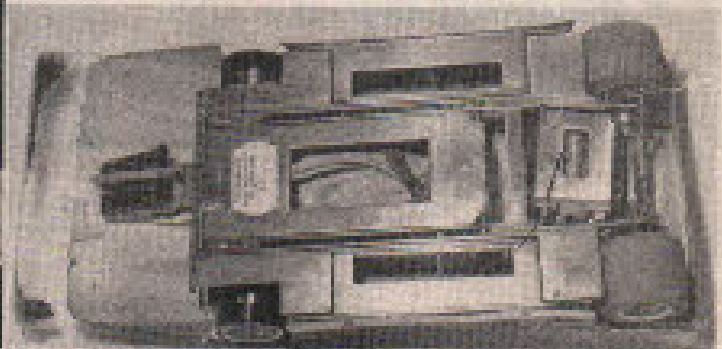


GRAVES GRABS GOLD at Tottenham's 1st 1970 Open



Above, a smiling Micky Graves after his fine win at Tottenham on 15th March; Micky's prizes included Mura, Parma and Champion of Europe parts together with the Model Cars Trophy and, just to prove that we weren't pulling your legs, those bananas! At right is the car he did it all with. Below, a pit scene with 80 or 70 odd cars out of the 115 entries lined up after qualifying. At the bottom, Concours winners; car No. 2 took first place for Peter Stratford.



MARCH 15th saw the opening of the 1/24th scale Raceway season at Tottenham Model Raceways where the first of this year's Open Meetings took place.

Attracting 115 entries, the meeting turned out to be the fastest yet and had an international smattering with entries from Holland, Switzerland and the U.S.A. in the shape of Ed Lewis who came over specially for the event. Absentees were Gordon Tapsell and Trevor Croust who had gone 1/32nd scale racing at Haydon but it was nice to see Roger Willmott back and running well (the car he used is described elsewhere in this issue) together with all the regular Tottenham faces.

The usual Tottenham Open Meeting race system was used, now running beautifully, thanks mainly to the services of John Eford who performed the awe-inspiring organisation of 115 entries like clockwork. Practice makes perfect, says John, with regard to the running of such a big meeting and of the half dozen or so that we have attended over the years, we have certainly noticed things getting much smoother and more streamlined.

Of the foreign visitors, Ed Lewis of the U.S.A. went fastest in qualifying but he had to be satisfied with a 21.154 laps; poor Ed with all British eyes upon him must have had something of an ordeal since the last American racer to visit these shores, Bob Ematt, so comfortably 'walked it' last year. Ed's car was one of the new side-winder designs and it really flew but not anywhere near quick enough to catch the Tottenham experts like Graves, Moser and Magaz.

Here are the complete two-minute qualifying times of all entrants:

Race No.	Driver	Time
1.	Ron Spencer, Jr.	24.4
2.	M. Moser	23.17
3.	M. Graves	23.17
4.	M. Graves	23.11
5.	M. Finazzo	23.8
6.	Ron Spencer, Sr.	22.2
7.	Bill Clark	22.16
8.	Mac MacDonald	21.15
9.	Roland Leonard	20.4
10.	Barry Magaz	20.6
11.	Vic Elms	22.16 (Junior)