

## Competition News – April 2026

VSCC Silverstone – 11 April

Report by Fin Cameron

A very damp morning at Silverstone kickstarted the VSCC's 2026 racing season with the usual suspects waving the Morgan flag.

Sue Darbyshire was 2nd fastest in the "ODM" qualifying session boasting a slick time of 1:29.607 with Simon Blakeney-Edwards' Frazer Nash hot on her heels.

Oliver Tomlin's gorgeous lavender 3 Speeder joined Fergus Cameron and I in the "Specials" qualifying session in which I briefly suffered from some minor fuel problems prompting me to spend the first 5 minutes in the pits as Hamish Cameron-Eveleigh and Jack Bond frantically threw tools at my float bowls. Oliver put down a very respectable time of 1:31.590 sticking him on the 5th row of grid for the race. After solving my fuel problems, I just managed to pip him with a 1:30.064 moments before my gearbox sprocket nut conveniently overtook me and left me stranded half way down the pit lane. But... Circuit racing virgin Fergus Cameron, behind the wheel of the 1500cc 2 Speeder, blew us all into the weeds with an absolutely epic lap time of 1:25.992, leaving us all in disbelief. This landed him on the 1st row of the grid for the specials race for his first ever standing start.

As we moved into the afternoon, the sun broke through the grey clouds and began to dry out the track, much to the dismay of the Morgan drivers. As well as running the VSCC library's book sale, Sue had an awesome race in the beautifully presented black car. skilfully battling against Simon Blakeney-Edwards' Nash for the 2nd spot on the podium until Max Sowerbey's Talbot Lago squeezed past them both into 2nd place. Unfortunately, the Frazer Nash prevailed in the battle of the chain drive cars as Sue was suffering from brake fade, just pushing her into 4th place. However, Sue managed a whopping time of 1:20.646 which was a second quicker than the Frazer Nash, a mega result.

Next up was the Specials race in which Oliver Tomlin had a chaotic start, avoiding being swallowed whole by the massive Bentley 3/4.5L's of Hugh

Apthorp and Matt Moore. Oliver managed to finish in 5th place, a personal best for him with a 1:24.701. Nicely done.

The Cameron Morgans were less successful. Fergus had a great start, leaving a tactical smoke screen for all the cars behind him as he left the line. Unfortunately, his run was short lived as one of his exhaust pipes fell off on his second lap, forcing him to retire, postponing our sibling rivalry. I managed to get to the line. The 5 second board went out. I sat waiting for the lights to go out and mashed the pedal as they changed. The pedal went straight to floor as the throttle cable nipple popped off. I calmly put on my hazard lights (frantically waved my arms above my head) to warn everyone behind me that I was unfortunately, not going anywhere. As I watched the grid disappear round Copse, I quickly jumped out and pushed the car into the pits where we managed to bodge the cable back together using a screw-on nipple. With 4 minutes left on the clock, I floored it out of the pits, leaving a black line behind me. I managed to find the beastly Bentley of Clive Morley and pestered him for the remaining 2 laps of the race. Miraculously, I managed a 1:18.610 which was 4 seconds quicker than the Frazer Nash of Jo Blakeney-Edwards, balancing the scales between Nashs and Morgans once again.

Side note, not Morgan related, but JAP related...Ewan Cameron put in an epic performance in his MK6 Cooper Twin in the "Pre-66" race, it was the oldest car on the grid, up against 60's GP cars. Might not have been the most competitive car on the grid but it was certainly the coolest (and loudest). Absolutely brilliant.

Not the best conditions for us Morgans, but a monumental effort from all the drivers.

Next circuit race on the VSCC calendar is Donington, Stay tuned...



Fin Cameron nearly swallowed by a Bentley



Sue Darbyshire battling brake fade to 4th place in the Owner Driver Mechanic race



Fergus Cameron in the 1500cc JTOR stays ahead of Oliver Tomlin



Oliver Tomlin with a multi-coloured helme

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## Sweeps the Board

**Three-Wheelers at Curborough  
6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> June 2026**



**Saturday:** inspired by the book, a range of specially selected historic Morgans, replicas and specials chosen for their competition history from the past up to 1975. Already invited are 40+ cars including OM4000 and 'Yellow' already invited but there must be many more... If your car could be part of this display then please contact:

Tony Quinn (01275 854789) or email [mtwc.curborough@yahoo.com](mailto:mtwc.curborough@yahoo.com)

This is a free event for MTWC members so please come along to see these incredible cars on display, parading around the race track at Curborough! And why not do the celebratory run visiting nearby historical motoring venues? (E-mail: [mstbtour@yahoo.com](mailto:mstbtour@yahoo.com))

**Sunday:** The Morgan Three Wheeler Club Sprint. The annual event and this year we hope many of you will join us either as participants or spectators. Young and old alike, why not have a go? For regs and entry forms contact:

Lesley Reaney (01332 605157 or 07460808909) or email [lesleyreaney@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:lesleyreaney@hotmail.co.uk)

Sprint entry fee: £90. Sprint entry fee for under 30 and first timers: £45. **Spectators FREE**

Free camping for club members Friday and Saturday nights (with toilet facilities).

**Event marshals wanted - volunteers needed to help on the day.  
Please contact Lesley above.**

## Competition Calendar

The next ACU events are:

Sat/Sun 2 & 3 May – Oliver's Mount hillclimb – enter via  
oliversmount.com

Sat 9 May – 500 Owners Association Wiscombe Park hillclimb – enter via  
500race.org

Sat/Sun 16 & 17 May – BHR Cadwell Park circuit – enter via  
britishhistoricracing.co.uk

**Sat/Sun 6 & 7 June – MTWC Curborough special event & twisty sprint –**  
regs and entry forms on the club website

Sat/Sun 13 & 14 June – BHR Pembury circuit – enter via  
britishhistoricracing.co.uk

Sat 27 June – Westmorland MC Barbon Manor hillclimb – regs don't  
seem to be available as yet

**Sat 4 July – NHCA Shelsley Walsh hillclimb** – see nhca.co.uk for regs and  
entry forms

Sat 18 July – NHCA Loton Park hillclimb – as above

**Sat/Sun 18 & 19 July – BHR Darley Moor circuit** – enter via  
britishhistoricracing.co.uk

Note: Events in bold are Morgan Three Wheeler Club Challenge Series  
rounds.

The next VSCC MS(UK) events are:

Sun 3 May – Curborough twisty sprint

Sun 10 May – Wiscombe Park hillclimb

Sun 25 May – Donington Park circuit

Sat 20 June – Cadwell Park circuit – mixed race 500s and Morgans

Sun 5 July – Shelsley Walsh hillclimb

Sun & 19 July – Loton Park hillclimb

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