



## Newsletter July 2008

### Anglesey report

We arrived at Anglesey on Friday afternoon to be greeted by low cloud, driving wind and heavy rain, which was travelling more horizontally than the normal downward direction. Colin Handy kindly offered refuge in his motor home whilst we waited for the hardy (possibly fool hardy) souls on motorbikes to finish the track day.

With heavy rain overnight, Saturday didn't look like a great prospect. Although the day started windy and overcast, but fortunately the rain gods decided to have the afternoon off and the sun gods took charge. This gave us a dry (ish) practice and race.

Richard Wareing used the power of his Lotus Europa to take an outright win with a fastest lap of 1.14.117. Richard put on a faultless performance flag to flag. He was followed home by squabbling (on circuit only) trio of Duncan Marshall, Tim Evans and Peter Isherwood. It was hard to separate them; the action was greatly appreciated by all spectators and marshals. The race passed (fortunately) without serious incidents until after the flag had fallen. Sam Arrenberg crossed the line within an inch of Ian Hepburn's rear; this left him unsighted to the debris on the circuit which had fallen from another car. Sam unfortunately hit the silencer, which launched his car into the air and into the infield. The resulting damage unfortunately precluded Sam from racing on Sunday.

The BCD&H section of the race resulted in a win by Andrew Morrison, with much effort being put in by Mike Cutt and Ken Hall in an effort to deny him the result. David Cox had been unable to make qualifying for the race, as he was busy trying to stop the fuel fountain which was being displayed from the engine of his Peugeot. This meant that he had to start at the back of the grid. Gavin Lee qualified quickest in class D. The race resulted in Paul Moss taking the class, but only after having to work hard against Gavin.

Sunday dawned with more rain, and the prospect of a wet race, the rain gods seem to only work half days in Wales, and the sun gods duly managed to clear the sky by noon.

Richard Wareing again led the field from flag to flag. It was a bit of a repeat of Saturday with the trio of Isherwood Marshall and Evans putting in terrific battles throughout the race. Unfortunately Peter Isherwood was forced to retire with engine

problems. Mike Cutt and Ian Hepburn had a slight coming together going into the second corner, spinning the Westfield and leaving Ian a bit of work to do to catch up again.

Drivers who deserve serious mention for the achievements must be David Cox and Paul Moss; both had to start from the back of the grid because of qualifying problems. Both managed to battle through the grid to win their respective classes.

Ken Hall took his first class win at Anglesey on Sunday, which is pretty good going when you think he only started circuit racing this year. Well done Ken.

A thank you must also go to Joan & Ian Hepburn who kindly let us use their trailer for the tea & coffee; we decided that the weather was too unpredictable for the ezup.

### **Next rounds**

Croft this coming weekend, entries look better than the final instructions you will have received.

### **Knockhill 3<sup>rd</sup> August**

I am sure that most of you will have realised that the entry fee for Knockhill is the bargain price of only £160. If you haven't been to Knockhill, do your best to give it a try. It is a lovely circuit and we always receive a warm welcome. The drive isn't as far as you think and the scenery is beautiful!!!

### **Mallory Park 10<sup>th</sup> August**

This event seems to be quite popular with guest drivers; we have already had several enquiries about entering. I have been told that these races will be amalgamated if we receive less than 15 entries per race. Please get your entry forms in as soon as possible.

### **Team Award**

I am disappointed with the take up of the team award; I have so far only received two team entry forms. I need feed back from you if this is something that you are just not interested in or have you just not gotten round to filling the form in. It is disappointing when sponsors are willing to put up prizes and we don't get the support. Please let me have your views at Croft next weekend.