



# Newsletter



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## So Who's Up for a Party?

**PLACE:** The Race Paddock, Rockingham Motor Speedway

**DATE:** Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October (evening)

**COST:** £5.00 per head

As announced in last months newsletter the M7RC 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary **HOG ROAST** will now be held at Rockingham on the evening of Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October.

Ralph Saunders and Nick Cooke have got things rolling and a number of members have posted their support online at the Mini 7 Racing Club member's forum.

However we need more club members to commit to attending so they can justify booking all of the items they need. The entertainment will include live music, drink (lots!) and a hog roast all for the bargain price of **£5.00** per head.

If you wish to attend please post your intentions online at [www.mini7.co.uk](http://www.mini7.co.uk) and click on the forum OR call Nick Cooke on 07850 454826 OR email Ralph Saunders at [PITSTOPRALPH@aol.com](mailto:PITSTOPRALPH@aol.com).

Please do this ASAP because we need to know numbers, preferably before the next race meeting at Croft (9/10 September).

**AND let's make this a party to remember!**



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## Round 9 - CROFT

9<sup>th</sup> / 10<sup>th</sup> September 2006

# circuit facilities



Round 9 of the 2006 Dunlop Mini Miglia and Mini Se7en Challenges heads to the North East's premier racing facility at Croft, near Darlington.

Two action packed races are for the UK's longest running single make racing club on Sunday afternoon, with the Mini Se7en's on at 2:05 pm with the larger engines Mini Miglia's due to race at 3:50pm for 10 laps.

This year the M7RC is celebrating the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first Mini Se7en race in 1966, a championship for the world's favourite little car the classic Mini.

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## PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

### Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September

#### TESTING

09.30 10.00 RADICAL BIDURO  
10.10 10.25 MINI CHALLENGE  
10.35 11.05 RADICAL ENDURO  
11.15 11.45 GINETTA Junior  
11.55 12.10 MINI SE7EN / MIGLIA

#### QUALIFYING

12.20 12.35 RADICAL BIDURO  
12.45 13.00 MINI CHALLENGE  
LUNCH BREAK 13.10 - 13.50  
14.00 14.30 RADICAL ENDURO  
14.40 14.55 MINI SE7EN  
15.05 15.25 GINETTA Junior  
15.35 15.55 MSA 250cc KARTS  
16.05 16.20 MINI MIGLIA

#### RACE

16:35 DUNLOP RADICAL BIDURO CHAMPIONSHIP 20mins  
17:05 MINI CHALLENGE 10laps  
17:40 MSA 250cc LONG CIRCUIT KART CHAMPIONSHIP 10laps

### Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September

12:10 DUNLOP RADICAL ENDURO CHAMPIONSHIP 40mins  
13:00 MSA 250cc LONG CIRCUIT KART CHAMPIONSHIP 10laps  
13:35 PLAYSTATION 2 GINETTA GT JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP 20mins  
**14:05 DUNLOP MINI SE7EN CHAMPIONSHIP 10laps**  
14:40 DUNLOP RADICAL BIDURO CHAMPIONSHIP 20mins  
15:10 MINI CHALLENGE 30mins  
**15:50 DUNLOP MINI MIGLIA CHAMPIONSHIP 10laps**  
16:25 DUNLOP RADICAL ENDURO CHAMPIONSHIP 40mins  
17:15 PLAYSTATION 2 GINETTA GT JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP 20mins

## August Caption Competition



Who can come up with the best caption for this picture?

Post your captions on the Mini 7 forum or email them to Jeff Carter at the address opposite and keep them clean!

(Picture by Paul Vickers / Racing Line Photography)

See more of Paul's images in the gallery section at [www.mini7.co.uk](http://www.mini7.co.uk).



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## July Caption Competition Entries

**Nick Cooke**

**Nick on phone:** Hello is that the Brands Medical Centre? The contractions have just started!

**Graeme Davis**

"Nick Cooke proudly introduces The Dunlop Mini Challenges answer to the Michelin Man"

**Gareth Hunt**

"Nick Cooke cannot hide his mirth in dialling in suggested winner of "fuel tank for sex machine" competition winner."



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### Mini Miglia Championship Table After Round 8

1	Bill SOLLIS	144
2	James HALL	137
3	Tim SIMS	130
4	Mark SIMS	115
5	Kelly ROGERS	114
6=	Colin PEACOCK	106
6=	Tony LE MAY	106
8	Ralph SAUNDERS	98
9	Paul WOODBRIDGE	94
10	Philip LEE	67
11	Gordon POCOCK	66
12=	Gerald DALE	56
12=	Phil HARVEY	56
14	Andrew HACK	43
15	Paul SIMMONDS	38
16	Richard WAGER	33

### Mini Se7en Championship Table After Round 8

1	Andrew DEVINY	160
2=	Paul THOMPSON	154
2=	Geoff LETTS	154
4	Max HUNTER	135
5	Paul CLARK	131
6	Alan LETTS	88
7	Damon ASTIN	84
8	Paul SPARKS	83
9	Graeme DAVIS	82
10	Paul SPARK	73
11	Kane ASTIN	60
12	Mark SMITH	48
13=	James WINNIFRITH	41
13=	Lee JONES	41
15	Gareth HUNT	40
16	James BOWERS COULSON	39



## Annual Trophy Award Dinner and Technical Discussion

**DATE**  
Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November

**VENUE**  
Paramount Hotel in Daventry

**TICKETS**  
Tickets will be available from Sharon Smith at Croft.

## Pictures of the Month



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### Dunlop and Mini's at Croft

Dunlop has confirmed that the tyre service will be at Croft from Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September with a full inventory of tyres to meet expected levels of demand.

It has also been confirmed that this event will be promoted, as per Brands, as a "Mini Festival" with local TV stations invited and a parade of Mini's on Sunday morning.

### 2006 Racing Calendar

Round 1	April 1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Snetterton
Rounds 2 & 3	April 29 <sup>th</sup> , 30 <sup>th</sup> May 1 <sup>st</sup>	Brands Hatch Castle Combe
Rounds 4 & 5	June 2 <sup>nd</sup> - 4 <sup>th</sup>	Spa, Belgium
Round 6	June 23 <sup>rd</sup> - 25 <sup>th</sup>	Silverstone International
Round 7 & 8	July 16 <sup>th</sup>	Brands Hatch
Round 9	Sept 9 <sup>th</sup> & 10 <sup>th</sup>	Croft
Rounds 10 & 11	Oct 7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup>	Rockingham
Round 12	Oct 21 <sup>st</sup> & 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Donington Park

### Non Members Gallery Expanded

After a lively online debate it has been announced that the non members gallery section has been expanded to 3 pages, with all images watermarked to protect copyright of the images Paul Vickers posts.

The debate started over whether the gallery should be opened up fully to attract non members to visit the M7RC website with a view of getting more social members into the club.

The debate raged and a compromise was reached. However this has opened up a further debate on how the club attracts more non racing members in the coming months.

A number of further items on the website have now been made available to visitors

Jeff Carter and Motion Works have been requested to provide the committee with a plan, which will be presented in September, to attract more social members ahead of the 2007 season.