

# CATERHAM

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## MOTORSPORT

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# NEWSLETTER

## AUGUST

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It seems like years since our last meeting at Knockhill back in May! Summer is nearly over and so is our racing season....

### SILVERSTONE

What a fantastic weekend of racing, the drivers briefing obviously did the trick! All four races were very cleanly contested and hardly any contact whatsoever, well done! It seems that I missed the best race of the season, the B race on Saturday. The commentators heralded it as the 'Best race of the Day'. The Clerk of the Course asked me specifically to pass on his congratulations to the B drivers for driving such a great race, fairly and squarely, praise indeed!

The race was won in great style by Neil Fletcher who crossed the line a tenth clear from John Aylott, Neil coming from 10<sup>th</sup> on the grid. This earned him the Minister Driver of the Day Award. There were no less than 6 drivers going into the last corner of the last lap of this race, what an exciting finish!

Neil took honours again on Sunday in another thrilling race but he had to fight harder for this one. Howard Pessall had a great race, coming 4<sup>th</sup> from 14<sup>th</sup> on the grid; this earned him the Minister Driver of the day award for his efforts.

Mike Blackadder did not have a very good weekend at all, had a bad qualifying on

Saturday and on Sunday his throttle cable broke on the last lap. I am sure he will be back with vengeance at Snetterton

Stephen Rowden took honours in both races for the Inter Class, and was presented with the Minister Driver of the Day Award on Saturday for his maiden class win. Unfortunately, Dougie Clark who had claimed most wins all season, crashed on the last lap of the race on Saturday, so his weekend was over.

James Bromley ran away with both A races and is looking to be in a strong position for the Championship but Graham Fennymore is chasing hard and Nathan and Chris Nicholas are not far behind! Graham had suffered engine problems on Saturday but still managed to claim 5<sup>th</sup> place.

Graham had to work very hard in the Sunday race; he spun at Becketts and fell way down the order. He very quickly got himself back up the grid and eventually finished second. This drive earned him the Minister Driver of the Day Award and kept his championship hopes very much alive.

Due to the fact that parts were sealed for inspection from the cars of James Bromley, Graham Fennymore, Nathan Bell and John Aylott, results will remain provisional.

Well done all of you, glad to see you managed so well without me on Saturday!

## **FESTIVAL**

I have sent out information regarding testing for the Caterham Festival at Brands Hatch on the 9<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> October. It is advisable to book early.

Roadsports will be qualifying and racing on Sunday. There may be a limited number of spaces in the Eurocup race to be held on Saturday, numbers to be confirmed nearer the time. You do need to have a National A licence to compete in the Eurocup. More information and timetable will be available soon.

Below is some information regarding some non championship rounds this year.

### **PAUL RICARD**

There is to be a distance race on the legendary Paul Ricard circuit in France on 5/6<sup>th</sup> November. It will be a three-hour two-driver Caterham Endurance race. There will be 45 mins of practice on the Friday and 45 mins qualifying on Saturday am. The race will be held on Saturday pm. Entry fee is EURO 200.00. Full details from [jane@caterham.fr](mailto:jane@caterham.fr)

### **PLUM PUDDING RACE**

An opportunity for you to work off that Christmas Dinner, and to give your family a chance to clear up after Christmas Day whilst you go and play with your Caterham's!

This is an annual event held at Mallory Park. For £100 you will get practice and two races. Race 1 grid will be drawn from a hat, race 2 grid will be race 1 reversed. If anyone is interested please contact Alan Ward at [b19aln@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:b19aln@yahoo.co.uk) I think there will be classes for Academy and Roadsports.

### **TV**

Transmission times for Caterham Motorsport programme 6, Oulton Park will be as below: As always these times are subject to change.

19.8.04 17.30 SS3  
19.8.04 18.30 SSXtra  
19.8.04 21.30 SSXtra  
19.8.04 23.30 SS1  
20.8.04 0030 SS3  
20.8.04 10.00 SS2  
20.8.04 12.30 SS2  
20.8.04 15.30 SS2

## **CATERHAM RACING 2005**

I realise that there has been quite a bit of discussion on the forum regarding what is happening next year. Caterham will be issuing details of their plans for next year sometime in the next couple of weeks, following a period of consultation in the UK and Europe over the last month or so.

### **BITS AND BOBS**

Don't forget to book for the Caterham Awards Dinner, tickets available from Caterham Sales on 01883333700. Venue is Whittlebury Hall at Silverstone, book direct on 01327 857857 or by e mailing on [sales@whittleburyhall.co.uk](mailto:sales@whittleburyhall.co.uk)

Just a few words about the condition of some of the cars. On the whole they look very good, but there are one or two of you who have quite a bit of that nasty black tape holding things together! Please do your best to ensure the cars are presented in a satisfactory manner.

Just a reminder that the cars do require a rear number plate, it does not matter what is on them!

Well I think that's all for now. The championships are really hotting up now, with only three rounds to go.

### **HOLS**

Most importantly, don't forget I am on holiday from 10<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> August. Hope the sun shines for you all here!

Kim Denning  
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