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### NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

OK, own up – who nicked the summer? It seems it was only yesterday that the season started, and already it's over (congratulations to Sarah Bosworth and John Chacksfield for sewing up the Harewood Championship and FTD Championship respectively). At least the autumnal TV schedules go some way to lifting the spirits.

As you'll see from the Event Reports, a lot has occurred since Issue 16! August 5/6 saw two good events; on Saturday I loved the Paul Matty Race Cars and I'd guess that most competitors were very pleased to have the chance to do four runs on Sunday – slick work all round!

I took an Australian friend to the event on 27<sup>th</sup> August, who was suitably impressed (but it was me who wore the shorts, not Kev).

I couldn't make the Greenwood Cup (from Steve's report, I missed a cracker), and was only able to be at the Mike Wilson for a relatively short time, but there seemed to be plenty of competitors, if not spectators, to bring the curtain down on the season.

Following my vague reference in the last issue to the speeds of the cars through the trap, I took note of some of them at the Montague Burton event. The 'anything goes' Lotus 7s were pretty quick at

about 85-90 mph which I think compares surprisingly well with the highest speed I saw, which was John Chacksfield's 111mph.

Since the last issue, the UK Government has signaled its intention to follow the French lead and ban the sale of 'pure' petrol and diesel cars by 2040, and there have been announcements from a number of major manufacturers regarding their electric ambitions. Personally, I think it would be great to see more 'electrified' models on the hill. I recently saw a Porsche 918 Spyder on the road, a vehicle at the extreme end of the hybrid spectrum. Wikipedia tells me *Car & Driver* achieved a 0-100mph time of 4.9secs when they tested it, which not so long ago would have been a respectable time to 60mph. Amazing!

We have changed the format for the Photo Galleries. On the Menu Bar you will notice a different tab which will give you access to all the Clubs Photo Galleries. Enjoy many happy hours browsing!!

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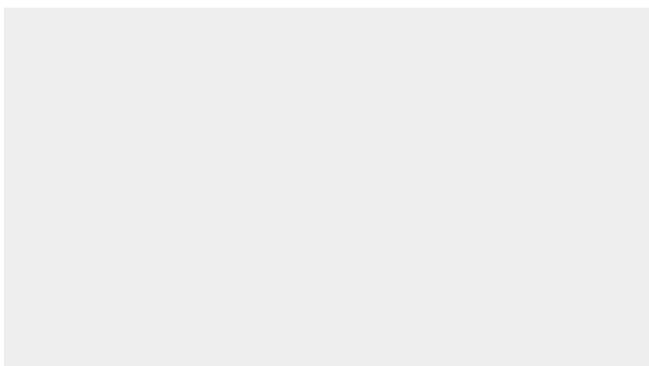
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### EVENT REPORTS

#### Yorkshire Speed Hillclimb 5th August 2017

##### **Close battles and records**

Sunshine and a stiff breeze made for almost ideal conditions however, when the sun went in times did fall away rapidly. Practice claimed a couple of victims; Peter Speakman clipped a wall in the farmyard bending the suspension on his unique Fisher Special and was out on the spot whilst Les Procter broke the gearbox in the Austin Healey Sprite. After a quick dash home to drop off the Sprite and pick up the Elva, Les was back for the afternoon runs.



The guest championships kicked things off with the Paul Matty Lotus classes first. Geoff Stallard and his son Iain took a 1-2 in the Road Car class with Class Record Holder Jon Dobson third. In the Race Car class Record Holder David Hampton took his ex-Peter Wardle Lotus 69 to the class win ahead of the



— Geoff & Iain Stallard shared this class-winning Elan S3 (AMM Photography)

Lotus 69 Formula Ford of Anthony Shute. Tony Wallen made it a 69 1-2-3 when he brought his F3 car in ahead of Paul Matty's Lotus 35. The Austin Healeys were next and the big cars prevailed with Richard Mason's 3000

Mk2 taking the win ahead of Pat Cooper in a 100/6. David Abram was third in his neat Sebring Sprite and Colin Gale fourth in his Frogeye. Paul Jaggard was a solo runner in the Alfa Romeo class yet he broke his own class record in the process.

The Lotus 7 Club classes were next. In 23A stalwart Clive Marsden took the win whilst in 23B Robert Jacobs fought back to win relegating the championship's competition secretary Chris Bramall to second. In 23C Philip Matchwick dominated, winning by over three seconds with Tony Smith second. In 23F Mark Durrant snatched the win on the third run with Shaun Elwell second and Graham Denholm climbing up to third with a late charge. In the final class (23G) Robert Margel just held off Simon Jenks as the Welshman fought to regain the lead. The final 'guest' class was for the Bugatti Classics which was won by Andy Tippet at a canter in the Russell Alexis.



