



CGRC News – 02/2020

Pre-Season Track Day News

This CGRC News is mainly about the track day – **please note there is a meeting scheduled for CGRC members at 1.15pm and important news about the tyre barcoding scheme we are implementing this season.**

PRE-SEASON TRACK DAY – SATURDAY 29th FEBRUARY

Track Day – Final Instructions

All those taking part in the track day will have received Harry Cramer at Torque Motorsport on 21st February with final instructions. If you do not have the email, please contact Harry:- Mobile 07973 416768 or Email harry.c@torquemotorsport.co.uk

Track Day – Access

Garages will be available from 7.00pm on Friday. This has been agreed by Silverstone, and there will be security staff duty. The security staff will have garage plan.

Track Day – Timetable

- 7.30am – 8.15am – Signing on in the National Race Control Garage (ground floor)
- 8.30am – Mandatory briefing for all drivers (inc. additional drivers) in Race Control Garage
- 9.00am – Sighting laps
- 9.30am – 1.00pm – Morning sessions
- **1.15pm – 1.45pm – CGRC Members Meeting – Race Control Garage**
- 1.00pm – 2.00pm – lunch, circuit closed
- 2.00pm – 4.30pm – Afternoon sessions
- 4.30pm onwards – open pitlane if light permits

Track Day – CGRC Members Meeting

The Club is holding a meeting for all members in the Race Control Garage (used for the briefing) at 1.15pm. This is 15 minutes after the last morning session for the Caterham "Red" Group.

There will be plenty of time after the meeting to have lunch, as the Red Group are next out at 2.30pm.

Track Day - Refreshments

The Club is providing tea/coffee during the day, and this is available to everyone. This is a self-service facility located in the Race Control Garage (used for sign-on/briefing). Given there is a hot water urn; children should only be in the garage if supervised by an adult. Unfortunately, we are not permitted to serve food. Silverstone advises the café will be open.

Track Day – Giving

The Club is supporting two collections on Saturday, so **please bring some cash!**

Darren (Sigma 135 No. 75) Holdcroft's children have a project from their Primary School to **"grow a £1"**, to demonstrate the understanding of the value of money and also raise funds for the school PTA. They will be selling homemade cookies/cakes in return for a donation to the school. They will be located in the Race Control Garage, along with the refreshments, or Darren's garage 2c.

The Club will be raising funds for the British Heart Foundation on Saturday by way of a sale of a Green 'K' in memory of Martin Kay who raced passionately with us and whom our Martin Kay Trophy is named after. You may have noticed on some members cars a green 'K' on the back panel; Simon Longman has kindly reprinted them (we've all wrapped or replaced the rear panel), and Barry White and Andy Molsom will have them available in exchange for a £5 donation.

We aim to raise £250. It's a lovely way of keeping Martin racing with us so whether you knew him, raced him, or have just heard his name, please consider contributing on Saturday.

Track Day - Media

This season we are increasing our media focus, and our plans will be set out in full in the next CGRC news.

In addition to the Club's longstanding photographer Hazel Ford, the Club has retained the services of Jon Bryant, who many of you will know. Jon is having a significant birthday this weekend and for some strange reason has chosen to spend it in the Maldives rather than our Silverstone track day! Standing in for Jon is **Mike Hoyer from Jakob Ebrey Photography**. Please give Mike a smile on Saturday. Links to the photographs will be advised next week.

We are trying something new in terms of Club promotion on Saturday with **Ian Waterhouse of My Super Car** broadcasting live on social media (CGRC, MySuperCar, Club Racing UK, and ASGUK) from the track day. Ian will be conducting driver interviews, filming on-track action, and taking a closer look at the cars and what the Club offers.

Decals Distribution

Club decals and the majority of sponsors decals are being distributed at the track day to members or their support teams, as requested in response to the questionnaire.

Thanks to Bob Appleton (Classic No.98) for putting together the decal packs for us. Bob will be distributing the packs to members on Saturday at 1.15pm in the Briefing Room. The remainder of the packs will be posted next week to those members who selected that option.

For anyone who did not advise what delivery option they wanted, please drop an email to membership@cgrc.uk and we will work out how to get them to you.

Track Day – Tyres and Tyre Barcoding

Our nominated tyre supplier is Polleysport. Steve Polley and his team will be at Silverstone to supply and fit your new tyres. If you have not ordered your tyres for fitting at the track day, **please contact Steve on 01354 688111.**

Steve always brings a few extras, but please don't rely on that – he will run out fast if lots of people want them who haven't ordered.

New for 2020 is tyre barcoding, to aid the enforcement of the 12 tyres per season rule. Thanks to Gareth Cordey (Sigmax No.33) for researching and setting up the new system. The tyres you will use for **qualifying and racing must have** bar codes fitted.

The initial process is as follows: -

- Each new tyre supplied by Polleysport will have two bar codes.
- Any tyre or tyres from 2019 (or earlier) that you wish to nominate as part of your 12-tyre allowance for the 2020 season **must be fitted with two barcodes**. Polleysport will fit barcodes to existing tyres – they need the wheels removed from the car and taken to Polleysport. A small fitting charge is payable, so please bring some cash. Fitting charges do not apply to new tyres.
- At your first race meeting, you will be required to nominate the barcodes of the tyres you are using for qualifying and racing at the meeting.

Further details on how the system will operate will be issued before the first race meeting.

Track Day – Pre-Season Scrutineering

Keith Marchment, our long-serving scrutineer, will be attending along with his freshly calibrated scales. Keith will be available to check over any cars and answer questions on general safety scrutineering and specific CGRC scrutineering and will check weigh your car (with you and your race kit) if you require.

Keith will also be working with Kevin Barrett (Sigmax No.1) on engine seals. We will be taking a record of all seals for those race cars at the track day.

Track Day – Driving Standards Team

The Driving Standards Team will be briefing new Club members at the track day.

OTHER NEWS

Race Entries

BARC has now opened entries, and Full and Trophy members can make entries using the BARC online system to all BARC rounds. Entries for the CGRC organised rounds at Anglesey and Zandvoort will be via the CGRC online system. We will advise when this is open.

Entries for Flex Members

Entries for Flex members to all meetings are via the CGRC online system. We will advise when this is open.

Replacement Championship Meeting for Sigma 150 and Sigmax

The recent poll of Sigma 150 and Sigmax drivers resulted in a preference for Silverstone International on 10th/11th October. This meeting replaces the Snetterton round on 29th August, which is now exclusively for Sigma 135 and Classic classes. Priority will be given to Sigma 150 and Sigmax drivers (Full, Trophy and Flex Members). Should space be available this will be offered to the Sigma 135 and Classic classes.

More News

We will be sending you another note before the first meeting at Silverstone National on 21/22 March.

Here's to a great track day and season ahead.

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