

NEWSLETTER

5 September 2002

Snetterton

A fantastic race – well done everybody for putting on such a superb spectacle for the crowds and a particular pat on the back to Barry (of course!), John and Luc. All three of you deserved the win and it was good to see Luc picking up the Minister Driver of the Day prize.

There were some great battles down the order, too, and the best thing was that the race was so clean, too. Carry on like this and you'll be doing our clerk of the course out of a job!

Well done to Mark Owen for his very encouraging debut in the championship. Hope to see you back soon, Mark.

Some of you have asked about TV from Snetterton; afraid this wasn't one of the rounds scheduled for transmission...

Those of you who left your licences at the track should now have received them via the post. Please remember, if you're going to need your licence within a few days of the race, it is quicker and easier all round to pick it up from race control before you leave the track.

Scrutineering

I hope you all met and welcomed our new championship scrutineer at Snetterton. Andy Billett and his son Mike have been doing a sterling job with the Roadsports this year and have kindly agreed to step in to help us with Superlights for the remainder of the season.

If any teams wish to contact Andy for advice, his mobile number is 07774 178381 and email address billett@sabre72.freemove.co.uk

Thruxton

Provisional timings for the Thruxton weekend are qualifying 1650 Saturday and race 1515 Sunday.

When you receive your final instructions, please make a very careful note of your signing-on time and endeavour to meet it. Following Snetterton, where two drivers turned up two hours late for signing on (without any forewarning) I cannot guarantee the BRDC officials will view similar lapses at Thruxton with their usual good humour. They would be perfectly entitled to turn you away...

If you think you may be late for any reason, please give us plenty of advance warning.

Caterham Festival

A reminder that you need to get your entries for Brands Hatch in to this office ASAP...

There is testing available on the Thursday (call Brands to book) and the Friday morning (call Entreprix on 01379 890703).

A disco is being laid on in the Kentagon on the Saturday evening, which I'm sure will be a lot of fun.

Technical matters

Engine wiring looms: the Caterham technical department asks us to remind teams that these should be considered a consumable part with limited life and that they should be changed at the start of each new season or at least every 10th time the engine is removed from the chassis. Caterham has plentiful stocks of the looms. **Regulations reminder:** 5.7.2: "It is strictly forbidden for a competitor to modify, remove or substitute any component or part of the engine or any of its ancillaries..." For example, the oil pressure pump.

Dinner & dance

The Caterham Motorsport awards evening, dinner and dance is at the Copthorne Effingham Park near Gatwick, Surrey on 9 November.

Tickets are £45 a head including dinner, dancing and a live band. Call 01883 333700 to book or email sales@caterham.co.uk

Karting challenge

The 2002 Caterham Graduates Karting Challenge will take place on the afternoon of the awards evening, 9 November, between 1-5pm at Crawley kart track.

There will be teams from all the Caterham championships, and we're looking for a Superlight squad comprising a captain and up to six extra drivers.

Team entry fee is £181; anybody interested in forming and captaining the team should contact Nick Frost on 07768 540 848 or email nickfrost@nickfrost.plus.com

Winter races

The BRSCC is organizing a variety of winter events and races for which Caterham Superlights are eligible.

They will take place at Snetterton on 10 November and Brands Hatch on

17 November. If you are interested, please contact the BRSCC direct on 01732 848884.

Oulton Park race

John Ward of the BRSCC has made a formal request to the BRDC on your behalf for a refund of entry fees. We shall bring you the response as soon as we have one...

On the subject of whether the race results should stand or not, John tells us that he has had a letter from only one driver requesting that it should be struck.

John tells us: "The race happened and was finished by the chequered flag... As far as the MSA regulations and championship regulations are concerned it will count as a full race in terms of the championship. I cannot put the matter to the hands of the championship stewards on this basis."

See you at Thruxton...

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