39.55 secs. However, two cars later Peter Boshier-Jones came to the line, and in a beautifully calculated run tore up in 37.24 secs., a time that was to prove to be second equal fastest time of the day. As Peter's time excluded him from class honours, Jack Richards had that honour, followed by Tom Clapham's well-driven Climax Seven and a host of similar cars mostly Climax powered.

The class for the "hairy" sports racing cars produced a small but rather elite entry. First car away was Phil Scragg's familiar Lister-Jaguar which, in a series of stirring power slides, clocked an identical time to that of Boshier-Jones. Second car up was Josh Randles, he made 37.56, and was followed into third place by Taffy Cottrell in his ex-Mike Taylor Lotus XV. The sight of Fred Sloman in his very fierce and noisy Lotus-Bristol brought back nostalgic memories of Cliff Davis when he drove NOY 1 to so many wins. R. B. Beck drove a very tatty 3.8 -engined Jaguar XK 120 , once the property of Dick Protheroe, and Don Farrell made a welcome re-appearance in his revamped Allard (Farrallac).

A new and most welcome innovation at historic Shelsley Walsh was a class for Vintage and Edwardian cars run on a handicap system. The thought of competing at Shelsley obviously appealed to the Vintage brigade, and practically

# SHELSLEY WALSH 

By PAUL WATSON
Photography by FRANCIS PENN


FASTEST of the first dry runs was that of Phil Scragg's Lister-Jaguar (above) and Peter Boshier-Jones's Lotus.


ABOVE: Tony Marsh, back in his B.R.M. and (below) in Ian Sievwright's Tipo 625 2 $\frac{1}{2}$-litre Ferrari G.P. car. A comparison of Formula 1 ideas!

every branch of the movement was represenied by at least one car. However, for once the Midland Automobile Club slipped up, for in allowing the Majors Lambton and Chichester 6 seconds with their joint owned Alta they rather lessened the competition. Nonetheless all due credit to the Majors for some extremely exciting driving. Third was M. Bromley-Johnson (G.N. Spl.), while ignoring the handicap Peter Waller was
the quickest driver with his ex-Dennis Scribbans E.R.A. in 43.01 secs.

Four classes for motor-cycles came next, during which George Brown made B.T.D. with his Vincent Special.

Austen May dominated a poorly supported Formula Junior class. Austen's second run of 45.19 secs., during one of the heaviest downpours, should not go unmentioned, and his driving through the esses was a lesson in how to make the most of a car under near impossible conditions. G. Wilson was second in a similar car but with bigger engine, and Jack Welton was a ralther poor third with an early DKW-engined Elva.

If Formula 3 is fading away on the circuits, then the same cannot be said on the hills. Some of the closest racing always comes from the drivers of these little motor-cycle-engined cars. On paper it would appear that Howard Bennett stood the best chance of taking the class, but trouble in sorting the gearbox out on the first run put paid to his chances and J. MacCartney-Filgate won with a J.A.P.-engined machine. Bennett did much better second time up but in deteriorating conditions he could not match Filgate's earlier time and had to be, content with second place ahead of P. Williams in yet another Cooper.

The 1,500 c.c. racing class was bound to be close with all the current experts taking part. First car up was Tommy Norton in his Climax-powered Lotus 18 with 44.90 secs.; this was soon beaten but not by much by Brian Eccles, who took 44.39 secs. Reg Phillips then put everybody out of the picture with an impeccable 43.46 secs. Second time up both Norton and Eccles were slower, but our Reg, grinning, as ever, took no notice at all of the conditions and brought his time down to 43.33 secs. Ian McLaughlin, Maurice Cleaver, and Wally Cuff all got into the 46 s , while W. H. Watton did very well to get his Brooklands Austin 7 up in 52.81 secs.

Chris Summers set the pace in the big-bangers class, hurling his lethal Chevy-powered Cooper up in 43.05 secs. Arthur Owen came very close, but not close enough, with 43.65 secs., and was followed to the line by Peter Westbury in his V8 Daimler-powered Cooper (ex-Naylor/Campbell-Jones). Considering his limited experience, Westbury's time of 40.99 secs. was almost unbelievable, not once did he put a wheel wrong, his driving was faultless and quite brilliant. Even the renowned Tony Marsh was nowhere near Westbury, his time of 43.34 secs. being even slower than Ray Fielding who managed 42.83 secs. Second time up with a rapidly drying course Summers brought his time down to 40.97 secs., Owen to 43.14 secs., Westbury to 40.78 secs., and Marsh to 42.73 secs., but Fielding was slower with 43 secs. So Westbury won the class from Summers and Marsh. David Good was kindly lent Marsh's B.R.M. and considering that he had never driven such a powerful car before did very well to record 44.20 secs. and 44.04 secs. Tony Marsh was also to be seen in a strange car, this time Ian Sievwright's Tipo 625 Ferrari; he managed a best time of 46.03 secs. Basil Davenport (G.N. Spyder) took 47.17 secs.; Dick Soans (ex-Berry CooperJaguar) 49.69 secs.; George Keylock (Cooper-Climax s/c) 47.82 secs.; Jack Epstein (Cooper-R.R.A.) 47.58 secs.; and A. C. E. Reeves (Fairley-Mercury) 50.60 secs.
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## CORFESPONDENCE

