## **Chairmans Report MSC AGM SATURDAY 26**<sup>TH</sup> **JANUARY 2019**

2018 saw a similar number of Championship contenders as 2017, with 64 registrations and once again a high percentage of contenders with 58 competitors.

The Championship continues to receive financial support from Alex Chard at DTA Fast Engine Management Company, together with Consistency Awards from King Dick Tools and an entry to Prescott Hillclimb School for our best Novice from the Bugatti Owners Club.

The Committee organised an extensive calendar of 40 hillclimbs and sprints throughout England and Wales. The Championship having been won for the  $3^{rd}$  consecutive year by Steve Barnard in his Audi TT Spaceframe.

The tight budget control, increased membership fee and use of email rather than postage has kept the Club financially stable, with a small operating surplus and adequate cash reserves.

Due to family and work commitments, Fred Currell has stepped down from the Committee and I would personally like to thank him for all his contributions. We are however hopeful that he will be out competing in the coming season and always takes a lively interest in the Championship.

Jeff Allan will be away in 2019 for 2 or 3 months during the early summer and Aaron Perrett has kindly agreed to assist with the scoring spreadsheets and target times for the coming season and although not able to attend Committee meetings due to his home in Redhill, his help is likely to prove invaluable.

I would like to ask all of us to continue to do all we can to attract new Committee members in the hope of reducing the average age! and would like to thank all members of the Committee, Stewards, Championship Scrutineer and Tony Beard for preparing our accounts.

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