



# GREENPOWER 2019

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# 2019 INTERNATIONAL FINAL AT SILVERSTONE

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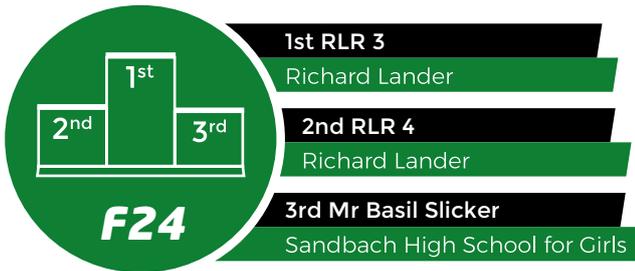
Do you have any videos or diary logs from the event? Feel free to share them with us on social media or send to

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# RESULTS



On 17th October, 127 teams from education institutes and youth organisations took to the iconic Silverstone Circuit to race around the track in two different categories. After an impressive day of competition, the podium spots were won by the above teams.

Many more awards were also decided on the day, including the SQN Social Media award, won by The Inver Racers and the Best-Presented team which was awarded to Hummingbird from Plymouth High School for Girls.

Congratulations to everyone who participated, we hope you enjoyed it as much as we did!

Greenpower CEO Paul van Veggel said: “It was an honour to have the opportunity to drive the gold chassis around Silverstone on what was a truly phenomenal International Final. There was a palpable buzz up and down the paddock throughout the day as hundreds of young people prepared for a fanfare finish to our 20th anniversary season.”

On the day, we asked teams to hand us interesting notes so we could provide everyone with some on-the-day commentary. Here’s what we discovered...

-  We found out our longest serving team member is a teacher at St Swithuns who has been a part of their team for 19 years! Can you beat that?
-  Our best team motto was from Cheltenham College Prep School with, ‘Go the extra mile, it’s never too crowded’. Dunsfold teams may not agree with this!
-  Favourite fact: Perkins Engines: Self tappers + gaffer tape = Winning performance.





# 2020 EVENT DATES

Who's excited for the 2020 season? Below we have a sneak peek at some of the dates set in our calendar.

East Fortune	IET Formula 24/24+	27-03-2020
Plumpton College	IET Formula Goblins	28-03-2020
Blyton Test	IET Formula 24/24+	02-04-2020
HMS Excellent	IET Formula Goblins	25-04-2020
Goodwood Motor Circuit Test	IET Formula 24/24+	26-04-2020
Hull Street Race	IET Formula Goblins	03-05-2020
Hull Street Race	IET Formula 24/24+ Kit only	03-05-2020
Goodwood Motor Circuit Heat	IET Formula 24/24+	10-05-2020
Renishaw New Mills	IET Formula Goblins	16-05-2020
Kirkistown Racing Circuit	IET Formula 24/24+	23-05-2020
Scottow Enterprise Park	IET Formula Goblins	05-06-2020
Lotus Hethel Track	IET Formula 24/24+	06-06-2020
Grampian Transport Museum	IET Formula 24/24+ (Kit only for F24+)	12-06-2020
Grampian Transport Museum	IET Formula Goblins	13-06-2020
Renishaw Miskin	IET Formula Goblins	20-06-2020
Predannack Airfield	IET Formula Goblins	24-06-2020
Predannack Airfield	IET Formula F24/ F24+	25-06-2020
Goodwood Motor Circuit Gathering of Goblins	IET Formula Goblins	28-06-2020
Croft Circuit	IET Formula Goblins	02-07-2020
Croft Circuit	IET Formula 24/24+	02-07-2020
Blyton Heat	IET Formula 24/24+	08-07-2020
Bedford Heat	IET Formula 24/24+	06-09-2020
Castle Combe	IET Formula 24/24+	13-09-2020
Aintree Motor Circuit	IET Formula 24/24+	16-09-2020

Our full race calendar is due to be released shortly, so keep an eye on our event calendar page for more information!



## JOKE CORNER

Why did Greenpower's electric car finish the race early? It had a short circuit!

If I flip my new Nissan electric car...  
Am I turning over a new leaf?

