

Harewood Hillclimb

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Ward stays ahead

ROUND 2 of the Guyson/BARC Championship got under way with 150 entries climbing up through Stockton Farm on a warm dry day which rendered the track dusted faintly with dehydrated manure which fortunately drifted downwind from a good crowd of spectators. Again Roy Lane took his immaculate Fenny Marine GMI 5000 to overall fastest time of the day climbing the 1100-yards track in a best run of 40.25s. Russ Ward's Allard supercharged Sprite, entered by John Brown Motors

maintained his premier position at the head of the Guyson/BARC Hillclimb Championship, coming in ahead of Chris Semen's Midget despite severe overheating problems which eclipsed an opportunity of a re-run after a wrong time on his first run.

The weather stayed fine for the duration of the event which was fortunate as one or two serious moments delayed things during the day. John Cuffins took a corner off his Chevron B32 going through the farmyard in practice and Don

Robinson's Liverpool MC McLaren wound up in a sorry state after launching from a ditch on its first run. Worst mishap of the day fell to John Buck, who wrote off his Vixen coming out of country fortunately suffering only fuel burns and neck strain. Patrick Walker (Cooper S) moved himself up to second overall in the championship table ahead of Roy Lane, though his car was only good enough to give him third place in his class. Positions in the Guyson/BARC Championship after the second round are:

1, R. Ward (AH Sprite), 16.36 pts; 2, P. Walker (Cooper S), 12.97pts; 3, R. Lane (Fenny Marine GMI), 12.50 pts; 4, T. Tattam (Cooper S), 11.54 pts; 5, R. Walker (Cooper S), 11.46 pts; 6, A. Douglas-Osborn (Pilbeam R22 DFV), 10.65 pts; 7, R. Turnbull (BMW Brabham BT35 BDA), 9.96 pts; 8, A. Warburton (Cooper S), 9.09 pts; 9, J. Cuffins (Chevron B32 Chevrolet), 8.85 pts; 10, T. Clifford (Cooper S), 7.99 pts.