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Monoposto Racing Club Ltd

11 hrs ·

Cracking report from Oulton Park for the 2000 and Classic races
<http://startline.org.uk/slol90/Oulton/OP20CI.htm>

280 people reached

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Monoposto Racing Club Ltd added 2 new photos —
with Matthew James Stocken and 5 others.

16 hrs ·

Now if anyone wondered why these three cars were kept 'in detention' after race 1... it was a pre-announced plan to seal some engines for possible later inspection as part of showing that Mono is equitable. I did ask if MSA rules allowed us to photograph a scrutineer working... the reply seemed reasonably friendly if punctuated by comments about the exhaust being hot!





Monoposto Racing Club Ltd shared their photo.

17 hrs ·

The perpetual trophies (the ones engraved and 'loaned' to the winner each year).... Please could the 2014 winners consider the return of their trophies in time to have them engraved with the names of the 2015 winners ahead of the Jan awards ceremony. At the risk of filling up the 'Mono camper'... we can collect from the Donington or Brands meetings in November. Thanks.

Just a few of them seen here....

<https://www.facebook.com/Monopostoracing/photos/a.461849324018170.1073741847.316398668563237/332544390281998/?type=3&theater>





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18 hrs ·

Time to start thinking about,

Race Retro 2016

Stoneleigh Park, Coventry, CV8 2LZ

26th, 27th and 28th February 2016

Last time the club had a 100% success record selling the 2 'for sale' cars on display... any candidates for sale this year should make themselves known.

Also, the Club can usually get reduced price tickets in advance AND we also need volunteers to help man the stand (tickets may be available for the right offers!!)

<http://www.raceretro.com/>



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21 hrs ·

2016 Calendar:

As those people who asked at Oulton Park will know, the 2016 UK racing calendar was thrown into some recalculations as the knock on effect of 'Bernie' moving the British GP date. Thus the 2016 Mono calendar is very much 'work in progress'.

However...

We have just confirmed our place at Spa as part of the Spa Summer Classic June 24 - 26 2016.

Format is likely to be very similar to this year.

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Monoposto Racing Club Ltd shared their album.

23 hrs ·

Monoposto Annual Awards.

For those people who might not have been to our annual awards 'do' (or have seen our extensive range of annual awards) here is the summary of the 2014 awards winners, pictures of recipients and a few pictures of the event.

Some 2015 awards are already decided by the on track points while others are awarded after careful consideration by the Club...

[https://www.facebook.com/media/set/...](https://www.facebook.com/media/set/)

<http://startline.org.uk/sl0l86/awards/awards.htm>

<http://www.norwichphoto.com/photostore/gallery.php...>



Monoposto Racing Club Ltd

October 11 at 9:50pm ·

2015 SUNBAC Nova awards. (all unofficial until someone checks the battery in my abacus)

1st Kyle Cutts 145.6

2nd Martin Wright 106.6

3rd Philip Davis 105.3

Wow... that was close for 2nd place!

<http://www.monoposto.co.uk/ab.../monoposto-sunbac-nova-awards/>

128 people reached

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Monoposto Racing Club Ltd

October 11 at 9:17pm ·

2015 Championship points table updated... thank you to Andrew Cliffe for working this out throughout the season.

<http://www.monoposto.co.uk/.../2015-monoposto-championship-r.../>

343 people reached

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Monoposto Racing Club Ltd

October 11 at 1:20pm ·

Driver of the Day from Oulton Park (based on the driver who makes up the most places from their official qualifying position in any of the races)...
Tony Bishop, 2nd place in race 4 after starting right at the back due to a problem in qualifying.

113 people reached

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Monoposto Racing Club Ltd

October 11 at 10:13am · Edited ·

Congratulations to our 2015 Champions.
Geoff Fern
Douglas McLay
Jeremy Timms
Bryn Tootell
Matthew Walters
Robbie Watts

322 people reached

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Monoposto Racing Club Ltd added 111 new photos to the album: Oulton Park Mono Final 2 rounds 2015 — with Matthew James Stocken and 7 others at Oulton Park.

October 10 at 9:51pm ·

Thanks to Robin Parkinson for most of the piccies



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October 8 at 1:16pm ·

DATE FOR DIARY

Monoposto AGM and Awards Dinner 30th JAN 2016

More details to follow.

