

## 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).

With bumper grids for most races and spectators admitted to Silverstone for the first time since the end of 2019, it was a very special race meeting as Historic Formula 2, Thundersports and the Dunlop Saloon Car Cup ran alongside the Club's other series for single-seaters, sports and touring cars. Although the British spring weather was unpredictable, there was some great racing across a full two days.

The Dunlop Saloon Car Cup and the Historic Touring Car Championship shared a spilt grid with a fabulous field of more than 40 period touring cars. Up front Simon Garrad was the class of the field and won convincingly in his mighty Nissan Skyline. In his wake, the other Skyline of Ric Wood ran second until slowing in the final laps and was nearly caught by the battling Sierra RS500s of Dave Coyne and Sean Brown.

Garrad picked up where he left off on Saturday to guide the fire-breathing Nissan Skyline home for a commanding win in Sunday's second race. However, he was never too far ahead as Paul Mensley drove a fine race in his Sierra RS500 to lead the chase.