

Shelsley Walsh Sunday 18 June 2017

The glorious setting of Shelsley Walsh and a fine hot sunny day greeted 11 singles and two twins to round 6 of our championship. This made us the biggest class present. The course was in excellent condition.

Practice did not throw up many issues although a couple of cars were at first reluctant to start. Alistair had a pivot pin fall from the gear linkage on practice two and Marcus could not persuade the rear cylinder to run cleanly, effectively reducing him to a single, and as no simple fix presented itself, he reluctantly withdrew from the competition.

After lunch the first timed run saw improvements for many but the engine in Dennis' Kieft inexplicably died, ending his day. Otherwise there were no issues and hopes were high for lower times on the second run. Fin had laid down a marker with a mid 38 second climb but Alistair, Jan and John in the 39's had him in their sights.



On the second ascent four pilots did indeed find a little extra, Fin being one of them, but poor Alistair ended up in the barrier at bottom ess, although thankfully he was unhurt. The car will need a nose job and some small attention to the offside chassis and suspension but it did return under its own steam.

Thank you to the Midland Automobile Club for a wonderful competition and looking after our special needs.

		Run 1	Run 2	Best
Fin Mackintosh	Cooper Mk 6 JAP	38.62	38.55	38.55
Alistair Dent	Hornet JAP	39.47	Fail	39.47
Jan Nycz	Staride Mk 3 Norton	39.69	39.85	39.69
John Dent	Cooper Mk 8 JAP	39.84	39.85	39.84
Steve Lawrence	Cooper Mk 8 JAP	40.63	40.17	40.17
Mike Wood	IOTA CB2 JAP	41.82	43.08	41.82
Vic Deane	Cooper Mk 9 JAP	44.08	42.91	42.91
Andy Raynor	Cooper Mk 5 JAP	43.64	44.34	43.64
Robin Baxter	Staride Mk 3 JAP	45.84	45.62	45.62
Mike Lawrence	Cooper Special JAP	51.04	57.96	51.04
Dennis Williams	Kieft CK 52 Norton	Fail	--	--
Twins				
Charles Reynolds	Cooper Mk 7 JAP	36.68	36.83	36.68
Marcus Black	Cooper Mk 7 JAP		No times	

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