

COMPETITION SECRETARY'S REPORT TO AGM 2015

A good season in all areas and events. The MTWC Challenge has finished at the Club Sprint.

The Racing Class has become the largest group. TM class has shrunk and there have been very few Standard Class cars competing except at Curborough. Several new competitors have joined although we have lost a couple of regular competitors from Road Races.

BHR events:

Mallory Park - MTWC Challenge Round 1

11 entrants. A cold windy meeting.

Darley Moor - MTWC Challenge Round 5

12 entrants. A lovely weekend. BHR gave us a Morgan only grid which allowed 5 Speeders to compete, which 2 did. They proved very popular with spectators.

There have been Morgans at most BHR Road races in the B3 Class with successes throughout the season by Bill Tuer and Greg Bibby.

Loton Park

MTWC Challenge Round 2

19 entrants. An excellent meeting. Hamish Bibby set a new record of 64.16 seconds.

Prescott

MTWC Challenge Round 3

19 entrants. A good meeting but there are problems with noise from the JAPs which we need to address.

VSCC Cadwell

MTWC Challenge Round 4

13 entrants. A good meeting coloured by the accident on the first lap. Fortunately both driver and passenger were fine.

There have been Morgans at most VSCC events this season with success in many of them by Sue Darbyshire.

MTWC Curborough

MTWC Challenge Round 6

61 Entrants. Trials of a reduced entry fee for shared entries encouraged more club members. Many passengers had an entry and this appears to have encouraged them to enter next year. A success as the predicted wet weather did not arrive until late afternoon. Saturday night BBQ was very successful.

Events Abroad

Manx Classic. 3 Morgans took part with Ewan Cameron being the most successful with a class win and 2nd FTD.

Zandvoort. An excellent meeting consisting of 2 races at the HARC Historic made possible by substantial financial support from HARC and the support of MSCCH. Much appreciated by the Dutch spectators and our competitors.

Kerenzerberg Revival Switzerland. 2 Morgans entered this first time running of the event with one taking the fastest pre-war car title.

Etretat Hill Climb. 2nd place taken by Sue Darbyshire.

Copenhagen Grand Prix. 3rd place taken by Iain Stewart.

Finances

Financially it has been a stable season thanks to the support from the Club without which we could not purchase a grid at a prestigious VSCC meeting. Zandvoort was heavily supported by HARC and the cost of circuit time for Road Race has increased beyond the capabilities of a small group of competitors like ours; even much larger clubs such as the VSCC are struggling financially as competitors are priced out and grid numbers fall. The reasons for this are complex but the growth in corporate track days is certainly a factor. We are fortunate that our competitor numbers have remained stable with those leaving balanced by new members coming in. Curborough circuit costs increased and an increase in the number of classes cost more in prizes. We were lucky enough to have the programmes printed FOC which offset a small part of this.

Finally. A grateful "Thank You" from the competitors to all the club members who have contributed to the sporting scene in any way whatsoever.

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