



Super Touring Car Challenge News Update: Issue 4

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Dear Super Touring Car Challenge Competitor,



A splendid spectacle with some superb wheel to wheel racing, no wonder the fans are eager to see the cars and the competition you put on the track. Congratulations to all drivers for two terrific races let's hope there will be more.

Super Touring Car Challenge Drivers Meeting

A meeting of Super Touring Car Challenge drivers was held at Silverstone in the Wing Auditorium on Saturday 21st July at the Silverstone Classic. The main topic for discussion was current entry levels and the future for the Series.

When the HSCC took over the administration of the Super Touring Car Challenge Series this year, race dates and entry levels looked promising. In reality support has been very poor with 11 entries for the Donington Historic Festival, and both Thruxton and Brands Hatch being cancelled through lack of entries. The Silverstone Classic did produce an entry of 29 cars but a lot less than previous years. Which means that there is no guarantee the series will be invited back for 2019. The result so far after having to purchase track time, is the HSCC has lost money on all four meetings, so unless entries improve the club can't continue to support the series.

The Gold Cup meeting at Oulton Park is vital we must have a decent entry or the future looks bleak.

At the driver's meeting at the Classic suggestions were made that if the series survives for one more year and that will be decided by the main committee/board of the HSCC at the end of August the following should be considered.

Only three prestigious race meetings per year.

Dunlop tyres to become the control tyre

Race format to remain the same.

More pre-race publicity required

Open up the Invitation class if possible for more cars.

On a positive note we have some statistics from our social Media pages. The HSCC Facebook pages have 8400 followers which ranks us second UK Race organiser sites behind the BARC who organise the British Touring Car Championship and Goodwood Members and Revival Race Meetings. On the week commencing 20.07.18 we had a post reach of 525,000 with 188,000 video viewers. The 75 second video of the Super Touring Cars heading out for qualifying at the Silverstone Classic has been watched 182,000 times.

So you have cars that are popular, that venues want to host and the public want to see, the potential is there for a great series. But for the invitations to continue you as competitors have to bring out your cars. Any ideas as to how we can all achieve this would be welcome.



Saturday 4th – Sunday 5th August 2018

A quick reminder that Knockhill circuit in association with SMRC are extending their invitation to the Super Touring Car Challenge Competitors to come and enjoy some Scottish hospitality. The track has recently been resurfaced at a cost of £400k with the kerbs now being a lot more user friendly than in previous years.

Pit lane garages will be made available, they have space for up to 12 cars, and power will be available both in the Garages and the paddock for those who prefer to work from their awning.

Your invitation Includes

- Qualifying Saturday and one Race Saturday. Second race on Sunday for the David Leslie Trophy (presentation hopefully by members of the Leslie family)
- Fans Grid Walk on Sunday.
- Optional free testing on the Saturday morning, maybe exclusive if drivers support it.
- Driver Hospitality in the Board Room facility driver plus three team personnel.

To enter please apply direct to Stuart Gray, Director of Events and Marketing, Chairman KMSC, Knockhill Racing Circuit, By Dunfermline, Fife, KY12 9TF, 01383 745601 / 07971 617150, E-mail: StuartG@knockhill.co.uk

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Important News

What you need to know is that

Vital Equipment the control Fuel supplier will not be in attendance. Alistair Roberts has suggested you contact them in advance with your Fuel requirements so that arrangements can be made. Alistair's details are listed on this sheet.

Pro Tyre (Hoosier Tyre Supplier) will not be in attendance. Therefore the decision has been taken not to include this event in the Super Touring Car Challenge Series and allow you free tyre choice.

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Saturday 25th August – Monday 27th August 2018 Oulton Park Gold Cup.

The HSCC have confirmed with MSV they will be running two rounds of the Super Touring Car Challenge at the Gold Cup. MSV will be promoting the event on this basis.

One of the biggest Spectator events at Oulton Park, the Gold Cup held on the International Circuit, is one of the events everyone wants to take part in. Spread over the three days of the August Bank Holiday, the Race programme will include races for Jaguar Classic Challenge, and a celebration race for Chevron B8 cars.

Aside from Super Touring Cars, there are also races for the HSCC Pre'66 Historic Touring Car Championship as well as the Historic Touring Car Challenge including the Tony Dron Trophy organised by Motor Racing Legends making it a Tin Top extravaganza. Limited testing is available on the morning of Saturday 25th August. If you intending to take part in this meeting please enter soon to assist MSV with their promotion of the meeting.

Reminder Time!

The Super Touring Car Challenge has classes that span the period 1970 – 2005, if you are racing a car that is post 1976, the use of a HANS device is compulsory. Please refer to The MSA Yearbook Q 10.1

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HSCC/TCRE Super TCCC Calendar 2018

4-5 August

Knockhill

25-26-27 August

Oulton Park Gold Cup (International Circuit)