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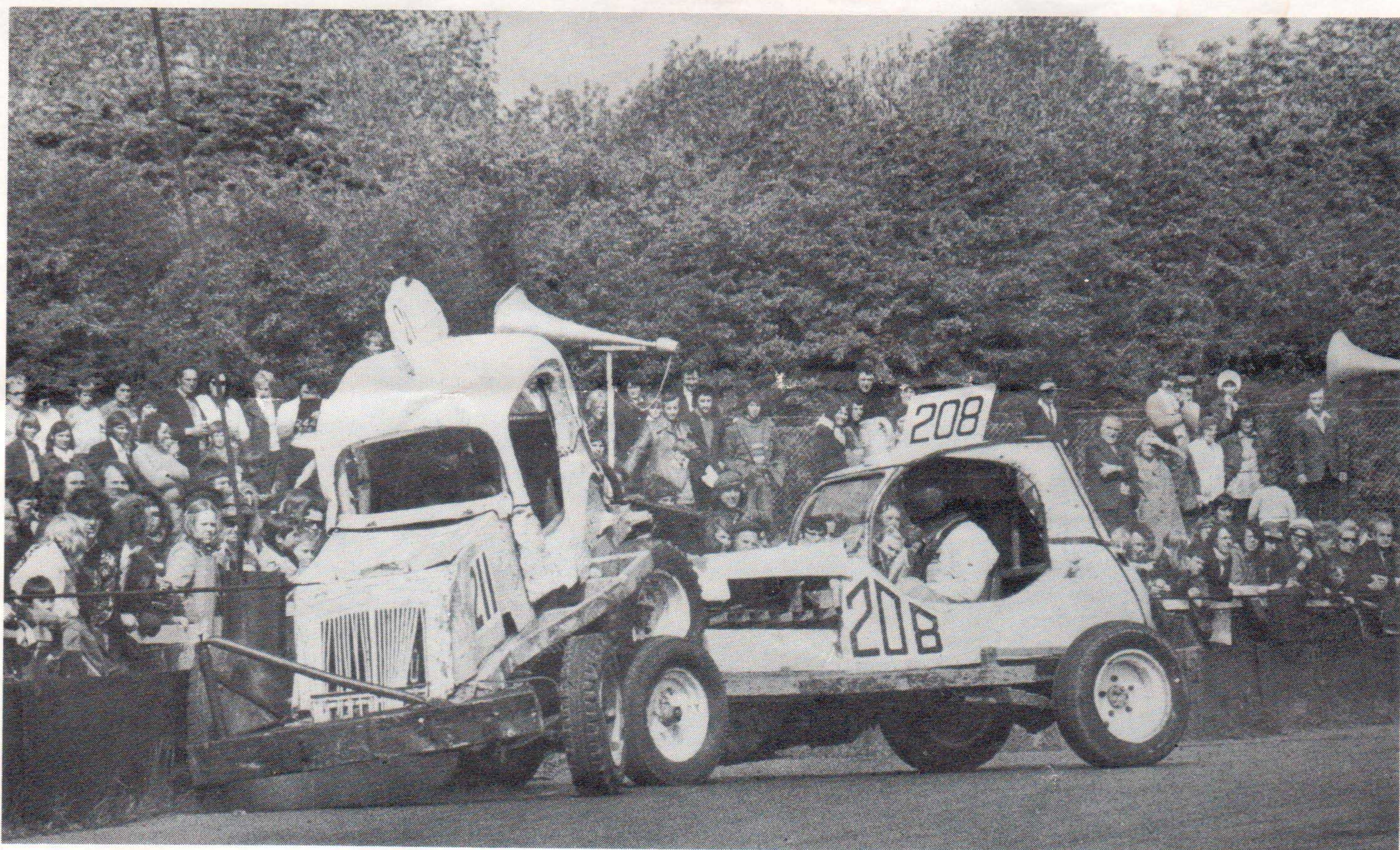
**BRITISH STOCK CAR ASSOCIATION**

The Association of Promoters Licensed by the Stock Car Racing Board of Control Limited

*Mendip Raceways*  
**BRISTOL**

**SUNDAY**  
**29th JULY, 1973**





Martin Fernihough (208) gives John Aldridge (211) a helping hand over the barrier at Mendip Raceways on Spring Bank Holiday Monday.

