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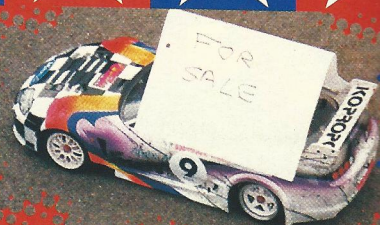
TAMIYA EURO-CUP

TOURING CARS ROUND ONE WEST LONDON

The first round of this year's Tamiya Euro-cup for the Touring Cars kicked off at West London, with a trip to Italy for the top drivers at the end of the series. There were a number of drivers who had switched over to the 03 chassis in the Super Touring Class and it would be interesting to see whether they would prevail over 01 and 02 chassis in '97.

marshall make's his mark

Isly at speed.



I want a TA03.

The Sanyo 2000 battery was being allowed, subject to a maximum price of £52.50.

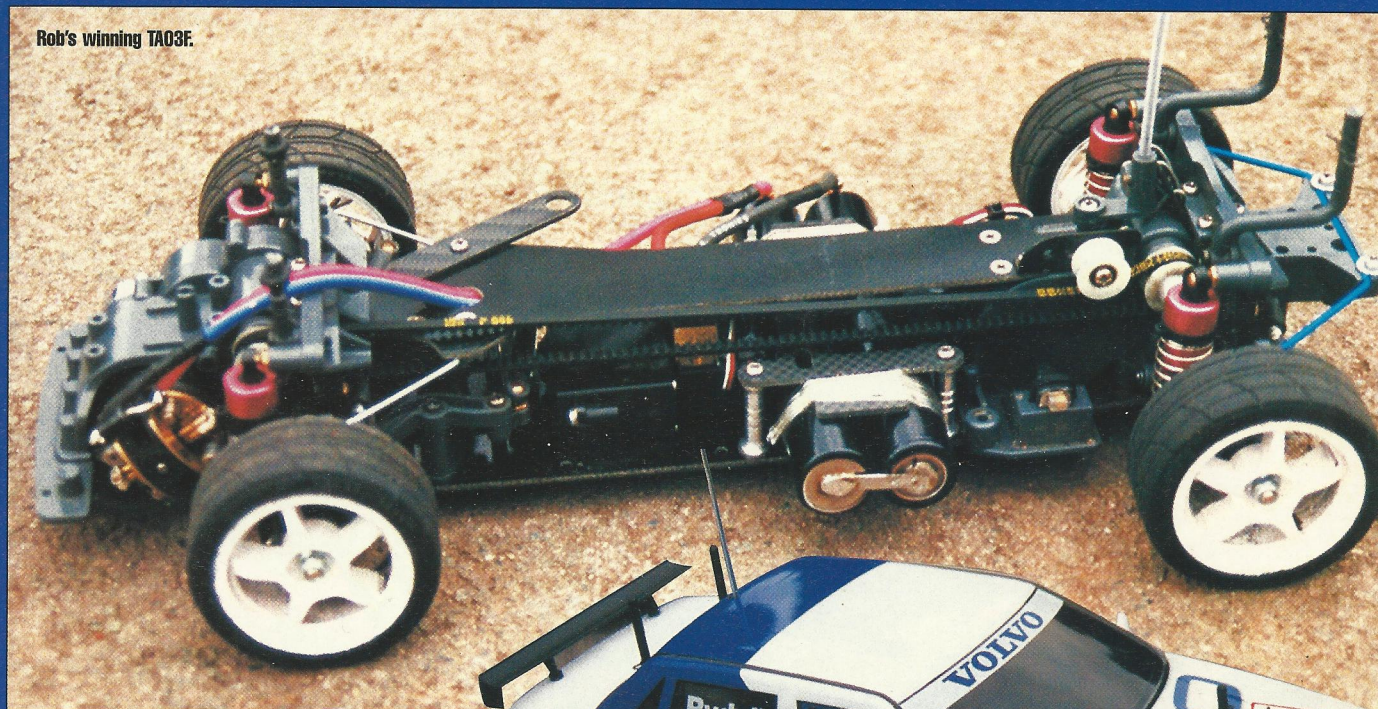
Qualifying

For the first few heats in round one the track hadn't quite dried out but didn't seem to effect the drivers too much. In the FWD class it was Robert Chalmers who held top spot by seven-tenths from David Morris, who in turn was two seconds ahead of third placed Steve



Concours winning Golf
(paint by Jon Winter).

