

Morgan Sports Car Club Parc Ferme Speed Championship

Wiscombe Park Hill Climb

1st September 2007

After last years rain soaked meeting it was a relief to see the lovely Wiscombe Park valley open out before us bathed in morning sunshine and the weather was kind all day.

We had the pleasure of meeting up again during the day with Michael Benedich and his daughter Jeanette who both campaigned a 1972 4/4 in Australia and were frustrated spectators on another visit to England.

Seven contested the Morgan class including Nigel Housley on his first visit to Wiscombe and we were grouped together - four in Class 1, 1 in class 7 and 2 in class 9

There was some doubt about the class 1 target as it transpired that the 1B target time was actually set on what are now accepted as 1A tyres for our Championship (Avon CR6 ZZ 70's) and it was subsequently agreed with the hierarchy that this time would be used as the 1A target which was in accordance with the feelings on the day..

This made none of the previous records look as though they would have been easily attainable but Tim Ayres was on the button straight away and both he and Philip Tisdall ended up inside the previous mark which is no mean feat as a look in the archives would show a number of notable contestants left in their wake.

Fine driving too from Matthew Cox who set a new standard for Class 1.

There's always one who holds up proceedings and this time it was yours truly locking brakes at the approach to the Gate on the second run and burying the car nose first in the rhododendrons – a crease in a front wing was thankfully light punishment

Otherwise a satisfying days sport for all and well deserved top positions for Tim, Matthew and Philip.

Paul Bryan