

Yeovil Car Club**Yeovilton Sprints 1959 – 1978****Best Time of the Day**

Date	Driver	Car	Time sec.	
20-Sep-1959	Wally Cuff	Cooper 'Hells Hammers' 1000cc	35.91	One lap course
11-Sep-1960	Wally Cuff	Cooper 'Hells Hammers' 1000cc	35.50	
24-Sep-1961				<i>See note 1</i>
16-Sep-1962	Eric Willmott	Elva Ford	66.63	Two lap course
31-Mar-1963	John Macklin	Lotus 20	64.91	
15-Sep-1963	Wally Cuff	Cooper-Climax	67.94	
22-Mar-1964	Vic Crapnell	Jaguar E-type	75.19	
13-Sep-1964	Ron Fry	Ferrari 250 GTO	66.30	
28-Mar-1965	John Grafton	Lotus 7 Ford 1500cc	66.20	
12-Sep-1965	Ian Swift	Cooper-Ford	64.02	
27-Mar-1966	Tom Elton	Lotus 22 Ford	65.91	
11-Sep-1966	John Grafton	Cooper Monaco Buick	64.06	
26-Mar-1967	Ron Fry	Ford GT40	66.19	
10-Sep-1967	Stan Thomas	Cooper Mk.8 JAP 1100	64.66	
31-Mar-1968	Spencer Elton	Lotus 22	62.18	
8-Sep-1968	Geoff Taylor	Lotus 7 1.5	64.09	
30-Mar-1969	Jeff Hill	Mallock U2/5 Ford 1.6	68.41	
7-Sep-1969	John Grafton	Grafton Buick 3.5	62.78	
*29-Mar-1970	Patsy Burt	McLaren M3A Oldsmobile 4.5	61.71	
6-Sep-1970	Paul Weldon	Brabham BT15 1.5	60.80	
*28-Mar-1971	Roy Lane	McLaren M10B Chevrolet 5.5	59.60	
5-Sep-1971	Brian Colvin	Merlyn Mk10 1.5	60.47	
*26-Mar-1972	Terry Smith	Cooper T81B Chrysler 7.2	62.06	
24-Sep-1972	Tony Griffiths	Brabham BT35X Repco 5.0	59.14	
*25-Mar-1973	Jonty Williamson	McLaren M10A/B Chevrolet 5.7	63.75	
23-Sep-1973				<i>See note 2</i>
*31-Mar-1974	Dave Harris	McLaren M10B/14 Chevrolet 5.0	58.34	
*22-Sep-1974	David Franklin	Ensign LNF373 Ford 1.6	57.39	
*30-Mar-1975	Dave Harris	McLaren M10B/14 Chevrolet 5.0	58.73	
*28-Sep-1975	Dave Harris	McLaren M10B/14 Chevrolet 5.0	57.24	
*28-Mar-1976	David Franklin	March 742 BMW 2.0	55.99	
*27-Mar-1977	David Franklin	March 772 BMW 2.0	63.36	
*9-Apr-1978	David Franklin	March 772 BMW 2.0	55.37	

* incorporated a round of the RAC British Sprint Championship

Notes:

1. Event announced in Autosport 1st September 1961; no further information available.
2. Date listed in 1973 RAC 'Blue Book'; no further information available.
3. Course: 1959-60 1 lap; 1962-78 2 laps. (1 lap = 875 yards)
4. 1959-1960 events co-promoted by Yeovil CC and West Hants & Dorset CC. From 1961 events were co-promoted by Yeovil CC, West Hants & Dorset CC, Burnham-on-Sea MC and Taunton MC. By 1970 the West Hants & Dorset CC were no longer involved.

Yeovilton sprint course location. Speckington, Somerset:
Coordinates: 51°00'45"N 002°37'29"W

Sources

Motoring News, Autosport, Autonews, Taunton Evening Courier.

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