



# HISTORIC SPORTS CAR CLUB

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## Donington Park 'Season Opener' Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2017

**FINAL INSTRUCTIONS:** These Final Instructions carry the same force as the ASRs for this meeting. Thank you very much for entering. Your competition number is shown on the attached entry list. This meeting will be held on the **Donington National Circuit, Castle Donington Derby DE74 2RP, length 1.9573 miles. MSA Permit No: 100526 Status: Clubmans.** The meeting has been inscribed with the FIA as a NCAFP. **MSA Steward:** Trevor Farmer **Race Director:** Grahame White. **Clerks of the Course:** Ian Danaher, John Hopkinson, Gary Tanner **Chief Scrutineer:** Matthew Lambkin Smith, **Chief Timekeeper:** Nick Palmer. **Chief Medical Officer** R.A.H. Dar, **Club Stewards:** Fergus Whatling, Henry Woodgate, **Judges:** Peter Farley, Terry Harrison, Rob Lyall & Chris Towler

- 1. Admission to the Circuit:** Admission to the circuit is from 15.00 hrs on Friday. The Paddock Entrance off the Melbourne Lane will be open until 19.00 hours on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> and from 07.00 hrs on Saturday morning, if you wish to arrive and set up between these times please use the Main Entrance.  
**Please be aware NO RACING ENGINES CAN BE STARTED until 09.00 hours on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> April. There can be no racing engines after 18.00 Hours on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April. Anyone not adhering with this request will be removed by the circuit and there will be no refund of entry fees.**
- 2. Tickets and Paddock Access:** Enclosed are five personnel passes and one vehicle paddock pass which will admit you and your vehicle to the circuit. Guards Trophy Entrants have eight personnel passes and two paddock one car passes. Guards Trophy and Derek Bell Trophy with Classic Formula 3 will have exclusive use of the pit garages and paddock one. See para 12 for allocation. **Please note that there will be strictly no access to the Garages until after 18.30 on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April.** If you are now unable to attend, please return all passes to the HSCC Club Office.
- 3. Signing-on and Documentation:** **There will be Safety Checking and Signing-on available from 15.30 Hrs on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April till 18.30 Hours Signing-on and scrutineering will commence at 7:30am on Saturday.** Drivers should sign-on strictly in race order according to the timetable. The Signing-on office is next to the Scrutineering bay in Parc Ferme. Drivers contesting HSCC races are reminded that FIA papers or HSCC VIFs are required. Club membership cards and evidence of MOT/Road Fund Licence (where applicable) must be available for inspection. Failure to have your papers available may result in you being moved to an Invitation Class with no points or awards available for your race
- 4. Non UK Competitors:** Competitors intending to race with a competition licence which is NOT issued by the Motor Sports Association should provide details of their licence (preferably a photocopy) plus a letter from their FIA approved ASN confirming their licence status and giving permission to race in the UK at National Event with NCAFP approval (Art 2.3 of the FIA ISC). A number of countries now have this printed on their licence. Please ensure you have permission before travelling. Warning: Arrival at the meeting with the wrong type of licence could result in you being unable to compete
- 5. Scrutineering:** Please display your signing-on slip prominently on your car and queue in race order coming into the Scrutineering Bay from Redgate Corner. Please do not try to get scrutineered before your allocated time. If competitors try to get scrutineered early or queue jump they are liable to be sent to the back of the queue. Make sure you do not block paddock roadways.
- 6. Drivers Briefings: NEW to circuit drivers:** Drivers taking part in their first race on this circuit must report to the Clerk of the Course for a briefing before their practice sessions at the following times: Practice sessions Races 1-4 08.15a.m. and Races 5-9 at 10.25am. These briefings will take place in the Race Administration building (first floor). If, due to timetabling, you are unable to attend your specified meeting please ensure you see a Clerk of the Course prior to the start of your practice session. Competitor Briefings See Para 35
- 7. Engines & Silencing:** All competitors should ensure that their car complies with HSCC Championship or Series Regulations and MSA silencing regulations which will be either 105db or 108db dependent on the regulations. There will be noise checks at this meeting. Please adhere to these regulations. If you have problems with silencing or have an engine that is noisy when running cold, please give yourself plenty of time to warm the engine before being tested. No racing engines are permitted to be started before 9:00am. Anyone not complying with these rules, will be asked to leave by the circuit management.