*Photograph by A. C. Drewitt, Bath*

## Better things . . .

**S**O far it seems to have been a wet season for the Mendips racegoers. Even last month's Formula Two meeting brought a sprinkle during the course of the afternoon, although it was nowhere near as bad as some of the previous meetings including our last Formula One meeting, when although the afternoon was reasonable, the early arrivals took cover from the torrential downpour. This afternoon we hope for better things—particularly from the weather.

We always expect better things too from the drivers, and their cars, when they appear on the raceway; and no matter how well they have done before, or how incident packed a meeting has been, this tough breed of all-action racing drivers always seem to produce something better!

This afternoon's programme features the mighty Formula One stocks of the British Stock Car Association and the drivers are competing for the South Western Drivers Championship, one of the premier regional awards in the sport. There is sure to be added interest this afternoon too because our track is a tarmac surface, and it is on tarmac that the remaining semi-final of the World Championship series and indeed the World Final itself are to be held. If you were here for our last Formula One meeting, you will have seen a three heat and consolation event programme leading to a 32-car final. In the event there was one non-starter for the final, but this certainly did not detract from the standard of racing and the spectacle that went with it. Whilst there are differences between our circuit here at Mendips and the tarmac on which the World Championship series is to be concluded, there will undoubtedly be a number of the top contenders for the World honours with us this afternoon.

A look at our top twenty. Those of you who are familiar with the top names in formula one driving will immediately recognise those drivers who are "in with a chance" (or more than a chance) to earn that gold roof, yet our top twenty is by no means a list of star grade drivers only. Amongst such well known names as Jim Esau, George Ansell (both former World Champions) and the very experienced Darkie Wright,

Les Suckling and Dave Taylor appear the lesser known Ken Sanders and Martin Fernihough. Of these two, Martin Fernihough, let us not forget, is a newcomer to the BRISCA ovals this season. His Jaguar powered car, always neatly presented, responds willingly to his skill as a driver, and he has undoubtedly earned his 14 points in our chart.

West Country star Jim Esau continues at the top of our table, but if last month's final is anything to judge by he is going to have to work very hard to retain that number one spot, for not only did second place man Dave Taylor hold the mighty Jim off from third place for the final four laps of our World Championship Qualifying Round Final, but he also won the first final of our 1973 season for Formula One cars, when Jim followed him home in second place.

Also creeping up on Jim in our top twenty is the man who won the final last month. No stranger to the chequered flag here at Mendips Raceway, Tony Allen in his Team Auto Magazine sponsored car is not only a contender for top honours here at Mendips but is also strongly fancied to be amongst the front runners in the World Championship Final itself.

One other car that is strongly fancied to take the chequered flag and the gold roof at Harringay later this year is that owned jointly by Chick Woodroffe and Dave Chisholm. In the hands of the highly experienced Chick this car finished way ahead of the rest of the field in his heat at our May meeting, and we are hoping that it will appear this afternoon with one or other of its owners behind the wheel, the car having recently taken top honours with Dave at the wheel at the Long Eaton Semi-Final.

With all this talk of World Finals, let us not forget that we too will be staging a World Final this year. On Sunday, 16th September (make a note in your diary now!) the 24 qualifiers from the Semi-Finals of the Formula Two World Championship Series will assemble here together with the seeded entries from Northern Ireland and the 1972 World Champion, Jim Murray, to battle out on our tarmac for the top honours of the 1200 c.c. class. Plans are well in hand for that afternoon's entertainment and sport and you can be



assured that promoter Gerry Dommett will have not only a good afternoon's racing, but something very special in the way of presentations as well. The afternoon is certainly a "must" for every supporter and enthusiast, driver and mechanic, of short circuit racing whatever class of car that he supports.

A couple of weeks ago Independent Television featured some Banger Racing in their week-end sport coverage. Also in the programme were stock cars. Having seen the programme it would appear that the undulating nature of the Bristol circuit adds just that little bit more interest and excitement over the ordinary flat oval. If you saw that television programme and are now reading these notes, you will be in a position to judge for yourself where short circuit racing at its very best can be seen!

To complete our afternoon of BRISCA Stock Car Racing the ever popular Bangers appear for their monthly crash and crunch.

