



Snetterton Race Circuit, 16th October 2010

Tiger scoops 2nd Outright Podium of the Season and Wins CSCC Swinging 60's Series V8 Rolling Thunder Cup

[Rumbar Racing](#) the Northamptonshire based motorsport team concluded the season in style with a second podium finish winning the CSCC Swinging Sixties V8 Thunder Cup. The Ford V8 engine powered black and silver Sunbeam Tiger built by Rootes at the Jensen Factory in West Bromwich in 1965 is owned and piloted by Andrew Yates was co-driven by veteran Adrian Mossop. Race support and engineering from Kevin Cooper and Nick Stephens ensured the Tiger achieved a top 3 class finish in every round to secure the prestigious series win.



The season finale on Saturday 16th October at the Snetterton Race Circuit saw a full Swinging Sixties grid of 43 cars together with no fewer than 8 reserves (the CSCC not enduring the same grid challenges as other competition organisers this year). The double header format began with 30 minutes of qualification and was followed by two x 40 minute races with a compulsory pit-stop and driver change. Despite early sunshine as the first group out on track, conditions were extremely slippery after a great deal of rain the night before which was reflected in the qualification times. The Tiger not being able to utilise its power advantage qualified 10th on the grid, a satisfactory result in light of the conditions reflected in some interesting cars qualifying ahead including a Mini 1275GT, a Marcos and a Scimitar GTE!

By the time of race 1 the track had dried out and the standing start followed by long straight which suited the Tiger saw Yates climb to 6th place a position he was able to maintain until the switch over to Mossop.

Compounding the challenge to the Rumbar team was an additional 30 second pit-stop penalty which was a reward for winning the first race of the season outright (a CSCC rule which is designed to even out the competition). Mossop subsequently rejoined somewhat down the field but battled back to finish 6th and 2nd in the V8 class. This was all the more satisfying as by the end of the race the clutch had all but disintegrated with the trusty Ford top-loader soon to follow!

Race 2 saw a rolling start from P6 (which thankfully preserved what was left of the clutch) and by the end of the first lap Yates had battled to P2. By the handover the Tiger had slipped back to P4 handing over to Mossop with a 3 speed box minus 2nd gear. A silky pit stop orchestrated by Stephens and

Cooper (this time without the 30 second penalty), gave Mossop the impetus he needed and after some seat of the pants manoeuvring Adrian brought the Tiger home for its second season podium in P3 and V8 Class win to add to the season opening P1 race victory.



This rounded of a very pleasing season with 3 class wins, 2 podiums including an outright win and a succession of 2nd and 3rd place victories; the Tiger never failing to score in each of the 7 rounds.

Yates commented 'This was a fabulous weekend which allowed us to conclude what has been a challenging and eventful year of motorsport with the *right result* for the team and the Sunbeam Tiger Owners Club helping promote the Tiger as a credible contender in historic racing.



This was only made possible with the support of the team especially the engineering talents of Kev Cooper and his company TEK12, logistical and planning skills of Nick Stephens and the supreme driving ability of Adey Mossop'

Yates concluded 'I would also like to thank our sponsors "[Artesian Solutions](#)" (the leaders in sales intelligence), [Microsoft BizSpark](#), [Race Keeper](#) and [Concrete-Media](#) who support our racing activities. With further development we are confident the Tiger can bring further success throughout 2011.'

...ends...

Press / Media enquiries please contact: Andrew Yates – ceo@artesianolutions.com