

Entry List 5.6.68

"THE ONE MILE SPRINT"

Sunday, 25th August, 1968

AT ELVINGTON AIRFIELD, YORK

(By kind permission of Group Captain J. Lewis)



From 1960 up to 1966 we held an annual "Drag Sprint" which whilst by no means an exciting form of competition, did give our members some figures about their car performance potential which were not available elsewhere.

The first event was held at Riccall over 440 and 880 yards on a rather rough runway and was marked by the first effective appearance of the Dragster built by the late Sidney Allard, a supreme motor sport enthusiast who more to establish straight line sprinting in Britain than anyone else.

Last year the series was broken due to the non-availability of a suitable venue but for 1968 we have been fortunate to come up with the use of the fantastic runway at R.A.F. Elvington — almost 3 miles long, 100 yards wide and, if anyone cares, 6 feet thick.

With a site of this character available we felt that we would put on an event which we believe to be unique in this country, and one which will suit many of our regular competitor's cars more than a 440 yard "Drag" so the "One Mile Sprint" was born.

For this event cars will run side by side in pairs and on each run times for the $\frac{1}{4}$ mile and 1 mile will be recorded together with the flying speed at the end of the mile. The limiting factor will be how fast the results teams can keep up with the recording of all these times.

After two runs of this type, all cars will be grouped into sixteens irrespective of class and a series of knock-out eliminations will be run off.

ADDITIONAL SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

To be read in conjunction with the R.A.C. Standing Supplementary Regulations (1968 Edition)

1. ANNOUNCEMENT

The British Automobile Racing Club Ltd., (Yorkshire Centre) will promote the first "One Mile Sprint" on Sunday 25th August, 1968.

2. STATUS

A Closed Competitions governed by the Standing Supplementary Regulations of the Royal Automobile Club (1968 Edition) and the Additional Supplementary Regulations herewith. Held under R.A.C. Permit No. RS/4612.

3. ELIGIBILITY (S.S.R. P.20 Modified)

"The One Mile Sprint" will be open to all registered competition members of the British Automobile Racing Club Ltd. who possess a current Restricted, National or International Competition Licence.

All competitors must wear crash helmets which bear the stamp of the British Standards Institute and comply with either B.S. 1869 or B.S. 2495 or which carry the equivalent mark of some other National Standards Institute. All crash helmets must provide protection for the temples.

4. COURSE

The One Mile Sprint will start at 1-00 p.m. at the Northern end of the Runway at Elvington R.A.F. Station near York. 97/678488.

The course will be a smooth, level runway using measured distances of 1 mile, 440 yards and 146 ft. 8 ins.

5. CLASSES (S.S.R.'s P.32 Modified)

Competitors will be divided into the following classes:-

Touring Cars

- Class 1. — Touring Cars up to 1,300 c.c.
- Class 2. — Touring Cars 1,301 c.c. and over.
- Class 3. — Touring Cars Special Series.
- Class 4. — Touring Cars "Formule Libre".

Marque "Y" Sports Cars

- Class 5. — "Marque Y" Sports Cars up to 1,300 c.c.
- Class 6. — "Marque Y" Sports Cars 1,301 to 2,200 c.c.
- Class 7. — "Marque Y" Sports Cars 2,201 c.c. and over.

Special Grand Touring Cars

- Class 8. — Special G.T. Cars up to 1,300 c.c.
- Class 9. — Special G.T. Cars, 1,301 c.c. and over.

Sports/Racing Cars

- Class 10. — Sports/Racing Cars up to 1,300 c.c.
- Class 11. — Sports/Racing Cars 1,301 to 1,600 c.c.
- Class 12. — Sports/Racing Cars Front Engine, Rear Wheel Drive 1,601 c.c. and over.
- Class 13. — Sports/Racing Cars Rear Engine or Four Wheel Drive 1,601 c.c. and over.

Racing Cars

- Class 14. — Racing Cars up to 1,150 c.c.
Class 15. — Racing Cars 1,151 to 1,600 c.c.
Class 16. — Racing Cars 1,601 c.c. and over.

Each car may only be entered in its own correct capacity class and category.

Classes may be sub-divided as allowed for in R.A.C. Standing Supplementary Regulations.

In any case where less than four entries are received for a class, the class may be merged with the next appropriate class.

A leaflet giving fuller details of these classes and definitions is sent out with every copy of these A.S.R.'s. Additional Copies may be obtained from the Secretary of the Meeting.

Go karts are not eligible to compete at this event.