8. **Paddock Allocation:** There is a paddock allocation accompanying these instructions. Please park sensibly. Do not block the roadways. Please show consideration for your fellow competitors.
9. **Roadways** within the paddock area and the fire lane immediately behind the Pit Garages must be kept clear of all vehicles at all times. It is prohibited to park transporters and/or vans so that they are backed up against the Pit Garage doors.
10. **Paddock:** The main Paddock area is of tarmac surface. **This been recently resurfaced.** It is forbidden to hammer pegs or stakes into the paddock surface. It is also forbidden to place markings on the Circuit, the Pit Lane, the Pits or Paddock surfaces. Any person damaging the surface may be excluded from the race meeting and the circuit operators may take additional action to recover damages.
11. **Motorcycles, Moped, Scooter, Trike, or Quad Bikes:** Must all be ridden with all due care. The rider must have a valid driving licence and safety helmet and the vehicle must be road-legal, taxed and insured. Mini Motos are NOT permitted on site. Scooters and quad bikes must be in a road-worthy condition and be fitted with lights. Passengers are not permitted to ride on trailers or on quads, unless the quad bike is specifically designed to carry passengers. Helmets must be worn by anyone riding motorised vehicles (riders and passengers). Motorised vehicles are not permitted on any grass verges, banks, or any general public areas such as trade malls, and they must adhere to designated vehicle routes. Alcohol is strictly prohibited whilst driving any vehicle at the venue.
12. **Pit Garage Allocation:** Guards and Derek Bell Trophy/CF3 have the use of the Pit Garages. Garages 1- 19 for Derek Bell / CF3 Cars and 20 -38 for Guards Cars. No persons under or appearing to be under the age of 16 will be admitted to the Pits or Pit Lane. Please park courteously giving consideration for your fellow competitors. Do not block the back of the garages, please allow adequate space for passage of vehicles in and out of the garages.
13. **Pit Wall & Grid Safety:** Entrants must confine team members using Pit Wall to a maximum of two personnel per competing car and advise all personnel to follow pit marshals' instructions without argument. The Pit Wall must be clear of all personnel for all race starts. No personnel are allowed on the grid.
14. **Practice Sessions and Races:** All competitors must proceed to the Assembly Area on the Melbourne Hairpin to commence practice and to form up on the grid for races **The Exception being Derek Bell Trophy/CF3 who will commence practice and be gridded from the Pit Lane for a Rolling Start.** Cars may not enter on to the track via the Pit Lane with exception of Derek Bell Trophy/CF3, for either practice or racing. Races may start earlier than published so please listen out for any PA announcements.
15. **Qualification:** All drivers entered for a race must complete three laps in official practice to qualify. The fastest time set by each car will determine grid position.
16. **Reserves:** Subject to qualification, reserves will be admitted to the races in the order published in the entry list if spaces are available.
17. **Grid Formation:** Will be 2x2 for all races.
18. **Race Starting Procedure for all cars Except Derek Bell Trophy/CF3** The HSCC quick start procedure will be used in all races. Drivers should proceed to the Assembly Area 15 minutes before the scheduled start of their race. Pre-gridding and the 1 minute and 30 second countdown will take place in the Assembly Area and drivers will be released on to the circuit to do one complete lap which will constitute the 'green flag' lap. Upon arrival at the starting grid, drivers should take up their grid positions as quickly as possible and, as soon as the last car is in position, the 5 second board will be displayed before the red lights are shown, followed between 3 and 5 seconds later by the red lights being extinguished to denote the start of the race. Competitors are reminded of the provisions of MSA Year Book Q4.6 'Each car will be allocated its predetermined position on the starting grid and **it will be the responsibility of the driver to place their car in the correct position**'.
19. **Rolling Start Procedure for DBT/CF3** cars will be assembled in the pit lane 15 mins before the scheduled start of their race for pre-gridding and the one minute and 30 second countdown will take place in the pit lane, cars will then be released onto the circuit behind a Pace Car for two Pace Laps. Cars must stay in 2 x 2 line astern formation maintaining the speed set by the Pace Car. When the Pace Car pulls into the Pit Lane the pole position car will control the field maintaining the pace of the Pace Car until the start of the race. As the cars approach the Start Line the red light will be illuminated and the race start will be given when the red light is extinguished. Cars may not overtake until they have crossed the Start Line.