Feel free to e-mail your jokes into  
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# **GREENPOWER WAS NOMINATED FOR THE INNOVATION IN STEM INSPIRATION AWARD!**



The STEM Inspiration Awards recognises and celebrates individuals, organisations and clubs working to inspire young people in science, technology, engineering and maths.



Greenpower was nominated for its work in organising the successful Hull Street Race earlier this year.

**It was the perfect culmination of 20 years of hard work and we were delighted to leave the event with a certificate for 'Highly Commended for the Innovation in STEM award'.**

## **A RACE TO REMEMBER**

On 28th April 2019, the Hull Street Race project came to a spectacular conclusion, shutting the city centre in Hull for the UK's first ever electric race on closed roads.

Over 800 young people participated in the landmark event, using cars they had built themselves, across three categories: 9-11 years old, 11-16 years old and 16-25 years old.

The Hull Street Race project was established by Greenpower and Green Port Hull as an inspirational and exciting way of engaging about STEM careers with a wider audience of young people in the Humber region.

### **Paul van Veggel, CEO of Greenpower Education Trust commented:**

"The Hull Street Race was a landmark event, not only for Greenpower and its partners, but for the entire region of Hull and Humber. Greenpower exists to encourage young people into STEM through the excitement of motorsport. The Hull event was a perfect embodiment of that, so to be recognised for our work with a nomination in the STEM Inspiration Awards is a huge honour."

### **Female student, Year 9**

"It made me think more about what I can do and what physics and engineering can bring into the future. I had an idea I liked physics but had never done something like this before. It made the idea clearer for me and has definitely made me more interested in engineering."

**The Hull Street Race will return on 3rd May 2020.**



## POPPY GOLD PROJECTS OFFICER

**Q1** Which three words would you use to describe your role?

Challenging, exciting and learning-curve.

**Q2** What is your motto or personal mantra?

Wake up, show up, rock it, repeat.

**Q3** Do you know any weird or interesting facts?

The only letter that doesn't appear on the periodic table is 'J'.

**Q4** Which book best represents your life?

Bridget Jones's Diary.

**Q5** If you were a tree, which kind of tree would you be and why?

A horse chestnut because I'm at my best in Autumn.

**Q6** If you were the CEO of Greenpower, name one thing you would make compulsory in the office and one thing you would ban.

Compulsory: 3 day weekend. Ban: Van packs!

**Q7** What are some of your pet peeves?

When people don't tidy up their crumbs (Gavin).

**Q8** If you were granted three wishes what would they be?

To retire by 30, that my family and friends are always happy and to own a fully functioning vineyard!

**Q9** What's one thing that surprised you about working at Greenpower?

How much I enjoy working with my colleagues.

**Q10** What does the future hold for Greenpower?

Students which have participated in the Greenpower programme to create their own F1 team, competing with the likes of McLaren, Red Bull, etc.

**Q11** Finally, what's your go-to quote?

YAAAASSSS QUEEN!



We are pleased to announce our newest sponsors—SQN and EDF.



**SQN** is proud to become Communications Partner of Greenpower in its 20th anniversary year. At SQN, as a marketing communications agency, everything we do is driven by detail. We are firm advocates of teamwork. Whether you are behind the wheel, an aspiring designer, head of sponsorship or an inspirational leader, each of you has a crucial role to play in delivering success for your team.



The UK's largest producer of low-carbon electricity, **EDF Energy**, is committed to inspiring the next generation into STEM, and developing the valuable skills needed in the UK and globally. Each year, EDF Energy welcomes thousands of schoolchildren through the doors of our visitor centres. Come and take a tour: our guides will talk you through how electricity is generated before taking you into the heart of a power station.





## WHAT'S YOUR STORY?

Send your stories and pictures to: [newsletter@greenpower.co.uk](mailto:newsletter@greenpower.co.uk) to feature in the next issue! This could include:

Any Greenpower activities your team is doing

A report of a race day

How Greenpower has benefited your school

Any Greenpower themed jokes

Artwork / drawings that are Greenpower based

Additions to newsletter you would like to see

Other interesting stories



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