And from this afternoon's programme to next month, when yet again the Bank Holiday provides us with another opportunity for a two day Festival of Speed with action-packed programmes on both days, starting at 3 p.m.:-

Sunday, 26th August—Formula 2 Stock Cars.

Monday, 27th August—Formula One Stock Cars.

Come early, avoid the jams and bring your friends!

**Results from 28th May, 1973**

Heat One: 348, 304, 121, 149, 167, 238, 227, 295.

Heat Two: 244, 144, 30, 365, 13, 327, 266, 99.

Heat Three: 1, 8, 132, 7, 37, 53, 6, 51.

Consolation: 228, 296, 42, 283, 261, 347, 308, 17.

Final: 348, 8, 30, 244, 37, 132, 7, 365.

**MENDIPS FORMULA ONE TOP TWENTY**

Number	Driver	H	F	Total
244	Jim Esau ... ..	16	24	40
30	Dave Taylor ... ..	7	28	35
348	Tony Allen ... ..	16	16	32
7	Darkie Wright ... ..	12	16	28
8	Pete Webb ... ..	13	14	27
132	Les Suckling ... ..	14	8	22
238	Les Mitchell ... ..	10	8	18
121	Ken Sanders ... ..	12	4	16
208	Martin Fernihough ...	4	10	14
365	Graham Spring ... ..	12	2	14
228	Fred Skinner ... ..	14	-	14
375	George Ansell ... ..	7	6	13
37	Don Evans ... ..	4	8	12
42	John Lickley ... ..	9	-	9
327	Howard Davis ... ..	8	-	8
167	Colin Hayward ... ..	8	-	8
1	Chick Woodroffe ... ..	8	-	8
144	Pete Shepherd ... ..	8	-	8
304	Sugar Shergold ... ..	7	-	7
296	Jim Tomson ... ..	7	-	7

**PROGRAMME OF EVENTS—FORMULA I**

SUNDAY, 29th JULY, 1973 at 3 p.m.

**SOUTH WEST & WEST OF ENGLAND DRIVERS' CHAMPIONSHIP**

**EVENT ONE—Heat 1—FORMULA I STOCK CARS**

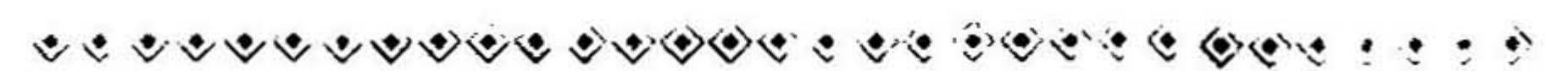
20 Laps

Listed in drawn grid position

No.	Driver	Town	Grade
13	M. LINNEY - -	Laughton - -	C
79	M. CRAWLEY - -	Harpenden - -	C
159	R. LONGMORE - -	London - -	C
196	R. BODDINGTON - -	Aylesbury - -	C
289	C. GROSSMAN - -	Oxford - -	C
337	G. HINE - -	Stoke on Trent - -	C
37	D. EVANS - -	Cowley - -	B
51	M. SMITH - -	Aveley - -	B
90	J. WILDE - -	Welwyn Garden City - -	B
167	C. HAYWARD - -	St. Albans - -	B
231	D. PETERS - -	Hatfield - -	B
266	G. PERRIN - -	Welwyn - -	B
283	C. KNOWLES - -	Orsett - -	B
347	B. JOHNSON - -	Derby - -	B
8	P. WEBB - -	Slough - -	A
228	F. SKINNER - -	Studley - -	A
365	G. SPRING - -	Evesham - -	A
30	D. TAYLOR - -	Nazeing - -	Star
150	D. SWORDER - -	Stevenage - -	Star
163	R. GOODMAN - -	Rugby - -	Star
348	A. ALLEN - -	Luton - -	Star

(First Eight to Final)

1st	2nd	3rd	4th
5th	6th	7th	8th



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**EVENT TWO—Heat 1—MOTORCYCLES & SIDECARS**

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1 V. COLLINS	G. PAYNE
2 S. KENCHINGTON	C. COOPER
3 P. MATHEWS	D. WILD
4 K. KENCHINGTON	P. SMITH
5 R. BARKER	A. SEYMOUR
6 B. MATHEWS	PENNIE MATHEWS
7 D. WOODHAM	R. BANWELL

1st	2nd	3rd	4th
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**EVENT THREE—Heat 2—FORMULA I STOCK CARS**

