

Report from the Short Circuit Festival

2002 from Silverstone Circuit

Thank you to all that turned up to demonstrate our type of radio controlled model car racing, during the day we had Stock Cars, Bangers, and Hot Rods demonstrating the cars around the Hathern oval. To provide a good demonstration, the trophies were provided by Ian Johnson, for the top three in each formula. The meeting was a joint promotion by Ian, Jon Cutts and Martin Cooper, with financial backing by the BRCA. There was plenty of free information leaflets for the general public to take away, again a thank you to Ian Johnson for putting together an information sheet with contact names and telephone numbers which was paid for by Mardave R/C Racing, on the sheet there were no less than twenty seven clubs, and five car builder contacts. Plenty of cars were on display at the front of our display area, ranging from new and old cars to little and large, all with nice paint jobs, thank you to all who provided these.

Once again we could be found in garage thirteen next door to Brisca F2 in garage twelve. We may be small in comparison but we know how to entertain.

The format for the day was going to be three or four rounds of qualifying time permitting, there was five heats of the stock cars, the bangers were divided into two races if that's what you call them! And there was one heat of hot-rods as there were limited racers in the bangers and the hot-rods only the finals were counted.

To help speed up the proceedings everyone raced in the same heat all day, and for the stock cars it was two semi-finals then a final, the hot-rods all raced in a final, as did the banger boys then they have the traditional demolition derby, last one moving wins.

Unfortunately the computer was playing up in the first round so no scores were recorded. So here are the rest of the heat details for the stock cars.

Heat one.

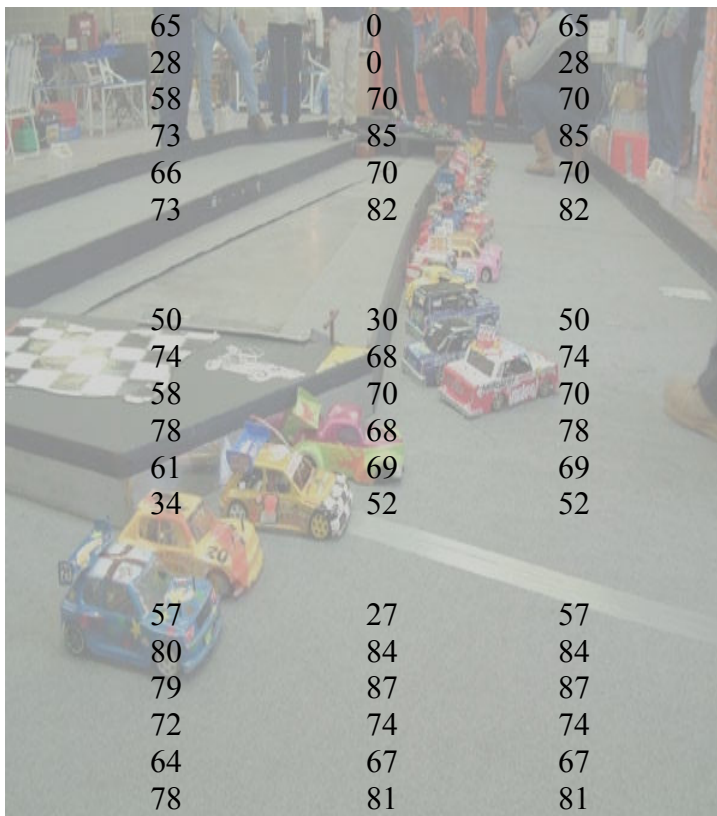
	Race 1	Race 2	Best Score
J. Driver	65	0	65
A. Summers	28	0	28
R. Teuke	58	70	70
P. Chadbourne	73	85	85
A. Greig	66	70	70
M. Cooper	73	82	82

Heat 2.

S. Eaglen	50	30	50
D. Watson	74	68	74
R. Calver	58	70	70
M. pinky Cooper	78	68	78
A. Eaglen	61	69	69
T. Cooper	34	52	52

Heat 3.

J. Dommett	57	27	57
J. Foster	80	84	84
J. Cutts	79	87	87
A. dad Eaglen	72	74	74
A. Woodward	64	67	67
I. Johnson	78	81	81



Heat 4.			
P.Smith (world champ)	81	81	81
S. Mansell	28	13	28
S. Tennant	74	63	74
P. Clarke	68	71	71
J. Reed	31	72	72
G. Mansell	21	44	44
N. Cooper	27	53	53

Heat 5.			
P. Riddell	44	70	70
I. Kiteley	58	49	58
J. Bartropp	80	72	80
G. Cayzer	77	64	77
D. Tanner	77	66	77

Stock car semi-final one

J. Cutts	78	Q
J. Foster	80	Q
I. Johnson	86	Q
J. Bartropp	75	
S. Tennant	81	Q
A. Eaglen	77	
D. Watson	72	
P. Clarke	69	

Stock car semi-final two

P. Chadbourne	78	Q
M. Cooper	75	Q
P. Smith	83	Q
Pinky Cooper	84	Q
G. Cayzer	60	
D. Tanner	68	
J. Reed	62	
A. Greig	17	

During the day the Bangers had entertained the watching public in their separate heats, but now was the final with no less than ten cars on the track should be interesting, do they go for laps, or entertainment for the crowds enjoyment, maybe team racing or revenge attacks to pulverise the opposition before the Demolition Derby, or for that matter do they know themselves, anyway it was entertainment on a grand scale the result at the end (by lap results) was,

S. Tennant	54
A. Quarman	53
M. Cooper (pinky)	49
P. Chadbourne	48
L. Busby	44
K. Briddock	39
S. Mansell	18
G. Mansell	18
T. Cooper	14
J. Foster	12



A disappointing three Hot-Rods lined up for their final, but congratulations to them for producing an excellent race that went right to the wire, some clean hard racing was the order here friend or no friend each of them hell-bent on the win, the result being,

R. Calver	89
J. Bartropp	88
I. Johnson	84

Next out on track were the stock-cars for their final, once again a fantastic race ensued, with everyone keen to record the win, again the standard of driving was excellent considering there were eight cars going full pelt around the smallest oval that we race on, after an hectic five minuets of racing the result was,

I. Johnson	82
J. Foster	81
J. Cutts	78
P. Smith	78
M. (pinky) Cooper	75
S. Tennant	73
P. Chadbourne	71
M. Cooper	67



The last event of the day was the Banger Demolition Derby, last one moving wins, in this the drivers aim is to eliminate the opposition by any means possible even going the wrong way round the track to cause maximum damage to the opposition and probably their-self, still everyone racing was happy and the watching crowd were encouraging them on very vocally. At the end the last car declared to be moving and the winner was D. Watson.

Earlier in the day a concourse was held, the judging done by an impartial judge, the winner from each section was,

Stock Cars	J. Foster
Bangers	D. Watson
Hot-Rods	J. Bartropp

Once again thank you to all that was there, and to the joint promoters and helpers. Thank you to the Hathern club for the use of their track, and thanks to I. Johnson for providing the trophies and all the hard work he put in to make the day such a success, and Martin Cooper for initially getting us into the show.