— Mark Durrant on his way to winning Class 3F (AMM Photography)

It was then into the Harewood classes and in 1A it was a Peugeot 1-2 as Mike Geen took the win from Steve Mitchell with the Minis of David Taylor and Lee Kessell third and fourth. In 1B Deryk Jones was at it again! He broke the



— Deryck Jones continued on his winning way in his 205 GTi (AMM Photography)

class record on his first run, was inside the old record on his second, falling away somewhat on his third as the track cooled. Gordon Riley was second in the popping and banging Starlet whilst James Kerr took third ahead of William Roberts. In 1C Kieran O'Brien led throughout whilst Peter Herbert was

equally secure in second. In 1D Steve Darley dominated although he only took the one run! He chopped a staggering 0.63 off Stephen Moore's record set in July and then packed up shop! Jonathan Mounsey set a new PB en route to second in his underpowered Mitsubishi with Graham Cox and Francis Cooper next up. Tony Booth took a solo win in 1F before the kit Cars came out to play. In 2A Daniel Hollis led throughout with the visiting Mike Smith second and Anthony Middleton third. In 2B Derek Leetham's smoky Westfield led from run one although Richard Palmer slowly closed the gap whilst his mentor Terry Marshall was third. In the final Road Modified Class for the Elise cars Pete Gabbatiss took the win with David Leach second.

Into the slick shod classes with 3A first. Bod Bolderson has been chipping away all season at his PB and again sliced off some tenths to take the win from the purple Mini Clubman of Julian Haber. In 3B it was once again a master class by the demon barber. Sarah Bosworth broke the class record and matched her British Hillclimb Class Record with a 60.04 (fingers crossed for Sarah to break the 60 second barrier later in the year). Tracey Taylor West took second whilst Adrian Crawley in the 205 fought through to third finishing ahead of Paul Jones in the Exige. In 3C Joe Cross finished first with Andy Hill, who set a new PB, second. In 3F



— He's getting faster all the time – 'Bod' Bolderson in his Mini (AMM Photography)

Bob Bellerby dominated once again; Andrew Steel took second but had to



— Ben Lovell took another fine class win in the OMS SC4CF (AMM Photography)

work hard to hold off a recovering Richard Cartledge whose first run 85.83 included some extra grass track practice! In 4A Ben Lovell took the win with three sub-57 second runs. John Prickett was second but at a cost as the Radical was sidelined after one run. David MacFarlane was third in the elderly OMS SC1 with Derek Kessell fourth in the superb Maguire Mini Cooper special saloon. In 4B it was a Gretton 1-2 as Rob beat son Joshua in

their Talbot Sunbeam Lotus special saloon. It was nice to see Stephen Green finally getting the Rochdale GT VW on track and finishing third.

Into the Racing Car classes and the 1100s again proved to be the best supported with 13 entries. After initially leading Robert Bailey found himself back in third after the second runs but a cracking final charge up the hill took him into the lead. Jack Cottrill finished second having led after the second runs and Stuart Bickley also yo-yoed about finishing third ahead of Tony Levitt. Making his competition debut was 16-year-old Sam Wilson who was sharing the 'works' OMS Hornet 600cc with Mike Fitzsimons who is a meagre 79 years young. Sam eventually beat Mike in their private battle but showed great application in learning the art of hillclimbing.

In 5C for once the battle for FTD was fought out. First Dave Banner led, then it was Morgan Jenkins. On the third run Morgan clipped over a tenth off his earlier time whilst Dave couldn't improve and had to settle for second in class and second FTD. Morgan's wife Amy Tomlin took a fine third setting a new PB whilst Simon Ambler was fourth. Mark Schlanker had a character-building day failing to get to the top on both runs he took. In 5D



— FTD and Class 5C went to Morgan Jenkins (AMM Photography)

John Chacksfield did take the class win but was below his usual level and a trip

into the gravel on his third run didn't help matters. Nikki Cottrill was second but only managed one run as husband John had the Pilbeam fail on his first run and the pair retired. In 5E Paul Crute had his 'new' OMS 28 with Jaguar 3 litre V6 out at Harewood for the first time and took a solo win.



— Jim Johnstone took a class win in his well turned-out TR6 (AMM Photography)

In the Harewood Classics Les Procter, after his switch to the Elva, took 6A whilst in 6C Jim Johnstone took a steady win over Thomas Robinson.

Everyone was looking forward to Sunday when the Fueled Society were again visiting Harewood and the prospect of a large crowd plus more records was tantalising.