Saloons at Snetterton
I feel that David Pritchard has been a little harsh in his criticism 1 of the saloon car race at the Astley Trophy Meeting. A careful look at the leading Jaguar in the top photo, in relation to Chris Craft's Anglia, indicated that it was at right angles to the course, and that a spin would be almost inevitable. Not wishing to damage either Mr. Powell's car or myself, which I would have done had I kept to the original line, I attempted to go through on the only available piece of track, the inside, as braking was impossible in the space available. Unfortunately this proved to be impossible also, my first spin in 14 years' racing and my second "prang" being the result.
London, N.W.8.
D. P. Merfield.

T have just read your report of the Astley Trophy meeting. I think that this was a very good meeting, made even better by the saloon car race. It makes a change to see a "wild hairy burn-up", instead of a "funeral procession"
A. Peer came a very creditable second, with R. N. Allen third after a tussle with $P$. Webb.
M. A. Young's class win is all the more amazing when you consider he drove the complete distance (including starting) without a clutch.
This is the first time I have ever really had cause to criticize Autosport, so please let us keep this a decent magazine instead of another of those stupid books that make stupid statements Dagenham, Essex.
R. E. Stradling.

## Statistics Can Prove Anything!

$I_{\text {aving followed this season's Formula } 1 \text { constructors' champion- }}$ ship in your magazine, it is interesting to speculate on the outcome of the forthcoming Italian Grand Prix, considering the wide variety of results in the first six Grandes Epreuves.
Taking the order of the first six places in each of these Grandes Epreuves, it is possible to work out the most likely order of placings in the Italian Grand Prix using the theory of probabilities, disregarding the influence of track venues.

The most probable order of the cars is:-1, Cooper; 2, Ferrari; 3, Lotus; 4, Porsche; 5, B.R.M.; 6, Ferrari.

The next best two solutions are: -1 , Lola; 2, B.R.M.; 3, Porsche; 4, Ferrari; 5, B.R.M.; 6, Ferrari; and:-1, Ferrari; 2, Lotus; 3, Porsche; 4, Lola; 5, Cooper; 6, Ferrari.

In case I am proved wrong, it is worth pointing out that, if it is assumed that each of the six teams start the race with at least two cars, then there are at least 60,840 ways in which the order of the first six places could result!

## Kitwe, Northern Rhodesia.

Francis C. Wykes.

## More on the Blood Orange

$M^{R}$. Eyre's puzzlement over my remarks concerning the "Blood of fact to bear to support his argument, but I must still insist that of fact to bear to support his argument, but I must still insist that
now it does look at least a little different to my own recollections of the car and to its image as portrayed by Roy Nockolds in my painting.

Time has dimmed my memory of the technical details he mentions, and in any case I was only a boy in those days, but I am glad to see that we seem evidently to be in agreement about dogmatic and positive identification of some of these old cars. There are, of course, a good many famous cars in existence about whose origins there is no doubt, but there have been and still are a good many whose origins are extremely doubtful. There was a period some time ago when there were far more "Team Car" Dorothy Paget Blower Bentleys than the original number (four)! The same went for the unblown species or "Works" cars. What people forgot was that there were a number of Le Mans Replicas built and unfortunately some of these fell into the hands of unscrupulous people and the gullible fell for the "Team Car" blarney. That this kind of thing happened with other makes there can be no doubt whatever.

Most of these things have been sorted out within recent years, but the fact that looks can be deceiving is undeniable, and this can cut both ways. Sid Day currently races an E.R.A. which is said to have originally belonged to my father, and which in any case I like to believe for honest nostalgic reasons! This car now boasts a 2 -litre engine and a sloping radiator, and I probably should know who did this, but I do not. It originally had the $1 \frac{1}{2}$-litre engine and upright radiator of earlier pattern. A much more radical change, however, eventually overcame a much more famous car, which, if we are to believe what we are told, started life as one of the said Dorothy Paget, Le Mans Blower Bentleys, became the celebrated "Single Seater", one time lap record holder at Brooklands in the hands of Tim Birkin, and now carries a most beautiful two-seater body. As most people know this car now belongs to John Morley who has lavished time, money and care upon it, and who I know enjoys driving it immensely, and who wouldn't.
Who am I to be the doubting Thomas? I should hate to start an argument with John Morley, or anyone else for that matterand I have no intention of doing so--about the origins of his or any other car I would love to be the owner of some such car however doubtful its antecedents-it is just the sceptic in me that makes me feel that way sometimes.
Guildford, Surrey.
Patrick Benjafield.

