

ICE CREAM VAN ATTENDS EMERGENCY AT CURBOROUGH



An Ice Cream van was called out recently to the aid of a Motorsport Competitor who was taken ill whilst competing at a Sprint event in Staffordshire. The unnamed male – believed to be of Unstone Green, Sheffield, received medical attention and an infusion of ice cream after complaining of suffering from withdrawal symptoms and exhaustion. A witness to the incident, Mr Ivor Spanner, commended Mr Whippy on his swift action and the patient is understood to have made a full recovery.

DRIVERS DINNER 2007

Following the Drivers Meeting and Dinner – held at the Izaak Walton Hotel on 10th November, a few amendments to the agreed calendar of events have been made.

Auto 66 Club have informed us that their event at Cadwell Park will not be taking place this year due to the cost of hiring the circuit.

Harewood – we have had to change our attendance to Saturday 7th June rather than Sunday 8th June as originally planned due to the number of Clubs already invited.

The 2008 Championship Regulations will be available shortly, but quite a few changes have been made to the document (references to sections of the Blue Book) due to the MSA having totally revised the layout. When you renew your licence – please take time to familiarize yourself with the new format of the Blue Book.

As discussed at the Drivers Meeting, a proposal for estimated timing at new venues has been put before a sub committee and a revised system has been completed. This will be sent as a supplement to the 2008 Regulations.

Overview of the Awards Dinner

Attendance at the Awards Dinner was slightly down on last year, but included MSCC Chairman, Peter Johnson and wife Ann. Also, it was great to see Marlene Mason, (wife of Dave, who set up and so ably ran the Championship for many years). Marlene presented the Class Awards and also some special awards to people who have made significant contributions to the year's activities.

Brenda Bryan received an award for all her work on keeping track of the event scores.

Richard Smith received a framed photograph in recognition of his enthusiasm for all things Morgan and Ice Cream related. Sue Tisdall received an Apron – The "Tisdalls Treats" award for her supplies of Flapjack and finally, The Lord Unstone Award went to Norman Wheat for the best Non-damaging offroad experience.

2008 Awards Dinner

We are considering a change of venue for the 2008 Dinner. If anyone has suggestions that can fill the following criteria, please let Tim or Simon know.

- Centrally Located
- Good Restaurant – able to be sectioned off for private use
- Rooms for upto 20 couples
- Meeting Room for 30 people

Changes to the Blue Book

Those that have already renewed their MSA Licences will have noticed that the Blue Book has been dramatically revised. The essential content is the same but it has been re-written to make it easier to read and a lot of sections have been clarified. There are no changes this year to Sprint and Hillclimb regulations, however, please be aware of the changes to timing strut dimensions for next year (2009).

Regalia and T Shirts

As last year, for the 2008 season, all Speedmog Competitors will be receiving 2 T shirts. We are staying with the Light Blue cotton shirts, however the design for 2008 will be different. Discussions are also taking place over providing Small Collapsible Umbrellas and Groundsheets. Simon Baines has also put together a Speedmog Calendar that will be being posted out to all competitors within the next week.

Taster Day

Once again, we are running a Taster Day and MSA Marshals Training day to encourage newcomers to our sport. The date is Saturday 29th March and the event will be held at Curborough. We all need to support this event – either as Instructors, Marshals, Scrutineers or Administrators. Please contact Simon on 0161 427 7150 to confirm that you will be available to help out.

If you have any news or articles that you would like included in the Newsletter, please email either Tim (tim@hobmeadows.wanadoo.co.uk) or Simon (simon_baines@ntlworld.com)