Rob's winning TA03F.



The TQ and Winning Golf of David Morris.

Bellwood. With their kit 540 Mabuchi motors the FWD cars were quite evenly matched and taking a bad line or running wide meant lost time and ground.

Richard Isherwood, who is due to become a father in a couple of months time, was really flying in the Super-Touring class with his

03 Nissan GT-R and was some twelve seconds ahead of second placed Andrew Cooper with fellow Sawyer's driver, Paul Bennett, in third.

Round Two

Round two saw David Morris put in a storming run to take top spot with Brian Murphy Jnr joining him on the front row, the pair of them having put in 13 lappers. Next up was Oliver Owen, who had just missed out on a thirteen lapper by just over half a second. Rob Marshall's car was handling really well, I wonder if that has anything to do with his job as a ride and handling engineer for Daewoo, as he took FTD off Ischy by less than a second. Andrew Cooper was third just ahead of Ben Elliott and Ashley Whenman.

Round Three

David Morris still held top spot in the FWD class after the third round, thanks to his second round time, but Robert Chalmers had now just sneaked ahead of Brian Murphy to take second. Rob was motoring even quicker, having started off first and not having to battle past over cars, as he just squeezed in an impressive 16 lapper. Ischy also improved his time but remained in second ahead of Andrew, Ben and Ashley.

Final Round

The final round saw a good number of drivers improve their times, but it was still David Morris who had pole position for the FWD cars with his round two time.



A B.T.T.C. refugee.

Times

FWD

1. David Morris	13-16.14
2. Brian Murphy Jnr	13-22.83
3. Mark Puddle	13-24.42
4. Robert Chalmers	13-24.94
5. Oliver Owen	12- 0.16
6. Richard Collard	12- 3.70
7. Martin Shell	12- 4.18
8. Steve Bellwood	12- 5.51
9. Kevin Dent	12- 7.88
10. Peter Millard	12-10.39

Super Touring

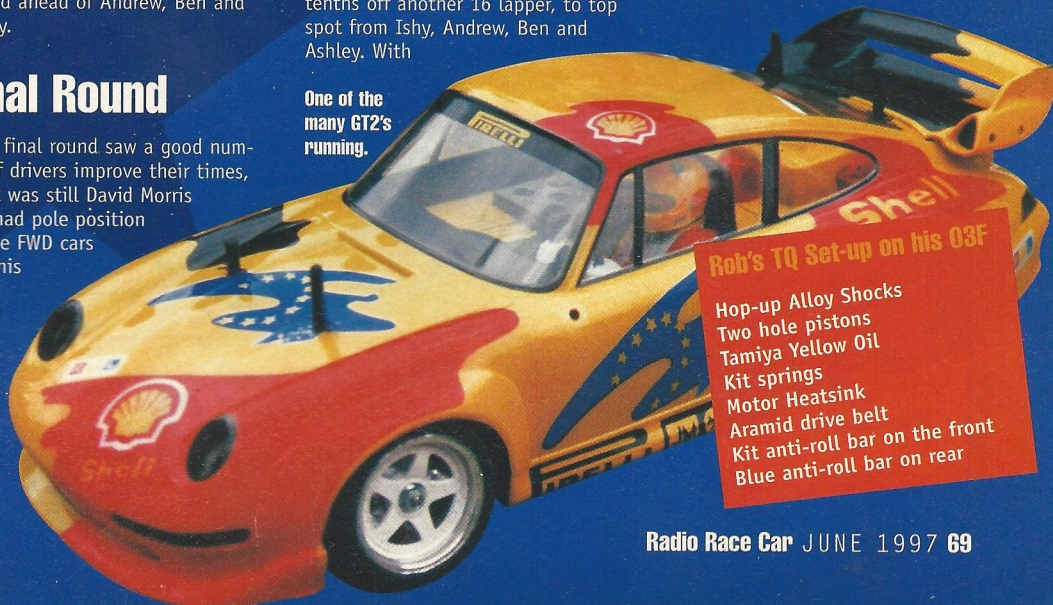
1. Rob Marshall	15-0.29
2. Richard Isherwood	15-3.08
3. Andrew Cooper	15-12.10
4. Ben Elliott	15-13.25
5. Ashley Whenman	15-13.65
6. James Whyley	15-16.72
7. Andy Child	15-18.10
8. Paul Bennett	15-18.92
9. Luke Burley	15-19.67
10. Jon Winter	15-20.31