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# Club News 

By MICHAEL DURNIN

Regulations are now available for the R.A.C. International Rally, which will take place from 12 th-17th November. The event will start from Blackpool on the evening of Monday, 11th, and take in sections in Northern England and Scotland during the next 48 hours, returning to Blackpool for a night's rest on Wednesday evening. Then to Wales on Thursday morning, the first car completing the road seation at Bournemouth on the afternoon of Friday the 16 th . The route will cover some 2,000 miles and I believe that there will be over 10 per cent. of that distance of special stages which will vary in length from one to 30 miles.

A new, and welcome, feature of the R.A.C. will be an entirely separate awards list for private entrants ranging from $£ 50$ for the best-placed private entrant down to $£ 20$ for the fifth. This, of course, will not affect placings in general classification but absolute proof of private ownership will be required.

Maestro Jack Kemsley assured me on the Scottish Rally (when he was spending his evenings, cloaked in secrecy, dashing about the countryside on the hunt for stages) that the 1962 R.A.C. will be very much less rough than his 1961 effort and that pride and joy motor cars can be used with (comparative) equanimity.

Regs. are available from the Secretary of the Rally, Royal Automobile Club, London, S.W.1, and entries close on 1st October.

ACLUB has been formed to organize competitive events for VW owners. The club has R.A.C. recognition and those interested should contact R. Wilkinson, the Sporting VW Club, "Southwen", Main Road. Westerham Hill, Westerham, Kent. . . . B.R.S.C.C. are to promote a race meeting at Rufforth on 8th September, open to Darlington and D.M.C., Sheffield and Hallamshire M.C., M.G.C.C., Mid-Cheshire M.C., B.A.R.C., Notts S.C.C., Border M.C., Lancs and Ches M.C. and A.N.E.C.C. Champion-
ship entrants. Regs from G. L. Johnson, 152 Birchwood Hill, Leeds 17. . . . On 14 th October the 750 M.C. are to promote a hill-climb at Wiscombe. Invited clubs are Allard O.C., A.M.O.C., B.A.R.C., B.R.S.C.C., Bristol M.C. and L.C.C., Bournemouth M.C., Jaguar D.C., M.G.C.C. (S.-W.), V.S.C.C. and West Hants and Dorset C.C. Regs. from Mrs. P. M Hood, High Noon, Petersfinger, Salisbury, Wilts, who must have all entries by 4th October. . . . The "C.C.H. Sprint" will be co-promoted at Brands Hatch on 30th September by Harrow C.C., Chiltern C.C. and Circle C.C. Details from club secretaries. . . A Firle hill-climb will be organized on 30th September by the south-eastern centres of the B.A.R.C. and M.G.C.C. Details of this closed event from R. C. Matthews, Spur Cottage, Ratton Drive, Eastbourne. . . . Morecambe C.C. are to run their Illuminations Rally on 8th9 th September. The event is open to Airedale and Pennine M.C.C., B.A.R.C., B.T.R.D.A., Cumberland S.C.C., Furness D.M.C., Fylde M.S.G., Kilmarnock C.C., Knowldale C.C., Morecambe C.C., Preston A.C. and Westmorland M.C. The rally will cover some 220 miles from a start at Morecambe and regs. will be available from P. R. Best, Scarthwaite Lodge, Caton, Morecambe, until entries close on the 4th. . $\ldots$ The London M.C.'s Norwester Rally is scheduled for 27th 28th October and is open to B.A.R.C., Bristol M.C., Circle C.C., Forces M.C., Harrow C.C., Knowldale C.C., London Counties Association Championship entrants, M.G.C.C. (S.-E.), Taunton M.C. and West of England M.C. This 350mile event will start from Marlborough and regs. are available from Miss Anne Colvin, 74 Gt. Russell Street, London, W.C.1, who should have all entries by 14th October. . . Craven M.C. are running their Hawthorn Rally on 8th-9th September over 300 miles from starts near Oxford and Marlborough. The event is open to Southern Central Association Championship entrants, B.A.R.C.. Burnham-on-Sea M.C., Combined U.M.C., Farnborough D.M.C., Godiva C.C., Hants and Berks M.C., Knowldale M.C., London M.C. and Swansea M.C. Regs. from the Secretaries, 19 Redhatch Drive, Earley, Reading. Entries close 3rd September.