Your reporter, **Steve Wilkinson**

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### Montague Burton Hillclimb 6th August 2017

#### Banzai Banner

With the Fueled Society as an extra draw there was a good crowd at Harewood. The overcast sky made it a muggy day but on track there were three new class records and a raft of PBs throughout the classes.



The event proper got underway with the Austin Healeys and today it was David Abram in the Sprite who took top slot ahead of Pat Cooper and Richard Mason in the Big Healeys. The Lotus 7 Club classes were a lot better populated today. In 23A Clive Marsden not only repeated his win from Saturday but also broke the class record in the process; Paul Collins took second ahead of John

- Richard Mason took 1st in class on Saturday and 3rd on Sunday (AMM Photography)

third was just a further 0.19 sec adrift and

Robert Jacobs just 0.13 sec further off the pace. In 23C Dan Malkin took the win with Richard Price half a second back. Graham Wardall finished third whilst Jeff Smith was fourth. In 23D Jon Davies took the win with co-driver Charlotte Johnston second. In 23E John Caldicott took a solo win. 23F saw

Mark Durrant take another victory with Shaun Elwell second and the minor placings were as yesterday

Clarke and his daughter Beccy. In 23B the top four provided a blanket finish, Paul Collins just pipped Chris Bramall by 0.02 sec whilst Graham Howard in



- Richard Price in his Caterham 7, 2nd in Class 23C (JCB Photography)



- Robert Margel in his Caterham Hyabusa, 1st in Class 23G on Saturday, 2nd on Sunday (AMM Photography)

with Graham Denholm and Mike Sankey in close support. 23G saw a reversal of fortunes with Simon Jenks taking the win and Robert “The Joker” Margel second. The class for the Bugatti Classic Cars was fuller and it was the current Class Record Holder Richard Jones who took the win and set our second Class Record of the day. Class winner from Saturday Andy Tippet was second with Philip Stader’s Mallock third and Steve Louch’s Scimitar GTE fourth.

Into the Harewood Championship classes and with Mike Geen on Fueled

Society duties it was left to Steve Mitchell to uphold Peugeot honours. Steve had a ‘character building’ day but recovered to take the win with his second run recovery drive also being a new PB. Lee Kessell had come all the way from Cornwall and his reward was a fine second place ahead of David Taylor and an impressive Thomas Darley. In 1B it was the same top three as on Saturday as Deryck Jones, Gordon Riley and James Kerr closed ranks whilst David Marshall grabbed fourth with a new PB. In 1C Julian Haworth snatched the win on the final class run and set a new class record in

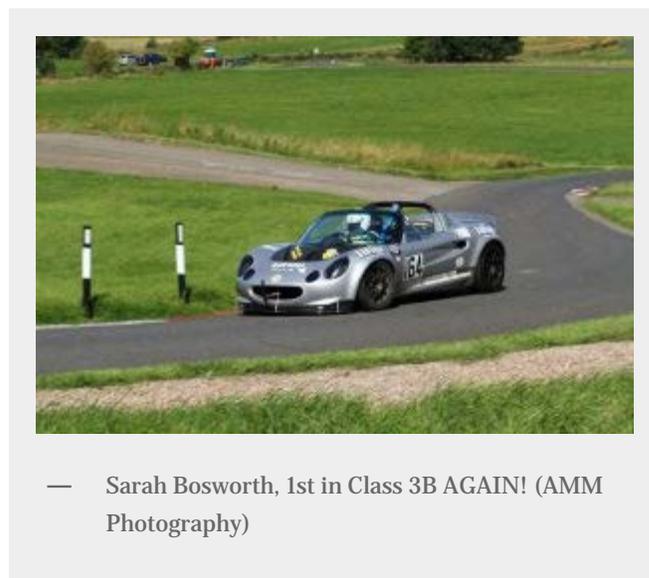
the turbocharged Eunos. Kieran

O'Brien was second and the hard-charging Terry Deere third. In 1D we were without

Steve Darley who was also on Fueled Society duties, in his absence Jonathan Mounsey took the honours ahead of the wayward Graham Cox and Francis Cooper. Tony Booth again took a solo win in 1F before it was time for the Kit Cars. The finishing order for the Top 4 in class 2A was the same as on Saturday but the battle was more intense. Initially Daniel Hollis led but on the second run Mike Smith relegated him to second. Hollis struck back on the third run and moved further ahead with a new PB. The battle for third was also tight as first



Anthony Middleton led before Oliver Roberts pushed him to fourth on the second run. Middleton regained the upper hand third time up and held on to the place. In 2B Derek Leetham led from the first with Richard Palmer and Terry Marshall second and third. David Leach then took a solo win in 2E before we moved into the slick shod classes.



