

MSCC Techniques Speed Championship

Event Hethel
Date 25th April 2021
Weather Dry but cold wind

The season has started!

Hopefully the first of many events.

Being such a long way from most competitors, there were only 3 Speedmog competitors, two Paul's and one Nick. There were 2 other Morgan competitors not in the championship, David Gibbs and his son, both used to competing on this fantastic track.

We arrived early and walked the 1.5 mile track, looks easy said me! However, walking and driving very quickly were two very different experiences. The organisers preferred one practice and four timed runs. Nick Bolton was using my humble steed as his Plus 8 is still undergoing reparations after Prescott last year. His only experience in the car, two laps of the car park at 5 mph!

Practice went well with times ranging from 100.6 to 113.17 for Nick. As competition progressed, after many incidents and interruptions, times started to fall. Yours truly forgetting there was a chicane at the end of the straight on the first timed run.

Seeing David Gibson son's time of 93.88 meant there was obviously some work to be done. It seemed that local knowledge was as advantage. However, after lunch, we had another 3 runs, all allowing continued progress. My car was giving a brief hiccup at one place on the track, causing only a moments lack of progress, originally thought to be fuel starvation, but I believe to be a short on the engine brought about by the g-force on that bend.

Final outcome was that I very nearly broke into the 92's, if only there was no hesitation!

Times finished up Paul Bryan 102.14 in the red Super Sport, a very creditable 97.44 for Nick Bolton and 93.08 for myself in the same car. Full credit to Nick for his performance in a very strange Roadster.

Great day had by all.

Bring on Debden!
Paul Clarke