Brian Murphy was now second from Mark Puddle and Robert Chalmers, all of the first four were on 13 laps.

In the Super-tourers it was Rob who was again quickest, just three-tenths off another 16 lapper, to top spot from Ischy, Andrew, Ben and Ashley. With

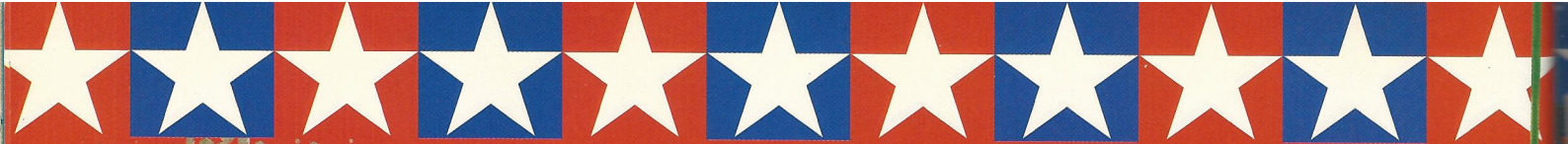
qualifying out of the way it was time for concours which went to a pair of Jon Winters painted bodies.

One of the many GT2's running.



Rob's TQ Set-up on his 03F

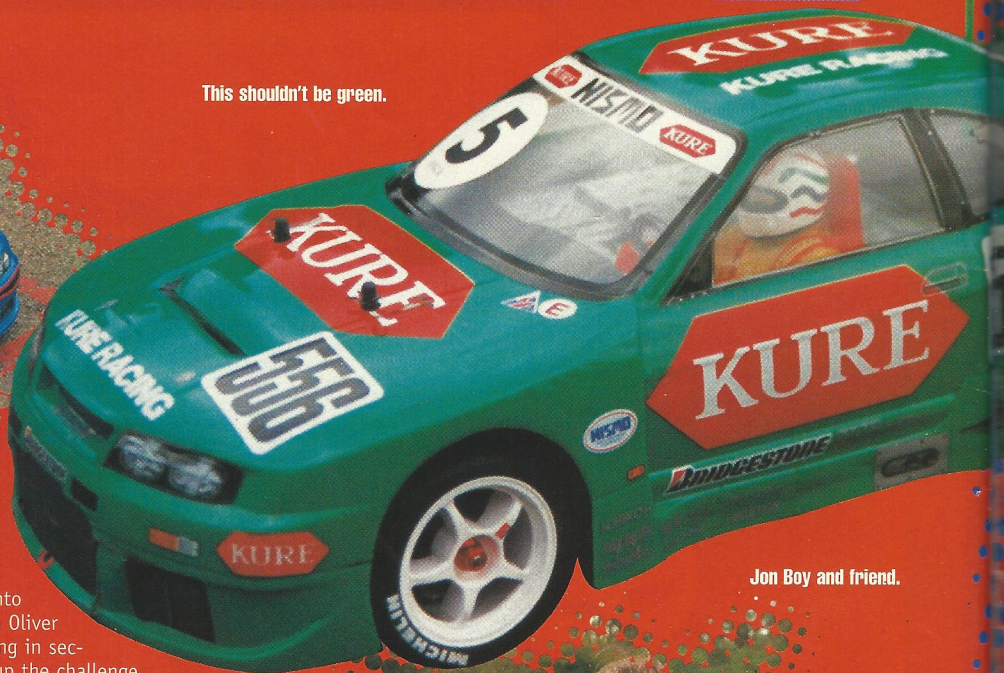
- Hop-up Alloy Shocks
- Two hole pistons
- Tamiya Yellow Oil
- Kit springs
- Motor Heatsink
- Aramid drive belt
- Kit anti-roll bar on the front
- Blue anti-roll bar on rear