In the first Mod Prod class (3A) it was that man again Roy Bolderson who took the win and today's 'victim' was Mike Gallery. In 3B Sarah Bosworth couldn't replicate her record breaking pace but held first place throughout. Tracey Taylor West kept closing the gap but had to settle for second ahead of the Peugeot 205 pairing of Adrian and David Crawley. In 3C Andy Hill took the win as Jac Doors was AWOL but it was thesecond placed Datsun

240Z that I would want to have taken

home if Tim Brown had let me. Third went to Daniel Hopps making his competition debut in his self-built VW

Golf R32. In 3F Bob Bellerby again reigned supreme as the King of Combe set a new PB; Richard Cartledge took second as he kept David Bickley at bay. Ben Lovell took 4A with David MacFarlane in second and Derek Kessell third before we moved into the Racing Car classes.



— Bob Bellerby's terrific Sylva Riot (AMM Photography)

With 15 runners, the 1100 class again was the best supported of the slick shod classes. Up front Steve Owen grabbed the lead on his first run and remained unchallenged. Stuart Bickley was second until the fourth run when it was all change. Jack Cottrill had been third but was pushed to fourth but on his last run charged through to second spot. Wil Ker who had moved into third got shuffled back to fourth. Young Sam Wilson again performed well finishing twelfth ahead of much more experienced competitors. Again, it



— Dave Banner took Class 5C and set FTD (JCB Photography)

was the 5C class that saw the battle for FTD hot up. Dave Banner led after Run 1 but on Run 2 it was Morgan Jenkins in the lead. However, Jenkins couldn't defend his lead as the Force had transmission problems as Amy Tomlin crossed the line. This left the door open and Banner duly slipped through to win the class from Jenkins and Tomlin taking FTD in the process. John Chacksfield took a solo win in 5E

and netted third FTD with his damaged car. Paul Crute again took a solo win in 5E with the Jaguar powered OMS before our final two classes. Les Procter took a solo win in 6A with the pretty Elva whilst in 6C Jim Johnstone held off a flock of Minis.

Again, the Fueled Society presence brought in extra spectators and many will

hopefully return. On track with three class records and another host of PBs the competitors had an enjoyable day especially as there was the option of four timed runs. Once again, a huge thank you to the marshals who again did sterling work and to the other members of the organising team. I would personally like to thank the timekeepers who spent a lot of time getting the laptop PC in the commentary box operational.

**Penned by Steve Wilkinson**

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### Summer Championship Hillclimb 27th August 2017

#### Chacksfield seals the Championship

The Harewood FTD Championship was sealed when John Chacksfield again set FTD at the Summer Championship Hillclimb in near perfect conditions. Practice accounted for several competitors, however with a full entry list their absence didn't detract from the meeting proper.



Kicking off proceedings were the motorcycles on their annual visit to the Yorkshire hill. Keith "Razor" Ruddock took the 250 class win with ease whilst Alan Henley was the only runner in the 350 class. In the 500s Mike Tilley took the class win with Neil Waterhouse and Patrick Dolan

— Keith Ruddock, winner of the 250cc class (PW Pics)

nipping at his heels. The 750 class went to the reigning champion Tommy Hodges with Paul Jeffrey, Dan Hurley and Guy Ursell next up. Stu Mills

took the Over 750 class with Charles Rich Pitman his closest rival. In the Side Cars it was the late entry of Stuart Anderson & Ian Taylor who took the win & also qualified for the Top 10 Run-off.

In the Top 10 Bike run-off Robert Mercer led the way on his Triumph Triple but failed to improve on his Qualifying Time but would end up in ninth. Next to the line was Patrick Dolan on his Honda CR slicing over half a second off his Q-time and would end up seventh. Like Mercer, Neil Waterhouse on the Honda NC30 failed to improve on his Q-time and finished eighth. Another to fail to improve was our next rider, Mike Tilley on his Honda CR netting sixth place. Next were the Side Car winners Stuart Anderson &

Ian Taylor and again they too failed to improve over their Q-time slotting into fifth. Guy Ursell was next on his KTM SMR and he sliced over a third of a second off his Q-time and would rocket up to third in the final placings. Stu Mills then took the Aprilia Tuono to the top and despite being 0.15 slower than in qualifying he would take fourth. Dan Hurley was next on the Husaberg and having qualified third fastest he was pushing hard but it was just a tad too hard as he took to the grass twice on the run and ended up tenth. Penultimate runner was Paul Jeffrey on the KTM SMR who carved nearly four tenths off his Q-time. Final Runner was Tommy



— Stu Mills on his 1000cc Aprilia Tuono (PW Pics)

Hodges on his Honda CRF and the reigning champion only had to repeat his qualifying pace to



— Fine shot of 'The Champ' – Tommy Hodges (Steve Wilkinson)

win. However, Tommy is a hard charger and he chopped half a second off his Q-time to relegate Paul Jeffrey to second and take the win.

