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Goodwood Revival 2008 - Preview



It's now just two weeks till the Goodwood Revival (19-21 September) and time to get your skates on if you've not yet bought tickets.

The latest of the abundant attractions at the world's greatest historic motorsport meeting are aeronautical... the **Battle of Britain Memorial Flight** will be performing, alongside air displays featuring **Spitfire**, **Corsair** and **Mustang**.

On the Sunday of the Revival, the awe-inspiring **Vulcan** bomber, a pre-1966 jet-powered plane, will fly over the circuit while an aeronautical concours d'elegance (the '**Freddie March Spirit of Aviation**') takes place on the ground.

As with cars, the cut-off date for historic aircraft at the Revival meeting is 1966 – and don't forget to dress in period or you'll feel sadly out of place.



But of course, the main attraction is the motor racing: a selection of the best historic machinery on the planet, both two-wheeled and four, with many star drivers and riders to thrill the crowds. Among them are **Richard Attwood** in an **Aston Martin DB3S** and **DB4 GT**; **Bobby Rahal** driving a **Jaguar E-type lightweight** and **Mk1** – the same two models as five-times Le Mans winner **Derek Bell**; **Jochen Mass** in a **Lancia D50A**, **Jackie Oliver** in the glorious diversity of an **AC Cobra Le Mans Coupe** and **Austin A35**, not to mention **Martin Brundle**, Le Mans stars **Henri Pescarolo** and **Emanuele Pirro**, **British Touring Car** hero **Andy Rouse** and, of course, **Sir Stirling Moss** – "arguably Britain's greatest ever racing driver never to win the F1 World Championship".

Rowan Atkinson will be taking up his usual seat in a Jaguar Mk VII for the St Mary's Trophy, while Nick Mason will be piloting his Maserati Tipo 61 'Birdcage' in the Sussex Trophy.



And then there are the big names taking part in the on-track parades, if not actually racing, including **Tony Brooks**, **Alan Mann**, **Jacky Ickx** and **Sir Jackie Stewart**. We are also delighted to hear that **Win Percy** will be in attendance as the newly appointed **Driving Standards Adviser**.

Meanwhile, former **British Touring Car** ace and **Classic Driver** contributor **Tony Dron** will be racing four cars at the Revival and reporting his impressions for us after the Goodwood weekend. Among his drives are two of the greatest **Aston Martins** in existence: the **1959 Le Mans-winning DBR1** and **DB4 GT Zagato '1 VEV'**.





As in previous years, admission to the **Goodwood Revival** is **strictly by advance ticket only**. Ticket Hotline: +44 (0)1243 755055. E-mail: <u>bookings@goodwood.co.uk</u> – or see the Online Ticket section of the <u>www.goodwood.co.uk/motorsport</u> website.

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