## Coming Attractions

1st September. Mid-Cheshire M.C. International Race Meeting, Oulton Park, near Tarporley, Cheshire (F1, S., T.). Starts ${ }^{11.30}$ a.m.
B.R.S.C.C. National Race Meeting, Crystal Palace, Sydenham, London, S.E.19. Starts R. ${ }^{2} \stackrel{p . m}{R .}$
B.A.R.C. Race Meeting, Goodwood, near Chichester, Sussex. Starts 2 p.m.
S.U.N.B.A.C. Race Meeting, Silverstone, near Towcester, Northants.
1st-2na September. Liverpool M.C. Jeans Gold Cup Rally.
2nd September. World Cup Meeting, Zandvoort, Holland (G.T., F.J.).
Nuirburgring 500 Kilometres, Germany (G.T. Class 1).
B.R.S.C.C. Race Meeting, Mallory Park, near Hinckley, Leics. Starts 2.30 p.m. Snetterton M.R.C. Race Meeting, Snetterton, near Thetford, Norfolk. Starts 2.30 p.m. London M.C. Sprint, Brands Hatch, near Farningham, Kent. Starts 12.30 p.m. Mid-Cheshire M.C., B.R.S.C.C., M.G.C.C. and Stockport M.C. Sprint, R.A.F. Wilmslow, Cheshire. Starts 2 p.m.
Morley M.C. Sprint, Pocklington, near
Market Weighton Yorks Market Weighton, Yorks.
Malden and D.M.C. Driving Tests, Croydon Airport, Surrey., Starts 11 a.m.
Austin Apprentices' Association Driving Tests, North Works Car Park, Austin Motor Co.,
Ltd., Longbridge, Birmingham Ltd., Longbridge, Birmingham.

Seven-Fifty M.C. Autocross, Cross-in-Hand,
Sussex. Sussex.
7th-9th September. International Porsche Rally, Monte Carlo.
8th September. B.R.S.C.C. Race Meeting, Castle Combe, near Chippenham, Wills. Jaguar D.C. Race Meeting, Silverstone, near Aintree Circuit C. Race
Aintree Circuit C. Race Meeting, Aintree, B.R.S.C.C. Race Meting, Rufforth. York.
8th-9th September. Craven M.C. Hawthorn Rally. Starts Oxford and Marlborough at 9 p.m.
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Morecambe C.C. Illuminations Rally, Starts Morecambe Promenade, Morecambe, Lancs, at 9 p.m.
Mid-Derbyshire M.C. Speed Trophy Rally.
9th September. Albi Grand Prix, France (F. I.). Bugatti O.C. National Championship HillClimb, Prescott, near Cheltenham, Glos. Starts
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a.m.
Herts C. and Ae.C. Sprint, Brands Hatch, near Farningham, Kent. Starts 1 p.m. Liverpool M.C. Autocross, Hill Farm, Thurstaston, Wirral, Cheshire. Starts 1.30 p.m.

15th-23rd September. Tour de France.
16th September. Italian Grand Prix, Monza (F1, F.J.).

# August Moon Shines 

. . ON AMERICAN D.C. RALLY

He American Drivers Club of Great Britain has actively promoted motor sport in this country for some time now, but the second August Moon Rally, a restricted event run on the night of 25th-26th August probably represents their most ambitious venture to date. And of the 60 competitors, which included an encouraging 38 novices, who thought that they were in for a regularity rally soon had their illusions shattered, for this was a tough, fast affair decided in the Cotswolds by straightforward methods, with the minimum of unmanned controls, and without recourse to pruning.

A sensible run-in led from the start at the Rowstock Corner Garage at Harwell to the "meat" in the Stroud area, where, without further ado competitors were presented with a sequence of one-, one-, nine-, three-, two- and one-minute sections, with the maximum use being made of the closely contoured terrain which, before the war, saw many a struggle to maintain traction in the reliability trials of those days. History repeated itself on the August Moon, and Paul Steiner went so far as to claim the ascent of Nailsworth Ladder, although most other people went the slightly longer way round on the yellow road.
Several crews maintained their clean sheets through this opening stage but then came the downfall of many a fond hope, and the turning point of the whole rally. On the map, $156 / 876021 \frac{1}{2}$ looks like an ordinary crossroad and the route led from north to south over a main road. The only snag was that the required slot was gated, barred and bolted, and those without local knowledge, who were not aware that some 50 yards before the junction a slip-road dives off to the right and passes under the main road, spent many, many minutes in fruitless search for a way round. Needless to say, the alternative route involved a considerable detour, and with this single stroke, clerk of the course Robert Gleason put several crews over time limit. The best performance here was that of the eventual winners, Eddie Goodman and Brian Harvey, who were two adrift, in their Mini.