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October 8 at 12:01pm · Edited ·

OK Bryn... I have finally got around to updating the lap records with your Brands Indy lap record - congratulations (on both your pace and getting me to record it!). I expect there are more I need to do (probably most of the Moto ones saying 'Jeremy Timms 2015') but have realised that not doing it after each race makes it a bit of a job tracking them down.... So.. anyone who wants to alert me to their new lap record being missing (in any of the classes) - I will action it.

PS I still think my mothers lap record for a camper and trailer around Mallory from 20 years ago (after coming out of the middle and turning sharp right onto the loop) still stands... but I can't find it listed anywhere!

<http://www.monoposto.co.uk/.../.../lap-records-mono2000-classic/>

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Monoposto Racing Club Ltd

October 7 at 12:00pm ·

Donington Tiedeman Trophy event tickets have arrived with Rachel.



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.... And here is that Startline Article about Oulton.

Oulton Park International Circuit
10 October 2015 Rounds 13 and 14 2000 and Classic

The popular Cheshire parkland circuit welcomed us back for the last rounds of the Monoposto Championship. Unusually, there was just Monoposto and GT Cup which meant a spacious paddock. Seasonally chilly but bright weather made for a promising day. I don't think we were disappointed. (Actually I was a bit disappointed as I had hoped the XH558 Vulcan farewell route might go over Oulton but if it did I missed it.)

Testing in Friday resulted in an uncharacteristic accident at Old Hall for the UWR team with front and rear damage. A lot of work resulted in a near perfect car- I say near perfect as the exhaust mounting proved a bit troublesome.

Qualifying was fascinating. As expected Robbie Watts got pole, but Chris Davison held second for most of the session, losing it to Ben Cater only in the closing lap. Neil Harrison disappeared after 3 laps, an unfixable problem meaning early doors. Tony Bishop had an exhaust problem which meant he had only 2 laps, leaving him in 5th with Malcolm Scott taking advantage to get 4th. James Rimmer was pushed to the back due to a flag infringement. He told us at lunchtime "I've never driven here before. I drove the circuit on Base Performance's simulator but last came when I was 14. Fortunately the first corner did turn right as I expected. It's a tricky circuit as all the straights are bendy. " I now have to type that rare phrase "Russ Giles had an uneventful practice". Which pleased lots of people in the paddock after the deluge of bad luck he's had.

In Classic, Robin Dawe was on pole by a staggering 3 seconds from Bryn Tootell. Obviously, doing the Tiedeman had been an inspiration.... Will McAteer managed only 3 laps as he spun out at Lodge ("No damage, just pride"). It was good to see highly respected Oulton local Ian Hughes back, if only because he doesn't punch me when I'm even ruder to him than I am to most people.

RACE 1

Robbie Watts had a good start so maintained his lead to the flag. I feel a bit guilty never saying much about Robbie, but he just goes out and wins and only rarely does anything wrong so there isn't much to say. Second place was a bit more interesting. Ben Cater made a slightly slower start and was initially third, but was back in second by the end of the first lap. He held onto the place, and was within 3 seconds of Robbie on lap 6 when a beached Mat Jordan at Knickerbrook appeared to be on fire and a safety car was deployed in front of the 11th placed man, James Rimmer. This did at least mean the front group were in order, an improvement on

Donington, and meant that Ben closed up on Robbie. “I thought I might be able to pressure Robbie as he had a group of cars in front of us. But I didn’t see the lights go out and dropped a bit. I was trying to make it up and got close behind him by Shell. But then I got a wheel on the grass, the car twitched and I was down to 5th. I’m kicking myself.”

Back to the start. Richard Purcell moved up from 7th on the grid to 4th by the end of lap 1. Malcolm Scott was close behind him but it turned out to be a bit too close when Richard braked a bit earlier than Malcolm expected and he ended up with one wheel too few on the F398. Tony Bishop continued to pursue Richard just as closely and got past on lap 3. Then, just before the safety car he passed Chris Davison who had been running third behind Ben. Chris stayed glued to Tony after the restart, but wasn’t able to do anything and they finished second and third respectively, which was an especially good finish for Chris as he had a gear selector issue which left him grateful for the safety car and rather hobbled him on the last laps. Richard was fourth and Shane Kelly fifth. Nathan Corridon in the 2000 spec Reynard 883 was 7th, James Rimmer 8th and after a 2nd lap excursion which I forgot to ask about, Russ Giles was delighted to have a finish.

