



R400 NEWSLETTER

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2003 calendar

At long last we're able to announce something approaching a definitive calendar for the 2003 Caterham R400 Challenge...

We're sorry it's taken so long, but matters entirely beyond our control have conspired to confuse things, and they are still doing so.

The first problem was the switch of the CART race from Rockingham to Brands Hatch on what would have been a GT/F3/Caterham date. That led to a major upheaval all round.

Secondly, the FIA Sportscar Championship dates are still up in the air. We were fixed into their Spa date at the end of August, which then moved to September, and which has now moved once more, this time to Easter, a direct clash with the Eurocup at the Nürburgring. Thus we have had to drop out of that and are still looking for alternative, convenient FIA Sportscar meetings we could drop into...

Thus we can only give you the UK dates at present. Several of these will be double headers, and we're not ruling out further date changes...

5/6 Apr	Donington Park
3/4 May	Croft
25/26 May	Silverstone (poss GP)
21/22 Jun	Castle Combe
16/17 Aug	Thruxton
27/28 Sep	Brands Hatch GP
18/19 Oct	Brands Indy (Festival)

It's an excellent selection of UK dates, including a fixture on the Brands Hatch Grand Prix circuit, which we know will go down well, and also, we hope, one on the Silverstone GP layout, though we can't confirm this just yet.

Superlight upgrade parts

As some of you will have read in our Eurocup newsletter, these are the parts required to upgrade the Superlight to R400 spec:

Suspension package (SUR2003)	£850
Hubs (HUR2003)	£250
Tonneau/boot cover (TUR 2003)	£300
Diff ratio change	£250
All the above are plus VAT	

The Caterham Cars parts department can accept diffs for ratio change immediately with a turnaround of approximately one week. Other parts packages will be available mid-Feb.

Who's racing?

We're delighted to hear that Sebah Automotive will be returning to the championship to run the very experienced Mark Humphrey, who will be backed by Loughborough MG Rover Dealer Luffield.

Sebah hopes to have another two cars in action during the season. Hugh Hayden (01636 815272) would welcome calls from interested drivers.

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Arrowstar will meanwhile be at triple strength, with cars for John Gaw, Darren Ashley and another driver new to the championship.

Meanwhile reigning champions Team Parker, former title winners Hyperion Motorsport and 2002 teams cup winner Taylor's Foundry are all promising very strong driver line-ups. All of which should make for a very exciting and closely fought season. Caterham's team listing is appended to this newsletter.

A reminder that championship registration forms are available now and that you need to hurry if you want to retain your 2002 race number...

Cars for sale

Barry Horne's double championship-winning car is still for sale. There can't be many Caterhams with a better pedigree! Call Stuart Parker for details on 01455 822686.

Coach for hire!

Barry Horne is himself on the market... Barry is keen to develop his driver coaching business and would particularly welcome the chance to train Caterham drivers of every level of experience. Barry can be reached on 07979 816247.

Penalty points

Not that it will affect any of you, because you are all going to be very well behaved this year, but please spare a few moments to read and absorb the BRSCC's explanation of the new licence penalty point rules attached to this newsletter.

Caterham race suits

Caterham has struck an exceptional deal for race suits with Stand 21 UK. There are two styles available:

ST015

- To FIA 8856-2000 homologation
- 3 layers Nomex
- Standard size or made to measure
- Black with silver piping around collar and belt
- Grey cuffs and ankles
- Caterham embroidery on left chest, arms, back and right leg
- Driver's name and national flag embroidered on belt

Cost inc VAT £399

ST021

As per ST015 but with addition of:

- Floating sleeves
- Italian pockets
- Anti-injury inner belt

Cost inc VAT £475

These race suits can be ordered through Caterham.



Kay Carter



Penalty Points System Guidance Notes

The principle of the Penalty Points System is that it should simplify the judicial system and that it should make it easier for both Officials and Competitors to understand.

Only more serious offences will be recorded on the licence and less serious offences will be “decriminalised” in the sense that they will not be recorded on the licence and will not attract Penalty Points.

Principles

- Penalty Points are geared to the penalty that is imposed and are not linked to the type of offence committed.
- The Penalty Points for each offence are fixed and the precise numbers of points are specified below. There is no range of points. The flexibility comes in the type of penalty imposed, not in the number of points imposed.
- Should a competitor receive 12 Penalty Points within a period of 12 months, it will result in the suspension of his or her licence for three months, in addition to any other penalty imposed.

Implementation

(A) The following offences **ONLY** may result in the imposition of Penalty Points on the competitors licence.

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| I. DRIVING OFFENCES – | Not Compatible with General Safety (E.5.1.8.)
Careless Driving (O.1.1.6. / U.17.1.1.)
Reckless Driving (O.1.1.5. / U.17.1.2.)
Dangerous Driving (O.1.1.5. / U.17.1.3.) |
| II. SAFETY – | Failure to comply with flag and light signals. (C.5.4.2.) |
| III. GENERAL CONDUCT – | Abuse, assault or threats thereof. (O.1.1.9.)
Failure to follow instructions (E.5.1.4.) |

(B) The number of points will be determined not by the type of offence but by the type of penalty imposed.

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| I. VERBAL WARNING | Not recorded on licence | 0 Points |
| II. FORMAL WRITTEN REPREMAND | | 2 Points |
| III. FINE, TIME OR PLACE PENALTY | | 3 Points |
| IV. EXCLUSION FROM HEAT OR RACE | | 4 Points |
| V. EXCLUSION FROM MEETING | | 6 Points |

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