These two carried this score into supper, taken after 35 manned controls, and their lead was already formidable, next best at this stage being Ron Ambrose/Graeme Lake (Allardette), 11 down, Paul Steiner/Sam Actman (AustinCooper), 12 adrift and David Dawson/ David Lockyear (SAAB), on 14.
Here Dave Harris and Ron McCabe retired their E-type Jaguar with suspected clutch bothers, a wise decision as it turned out, for this beautiful machine would surely not have relished the "rough stuff" in Savernake Forest later on. The forest itself is not sufficiently rugged to warrant the label of car-breaker, but taken in short sharp sections, at a full 30 m.p.h. average, it can play havoc with exhaust systems. The Dawson/Lockyear SAAB is thought to have cleaned this little lot, and Goodman/Harvey lost two
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DURSLEY M.C.

## CASTLE COMBE SPRINT

The Dursley Motor Club held their third annual sprint at Castle Combe recently on a warm and unusually sunny afternoon. They had a very good entry ranging from the Minis to "racers" and the bigger hairy sports car such as Wilson's Lister-Jaguar
The course was exactly a mile in length, starting on a straight, then using Paddock Bend and all the road in front of the paddock and away to the left of the paddock to a point 880 yards from the start where a barrel was placed in the middle of the track and around which the competitors turned. The course then ran back the way it had come to the finish, only on the return. Paddock Bend was known as Camp Corner! Competitors had two runs each.
The main snag to this event was that it rather dragged, it started 45 minutes late, and at 7.30 p.m. there was still one more class to run. I suppose this must be due to having the start and finish line at the same place, because one has to clear the line before the next car can be brought up and this took 40 seconds a time anyway, at the very least. Some very close competition was seen in the classes, perhaps none closer than the rivalry between Dr. Parkes and his son-in dad's E-type-son won!
In the small saloon class, the fastest car was the Mini-Cooper of R. Wilding ( 66.75 secs.), followed by B. B. Jones in 67.0. In the up to 1,600 c.c. saloon class, R. T. Nash in the Simca was the only
competitor of the day to circle the barrel in an anti-clockwise direction! The class was won by A. F. Lefevre's Rapier.
The up to 1,000 c.c. sports cars was mainly Sprites and was won by J. W. Bristow. H. Steele spun his Sprite on Camp Corner on his second run. Up to 1,600 c.c. sports cars saw A. Taylor misjudge the turn at the barrel and he had to reverse. It was the way competitors took this turn that really decided their times, some drivers taking literally some extra 70 yards past the barrel to slow and turn! Later on the Lister-Jaguar had to proceed over 150 yards past the barrel to find a piece of road wide enough to turn-then he had to use the grass as he had very little lock.

The racing cars soon lowered the times, and in particular one must mention the sizzling runs of E . G. Willmott in his Elva. Willmott recorded a time of 53.14 secs. which was B.T.D. Wally Cuff won the class in his Cooper-J.A.P., affectionately known as "Hell's Hammers", in 54.21 secs.
M.E.W.

## Results

B.T.D.: E. G. Willmott (Elva-Ford F.J.), 53.14 s Class Winners: R. Wilding (Mini-Coooper), 66.75 s ; A. Lefevre (Sunbeam Rapier), 65.25 s.; V. J.
 (M.G. Midget), 62.48 s.: M. R. Davies (Lotus Elite), 63.19 s.; R. Fry (Ferrari 205GT Berlinetua): 5. Buncombe (Jaguar (C-type), 62.28 , $5 .{ }^{57.81}$ s. Cuff (Cooper-J.A.P.), 54.21 s s.; K. Wilson (ListerJaguar), 64.00 s .

Proposed racing circuit at Castlesteads Park, Dalkeith, has had to be abandoned owing to difficulty with the landowners. The syndicate is now searching for another site in Scotland.

M. MILNE, one of the promising novices from the M.G. Car Club, at the "barrel" corner.


RON FRY had a Triumph Vitesse as well as his usual mount, a Ferrari 250GT Berlinetta.

