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# B.A.R.C

## Hill-climb

## championship

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The next two rounds of the Championship will be at Gurston Down on July 25th. and Pontypool on August 1st. Regulations for Gurston are enclosed with this bulletin to all competitors who have not already had these direct from the S.W.Centre whilst regs for Pontypool are enclosed for all Competitors. Please note that the Gurston entry list will close on 12th. July.

Harewood last week end attracted support from all the Championship top placemen and looked set to be produce some very fast times as the track was in prime condition. Unfortunately a heavy shower about half way through the second runs spoilt some people's chances and made the Championship Runs into a bit of a farce as no one managed to improve on their earlier runs. As a result Mervyn Bartram still heads the table although Richard Jones is now breathing down his kneck only 0.16 behind. Chris Seaman and Richard Speak now share third spot with five events whilst Mervyn & Richard have amassed their points over six rounds.

There is one more new entry, surely the last, for the Championship:-

J. (Joe) Ward, 1, Roxby Road, Thornton-le-Dale, Pickering, Yorks.  
Wardford Mk.4, 1598c.c., Class 13.

Also we have a couple of changes of address for Championship entrants. Firstly Miss Trisa Uren is now Mrs. Trisha Green and now lives at 39, Deepfield Way, Coulsdon Woods, Coulsdon, Surrey - congratulations Trisha we all wish you every happiness. Secondly, Steven Roberts has been living in Leeds but now moves back to his home address - "Gleneden", Chapel Lane, Old Sodbury, Bristol, Glos.

One error in the previously published marking has come to light. At the third round at Harewood on 25th. April Richard Evans running in Class 14 was marked on the Class 13 bogey. Sorry Richard but this drops your score after the Gurston round on May 23rd. to 12.47

Moving on now to the vexed question of Lights and the R.A.C. Vehicle Regulations. You will remember that in the last Bulletin I had applied on behalf of all hill climb competitors for easing of Vehicle Regulation AA 3 (d) and following upon this meetings were held at Belgrave Square. I was advised by phone after these meetings that it had been decided to amend the Vehicle Regulations as from 1st. August so that the only lights required (unless the A.S.Rs called for more as in Classes 1,2,3,6,7 &8) would be **tail** and brake lights. This did look to be a good step in the direction we would all like to see but unfortunately the R.A.C.'s Chief Eligibility Scrutineer has raised some query and publication has been delayed. In the meantime a ruling has been issued from the R.A.C. that cars complying with F.I.A. group 7 may run with only **brake lights**.

This is part way along the way but until the full relaxation is published I am afraid that cars in Classes 4 & 5, 9 & 10 will all have to carry full lights as well as competitors in Classes 1,2,3,4,5,6,7 & 8.

A couple of other queries have arisen with respect to different cars. Firstly Trevor Smith has enquired why his Lotus 47 with F.V.A. engine is in the G.T. & Sports Racing category when the Modsports Classes admit lightweight Lotus Elans, Lightweight "E" Types, etc. I think Trevor has missed the boat here in his thinking. The lightweight competition versions of the Elan and the "E" were introduced as track versions of established road production vehicles. In the case of the Lotus 47 this was in production as an out and out competition vehicle and the Europa was later introduced as a road car based upon, but very different to, the 47. I would suggest that had Trevor's car started life as a Europa and had been lightened and fitted with an F.V.A. it would have been eligible for Class 10 but once a 47 always a 47.

The second query concerned Chris Cramer's new Terrapin Mk.5 Sports/Racer which made it's first appearance at Harewood. A number of competitors were taken aback at the appearance of this car which, at first glance, looks rather like a single-seater Terrapin. In order to settle these doubts it was arranged that the Scrutineers should run a very close check on the eligibility of this vehicle as a Sports/Racing Car and they passed it with a clean bill of health as sticking exactly to the R.A.C. Vehicle Regulations subject to the current anomalies which surround AA 3 (d).

