

REPORT: SILVERSTONE

HSCC's International Trophy delivers fabulous spectacle

Tremendous grids of spectacular historic racing cars ensured a memorable weekend at the Historic Sports Car Club's Silverstone International Trophy meeting on the Grand Prix circuit (22/23 May).

Michael Lyons romped away in the opening Aurora Trophy race, putting his Lola T400 well clear of the chasing pack before a safety car period bunched them up. But from the restart Lyons quickly went away as Greg Thornton (Chevron B24) and the best of the 2-litre cars chased from a distance with Mike Bletsoe-Brown (Chevron B27) and series newcomer Andrew Storer (Chevron B34) next up.

The second Aurora Trophy race was also impacted by the weather as another shower arrived just as the cars were on the warming up lap. However, the track soon dried, but that was little consolation to Lyons who had by now parked the Lola with a problem. After retiring from the opening race, Mark Dwyer started his March 742 from the back on Sunday, but very quickly shot through to take the lead from Bletsoe-Brown.