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Shelsley Walsh-continued
By this time many soaking spectators had gone home, but those who remained witnessed a terrific tussle for Championship points. One after the other Good, Phillips, Fielding, Owen and Marsh beat each other's times until Westbury slammed up in 39.75 secs. Chris Summers got down to 40.20 secs., but was beaten on the second runs by Owen, who took 39.70 secs. to lead the class. No sooner had Arthur taken the lead than Ray Fielding came to the line; in a perfect run he recorded 39.95 secs. to slip into third place, a position he held for about 45 seconds; Marsh having found his form and clocked 38.48 secs. Peter Westbury then improved to 39.06 secs. to relieve Fielding of second, but on the final run of the day Chris Summers driving completely on the limit and most of the time over it, rushed up into second place with a remarkable 38.94 secs., having twice nearly lost it at the Kennel and the Crossing.

David Good's final run in the B.R.M. was only $2 \frac{1}{2}$ seconds slower than Marsh, which shows well for his chances when he competes at Prescott in a fortnight's time with the Cooper-Climax he has just had completed. This is his Mk. 2 F.J. car, fitted with an ex-Marsh Climax engine in place of the 1100 J.A.P. unit that proved unsuccessful.

The Midland Automobile Club must be congratulated on the smooth running of their meeting under such adverse conditions. The officials were at all times most helpful and seemed to put themselves out to make everybody feel at home.

## Results

B.T.D.: G. Brown (Vincent Spl.), 36.82 s. Second iB.T.D.: P. Boshier-Jones (Lotus-Climax
23): P. Scragg (Lister-Jaguar 3.8), 37.24 s . Third 23); P. Scragg (Lister-Jaguar 3.8), 37.24 s . Third
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## A.C.S.M.C. INTER-CLUB TEAM DRIVING TESTS

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He Sussex Car Club can be congratulated on enhancing the already high reputation they have achieved for this meeting over the past five years. A first class entry had been received, alert marshals were on duty, the tests, though, short and tight, were to competitors' liking and finally, the paper-work was impeccable, including the production of complete results, tabulated, cross-referenced and itemised within half an hour of the finish of the last test. This was most praiseworthy, for the last test was, in fact, test number 1,530 , since there were separate competitions for individual and club team awards, with 24 teams of three and 81 individuals, with everybody having two runs at five tests, all performances to count. Quite a busy day for all concerned.

Individual runs occupied the morning session and straightaway it was noted that Goodwood's surface was going to help the handbrake-turn, a very necessary manoeuvre with such tight tests. Number one was an any-order garage affair, number two was a criss-cross involving two diametrically opposite garages and two intermediate pylons,
while test three was similar but with the garages adjacent. Test four involved a wiggle-woggle with a box-spin and the fifth diagram enlarged on this theme with the box removed but with the 180 degree turn still necessary and with the addition of a second line of wiggle-woggle. Minis were segregated as between 848 c.c. models and Coopers and in the latter group Brian Greaves and Norman Pocock resumed their long-standing battle. Greaves won, but the pair were split by the 848 c.c. model of R. G. Clear, who bettered Greaves's time on no less than six occasions. He was really going.
G. B. Tipple's Anglia scored comfortably in the class for other small saloons and those over 1,000 c.c. were dominated by the Herald of R. J. M. Joseph. In the former category it was good to see L. E. Parks performing in his beautifully kept Singer Junior of 1927 vintage-nor did he finish last in the class.

The Sprites and Midgets, as is customary, comprised a large class, which fought a close battle, ending with the return to form of Doug. Worgan, with Peter Musgrave three and a half seconds away in second place.

Ron Witheyman won the class for sports cars over 1,000 c.c. by the length of the straight, his superiority being confirmed at the rate of some three seconds per itest, showing that a TR4 can be thrown about with the best of them.

As was to be expected, the "Specials" category provided B.T.D., Don Harris being really at the top of his form with 10 fast and accurate runs.

The lteam contest was most interesting and proved a triumph for Sevenoaks \& District M.C., whose consistent and talented team of Ron Gee, Brian Stevens and Mike Bryant set about adding the Esso (Fawley) Trophy to their collection righit from the first test. Their lead was never challenged and they emerged victorious from runners-up Sussex C.C. by an aggregate of nearly 40 seconds. The premier award thus goes to one of the newest member clubs of the association at its first attempt, a custody that will surely be disputed this time next year.

## Results

Class Awards: R. G. Clear (Southsea M.C.), 2.568; B. R. Greaves (Tsie of Wight C.C.), 2,561, Ioseph (Basingstoke C.C.), 3,185; D. H. Worgan (R.A.R.C. (Surrey Centre)), 2,396: R. Witheyman (Guildford M.C.), 2,676; D. M. Harris (East Surrey M.C.), 2,289.
Team Competition: 1, Esso (Fawley) Trophy: Sevenoaks $R_{\text {L D. D.C. Team 23: B. J. Stevens }}$ (Morris Mini), ( 2,607 ), M. Bryant (Morris Mini) $(2,679)$; R. Gee (Sprite) $(2,389), 7,675$.
2, Sussex Car Club Shield: Sussex Car Club $\mathrm{A}^{\prime \cdots}$ L. V. Cruttenden (Cooper-Mini) (2,869); N. R. Pocock (Cooper-Mini) ( 2,584 ); D. West (Sprite) (2,595), 8.048 .
Rest Lady Competitor: Mrs. P. Witheyman (Sprite Mk. II), 2,652.
Best Time of Day: D. M. Harris (D.M.F. Special).

