



30th Anniversary 1981 - 2011

MGVR On-Track Expectations

As many, if not all of you know, MG vintage racers have an image to maintain, on and off the track. Let's leave the paddock for a few minutes, and address on-track behavior.

This year's Focus Event with Lime Rock Park brings together vintage racers from across North America. All of us will share the track with racers unfamiliar to us. Vintage racing spirit is something we are all familiar with, regardless of who we race with and what vintage race organization we belong to. **Aggressive driving** is not tolerated by any vintage race organization, period.

What is Aggressive Driving? Let's be specific!

Spins and wheels off: these are clear evidence of driver's loss of control. This should serve as a warning sign...you are driving over your personal limit and should back off. Drivers who spin, or put wheels in the dirt *should* come in for a visit with the stewards. This gives the driver a long moment, or two to catch his/her breath, and have race workers look for possible damage to the car. Drivers with several spins, or wheels off may be asked to rethink their participation in the weekend's activities.

Overtaking a slower car: Everyone take a minute and reflect on vintage attitude as it applies to passing. We will be racing and dicing with unfamiliar drivers in unfamiliar cars on what may be an unfamiliar track to many. Don't try to win the Hard Charger Award your first time out. You'll take home the same prize money for last place as first. Everyone knows what's expected. Watch your mirrors. **Slower cars please point by faster cars and maintain the race line.** It is the responsibility of the overtaking car to execute a clean pass. Be especially careful when passing going into a turn; **when in doubt, back off and save it for another time. No dive bombing going into turns!** This bears repeating-NO DIVE BOMBING INTO TURNS! Be especially careful when a train of faster cars is passing a group of slower racers. Use your common sense, and practice good vintage racing spirit.

Flags and Flag Stations: Lime Rock is a very busy track, and a new track to many of us. **Please** take the first few laps of your first few sessions to familiarize yourself with the flag stations. There are blind curves where your only indication of trouble ahead lies in the hands of the flag personnel. Be alert! LRP personnel will explain the rules for flags and on-course communication at their drivers' meeting. Pay attention! If there is anything that is not crystal clear to you, ASK QUESTIONS!

Incidents: We want exactly *zero incidents* at our Focus Events. If you are at fault in an incident that causes damage to your car, or someone else's car, you will be required to place your car on your trailer and may be excluded from future Focus Events.

MG vintage racers enjoy a reputation throughout the vintage racing community as fun loving, safety minded and respectful of others on track. Let's maintain the image at our Focus Events, and take ourselves, and our race equipment home in the same condition as it arrived.

Yours with Safety Fast regards... Chris Meyers