6. AWARDS

The Awards will be:-
IN THE CLASS RUNS

- For the fastest time over 1 mile £4-0-0
For the fastest time over 440 yards £4-0-0
For the greatest Terminal Velocity £4-0-0
For the fastest time in each class £2-0-0

Where a class is run without merging with three or less entries the value of a Class award will be reduced to £1.

IN THE ELIMINATION RUNS

- For the 1st Competitor in each Group £6-0-0
For the 2nd Competitor in each Group £4-0-0

No entrant may win more than three cash awards in the Class Runs and one cash award in the Elimination Runs with one car. Competitors who win the fastest mile, 440 yards and Terminal Velocity awards in the Class Runs will receive these in place of their Class Awards and no other awards will be given in these classes.

Additional awards may be offered for this meeting. Full details of any such awards will be given in the final instructions.

Cash awards will be distributed by post within fourteen days of the results becoming final. Any winner may opt to receive a souvenir award in lieu of his cash award so long as this is done on the entry form or when results are announced at the conclusion of the meeting.

7. ENTRIES (S.S.R.'s R.11 Modified)

The maximum number of entries to be accepted will be 128. The entry list opens on Monday 5th August 1968 and entries received before this date will not normally be acknowledged until entries open. The list will close on Monday 19th August 1968.

The entry fee will be £20.00d. per car and entries should be sent to the Secretary of the Meeting, Miss K. A. Reyner, B.A.R.C. Yorkshire Office, 6 Sidney Street, Vicar Lane, Leeds 2. Tel. Leeds (0532) 38972.

No driver may drive more than two cars during this competition.

Entry Fees will not be returned to entrants who non-start or notify withdrawal after Wednesday 21st August 1968.

8. OFFICIALS

- R.A.C. Steward: C. B. F. Belton.
Club Stewards: F. Barlow, H. C. Mason.
Clerk of the Course: M. S. Wilson.
Deputy Clerk of the Course: J. M. Holroyd.
Chief Marshal: J. A. Stroud.
Chief Observer: A. J. Hodgetts.
R.A.C. Scrutineers: S. H. Hanson i/c, P. W. Watson,
E. S. Smith
R.A.C. Timekeepers: Mr. & Mrs. H. G. A. Mauldin,
D. G. Pearson.

9. RESULTS (S.S.R. P.44)

Provincial results will be issued to all competitors on duplicated sheets from the Clerk-of-the-Course's caravan near the Start approximately 15 minutes after the final competitor has made his last run. Any protests must be made within 30 minutes of the handing out of the first sheet of results. If no protests are received during this time the results will become final.

10. SCRUTINEERING & PRACTICE (S.S.R. R.1)

(S.S.R.'s R.20 Modified)

Scrutineering will commence at 11-30 a.m. and the timed runs will commence at 1 p.m. As the course is straight no practice runs are required. Timed runs will be made in number order as given in the Final Instructions, any competitor who has not signed-on and been passed by the scrutineers in time for his first run will be considered to have retired. Any competitor who is not ready to start when called upon to do so will be considered to have failed that run.

11. PROCEDURE (S.S.R.'s R.16, 17 & 18)

(S.S.R. R.28 Modified)

Cars will start in pairs and timing will be electrical. In the Class Runs the course clear signal will be given by a Green Light when competitors will start in their own time and times will be recorded from the front wheels breaking a light ray at the Start until a similar ray is broken at the Finish. The Finish will be marked by banners on either side of the course.

The course will be divided down the centre by a line and competitors must remain on their own side and not cross this line.

The competition will commence with competitors each being given two Class Runs when times will be recorded for the standing 440 yards, the standing mile and a Terminal Velocity speed over the last 146 ft. 8 ins. of the measured mile. The Class Awards will be allocated on the basis of times recorded over the standing mile. Times for the standing quarter and terminal velocity will be recorded and published for information and to determine the awards for fastest over these distances only.

The class runs will be completed in Class and Number order.

After the second class runs are completed there will be an interval during which all competitors will be placed in groups of 16 cars based upon their best Class Run time over the mile. Each of these groups will then take part in a knock-out elimination contest with cars running in pairs.

On the elimination runs the course clear signal will be given by a green light and cars will then be started manually by an official raising a flag from the ground. Timing of both cars will commence at the moment the tip of the flag leaves the ground and the first car to cross the finishing line will win the heat. Any competitor setting off before the flag leaves the ground will have "No Run" recorded and will be eliminated from the knock-out.