WTe have received this letter, sent to the Bolton-le-Moors Car Club by the R.A.C. Competitions Department, and have pleasure in publishing it as an encouragement to other rally organizers.

TTHE observers' report on the Bolton Rally is now to hand and I felt that I must write and conoratulate you on the organization in general, particularly in your successful efforts not only to avoid annoying local residents but even apparently to get them on your side. This shows that rallies need not leave a trail of destruction.
C. R. Whitcroft,

Asst. Manager, Competitions Dept.

# NORTH WALES RALLY 

## Nine Clean Sheets in B.A.R.C. Event-A Fine Win for

## Dennis Pollard/Tony Baines (Sunbeam Rapier)

THe North Wales Rally, organized by the B.A.R.C. North-Western Centre, has been known for several years now as a perfectly straightforward event. Run this year on Maps 117 and 108 and counting towards the B.T.R.D.A. Silver Star and other championships it attracted an entry of 84 crews, featuring most of the regular "circus" members who are not away on the Liège, and many of the up-and-coming "new bloods".
A large crowd of interested spectators watched the cars starting from a garage on the B4381 just outside Welshpool.


Miss Pat Walker, winner of the Ladies' Award, leaves the control at the start of the Hirnant in her TR4. She went very well, dropping only four minutes.

Last year's winner, Don Grimshaw/ Ted Rowland (Austin-Healey 3000), having been given plenty of time to plot the 85 map references which made up the night's route ( 75 per cent. white roads), were the first away, followed by Tony Fisher/Brian Melia (AustinCooper) and Brian Harper/Ron Crellin (Sebring Sprite) and the rest of the "Saturday night and Sunday morning" folk.

The first control was also the start of the special stage, which was later to decide the first 12 positions and was on the interesting white roads over Belan, finishing near Trefnant Hall. Many crews put up very fast times, the exworks Rapier of Pollard/Baines going especially well. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor had the misfortune to spin their AustinCooper, costing them what were to prove valuable seconds. From here the route followed mainly good, white roads, through Cross Lane and Castle Fluke to New Mills, then up the interesting and testing maze of Ty-Brith to the ford at $117 / 086034$, where the road junction is not quite as shown on the map. Here Tom Paton/Jim Bryden (Morris-Cooper) on another of their week-end excursions from Scotland, wrong-slotted and dropped five minutes and another crew, Ian Har-
wood/David Hughes (Riley 1.5), got stuck in thick mud for 20 minutes, until a kindly passing farmer helped to tow them out
On the tight road around Llanfihangel many crews lost time, especially the hairy section from Dolanog (060136) to Melindwr (044157) which cost such crews as Phil Simister/Dave Ralphs (Anglia 105E) and Pete Astbury/John Brown (Vitesse) their clean sheets. Hydraulic system failure gave Brian Hadfield (Anglia 105) a nasty moment and forced his retirement (yet another of the "clean brigade" gone). Then came a new section of road over Craig GarthBwlch ( 013177 to 023187 ) which caused most navigators to change from the usual "turn left or turn right" to the old letout of "follow the road, man, follow the road"! From here the route was an easier, but fast, run up the northern side of Lake Vyrnwy followed by that scintillating section over the Hirnant, which calls for rather enterprising drivin, if you are trying to hold on to a clean sheet. It must have been even more interesting in the Classic-engined Anglia of John Whitehead/David Stone as the disc brakes were sounding that painful metal-to-metal noise, requiring a quick change of pads at the petrol halt in Bala.
As the cars refuelled the Clerk of the Course, Graham Irving, and chief marshal Ian Hall appeared rather dismayed about the remaining 12 or so clean sheets, as they rather doubted if the second half would do much to reduce this number.
From Bala an easy main road run led up to Druid on the A5 and a change of map to sheet 108. Then came a hectic session of short, fast sections around Maerdy, Ty-Nant and Bryn-Glas. Here Tom Paton lost more time, to-