20. **Practice Starts/Weaving:** Drivers indulging in practice starts or excessive weaving during the warm up/green flag laps will render themselves liable to exclusion as both actions are expressly forbidden.
21. **Race Stops:** Should any race be 'red flagged', notwithstanding the provisions of Q5.4, it may be restarted at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course and, if time permits, for the remaining scheduled distance. Only cars running at competitive racing speed, when the red flag is displayed, will be allowed to take part in the restarted race and 'Parc Fermé' conditions will apply between the red flag being shown and the start of the restarted race. A Bulletin for information only will be produced recording the finishing order of all cars in the first part which can form part of the Championship points table where points are allocated for race starts and fastest laps. A grid for the restarted race will be produced in the order in which the cars passed the finish line at the end of the lap preceding the lap on which the red flag was shown and the result of the race will be the order in which the cars cross the finish line when the chequered flag is shown at the conclusion of the restarted race. If there is any variation to the start procedure this will be announced at a Drivers Briefing.
22. **Paddock Services and New Paddock Tarmac:** For those of you who require power in Paddock 2, this is now available from Paddock Services/Maintenance office at the Fuel Station. Paddock 2 has recently been resurfaced, please report any spillages to paddock services.
23. **Disposal of Waste:** Would all competitors please be aware that it is no longer acceptable to leave or abandon empty fuel/oil containers, batteries and tyres behind when leaving a venue. Such items are classified as "hazardous waste". Please also be aware that these items MUST NOT be placed in general rubbish skips at circuits; doing so could trigger a £1000 Local Authority Fine. Where it can be identified that a certain competitor or championship is responsible, charges will be passed on. Where it is not possible these charges will have to be absorbed and will then reappear as increased entry fees for all. Your co-operation would be appreciated - take your waste home and dispose of it safely.
24. **Use of Video Equipment:** It is permissible for competitors to use vehicle mounted video recording equipment for personal use alone but they must have any such equipment securely mounted, and in place, prior to vehicle scrutineering taking place.
25. **Decals:** Competitors are reminded that HSCC decals must be displayed (one on each side of the car) and, if supplied, race sponsor's decals must be prominently displayed on competing vehicles. Failure to display decals may result in exclusion.
26. **Fuel:** Sunoco (Anglo American Oil Company Ltd) will be in attendance and they will be situated in the Paddock. To order fuel please contact them on 01929 551557. The circuit fuel station will be open between 08:00h and 17:00h.
27. **Animals:** Animals are not permitted at the venue.

### SPECIAL NOTES

28. **Historic Formula Ford 2000 with URS Practice Session:** Drivers will be marshalled and released in the order from the finishing position in the 2016 championship table. Drivers not in the 2016 championship table will be sequenced in car number order after those that are in the table. There will be a separate podium for both FF20 and URS.
29. **Historic Formula Ford Qualification:** Historic Formula Fords will have two Races. The procedure will be as follows: For qualifying the entry will be split by the Final Championship order of 2016 with the Champion into session A and the next highest into Session B. The top 12 positions from each session A and B will form the grid for the Championship Race 6 with the fastest from Session A being in pole position and the fastest from B lining up alongside. This will leave 8 positions at the rear of the grid. The remaining cars will go into qualifying Race 2 and the top 8 finishers from this race will form the rear of Race 6 grid.
30. **Derek Bell Trophy and Classic Formula 3,** The Derek Bell Trophy Cars will be released from the garages ahead of the Classic Formula 3 cars for Qualifying and for racing the Derek Bell Trophy Cars will be gridded ahead of the Classic Formula 3 Cars. There will be a separate podium for both CF3 and DBT.
31. **Timing Modules:** Please ensure you have fitted a fully charged and working transponder on your car as per the MSA Yearbook 2017 Q12.2.1. It is vital that everyone has a working transponder. Any car without a working transponder will during qualifying receive a warning, failure to correct this will result in a time penalty of 30 seconds being added to your time for the race. The timekeepers at this meeting will have transponders available for hire for anyone who does not have a working transponder.

