

The Snetterton Motor Racing Club

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

"The 3 Hours" has now become established as a popular classic in the British Motor Racing Calendar, and it has from year to year increased its prestige, being, as it is, the only event in the British Calendar which incorporates racing in the dark as well as in the day-light. Enthusiasts in their thousands flock to the great French classic at Le Mans, and it is our wish during this race to capture (even a fragment) of the spirit which pervades the Sarthe—the Fair, the jazzy music, the Barbecue—a bizarre backcloth to the intense concentration and split-second timing of the race itself. What a conflict of happy-go-lucky carnival spirit and the dramatic tension of the race.

Such is the scene that we hope will be set for this evening's event. Jimmy Clark returns as favourite. If he wins it will be his second success in "The 3 Hours". Do you remember him winning a year or two back with his Lotus Elite? Mike Parkes in the big Ferrari Berlinetta, one of the world's fastest G.T. Cars, will probably have to reckon on a wheel change as well as taking on additional fuel. He, therefore, starts at some disadvantage, for the flying Lotus is unlikely to have to change wheels. Dick Protheroe has carried out a lot of work on his "E" type Jaguar, and this much modified car is undoubtedly very, very fast and could well present a challenge to the Ferrari. Robin Sturgess in his second "3 Hours" with the "E" type is a possible Class Winner. Michael Salmon on the Zagato Aston Martin will carry the good wishes of all followers of the famous Feltham marque. Last year's winner on a "D" type Jaguar, he knows his way round Snetterton in the dark as well as in the day-light!

Before the "3 Hours" there are, however, two splendid races. "The Vanwall Trophy" is one of the most coveted awards held by the Snetterton Motor Racing Club, and the Formula Junior Race to-day is full to capacity with the country's leading exponents in this far from junior motor racing class. A 100-mile-an-hour lap under satisfactory weather conditions is almost sure with an entry of such quality.

"The Molyslip Trophy" takes an unusual twist this year and has become a Scratch Race over 15 laps in the brilliant new Issigonis-designed Morris 1100. The Club has endeavoured to bring together the leading drivers of Grand Prix, Saloon Car Racing, and a lone brilliant rally driver (Don Morley). The race is undoubtedly full of potential enjoyment, for although it is a race and not a demonstration one must excuse the fact that the drivers will treat it with good humour and enter into the spirit of competition for the sheer love of having a go in a motor car!

This is the final event of the Snetterton 1962 season, and I would, on behalf of the Club, like to thank the many thousands of enthusiasts who have visited us over the summer months. This Club exists for motor racing, and if you are interested I would be very pleased to supply any information you may wish. There is an Application Form for Membership elsewhere in this programme, and anyone joining now will enjoy a full eighteen months' membership taking them through to April, 1964.

Finally, I hope you have a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon and evening racing. Please drive carefully when you go home, and I would remind you that no traffic is permitted on the Circuit after the event without the express permission of the Clerk-of-the-Course.

Yours sincerely,

OLIVER SEAR,

Hon. Secretary.

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

START 2.30 p.m.

THE VANWALL TROPHY

EVENT 1. A 30-lap scratch race for cars complying with the INTERNATIONAL FORMULA JUNIOR.

THE MOLYSLIP TROPHY

EVENT 2. A 15-lap scratch race in Morris ADO 16, 1100 cars. The cars in this race are provided by the Nuffield Organisation, and the S.M.R.C. wish to convey to them great appreciation of this generous gesture.

THE AUTOSPORT '3 HOURS'

EVENT 3. THE AUTOSPORT "3 HOURS" for the Daily Mirror Trophy. A race of 3 hours' duration for Sports Cars and Grand Touring Cars

Sports-Racing Cars, Appendix C, 1961, in 2 classes:—

(a) Up to 1600 c.c. (b) Over 1600 c.c.

Grand Touring Cars, Appendix J, Group 3, in 4 classes:—

(c) Up to 1000 c.c. (d) 1001 to 1300 c.c.

(e) 1301 to 2500 c.c. (f) Over 2500 c.c.

AWARDS

EVENT 1. To the winner—"THE VANWALL TROPHY" and Replica. (Trophy to be held for one year only) and the following cash awards:—
1st £75 2nd £50 3rd £25.

EVENT 2. To the winner "THE MOLYSLIP TROPHY" and Replica. (Trophy to be held for one year only) and the following cash awards:—
1st £100 2nd £50 3rd £25.

EVENT 3. To the outright winner "THE DAILY MIRROR TROPHY" and Replica. (Trophy to be held for one year only) and £100 and in each class the following cash awards (the outright winner forfeits his cash class award).
1st £30 2nd £15.

In addition to these awards Messrs. Autosport will make their own cash and Trophy awards, for the Championship.

MOTOR RACING IS DANGEROUS

and spectators attending this track do so

ENTIRELY AT THEIR OWN RISK

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