Rob's winning Skyline.



This shouldn't be green.



Jon Boy and friend.

Finals

First out was the FWD C final which saw a win for Heather who pressurized John Alderslade the entire race before taking the lead on the penultimate lap, with Tony Dalby some way back in third.

FWD "B"

The B final saw poleman, Mark Freeston, make good his get away at the start and left the rest of the pack to battle for second place. Battle they did and it was Steve English who eventually picked up second from Paul Wickenden.

FWD "A"

The A final saw David Morris go straight into the lead with Oliver Owen emerging in second to take up the challenge. Oliver slowly clawed his way up to David was eventually able to take the lead by taking the inside line at the end of the straight. David wasn't about to give up without a fight and when Oliver came up on a backmarker, David seized his chance. A bump between David and Oliver, saw David retake the lead, whilst Oliver was given another bump by the backmarker they had lapped. With the clock running out, Oliver was unable to make any impression as David took the win.



This one's the correct colour



Jon Winters Super Touring Concours winner.

Super Touring

The E final for the Super Touring Cars was incident-strewn, but through it all came Ian Watkins, who'd had a somewhat fraught day, to take the win from Ben Jackson and Mark Cheshire.

D Final

Brian Murphy Jnr had a good drive from seventh on the grid to take the D final from the poleman, Matthew Benz, and



Christopher Capp also had a good run to claim third from the back of the grid.

C Final

The C final went the way of poleman, David Elliott (Ben's Dad), with Paul Green taking second just ahead of Oliver Owen in third.

B Final

David Morris made it a double by winning the B final as well, comfortably ahead of second placed Paul Douglas with Steve Bellwood in third.

A Final

The start of the A final saw

Rob jumping straight into the lead from pole, whilst Ishy got done at the first corner by someone who has been taking lessons from Eddie Irvine. Ben Elliott benefited most to emerge in second from Ashley Whenman and James Whyley. Ben made a mistake on lap two which dropped him down to fourth behind James and put Ashley up to second, but there was little that Ashley could do about Rob who was really motoring. Luke Burley and Ishy were going well and we soon had a five car battle for fourth which ended with the usual exchange of paintwork. Ben was first of the leading runners to dump, pity we were all looking forward to seeing Ishy battle his way past him. Then Ashley started to slow on the last lap allowing Luke, who'd caught right up with him, to take second and before the lap was over, Ashley had lost third to Ishy but still retained fourth. So an exciting end to the days racing with the next instalment due from Bedworth. **RRC**



VR6.



Another "Jon Boy" paint job, Luke Burley's this time.



PIAA Honda Accord.