32. **Track Limits:** You should be aware of the MSA 2017 regulations concerning Track Limits Q 14.4.2 – Q14.5 Page 279. For contravention of these rules there may be penalties applied at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course e.g. in qualifying this may result in a lap time being disallowed if advantage has been gained, in the race a time penalty or exclusion may be considered for repeated transgression.
33. **Speeding in Pit Lane:** The speed limit within the Pit Lane will be a maximum speed of 60kph (37.2 MPH) this is applicable at all times. Please be aware that there will be a speed gun in operation at this meeting for both qualifying and racing, and aside from specific race penalties, dependent upon the severity of the offence, other penalties may be applied as listed in the MSA Year Book Section C2.1
34. **Guards Trophy Race: This will be a 40 minute race.** There will be a mandatory pit stop at which a driver change may occur. The car must remain stationary for a full one minute regardless of whether the driver changes or not. The driver does not have to get out of the car or stop the engine if there is no driver change. The Pit Lane will only be open for driver changes between the 10<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> minute and all cars, even those not changing drivers, must make a minimum one minute stop in this window. A “Pit Lane Open” board will be shown for 2 laps after the pit is opened and a “Pit Lane Closed” board will be shown for 2 laps after the end of the “Pit Window”. All drivers must practice and the starting driver must be notified to Race Administration at least one hour prior to the start of the race. **The maximum speed in the Pit Lane will be 60kph (37.2mph).** No refuelling will be allowed. Car doors, seat belts/harnesses must not be undone until the car is stationary. **If the car does not remain stationary for one full minute there may be a penalty of one extra minute added to its race time or the car could be called in for a Drive Through penalty.** It is the team’s responsibility to time the stop but it will be monitored and checked by race officials. If a car does not stop within the allocated time window there will be a 30 second penalty. There will be an additional time penalty of 1 minute added to the race time for anyone exceeding the pit lane speed limit which will be added to any other time penalties incurred. Failure to take the mandatory pit stop will result in exclusion from the results.
35. **Briefings:** HFF: There will be a compulsory briefing for all Historic Formula Ford Competitors in the Media Room at 11.00 Hrs. For all other competitors there will be a welcome briefing at 13.10Hrs.
36. **Starting Driver Nomination:** If two drivers are sharing a car, Race Admin must be advised of the starting driver in your car at least one hour prior to the start of the race please.
37. **Awards:** Race winners’ trophies will be presented in the Pit Lane opposite the Start/Finish Line. Class trophies can be collected from the Race Administration Office one hour after the completion of the race. Any not collected at the Meeting may be forfeited.
38. **Parking Restrictions:** Competitors and officials are reminded not to park in the areas marked specifically for the use of Hospitality Suite Holders at Redgate and Goddard, anyone found to be parked in a reserved area may find their vehicle being towed away.
39. **Paddock Parking:** For competitors who are planning to arrive on Friday there will be no access until after 15.00hrs from the Paddock Entrance off Melbourne Lane. Any private cars must park outside the paddock.
40. **MG Car Club Race Meeting:** Please be aware that there is an MG Car Club race meeting taking place on Sunday. Please clear away as soon as possible after your race to enable competitors access for the that meeting.

We hope you have an enjoyable race meeting and to those of you who are having your first race with the HSCC – a very special welcome.