**20 Laps**

Listed in drawn grid position

<i>No. Driver</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>Grade</i>
17 M. BASSEY - -	London - -	C
141 E. WILCOX - -	Oxford - -	C
170 K. HARRISON - -	Kidderminster - -	C
211 J. ALDRIDGE - -	Oxford - -	C
295 J. TOMSON - -	Warwick - -	C
327 H. DAVIS - -	Cheltenham - -	C
376 D. McCRUDDEN - -	Oxford - -	C
42 J. LICKELY - -	Sutton Coldfield - -	B
53 I. BARKER - -	Notts. - -	B
149 M. MASTERS - -	Daventry - -	B
208 M. FERNIHOUGH - -	Inkerow - -	B
261 J. GOODHALL - -	Leics. - -	B
270 B. ROGERS - -	Wellingborough - -	B
304 R. SHERGOLD - -	Welwyn Garden City - -	B
6 R. SMITH - -	London - -	A
144 P. SHEPHERD - -	Welwyn Garden City - -	A
238 L. MITCHELL - -	Oxford - -	A
7 D. WRIGHT - -	London - -	Star
132 L. SUCKLING - -	London - -	Star
244 J. ESAU - -	Devon - -	Star
375 G. ANSELL - -	Knebworth - -	Star

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**EVENT FOUR—Heat 2—MOTORCYCLES & SIDECARS**

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1st	2nd	3rd	4th
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**EVENT FIVE—Consolation—FORMULA I STOCK CARS**

**20 Laps**


(First Eight to Final)

1st	2nd	3rd	4th
5th	6th	7th	8th

**EVENT SIX—Grand Final—MOTORCYCLES & SIDECARS**

<i>No. Rider</i>	<i>Passenger</i>
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1st	2nd	3rd	4th
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**EVENT SEVEN—Grand Final—FORMULA I STOCK CARS**

**25 Laps**


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No. Driver

23 O. COPE, Weston-s-Mare  
P. COX  
36 T. MEARS, Highbridge  
94 R. BULL, Cheddar  
113 M. JOPLING, Highbridge  
295 R. GODDARD, Highbridge  
43 J. GATEHOUSE, Cheddar  
67 E. COGGER, Highbridge  
5 F. FOUNTAIN, Cheddar

No. Driver

206 R. HIGGINS, Bristol  
165 B. HOOPER, Bristol  
25 B. SMITH, Bristol  
66 R. CALVEY, Bristol  
19 A. WILLIAMS, Bristol  
74 P. CARTER, Bristol  
81 A. MAXTED, Bristol

#### RESERVES

7 M. GLEAD, Bristol  
R. DAVIS

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Aycliffe	" 5	Doncaster	" 26
Brafield	" 5	Long Eaton	Sept. 8
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Cadwell Park	" 12		
Stoke	" 12		



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## EVENT NINE—BANGERS CLUB FIGURE OF 8

No. Driver

69 R. HOWELL, Bristol  
70 P. LEE, Melksham  
71 D. BAVERSTOCK, Bristol  
72 P. GREENSLADE, Bath  
75 E. BULLEN, Warminster  
76 S. BAILEY, Westbury  
78 R. WHITHAM, Melksham  
83 MRS. MAGGS, Bristol  
84 P. BROWN, Bristol  
85 D. EVERETT, Bristol  
86 D. HALL, Bath  
87 J. SAVAGE, Marshfield  
88 MISS ROSEMARIE WOOD,  
Wimborne  
89 K. LAIRD, Melksham  
99 M. FANCY, Shaftesbury  
107 C. READ, Chippenham

No. Driver

108 D. WEST, Bristol  
125 G. CAINE, Bath  
139 G. PAINTER, Melksham  
152 C. DIX, Bath  
157 MRS. D. NICHOLS, Bristol  
159 P. STRANSOM, Bristol  
166 J. DENMEAD, Bristol  
168 J. JONES, Trowbridge  
173 C. DIX, Bristol  
174 A. DENT, Melksham  
175 L. GRAY, Melksham  
176 R. BIDMEAD, Bristol  
198 K. KNOTT, Bath  
207 T. HANDS, Bristol  
210 W. MIDDLETON, Bristol  
211 K. MEACHIN, Bristol  
218 V. MARTIN, Bristol

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