



Annual Review

2005

There follows my diary of the 70's Road Sport 2005 season. Almost certainly not representing the opinions of the HSCC, written as viewed from the driving seat and more often than intended from the spectator banking.

A season to be cheerful

Having spent the last 25 years sidelined by business and family – I would have been back sooner had I realised that membership of the Holy Spirit Catholic Community involved more singing and rather less motor sport than anticipated when initially I logged onto www.hsc.org – but having never been sensitive enough to worry about omens, class D2 of 70's Road Sports seemed as good a place as any to begin my return to motor sport.

Representing the largest individual class within the 70's Road Sports Championship, frequently removed from the main group to add variety to other under supported championships, class D2 featured 5 different winners from 10 races, international competitors from Switzerland and Wolverhampton, the youngest competitor and the only female competitor (to all those from the other classes who dress up in women's clothing on non-racing weekends, sorry, but you don't count).

Avoided the first outing of the season at Donington Park due to cold feet. My car was about as complete as a jigsaw puzzle purchased from a school jumble sale. Race won by Mark Oldfield driving well in unsociable conditions.

MARCH

By Snetterton I had a picture of what the car should look like, but was still struggling to find all the pieces. The race developed into a competitive game of automotive kiss chase with Will Morton emerging as a slightly apologetic winner.

APRIL

Fed up with the waiting I turned up at a draughty Silverstone, the car still a few horses short of a full carousel. Joined by my daughter who spent the entire afternoon entwined with her boyfriend in the car park and my parents who kept warm in the cafe enjoying copious tea and cake.

MAY

My family agreed it would have been a very good race had they bothered to watch it. A good win for John Hillon, but was thankful to be living only 5 minutes from Silverstone.