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Moving on now to actual Championship matters it is with very great regret that I have to tell you that it has been necessary to cancel the round to be held at Scammonden on September 19th. This is due to the road surfacing not being completed in time, the cause being the powers that be deciding to seek fresh tenders for the work. Scammonden will however be ready for 1972. To fill the gap another round is necessary and this will be held at Harewood on Saturday 11th. September 1971. This will be a closed meeting eligible only to entrants in the Championship and with an entry limit of about 70. There will be practice in the morning and the event will start at around 1.30p.m. Competing in the special event will also count as practice for the National meeting at Harewood on Sunday 12th. September. I am sorry about this change in the qualifying rounds but the Scammonden surfacing has been dragging on looking as though it were going to be settled any time, in fact regulations for a meeting there on July 3rd. were actually issued.

Present positions in the Championship after six rounds are:-

| Posn | Name             | Car                   | Events | Marks | Hometown          | Class |
|------|------------------|-----------------------|--------|-------|-------------------|-------|
| 1    | Mervyn Bartram   | Moss Chevron B2       | 6      | 45.20 | York              | 13    |
| 2    | Richard Jones    | Mallock U.2 Ford      | 6      | 45.04 | Birmingham        | 13    |
| =3   | Chris Seaman     | M.G.Midget            | 5      | 43.84 | Sheffield         | 6     |
|      | Robert Speak     | Ford Escort           | 5      | 43.84 | Blackburn         | 1     |
| 5    | Chris Cramer     | ( B.L.Cooper S        | 5      | 42.16 | Stroud            | 5     |
|      |                  | ( Terrapin Mk.5 S/R   |        |       |                   | 14    |
| 6    | Frank Aston      | ( Landar R.7 B.L.     | 6      | 41.78 | Shrewsbury        | 12    |
|      |                  | ( Chevron B.8 B.M.W.  |        |       |                   | 15    |
| 7    | Trevor Smith     | Lotus 47 FVA          | 6      | 41.22 | Stanley, Co.Durhm | 14    |
| 8    | Nicky Porter     | B.L. Cooper S         | 5      | 40.24 | West Auckland     | 3     |
| 9    | Spotty Smith     | T.V.R.Tuscan          | 5      | 36.82 | Jump, Barnsley    | 8     |
| 10   | Mike Flather     | B.L.Cooper S          | 5      | 36.70 | Droitwich         | 3     |
| 11   | Jim Thomson      | Vauxhall Viva GT      | 4      | 35.88 | Otley             | 2     |
| 12   | Jim Robinson     | Mallock U.2 Ford      | 5      | 34.87 | Loughborough      | 13    |
| 13   | John Pascoe      | B.L.Cooper S          | 5      | 29.17 | Blackwood, Mon    | 3     |
| 14   | Richard White    | ( Ford Cortina GT     | 5      | 28.70 | Colne             | 2     |
|      |                  | ( Ford Escort Mexico  |        |       |                   | 2     |
| 15   | Graham Brooks    | Ford Escort GT        | 4      | 28.33 | Oswaldtwistle     | 1     |
| 16   | Alex Boyle       | B.L.Cooper S          | 5      | 27.72 | London N.W.6      | 3     |
| 17   | John Meredith    | B.L.Mini              | 4      | 25.56 | Cheddington,Bucks | 1     |
| 18   | Edward Spencer   | B.L.Cooper S          | 5      | 23.42 | Leeds             | 5     |
| 19   | John Davies      | B.L.Cooper S          | 4      | 22.47 | Broadway          | 5     |
| 20   | Peter Voigt      | Ginetta G17B Imp      | 3      | 21.83 | Haywards Heath    | 3     |
| 21   | Richard Thwaites | Packmail McLaren Chev | 4      | 21.59 | Dewsbury          | 18    |
| 22   | Tony Lambert     | Ginetta G.4 Ford      |        | 21.25 | Solihull          | 14    |

  

