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MG 'X' Owners Club
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Images of our day at Silverstone and TRAX2002

Trax2002 Special Report

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Pride cannot explain how we felt, we had phenomenal response to our advert for Trax2002 at Silverstone Racetrack. For anyone who doesn't know, Trax is one of the largest, if not THE largest events of its kind. And this year was no exception. The show was originally the brain child of Les Gent at the XR Owners club, it was their annual meeting, which grew and grew. They invited other Clubs along to 'swell' the numbers and included trade displays as well as track and 0-60 timed events. The result was a show which was a huge success. In 2001 there were some 15,000 people who attended. This year there was a 16% increase, which was obvious by the amount of heads bobbing up and down in the melee as the crowd moved around. A total of 17,400 people on the day. The show has been run, in recent years by A & S publishing and now operates as a highly successful commercial venture.

So, what can be said of TRAX2002?

As usual you could buy everything for your car from coloured dust caps to turbo's, to body panels, to alloy wheels, to graphics... it may be easier to say what wasn't there, only I can't think of anything. It really is a spectacular day out for the car buff who is into heavy modifying.

We had 85+ cars attend on the day itself. Ranging from the standard to the very heavily modified. Some with wonderful paint finishes. Motobuild were true to their word and turned up, after a 2hr+ wait to get in, that last mile road is a real killer for queues after 7:00am. They bought with them a modified 800 and cross breed 25 with GTi engine, or was it a 200 with a 25 front end grafted on? Whatever, it still looked good and drew a lot of attention.

Our thanks also to Steve Childs and 'Dr' Dave of MG-Rover.org for arranging some of their forum members to attend with their MG's. (See pictures borrowed from their website).

Rev's magazine had a stand positioned just behind us and had a posse of ladies, scantily clad, as you would expect with such a magazine. We even managed to borrow a couple of girls and 'photo shoot them sitting on a Rover 800 Coupe (see pic).

The weather held good for most of the day, even though the forecast was for changeable weather, it didn't actually rain until around 4:10pm, at which point most people had seen everything and so decided to head home. If you had been there all day, you may have even picked up a bit of a tan.

If we had any complaints at all it would be the slightly late arrival of the tickets, which only gave us a few days to process and post them out to our members, and the bad positioning of our Club area, which was slightly out of the way and removed from other Club areas. However, as usual, all our members joined in the fun of the day, everyone seemed to enjoy themselves and we would like to thank everyone for attending and look forward to **TRAX2003. SEE YOU THERE!**

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