

Morgan Challenge Race Series 2020



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Morgan Challenge

Created in 1985 by a group of Morgan racing enthusiasts, the Morgan Challenge is a one-make race series for Morgan sports cars. It is now one of the most successful one-make race series, well known for being friendly, welcoming and supportive of both new and seasoned competitors. Grids throughout the season are well supported with an average of 30 cars on the grid for every race.

Open to all 4-wheeled Morgans

The Morgan Challenge is open to all 4-wheeled Morgans. The championship is divided into five classes encompassing both production and modified cars to encourage entries from as broad a spectrum of cars as possible. The classes are determined by the power to weight ratio of each car.

Close competition

This year there are 7 race weekends with 13 races, including a race weekend at Spa Francorchamps. The best 10 results count towards the Championship positions. Points are awarded to class winners, second, third and so on, with an extra point being awarded for the fastest lap in each class. This enables a quick and consistent driver from any class to become overall champion and win the coveted Peter Collins Tray at the end of the season. It also ensures that, although the overall race winner on the day is likely to be one of the highly modified and very quick cars, the battles for class honours throughout the field are just as hotly contested. The championship winner is often decided at the last race of the season. In 2019 it was won by Tony Hirst. Tony drives a Plus 4 Club Sport for the Morgan factory team, run on their behalf by motorsport engineering students from the University of Wolverhampton.

Morgan Motor Company

The Morgan Motor Company actively supports and sponsors the series via its performance arm AR Motorsport. There are always representatives from AR Motorsport at race meetings with factory cars that they have brought along to race.



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Calendar 2020

28th March	Snetterton	CSCC
19th April	Silverstone	VSCC
9th & 10th May	Pembrey	BARC
25th - 28th June	Spa Francorchamps	CSCC
12th July	Donington Park	MGCC
8th August	Silverstone Nat	BDC
5th or 6th September	Snetterton	MGCC

NB These dates were correct at time of printing but may be subject to change, for the latest information contact the Series Co-ordinator.



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Tony Hirst, 2019 Challenge winner with the Morgan Motor Company team and motorsport engineering students from the University of Wolverhampton.



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Morgan Drivers

There are around 60 registered competitors in the series, several of whom have been racing in the Challenge since it began in 1985. New competitors in the Challenge come from other forms of motor sport or other race series. Some competitors drive to the circuit in their race cars, some camp and some overnight in a local B&B. Many bring their cars on trailers behind motor homes.

The variety of competitors is wide, both in age and occupations and there are several registered women drivers. The only qualifications you need are to be enthusiastic and sporting; commitment ranges from highly competitive to laid-back. The Morgan race series is one of the most friendly and if anyone has a problem with their car at a race meeting, advice and help are on hand from fellow drivers and their crews.

Eligible Cars

The series has a range of classes to cover all of the various models that have been produced by the Morgan Motor Company and those classes are framed to cater for both highly modified V8's and rapid V6's through to near standard 4-cylinder engines.

Full regulations are posted on the Challenge web site and members of our Technical Committee are always happy to guide and advise on which class your Morgan is eligible for.



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Drivers' Charter

Everyone taking part in the series voluntarily agrees to a Drivers Charter emphasising that the enjoyment and participation in the Morgan Challenge is based upon a respect for each other's cars, friendship between competitors and finishing races with all the cars in one piece.

There is an award at the end of the season, voted for by the drivers, for the person who has embodied the true spirit of Morgan racing during the season.

News and Updates

The latest news for the season will be posted on the series web site www.morganchallenge.co.uk, with regulations, entry forms, results, points and race reports when available. We also have our own Facebook page and a lively forum at www.brakehorsepower.net, both linked from the web site.



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Interested?

If you are interested and would like to know more, why not come along to one of the races and ask any of the Morgan drivers who will be pleased to introduce you to Katy Thompson our Series Coordinator or you can contact her direct.



The Morgan Sports Car Club stand at Donington

All drivers wishing to race in the Morgan Challenge are required to be members of the Morgan Sports Car Club. The MSCC actively supports the series www.mscc.uk.com

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