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Driver	Team	Car	Nicads	Motor	Front Tyres	Rear Tyres	Radio	Servo	MM per rev	Body	Qualify	Final
Rob Marshall	Modelsport M.troniks	TA03F	M.troniks 2000	Acto Touring	Super Slick Radial	Super Slick Radial	JR X756	KO 1002	24/Kit	Nissan Skyline GT-R	1	1
Richard Isherwood	M.troniks	TA03F	M.troniks 2000	Black Acto	Super Slick Radial	Super Slick Radial	Futaba FF3	KO 1002	26/Kit	Nissan Skyline GT-R	2	3
Andrew Cooper	Sawyers Models KO	TA03F	Sanyo SCRC	Dynatech	Super Slicks	Super Slicks	JR	KO	22/Kit	Nissan Skyline GT-R	3	8
Ben Elliott	Midland Bank, S. Beds DC Ground Flo Pups	TA02W	Sanyo 2000	TRF	Super Grip Radial	Super Grip Radial	KO EX-I	KO 1004	18/74	Toyota Supra	4	5
Ashley Whenman	Frewer UK, PAP	TA03F	Pete's/Glyn's SCRC	Dynotech	Super Grip	Super Grip	JR X756	KO 1002	23/Kit	Nissan Skyline GT-R	5	4
James Whyley		TA02W	M.troniks 2000	Dynatech 10 Dbl	Super Slicks	Super Slicks (Wide)	Sanwa Exerd	KO 1001	20/74	Toyota Supra	6	6
Andy Childs	Demon, AGR, Spec	TA03F	Demon 2000	Dyna-Run Super Touring	Super Grip Radial (hard insert)	Super Grip Radial (soft insert)	Sanwa Gemini	Futaba 148	22/63	Escort Cosworth	7	9
Paul Bennett	Sawyer's Models	TA03F	GM Vis 2000	Dynotech 13 Dbl	Super Slicks	Super Slicks Radial (Wide)	Futaba	KO 1001	22/Kit	Audi A4	8	10
Luke Burley	Tanaplan, KO, Apex MRT, Mirage	TA02	Orion V-max SCRC	Acto Power 14 Dbl	Super Grip Radial	Super Grip Radial	Futaba 3EGX	KO 1002	21/69	Toyota Supra	9	2
Jon Winter	Kits & Bits (Chichester) KO, Mirage, MRT	TA02	Orion V-max SCRC	Acto Pink 14 Dbl	Super Slick Radial	Super Slick Radial	Futaba FF3	KO 1012	21/69	Toyota Supra	10	7

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David Morris	KO		Trinity 1400 SCR	Kit	Std. Slick	Std. Slick	Futaba Attack	KO	25/66	Golf VR6	1	1
Brian Murphy	Cheshire Models		Trinity 2000	Kit	Std. Slick	Std. Slick	Futaba FF3	KO 901	25/66	Renault Clio	2	6
Mark Puddle	Cheshire Models, Dad		Orion SCRC	Kit	Std. Slick	Std. Slick	Futaba FF3	Acoms A512	25/66	Renault Clio	3	3
Robert Chalmers	Ray Mallock Ltd Knockhill Racing Circuit		Orion/Schum. SCRC	Kit	Slicks	Slicks (blue insert)	Futaba Attack	Futaba S148	25/66	Ecurie Ecosse Vectra	4	4
Oliver Owen	Self, Dad, KO		Trinity SCRC	Ki	Kit (inserts)	Kit (inserts)	Futaba Attack	KO 1001 Hitec	25/66	Clio Williams 16V	5	2
Robin Collard	Toxic Paint, Wheelspin Models, Kenealy Spares		Orion SCRC	Kit	Slicks (inserts)	Slicks (no inserts)	Futaba FF3	KO 1001 Futaba 148	25/66	Nissan Clio	6	10
Martin Shell	Kits & Bits (Chichester) Jonny Boy Racing		Orion SCRC	Kit	Kit Slick	Kit Slick	Futaba FF3	KO 1002 Fut 130SH	25/66	Renault Clio	7	8
Steve Bellwood	Model Images		Orion SCRC	Kit	Kit	Kit	Acoms	Futaba 9401	25/66	Honda Accord	8	9
Kevin Dent	Self		Sanyo SCRC	Kit	Slicks Hard Insert	Slicks Soft Insert	Futaba Attack	Futaba S-148	25/66	Honda Accord	9	5
Peter Millard			Orion SCRC	Kit	Std. Slick	Std. Slick	Futaba Attack	Futaba S-148	25/66	Renault Clio	10	7