

After much persistence from “Mr PR himself”..... Alan Humphrey, that is, Plymouth Gladiators sanctioned a display of Heritage “Junior” Stock cars at their home fixture against Somerset on the 28th June.

The colourful period display of Alan’s Y Type and Andy’s Topolino replica as illustrated, also promoted the forthcoming annual 2019 West Country tour @ St. Day & Smeatharpe Taunton, which was perfect timing, considering the visiting teams location.



It has to be mentioned that both Alan & Andy (adorned in their white race attire) had reservations and yet anticipation for the forthcoming evening. To their astonishment an absolutely fantastic evening of promotion and storytelling was had by all..... It was very clear the link between the ‘ol Penny Cross stadium of Plymouth and the “Golden era” of formula two stock car racing is still not forgotten, with many a comment received.....

....“I remember seeing cars like these when my Dad used to take me to Penny cross”.

Throughout the whole night interest grew with many an ex-driver of the time joining the display to yarn about the enjoyment of the past....

With many an introduction to the “officials” earlier in the evening, it was mooted about, that a “track display” was quite possible after the evenings speedway had finished. As the now flood lit meeting drew to a close, Alan and Andy kicked in to action, now with both cars, “fired up” and running a mass of spectator and enthusiast alike circled the two cars. As the cars made their way to the track entrance, the anticipation was building to a crescendo, as it was clear many a spectator had remained fence side to see the following flood lit spectacle unfold...



“Mr PR” himself adorns period attire.

Unfortunately to a number of reasons, unclear at the time, the Clerk of the course couldn’t allow the cars on track and both Alan & Andy returned to their trailers to load up.

That all said, it has to be said, that a fantastic evening was had, the Heritage “Junior” stock cars were very well received and thanks are conveyed to the Plymouth Gladiator speedway organisation for the promotional opportunity.