



The International Historic Formula 2 Championship

In Memorium Jim Clark 1936 - 1968

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Welcome to this fourth edition of *F2 Briefing 2017*.

The 2017 Season

The final curtain came down on this year's championship with the HSCC Dinner and Awards Presentation Evening last Saturday.

Two Trophy Class winners, Robert Simac, Jochen Rindt Trophy Class and Olivier Huez, Gilles Villeneuve Trophy Class were present to receive their trophies from former F1 driver and Le Mans winner Jackie Oliver. Luciano Arnold and Klaus Bergs too were on hand to receive their trophies for second and third places respectively in the Jochen Rindt Class. Mike Bletsoe-Brown was present to receive his second place award in Bruno Giacomelli Class as well the Title Trophy in Derek Bell Trophy Series. Well done to you all!

In addition to the club awards each winner received a superb photographic art award very kindly donated by Olivier Huez for each of our class winners. Dean Forward, Bruno Giacomelli Trophy, and Steve Weller, Jim Clark Trophy, were unable to attend to receive their awards.

On behalf of the HSCC I would like to say a sincere Thank You to all of our continental guests who made the long journey and who made the evening such a pleasure.



Thank You All



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The 2018 Calendar

Now the news you have all been waiting for!
The following HSCC press release today: -

HSCC Historic Formula 2 schedule announced

The Historic Sports Car Club has unveiled an impressive schedule for the 2018 Historic Formula 2 FIA International Series, with a 10-round programme taking in some of Europe's finest tracks.

The series will cover 10 races at five race meetings, and includes the Grand Prix tracks at Silverstone and Brands Hatch as well as the hugely popular Zandvoort Historic Grand Prix and the Dijon Motors Cup in October. The season will start at Hockenheim in late April at the event that honours the memory of Jim Clark, close to the 50th anniversary of his death at the German track.

Remarkably, four of the five tracks on the 2018 calendar hosted rounds of the inaugural European Formula 2 Championship in 1967.

Three of the five dates have been arranged to coincide with rounds of the FIA Masters Historic Formula One Championship. The races at Brands Hatch, Zandvoort and Dijon will particularly appeal to the growing number of drivers who have both Formula 1 and Formula 2 cars.

Back on the F2 schedule in 2018 will be the fabulous Silverstone Grand Prix circuit during the HSCC's International Trophy meeting which has moved to a mid-June date.

The full calendar is:

*20-22 April, Jim Clark Memorial Hockenheim (D)
26/27 May, Brands Hatch (GP circuit) Masters Historic Festival (GB)*

15-17 June, Silverstone (GP circuit) International Trophy (GB)

*31 Aug-2 Sept, Zandvoort Historic Grand Prix (NL)
12-14 October, Dijon Masters Cup (F)*

Grahame White, CEO of the HSCC, said: "We are very pleased to announce our 2018 Formula 2 calendar. We have a first class set of tracks and a calendar that is evenly-spaced across six months. A total of 47 drivers took part in this year's series, which was a 20% increase over 2016. We expect to see more than 50 drivers racing next year."

For more details about the HSCC, please visit www.hsc.org.uk

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I think this calendar really does as they say, 'tick all of the boxes'. It clearly sets out to

provide a selection of the very best circuits in the UK and Continental Europe in company with other top class historic racing. We will race on both of our home Grand Prix circuits and three of our rounds will provide those additional racing opportunities so frequently requested by many of our drivers.

It is entirely appropriate that we attend the Hockenheimring for the Jim Clark Revival meeting. Clark, who was arguably the greatest of the post war drivers, the most popular certainly, lost his life at the circuit on April 7th 1968. A date my generation of racing fans will never forget. Remembering his passing will of course be at the centre of next year's event.

Our second round sees a return to the challenging and still very 'period' Brands Hatch GP circuit, a favourite 'not to be missed' circuit for many drivers. This will be a new event for Historic Formula 2 as part of the Masters Racing Historic Festival.

HF2 stays in UK for round three, the HSCC International Trophy at 'The Home of British Motor racing' Silverstone on the Grand Prix circuit. I think it is about ten years since HF2 was on the programme at this event. There will of course be a full programme of HSCC races including some great sports racing cars in the pre-'80s' Endurance Series.

The International Trophy, originally called the Daily Express International Trophy Meeting, was a favourite of mine. It was the second F1 race after the season opener, The Race of Champions at Brands Hatch. Yes, even Mr Ferrari came to play. Those were the days, but I digress.....

The Series has bit of a breather before anticipation builds for our return to what is probably the most popular historic meeting on the calendar, the Historic Grand Prix Zandvoort. This is probably the most challenging circuit many of us will ever experience. The event is unique in many ways,

the proximity of the beach, and the ‘thrash’ around the town streets on Saturday evening and of course the friendliness and hospitality of the Dutch people in general and the Zandvoort townsfolk in particular. This one you should not miss!

The season finale takes place again on the Dijon-Prenois circuit for the Dijon Masters Cup organised by Laurent Vallery Masson and his great team. Next year’s event will feature Masters Racing so a superb meeting in prospect. What better way to finish the season?

HSCC Historic Formula 2 will continue to be challenged next season. The Board have committed whole heartedly to supporting our wonderful Series through these potentially difficult times. It now is up to us to return that commitment by supporting whenever possible the 2018 calendar.

Gentlemen, Thank you.

Kind Regards,

Roger



Historic Formula 2’s First Street Race - The Historic Pau Circuit for the Brave of Heart



The Season Start Donington Park

Round 2 Nurburgring



Round 3 Magny Cours Wine Tasting Evening



Round 3 Magny Cours



Round 4 Oulton Park Barbeque



Round 4 Oulton Park



Round 5 HVM Dijon Motors Cup Season Finale - What a Happy Family

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2018 HSCC International Historic Formula 2 Championship Calendar



Jim Clark
50th Anniversary Memorial

April

20-21-22



Masters Historic Festival

May

26-27



HSCC International
Trophy Meeting
(GP Circuit Unsilenced)

June

15-16-17



Zandvoort Historic GP

August
September

31st -
2nd



Dijon Motors Cup

October

12-14



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