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The Ingliston Revival

50th anniversary

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USPA NEWS - The Ingliston Revival celebrates the 50th anniversary and reinstatement of Ingliston Circuit in Edinburgh. Ingliston Racing Circuit came to life in 1965 as a project by the Royal Highland Agricultural Society Of Scotland to build a motorsport facility as a new asset to the venue.

The circuit comprised a widened route which comprised roadways of the original grid network of access roads in the venue. Only the Esses (around 200 meters) of track were built from scratch as no appropriate roadway was available.

Over 30 years, the venue hosted regular racing meetings. It was infamous for its tight 1 mile track with little margin for error. In the days before strict safety standards, if you lost control at the wrong point you could find yourself in a lot of trouble, or worse still up a tree!

Famous visitors to Ingliston included “The Flying Scotsman” Sir Jackie Stewart, most famously in 1970 when he raced his Ford F1 car round the circuit. Other famous visitors to the circuit include the late Jim Clark, Allan McNish, Dario Franchitti and David Coulthard.

However by the mid 90’s the circuit had become too expensive to maintain and racing came to an end, although a number of race meets and rally stages still took place, albeit without much in the way of spectators or publicity.

For the first time in over 30 years it is now possible to experience the full track in all its refurbished glory. There are some of the greatest cars from the past and present, including some of the world’s most exclusive hyper cars! , with a huge range of famous makes on the concourse and track and action with displays from vehicles of both 2 and 4 wheels. The event will herald the reintroduction of motorsport and all things motoring at The Royal Highland Centre after a break of over 20 years.

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