Two relatively poorly supported TVR classes were the first of the guest championships in the four wheeled portion of the programme. William Campion

took a solo win in the first class whilst David Barrowclough fought through to take the second class relegating John Carter to second spot. In the Classic Marques Championship class Matthew Eady took the win on scratch with a new class record, however on handicap he was only second with Roger Fish taking the and Matt Rowe third.

Into the Harewood Championship classes and in 1A Ben Spencer in the Vauxhall Nova

Saloon (!) took the win with a new Class Record finishing over a second clear of Mike Geen and the rest. In 1b Gordon Riley's turbocharged Toyota Starlet popped and chattered its way to the top and relegated class record holder Deryk Jones to second place with James Kerr third and Graham Norminton fourth. In 1C Kieran O'Brien was back to winning ways whilst Peter Sherratt took second and



— The Starlet starred in Class 1B! (Steve Wilkinson)

the hard charging Terry Deere third. In 1D Peter Milne led throughout with Graham Cox second and Jonathan Mounsey third having switched to a shared drive in Francis Cooper's Impreza after his Evo broke. Once again Tony Booth took 1F this time ahead of Mark Richardson and Paul Gibson. Daniel Hollis again took 2A whilst Leon Franks was the best of the rest. In 2B class record holder Simon

Green returned to the hill after a sojourn in rallying and led throughout whilst Derek Leetham finished ahead of the Usual Suspects. The final Road Modified class saw Chris Brooks again take the Elise class (2E) from Elen Worthington on her annual visit.

Into Mod Prod territory and in 3A it was Bodspeed's own Roy Bolderson who again took the win with Jonathan North second. In 3B Sarah Bosworth was victorious and all but sealed the Harewood Championship as she finished ahead of Tracey Taylor-West and Chris Wise. Daniel Hopps then took a solo win in 3C before we moved to the kit-cars. Bob "King of Combe" Bellerby took 3F as he held off a late charge from Andrew Steel.

Into Sports Libre and in 4A Ben Lovell wasn't just a class winner he also set Third Fastest Time of the Day as he finished ahead of John Prickett and David MacFarlane, whilst the Davies, John and Jonathan, both set PBs in their engine-transplant Peugeot 205 GTi. Richard Hargreaves ended up as the solo runner in 4B with his re-engined immaculate Ford Escort Mk 2.

Into the Racing Car classes; in 5A we were down to just three entries after a trailer accident meant the Tranter/Spedding OMS 2000M was damaged. Ed Carter was again the class act and set Second FTD as he led home Steve Carter and Eve Whitehead, who was possibly making her and RBS8's last visit to Harewood. We suddenly found we had a Class 5B when Ben Tranter and Rob Spedding turned up with the Vector. As per the previous form-book Tranter took the win. In 5C Simon Ambler took the class win from Nick Scott, the latter setting a new PB. In 5D John Chacksfield took a solo win and set FTD in the process.

Then it was time for the Classic classes: in 6A Jolyon Harrison took a solo win with his delightful vintage Lagonda Rapier Special whilst 6C saw nine competitors battling for honours. Class Record Holder Steve Dennis took the win whilst Jim Johnstone was preparing for the Bo'ness Revival with a fine second place. Thomas Robinson took third in his Midget, whilst Les Procter, back in his Austin Healey Sebring Sprite, was fourth.

With just the September double header remaining the season so far has been a cracker. With just the championship to be resolved it is fingers crossed for the usual Harewood weather, after all as John Chacksfield pointed out he hasn't had to fit his wets so far this year!

**Report courtesy of Steve Wilkinson**

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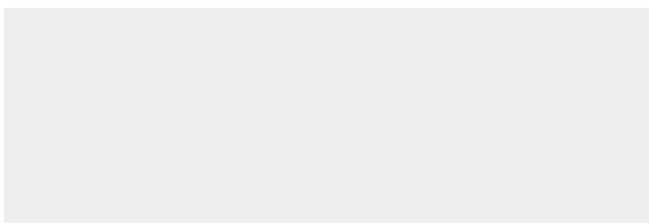
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### Greenwood Cup Hillclimb 16th September 2017

#### Forceful Victory

The Harewood Championship was finally won by Sarah Bosworth despite the fact she wasn't present. The points' gap going into Sunday would be too great for her pursuers to overhaul her. In Practice Derek Leetham's Westie dropped a valve so he was out and John Prickett had the fuel pump in his Radical give up the ghost. The pair went home and John then helped Derek fit a new cylinder head so that the pair was back on Sunday.

