



March 2009 – Newsletter

Dear All,

**Rockingham 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> April, 2009**

It's nearly time to warm up your race boots, as the start of yet another Fun Cup season approaches!

I hope you are all looking forward to your first Fun Cup race of 2009. Please find below a provisional timetable for the event.

***Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April***

**13.30 – 17.30: Exclusive Fun Cup Testing for all private teams.** Please complete the attached booking form and return it to me no later than 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2009, if you wish to enter your car(s).

**12.00 onwards: Sign on and scrutineering.** Sign on will take place in garages 35 and 36, scrutineering will take place in your pit garage.

**JPR rental drivers - please be aware that you have exclusive testing included in your hire fee, from 13.30 – 15.30. If you wish to book extra testing, please email me at [roxie@funcup.co.uk](mailto:roxie@funcup.co.uk) for a booking form.**

**19.00 onwards: Hot Pot Supper!** (In Fun Cup awning).

We are currently trying to negotiate some extra testing on Friday morning. However, this will not be confirmed until nearer the event.

***Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> April***

**08.00 – 09.00: Sign on and scrutineering for those who miss it on Friday.** Sign on will be in Race Admin and scrutineering will take place in your pit garage.

**09.00 – 10.00: Exclusive Fun Cup Testing for all private teams.** Again, all private teams must complete the attached booking form to take part in this testing. **If you are a JPR rental driver and you wish to take part in this hour of testing, please email me at [roxie@funcup.co.uk](mailto:roxie@funcup.co.uk), no later than 27<sup>th</sup> March, for a booking form.**

**10.00 – 11.00: Qualifying**

**11.55 – 17.55: Race**

**Please also be aware that you will not be able to enter the circuit until Friday morning.**

**Entry Packs**

Please note that entry packs **will not** be posted to teams before each race. Instead, you **must** collect them from me when you arrive at the circuit.

Inside your entry packs, there will be ten circuit entry tickets per team and six complimentary hospitality wristbands. Each hospitality wristband entitles you to unlimited tea, coffee, juice and beer for the entire event, plus lunch on race day and a meal on Friday night at the Hot Pot Supper.

As Fun Cup is the only event at Rockingham on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> April, they will only be issuing a certain amount of tickets and have made it a **closed event.** This means that you will not be able to buy

any tickets on the gate. Therefore, if you require extra tickets, please email me at [roxie@funcup.co.uk](mailto:roxie@funcup.co.uk) with the amount that you will require, by Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March and I will make every effort to provide them for you.



***Car 210, Martindales Makes It Right, finished the 2008 season as World Champions. Can they repeat their success at Rockingham?***

### **Hot Pot Supper – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April**

There will be a Hot Pot Supper on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April, after testing. It will begin at 19.00 in the Fun Cup hospitality awning.

If you would like to buy extra wristbands, please complete the attached hospitality booking form and return it to me no later than Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March.

### **Rockingham Podium**

As you are mostly aware, Rockingham is the first UK race that will host the introduction of the new TDI Fun Cup cars.

The podium this year will be split into a petrol and TDI class. Trophies will be awarded to the first three petrol teams and likewise, with the first three TDI teams. There will also be a trophy awarded to the "Highest Placed JPR Rental Team" in each class.

### **Rockingham Entry Deadline – Information For All Private Teams**

The deadline for all entries in 2009 is fifteen days before the event. So, please note that the deadline for Rockingham entries is today (Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March). It is extremely important that we receive your entries on time, as the new system means that the BRSCC are taking payment this year. Any entries received after this time

will be subject to a £25 charge. Please also remember to make all cheques payable to the BRSCC and send them to **me** fifteen days before the event

Please enter all of the UK races which you intend to compete in asap. Your payment will only be taken two weeks before each event.

### **Fun Cup You Tube Site**

We have a fantastic new Fun Cup site on You Tube. To view all of the highlights from Fun Cup, please visit [www.youtube.com/thefuncup](http://www.youtube.com/thefuncup). You can watch features and interviews and it is also a great tool to highlight the benefits of the series to sponsors. You can also enjoy the Sky Sports TV coverage of each UK round and the magnificent Spa 25 hours. After each Fun Cup race, the TV coverage will be uploaded onto this site and so, if you miss it on Sky Sports, you can watch it on You Tube!

### **Fun Cup Clothing**

We have brand new high quality Fun Cup woolly hats, body warmers and sweatshirts for sale. They are all black with the Fun Cup logo stitched on them. In addition, the sweatshirts and body warmers also feature the website [www.funcup.co.uk](http://www.funcup.co.uk). If you would like to purchase any body warmers, or sweatshirts, there is the option to add your own website instead, plus a name.

Prices are as follows:

Woolly hats: £6  
Body warmers: £30  
Sweatshirts: £20

All prices are plus VAT and carriage.

For further information, please telephone me on 01538 306921.

### **2007/2008 Fun Cup Season Review**

The 2007/2008 Fun Cup season review book is in stock! The book details the Fun Cup, its phenomenal success across Europe and its unique concept in motor racing. Each 2007 and 2008 team is featured, with pictures of their car and drivers. There is also an in depth review into each race from 2007 and 2008, with

many great pictures and some particularly revealing team stories along the way. There are also many fun pictures and stories, which capture the essence of Europe's leading endurance race series.

The price is £32 plus postage and packaging and truly worth every penny if you have been involved in the Fun Cup in the last two years. This is a limited edition, packed with over one hundred pages, making it great value for money and something to treasure in years to come. To order a copy, please telephone me on 01538 306921 or email me at roxie@funcup.co.uk.



***Team Honeywell finished their 2008 season as the winners of the Nordschleife race, albeit still having to relinquish their number one.***

### **Fun Cup Calendar**

To create your own unique Fun Cup calendar, please click on the following link <http://www.siteprint.co.uk/client/fun.aspx>. The beauty of these Fun Cup calendars, is that they can start from any month you wish. For example, you can create one to start from April 2009 to finish in March 2010. You can also personalise them with specific dates and choose your own pictures from a range of on-track action, presentations, team shots and Fun Cup girls. If you would like any specific pictures added to the site, so that you can use them in a calendar, please email them to me at roxie@funcup.co.uk. The price for a calendar is only £9.99

### **One Way Radio System**

For the 2009 Fun Cup season, as most of you know, we will be introducing a one-way radio system, which will allow the Clerk of the Course to communicate with drivers in the cars, at all times. He will be

able to provide information for the drivers such as the safety car being deployed, pit window open and closed, 'stop and go' penalties etc.

The radio will be an inexpensive device for the teams and will, hopefully, increase safety and reduce unnecessary accidents when safety cars are on track. It will also be used to increase efficiency when cars are due to line up on the grid, as they will be called in grid order, via the radio system. Pit crew members can also use the device. On the whole, our aim is to improve the general safety of the races.

The one-way radio systems are **mandatory** and must be purchased from Fun Cup UK, to ensure that they comply with the correct frequency and licensing regulation agreements.

It is the Team Manager's responsibly to ensure that your radio systems are working properly. We will also be testing them on the 3<sup>rd</sup> April at Rockingham.

### **Finally...**

I very much look forward to seeing you all at Rockingham for round one! May I take this opportunity to welcome both experienced and new Fun Cup racers back for 2009. A special welcome to ex-BTCC team owner, Jason Porter, who has purchased a brand new TDI. He will partner Matt Hayman at Rockingham.

See you all there!

Kindest regards

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Race Co-ordinator