## HARROW C.C.

## DRIVING TESTS

$\mathrm{H}^{\mathrm{E}}$Eld at the American Drivers' Club Denham venue, the Harrow Car Club's annual invitation event, open to members of eight clubs, attracted 37 competitors, one of whom had entered two cars. This was Norman Tyler, who has now constructed his own driving-test special. On its first outing at Denham, he took B.T.D., beating himself in his old trials car by a substantial margin and proving that he can build 'em as well as drive 'em. Unfortunately, there were no other contenders in the specials class.
Winner of his class and in second place overall was Ron Gee who, with his wellknown blue Sprite, has found remarkably consistent top-grade form this year, and is now in a position to tackle the best test drivers in the country. In third place overall was the writer, followed by M. Amos, both Sprite-mounted. A class for 848 c.c. Minis was contested by nine entries, with J. Mears coming out on top. Alan Piggott, also driving in this class, was off form, for him, and ended up in third place. In the next size up, Ted Cowell's Herald saloon beat Brian Cul-
gether with Douglas Ray/Roger Irwin (TR4) and Claude Twigden/Les Chilvers (Sprite II). Mrs. Pam Haggie, making a most welcome return to the "rally biz", in her Anglia, also lost marks in this area and the wonderful run of Miss Pat Walker/Mrs. Elma Lewsey (TR4) was also spoilt, but dropping only four minutes on this hard, fast event is pretty good for any crew on only their second rally in Wales. At a noise check in this area the only vehicles which gave cause for alarm were two oil tankers passing on the A5 (which should prove something!) with a reading of over 95 decibels. On around the Clocaenog Forest the hectic pace continued and only careless marshalling allowed most of the remaining clean sheets to pass unsullied. Then down to the yellow road through Ty-Nant (120438) where both Reg McBridge/Don Barrow (Anglia 109) and Don Grimshaw had slight delays with minor mechanical troubles.

Approaching the mountain road over Llantysilio many crews overshot the hairpin junction. This section over to Bryneglwys was the concluding stage and a final thrash caused many an anxious moment as the road loops and twists like a scenic railway, not to mention a loose surface and a pond which has had many a surprised visitor. From here it was an easy main road run back to the finish and breakfast at Woodlands Hall near Ruthin, with all competitors able to finish the 160 -mile route as dawn broke. Following breakfast the results were quickly announced, no protests were thought of, and all the award winners loudly applauded.

Ted Rowland.

## Results

1, D. E. Pollard/T. Baines (Rapier), clean sheet; 2, G. Allen/B. Hughes (Austin-Cooper), clean 3, R. McBride/D. Barrow (Anglia 109), clean; 4, A. T. Fisher/B. Melia (Austin-Cooper), clean; 5, B. Harper/R. Crellin (Sebring Sprite), clean; 6, D. G. Grimshaw/T. E. Rowland (Healey 3000), clean; 7, J. B. Whitehead/D. Stone (Anglia 109), clean; 8, A. Taylor/Mrs. Taylor (Austin-Cooper), clean; 9, J. N. Rhodes/K. Barraclough (M.G.A. 1600), clean; 10, D. H. Ray/R. Irwin (TR4), 10 marks lost. Ladies' Award: Miss Pat Walker/Mrs. E. ensey (Anglia). Team Award: Knowldale C.C Allen and McBride.
cheth's Gordini Dauphine by 11 secs., there being no other strong opposition in this class. The only $1 \frac{1}{2}$-litre saloon present was handled by Bert Shirley, who makes the best of his Riley 1.5 and was disappointed by the total lack of competition. Maurice Bishop's TR4 was much too fast for the other three cars in his class and was the only one to spinturn successfully.
There were six entries in the MiniCooper class, with A. Hallpike emerging with an eight-second lead over D. Sillence.

A minor incident occurred during the first few tests, when Norman Tyler's "old" special gently fell on its side while engaged in a spin-turn. When asked after the meeting what he was going to do with this car now that his new one had proved itself, he replied briefly, "Flog it." Sam Actman.

## Provisional Results

Class A: 1, J. Mears (Mini), 161.24 s.; 2, R Chisholm (Mini), $164.61 \mathrm{~s} . ; 3$, A. Piggott (Mini) 167 s . Class B: 1, A. Cowell (Herald), 168.17 s .; 2, B. Culcheth (Dauphine), 179.01 s . Class C: A. Shiriey (Riley 1.5), 192.66 s . Class D: 1, R. Gee (Sprite), $150.08 \mathrm{~s} . ; 2$, S. Actman (Sprite), 152.99 s Class E: M. Bishop (TR4), 164.66 s. Class F: N Tyler (Tyler), 146.33 s. Class G: 1, A. Hallpike (Cooper-Mini), $156.48 \mathrm{~s} ;$ 2, D. Sillence (Cooper
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