The timed run prior to the lunch break proved for most people to be the fastest of the three and those that missed out due to problems, spins or overstepping the mark at Quarry failed to have an impact. However, the initial classes seemed to be having lots of problems and in the first half hour we only had 18 cars setting times!



Kicking off proceedings were the MG Car classes. Ian "Harry" Howlett led the Group 1 class throughout and didn't bother with his third run whilst Nick Walker in his BGT V8 held off Paul Rigg



— Ian Goddard's delightful MG PA

in the TF135. Ian Goddard took a solo win in the Group 2/3 class in his beautiful Pre-war MG PA. Finally, in the Group 4/5 class Richard Watkinson's rapid Mod Prod Midget held sway with Andrew Wolf's slightly less modified Midget second.

In the Club Alpine Renault class, the Class Record Holder Bob Gibson cruised to victory whilst Jon Williams in a Honda Integra Type R beat the other A110s. We then moved into the Westfield Sports Car Club classes. Jez Rogers took over a second off the Roadgoing Record with his Megablade whilst Mark Bishop came home second. In the "racing" class David Cleaver's first run was a stunner as he took nearly two seconds off the record; in fact he was so comfortable in the lead he opted out of the after-lunch activities! Stalwart Westfield competitor Terry Everall held off the former class record holder Matthew Turner for second spot whilst Adam Phelps bucked the trend and snatched fourth with his third run charge.



— Alpine A110 of Bob Gibson



— Simon Green enjoying the sunshine in his

We then started the Harewood classes. In 1A Mike Geen led throughout with Steve Mitchell making it a 205 1-2 and David Taylor being the best of the Minis in third. The usual massed ranks of 1B contenders then did battle and up front Deryck Jones was the fastest prior to the lunch break but got shoved down to second when Gordon Riley set a new class record on his second run in the Toyota Starlet. James Kerr took third

## Westfield Duratec

with William Roberts in fourth. In 1C Kieran O'Brien set the pace with Peter Sherratt and Peter Herbert holding station in second and third. In 1D Jonathan Mounsey was the class act and led throughout. He even set his best time on the third run and closed to within 0.58 of Steve Darley's class record in the process. Second went to Graham Cox with the Subaru Imprezas of Francis Cooper and new-boy James Carter third & fourth. In 1F Tony Booth led home Ronnie MacGregor's Honda S2000. In 2A Daniel Hollis took the win with Tony Hall second in his self-built Caterham 7. In 2B Class Record Holder Simon Green led throughout with Richards Palmer and Vale in second and third. Then Chris Wormold took a solo win with his Vauxhall VX220 prior to Class 2E taking to the hill. Pete Gabbatiss initially led the "Elise class" but David Leach fought back and snatched the lead on his second run leaving Nigel Hinson in third.



— Roy "Bod" Bolderson 3 wheels the Mini

Into Mod Prod and in a well-supported 3A it was Roy 'Bod' Bolderson who prevailed despite a second run failure. Peter Garforth took second in his Skoda Estelle with Michael McErlain third in the Anglia. In 3B Tracey Taylor-West reigned supreme in her Elise whilst Steve Bailey took his Escort Mk 1 to second ahead of two more Escorts in the hands of Chris Wise and Dean Maddock. In 3C Joe Cross (aka Jac Doors) set a new PB en route to the class win finishing 1.8 seconds ahead of

Andy Hill whilst Richard Hargreaves pushed the Imprezas hard in third place with his immaculate Escort. In 3F Bob Bellerby put in three sub 60 second runs to stamp his authority on proceedings whilst Simon Jenks took second being the only other competitor to break the 60 second barrier. Chris Boyd shaved just one hundredth off his previous PB to take third ahead of Richard Cartledge. In 3G Graham Denholm, who we always see in the Lotus 7 Club Championship's visits to Harewood, took the class win ahead of Nigel Fox and Les Golding who were also in Caterham 7s. Geoff Hill was fourth in his beautiful WSM bodied Austin Healey Sprite which sports a Rover 1.8 litre engine.

Into Sports Libre and a very well supported class 4A saw Ben Lovell get to the top on his first run somewhat off his personal best and with a 'death rattle' from the engine. His time was good enough for the class win but he



— After over 7 years away Matt Carter still remembers the way up Harewood

was out for the rest of the weekend with a dropped valve. Aussie Matt Carter, on his first visit to Harewood for over 7 years and his first with the Radical, took second just half a second in arrears. Charlie Fraser took his Spire GT3 to third in his pursuit of the Cross-Border

Championship whilst Ray Bool in the Z Cars Mini-Honda came home in fourth. Stephen Green took a solo win in 4B with his Rochdale GT VW but the car failed to make the startline for its third run and was to be retired from Sunday's event.