7th overall was held by Robin Dawe who continued to go indecently quickly for a car designed nearly 30 years ago. (Longer if you take a cynical view of suspension geometry). But Robin always was indecently quick. I’m looking forward to 2016 with him in the TOMS and Chris in his F301, there should be 2 extra top runners. Robin was initially challenged by Alistair Bell until he fell into the clutches of Bryn Tootell. Nice to see Alistair with a well deserved podium on his last Mono outing.

Nathan Corridon, Terry Clark, Mat Jordan and Mike Hatton started off as a happy little group, circulating close together. On lap 2 Mat passed Terry, but the Northwood Electrical Engineer didn’t let go – until the engine did on lap 3. Mat then started pressuring Bryn for third in Classic, getting away a little from Mike. Then he had a bit of an off which caused the safety car, leaving Mike to claim 4th. Peter Whitmore was fifth after what looked to spectators an enjoyable inter-class battle with Russ Giles. And you won’t meet 2 more gentlemanly “clean and close” racers than those two.

Chris Lord and Wil McAteer ran very closely and, again to spectators, enjoyably, and swapped places, the FVL man finishing ahead of the 923 man, showcasing the versatility of the Reynard design department.

Ian Hughes had a nasty misfire and dropped out after 7 laps. Kevin Couling also dropped out after 5.

		
<i>Robbie Watts</i>	<i>Chris Davison</i>	<i>Chris & Dad look pleased to receive a hat.</i>

RACE 2

In the last race I commented on Mr Dawe. I suspect he needs some new glasses because he can't tell the difference between an uncompetitive old FVL and a shiny TOMS. That's the only reason I can think for him being third as the pack came down The Avenue (the bit I call the drop down to Cascades), behind Robbie Watts and Ben Cater. But it got better. By lap 3, as the Dallaras and Tatuus had passed and Robin was "only" 6th, Bryn Tottell had joined him and they went on to have a real Monoposto style battle. For the whole race they stayed nose tail, except when they were side by side. Brilliant. Robin won the Classic class, overall 5th, but it was a great finish to the season. (NB K Raikkonen - this is how you *race* rather than *crash*...).

Back to 2000. It looked as though there could be a bit more of a scuffle than usual as Ben got ahead of Robbie at the chicane, but it wasn't to be as Robbie re-established the lead. Ben ended up a couple of seconds behind, or at least would have done if he didn't have one of those wizzy dashboards that told him he was on his fastest lap on the last lap. So he tried a bit harder and explained sheepishly to us "I think I probably left the braking a bit later than I should. I understeered off quite quickly at Druids" A bit of damage was done, but the car would have been ready next session if need be. At Druids, you can sometimes need a dustpan and brush to sweep the car up. In any event, Robbie won and was able to celebrate a double victory in the day and 3 successive Mono 2000 championships. Not a bad day's work.



Robbie Watts

Tony Bishop

Shane Kelly

Shane Kelly had risen to third on lap 2, but in a stunning third lap Tony Bishop rose from 6th to 3rd - impressive in this company. He stayed there, well ahead of Shane and well behind Ben, until the flag where he got an unexpected second while Shane took the third step. He had to work for the position, as Richard Purcell spent most of the race close behind, only dropping back a little at the end. More tight competition came between Nathan Corridon and Russ Giles. Russ spent the race filling Nathn's mirrors, rarely more than a second or so behind. James Rimmer, becoming ever more confident with the tricky up and down circuit, joined their battle after 6 laps and demoted Russ on the last lap. Under a second separated all 3.

Back to Classic and Alistair Bell started very well indeed, being ahead of the 2000's of Nathan and Russ. They passed him, and then he had to defend against Mike Hatton and Peter Whitmore. They weren't quite as tight as some of the fights but it was still close and good to watch, especially as things tightened at the end to finish in that order. Kevin Couling rounded off the finishers, with James Williams and Chris Lord retiring.

Tony Cotton