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# Bulletin

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## DUNLOP GOLF CLASSIC

Charity begins at home. That is an old adage and indeed a true one. That is why we consider the annual Dunlop MI Benevolent Fund/GOAL Golf Classic as an important occasion, apart from the fact that it is a day when motorsport people from all disciplines come together for fun, golf and good food. Last year the two charities – the Irish Motorsport Benevolent Fund and GOAL – shared in excess of €20,000. Thanks!

As you already know the Motorsport

Benevolent Fund is for the day when competitors from rallying, karting or racing, who are unlucky to be involved in a serious accident, can be helped in some direct and kind way during treatment or convalescence, particularly if that person is unemployed, contract or self-employed.

In 2008 the Golf Classic will again take place at the exquisite GLEN OF THE DOWNS Golf Club, Delgany, Co.

Wicklow. It will once more be a Shot-Gun start (check in from noon and start at 13.30) and the date is Thursday May 29th. We can cater for 40 teams, so get your team entry in immediately. The Shot-Gun start means that all participants will finish at the same time and so there will be a gala dinner.

The entry fee for a team of four players is €600 and that includes green fees, a three course dinner and goody bags for all four players. It is great value, a

## APRIL FIXTURES

5 (prov)	Co Monaghan	Navigation Trial (NT)
6	Co Kildare	Race Meeting
6	Midland	Stages Rally
6	Skibbereen	Autocross (LS)
11/12/13	TDC	Irish Classic Retro Trial
12	500 MRCI/IMRC	Race Meeting, Kirkistown
13	Connacht	Autocross (LS)
13	Kerry	Autotest
13	Munster CC	Moonraker Forestry Rally (FR)
13	Meath	Kart Race Meeting (KC)
19/20	Carrick-on-Suir	Autocross
19/20	Galway	Hillclimb (HC)
19/20	MRCCI	Midget Car Race
19/20	GSMC	Weekend Sporting Trial
20	Co Monaghan	Stages Rally (SR)
20	Leinster	Race Meeting – Mondello
20	Tipperary	4x4 Production Vehicle Trial
20	Laois	Autotest
26	500 MRCI	Race Meeting, Kirkistown
26/27	Clare	Autotest
27	GSMC	Restricted Mini Stages Rally
27	IKC	Kart Race Meeting (KC)
26/27	IMRC	Race Meeting

## MAY FIXTURES

2-4	Killarney	International Rally of Lakes (TROA)
10/11	TDC	International Trophy Autotest
11	Connacht	Autocross (LS)
11	Donegal	Autocross (LS)
11	Munster KC	Kart Race Meeting (KC)
17/18	Carrick-on-Suir	Hillclimb
17/18	Co Kildare	4x4 Production Vehicle Trial
17/18	Cork	West Cork Classic
17/18	MEC	Retrospective
18	Mayo	Race Meeting
18	Clare	Autocross (LS)
18	Kerry	Autocross (LS)
18	Birr	Autosolo
23/24/25	Jim Clark Memorial	Forestry Rally (FR)
24/25	Skibbereen	International Rally (TROA)
25	Killarney	Autotest
25	Co Cavan	Autocross (LS)
25	Leinster	Stages Rally (SR)
25	TBA	V+V Run
29	Benevolent Fund/Goal Golf Classic	Kart Race Meeting (KC)
31	500 MRCI	Race Meeting, Kirkistown

great day of fun, and a special day when all branches of the sport and its supporters, come together in the interest of others not so fortunate. As in previous years, we are also accepting individual hole and award sponsorships, all in an effort to reach if not surpass last year's achievement. €250 will sponsor a tee or green! So please tell all your members!

The overall winning team will take the Peter Jenkins Memorial Trophy (the Co. Cavan MC won last time). The best motorsport club team will carry away the Cuchullain Trophy (the Birr and District MC hold this trophy), while there are many other subsidiary prizes, such as the Longest Drive and the nearest the hole award on one of the Par 3s. Each motor club may enter two or more teams if desired.

Now is the time to send your entry to Michael O'Carroll or to Renata Guiskaja (renata@motorsportireland.com). No need to send money at this time, but we would appreciate an indication that you intend to enter a team or you would like to be involved as a sponsor. Entries close on May 22nd by which time the €600 entry fee should be paid. Again thanks for taking an interest in this worthy effort in the name of motorsport. Please pass this memorandum on to motorsport people!



A member of:



## ELIGIBILITY CHECKS

The following car was sealed by scrutineers at the Mayo MC Stages Rally on 9.3.08 and was found, when checked, to comply with its homologation papers in respect of gearbox: Car 107.

## DUNLOP HAWTHORN TROPHY 2008

Events Date	Venue	Classes												
		F Vee	Sheane	FF1600	Libre	Uno/Punto	Abarth	Porsche	Historic	Stryker	Global	Supercar	Saloon	
March 23	Mondello					H	H		H		H			
March 29	Kirkistown	H	H	H										
April 6	Mondello				H		H	H			H			
April 26	Kirkistown			H	H						Hx2			
April 26/27	Mondello	H	H			H			H			H	Hx2	
May 17/18	Mondello	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	Hx2	H			H	
May 31	Kirkistown					H						H		
June 7/8	Mondello		H	H	H			H		Hx2	H	H		
June 28	Kirkistown							H						
June 29	Mondello					H			H			H	H	
July 5/6	Anglesey	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H					
July 20	Mondello		H	H	Hx2			Hx2		Hx2		H		
July 26	Kirkistown	H					H		H					
Aug 24	Mondello	H				H	H					H	Hx2	
Aug 30	Kirkistown		H	H						H		H		
Sept 13/14	Mondello	H	H	H	H	H	Hx2	H	H	H	Hx2	H	H	
Sept 27	Kirkistown	H									H			
Counting rounds		8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	

## YEARBOOK

The 2008 Yearbook is currently being distributed to all holders of competition and officials' licences. Additional copies are available from MI at a cost of €25 each, including postage.

## LICENCE STATISTICS

The following figures relate to the number of competition licences issued up to and including 28 March:

	2005	2006	2007	2008
Renewals	2384	2693	2792	2911
First Time	352	403	411	364
Total	2736	3096	3203	3275

## PHOENIX PARK 2008

The Motor Sport Commission announces that the Phoenix Park Race Meeting, listed in the calendar for August 9/10, will not take place in 2008. It is, however, intended that the 2009 event will be held.

## RULE CHANGES/YEARBOOK AMENDMENTS

General Competition Rule 129: Add new (xv): For offences involving abusive language or behaviour, physical assault or threat of physical assault, the Stewards of the Meeting can impose an immediate suspension of up to 30 days. Such sentence of suspension may only be imposed after a hearing by the Stewards.

Any suspension under this article shall remain in place until the completion of any appeal hearing that may arise. The report of the hearing to MI may be a cause for the calling of a Court of Inquiry by MI.

General Competition Rule 151 (d): New wording: Sentence of

suspension may be pronounced only by MI, with the exception of a maximum of 30 days suspension by the Stewards of a Meeting as per Rule No. 129 (xv). Sentence of suspension shall be reserved for grave offences.

These amendments are effective immediately.

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