— Morgan Jenkins taking FTD in the Force PC

Racing Cars were next and in class 5A for the 1100s Robert Kenrick was again threatening to take FTD however a spin on his first run took the wind out of his sails and he would have to settle for the class win plus second FTD which he secured on his second ascent. Tony Levitt, a Gurston Down regular, was enjoying another trip "Up North" and held off Ed Carter for second place whilst Loton Park regular John Stockley grabbed fourth with a fine third run

charge. In 5C the battle for FTD was raging despite that pesky 1100! Dave Banner led after the first runs then on the second Morgan Jenkins fought back to grab the class lead and set FTD. Dave Banner came home in second and was third FTD whilst Amy Tomlin was third in the class and fourth fastest overall! In 5D John Chacksfield was having a "character building day". He missed out on the pre-lunch run one due



— Photo PWPics

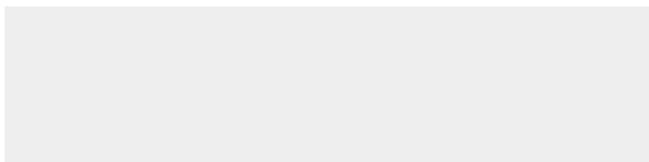
to a damaged diff bearing. A replacement was delivered and fitted and after lunch his first run up the hill was plagued by a misfire whilst his second run was marginally quicker but left him well down the overall order for FTD. In 5E two V6 engined cars did battle. James Baxter was driving the ex-Tony Marsh Gould-Cosworth GR55 for the first time in competition. The vintage car preparer was making minor adjustments both to the car and the cockpit and was pleased with the progress but have to settle for second. Paul Crute, who had gone through the 'new car' phase with his OMS-Jaguar 28 earlier this year, held the lead throughout although both drivers failed to improve on their first run times.



— Angus Buchan's Terrapin MK5 SR

Finally, it was the turn of the Classics. In 6A Les Procter was finishing the season in his Elva, unfortunately the car suffered a broken suspension arm and Les took the car home for a spot of welding. Therefore, the class went to the only other runner, Angus Buchan in the Terrapin. However, it wasn't any old Terrapin! It was the ex-Chris Cramer two-seater sports racing Mk 5 which made its competition debut at Harewood back in the early 1970s. In 6B there was just the one car, but what a car it was. Jolyon Harrison was giving his recently acquired Surtees-Chevrolet TS8 F5000 single seater its Harewood debut. With 485 BHP on tap Jolyon naturally took it steadily but still posted the best Classic Time of the Day. In the final class, 6C, the Forsters had their Wolseley Hornet back on track. However, it was Thomas Robinson's MG Midget that took the win with Mark and Adam Forster in second & third.

The penultimate Harewood meeting had been a cracker. Lots of PBs, three class records and a cracking battle for FTD. Fingers were crossed for the weather to hold for Sunday when an equally tantalising prospect would be on offer.





— Now THAT'S the business! Jolyon Harrison's F5000 Surtees (Steve Wilkinson)

**Your indefatigable reporter, Steve Wilkinson**

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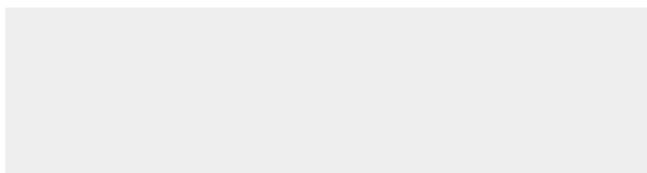
### [Mike Wilson Hillclimb 17 September 2017](#)

#### Banner Headlines

The Mike Wilson Hillclimb, the final round of the 2017 Harewood Championship, was something of a one-run wonder. There were a few changes and non-starters after Saturday's Greenwood Cup meeting plus a couple of competitors decided to go home as the weather was looking dicey. In fact, just as the second timed runs were about to start the rain arrived and with wave after wave of heavy squalls passing through the only people to set better times were those who had had an incident, problem on their first ascent or caught a lull in the rain.

Again, we kicked off with the MG Car classes and Ian 'Harry' Howlett took the win with his first run but was also the fastest of the Group 1 cars on each occasion. Ina Goddard was again solo in Groups 2 & 3 combined whilst in the final MG class Richard Watkinson took the one run and packed up leaving Andrew & Jack Wolf to battle the elements.

In the Club Alpine Renault class all 4 entries took their three runs. Bob Gibson was the fastest on each one. We then moved into the Westfield Sports Car



Club classes. In 37A Jez Rogers followed up his class win & new record with a second class win with Mark Bishop again second. In 37B David Cleaver took the win with his one run with Terry Everall, John Hoyle and Richard Kerr next up covered by 0.33.