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|------|--------------------|-------|------|----------------------|-------|------|----------------------|-------|
| 23   | Scott Robinson     | 21.23 | 54   | Dr.Roger Willoughby  | 7.57  | 85   | Mrs.Terry Dunn       | 3.02  |
| 24   | David Hepworth     | 20.68 | 55   | Fred Cliffe          | 7.36  | 86   | Peter Davey          | 2.98  |
| 25   | Mike Allan         | 18.98 | 56   | Ian Harper           | 7.13  | 87   | Stuart Hibbard       | 2.94  |
| 26   | Alex Jackson       | 28.86 | 57   | Joe Ward             | 6.89  | 88   | David Smith          | 2.89  |
| 27   | John Barratt       | 18.73 | 58   | John Walker          | 6.64  | 89   | Howard White         | 2.84  |
| 28   | Richard Evans      | 18.70 | 59   | Ray Payne            | 6.33  | 90   | Steven Roberts       | 2.84  |
| 29   | Clive Harrison     | 18.22 | 60   | Phil Darbyshire      | 6.05  | 91   | Francis Ferris       | 2.81  |
| 30   | John Hawley        | 17.48 | 61   | David Phillips       | 5.98  | 92   | Roy Light            | 2.68  |
| 31   | Jim Thomson        | 16.90 | 62   | Tom Elton            | 5.91  | 93   | Graham Ashley Smith  | 2.60  |
| 32   | Peter Beadman      | 16.03 | 63   | Don Robinson         | 5.58  | 94   | Mike Crossfield      | 2.50  |
| 33   | Bob Cartledge      | 15.48 | 64   | Peter Dolan          | 5.51  | 95   | Raymond Payne        | 2.39  |
| 34   | David Morris       | 15.46 | 65   | Tony Brown (Edgewth) | 5.40  | 96   | Barry Spinks         | 2.33  |
| 35   | Keith Hardy        | 15.26 | 66   | Mrs.Trisha Green     | 5.25  | 97   | Richard Hudson-Evans | 2.26  |
| 36   | Brian Alexander    | 14.96 | 67   | Robbie Roberts       | 5.06  | 98   | Jonathan Lawton      | 2.20  |
| 37   | Miss Pat Hopkinson | 14.85 | 68   | Rees Gilcrist        | 4.98  | 99   | John Frampton        | 2.05  |
| 38   | David Franklin     | 14.10 | 69   | Philip Gill          | 4.84  | 100  | John Weil            | 2.02  |
| 39   | Peter Varley       | 14.04 | 70   | Spencer Elton        | 4.70  | 101  | Tony Brown (Sheff)   | 1.98  |
| 40   | Gordon Brookes     | 13.82 | 71   | Bobby Fryers         | 4.64  | 102  | Keith Perks          | 1.96  |
| 41   | Mike Thomas        | 13.16 | 72   | Bevil Harrison       | 4.51  | 103  | Jacky Jackson Mrs    | 1.90  |
| 42   | Mike Beckett       | 13.13 | 73   | Leslie Stone         | 4.32  | 104  | David Wilson         | 1.56  |
| 43   | Henry Blackledge   | 13.01 | 74   | Donald McWhannell    | 4.21  | 105  | Tom Pascoe           | 1.40  |
| 44   | Jeff Hill          | 12.21 | 75   | George Tatham        | 4.16  | 106  | Alan Workman         | 1.12  |
| 45   | Allan Staniforth   | 11.36 | 76   | Peter Dawkins        | 3.86  | 107  | Bill Morris          | 0.94  |
| 46   | Keith Merryfield   | 11.16 | 77   | Steve Grainger       | 3.80  | 108  | Paul Hargreaves      | 0.84  |
| 47   | Tim Hayton         | 10.45 | 78   | Dave Abram           | 3.67  | 109  | Tom Smith            | 0.80  |
| 48   | Brian Preston      | 10.26 | 79   | Bob Bingley          | 3.64  | 110  | Ian Beardsley        | 0.61  |
| 49   | John McCartney     | 9.83  | 80   | Colin Barrow         | 3.53  | 111  | Graham Masters       | 0.49  |
| 50   | Basil Dagge        | 9.44  | 81   | John Hollingsworth   | 3.42  | 112  | Mike Chenery         | 0.48  |
| 51   | Bob Prest          | 9.26  | 82   | George Valente       | 3.35  | 113  | John Buck            | 0.32  |
| 52   | Peter Ripley       | 9.05  | 83   | Peter Fisk           | 3.19  | 114  | Dave Marfell         | 0.27  |
| 53   | Chippy Stross      | 8.53  | 84   | Peter Kirwan         | 3.11  | 115  | Maurice Groombridge  | 0.26  |