— David Cleaver's Westfield SEiW winning class 37B



— Ben Spencer wins Class 1B (photograph PWPics)

Into the Harewood classes and in 1A Ben Spencer followed up on his class record set on his last visit to Harewood with a class win finishing ahead of Mike Geen, Steve Mitchell and David Taylor. In 1B the first runs were held up when Ian Butcher, sharing William Roberts' Clio lost control heading down towards the Esses and hit the tyre wall head on. Thankfully Ian was unhurt but William's Clio was certainly worse for wear. On track Deryck Jones regained the upper hand with the win with Gordon Riley

breathing down his neck. In 1C Kieran O'Brien led after the first runs but Peter Sherratt's second run charge in the drizzly conditions saw him snatch the win whilst Class Record Holder Julian Howarth was third ahead of Kevin Bicknell. In 1D Jonathan Mounsey set a new PB on his first run and continued to entertain taking both his other runs and was even fastest overall on the third runs. In 1F the result was a repeat of Saturday's with Tony Booth beating Ronnie MacGregor whilst Chris



— Peter Sherratt mastering the damp conditions to win class 1C

Berrisford spun out on his first run & sat out his second and third. Into Kit Cars



— Jonathan Mounsey's Mitsubishi takes a tight line round Orchard (photograph PWPics)

and 2A again went to Daniel Hollis with Anthony Middleton second ahead of Tony Holt and the rest. In 2B Simon Green took the win with Derek Leetham second and John Prickett who shared Leetham's Westfield third. In the "Elise class" David Leach took a solo win before it was the turn of Mod Prods.

In Class 3A Roy Bolderson's Bodspeed Mini that again took the win with the McErlains, Michael & Jeremy, second

and third in their Anglia. In 3B Sarah Bosworth took just her first run, took the class win & celebrated her second title. Tracey Taylor-West was second and Steve Bailey third with Chris Wise fourth. In 3C Joe Cross again took the class win with Andy Hill second; Joe's wet runs were awesome and on each occasion, they were taken in the worst of the conditions. In 3F Simon Jenks grabbed the win by a meagre 0.07 from Bob Bellerby with Chris Boyd in the Hayabusa powered Sylva Riot third. In 3G Graham Denholm was again the winner finishing well clear of Les Golding, Nigel Fox and Tim The Taxi Higgins.



— Ian Medcalf taking 3rd place in Class 4A in the amazing Fiat 500 Special Saloon

In Sports Libre, we had "lost" both Ben Lovell and John Prickett however, Charlie Fraser on his first visit took the win in fine style with David MacFarlane second and Ian Medcalf in the delightful Fiat 500 Special Saloon third. Into the Racing Car classes next; in 5A Ed Carter took the win and with it Third FTD; Tony Levitt was second and John Stockley third. In 5C we ended up with just two runners as two entries withdrew because of the forecast rain and Morgan Jenkins & Amy Tomlin did not start because of a bent wishbone. Dave

Banner took the win with his one and only run setting FTD in the process whilst Alan Dry finished second in his venerable OMS. Into 5D, John Chacksfield took the win and second FTD with George Bleasdale second. In 5E the roles were reversed. Paul Crute had to settle for second as James Baxter took his first ever class win in the ex-Tony Marsh Gould GR55.



— James Baxter in the ex Tony Marsh Gould-Cosworth GR55 (photo PWPics)

In the Classics Les Procter took a solo win in 6A after Angus Buchan broke the gear selector on the Terrapin on his last run on Saturday. In 6C Jim Johnstone was victorious in the TR6 with Mark and Adam Forster in their shared Wolseley Hornet filling the remaining podium places.

It was a shame that the 2017 season petered out in such a manner but it was almost inevitable after John Chacksfield had commented back in August that he had never used his wets in over two years. As a point of interest, he still hasn't!

Penned by Steve Wilkinson



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— 2017 Marshalling Team (photograph PWPics)

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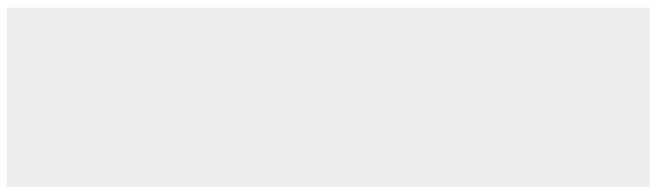
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### TAIL PIECE



— 'Sorry but we'll have to stop...'





— ‘...and go back...’



— ‘...I really don't remember if I locked the backdoor.’

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