

James Burke

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Racing Profile

24-year-old James Burke has a wealth of driving and instructing experience through exposure to all kinds of motor racing. In the Grand AM Cup USA, he handed over the car in 7th Place, after qualifying for the team in 10th place in his first ever professional race. James came 3rd in the British GT Global Lights BRSCC Sports Car Championship and has had numerous race wins and podium finishes.

Qualifications and expertise

- RAC Race Licence International C
- ARDS Instructor B
- Driver Instructor
- Driver Coach
- Track Days
- Corporate Days
- Precision Driving
- Pre ARDS Instruction
- Sponsor Planning
- GT Car Owner

Motor Racing History

2006: Grand Am Cup Championship USA

Racing for Miller MotorSport in a Mustang FR500 handing over the car in 7th Place after qualifying for the team in 10th place in his first ever professional race.

2006: Thunder Hill California 25 Hour Sports Car Endurance

Finished 12th driving a Mitsubishi Evo. Completed 316 laps out of 705 laps, with 3 stints as night converge.

2005: Global GT Light R1, National BRSCC Sports Car Championship

6 rounds: Silverstone, Brands Hatch, Mallory Park all Top 5 Placing. On private entry budget with GHR.

2004: ADR Engineering Works Driver ADR1000.

Racing and developing the works ADR1000 Sports Car, along with race and development opportunities in the ADR Sports 2 Endurance Sports Car. 1st and 3rd, along with a Britsport round in a Radical SR3. Achieved a Pole and Fastest Car in Class.

2003: GT Global Lights Sports Car Championship.

2 podium finishes, 5 top 5 finishes, 4 trophy wins, First National Youth Scholarship Driver for a 3rd Year. With Maxspeed & Barry Pomphery Racing.

2002: GT Global Lights Sports Car Championship.

Graham Hathaway Racing Team Driver, 14 starts, 13 finishes, finished 3rd in the Championship. 8 Podium Finishes, Fastest laps and Pole. One of only three drivers in the Championship to win races this year out of grids of 20+. First National Youth Scholarship Driver for a Second Year.

2002: Uniroyal Beetle Challenge.

Inaugural round at Snetterton, finished 3rd driving with Graham Hathaway and David Mountain. This was a 4-hour endurance race.

2001: GT Global Lights Graham Hathaway Racing Team Driver.

14 starts, 13 finishes, finished 4th in the Championship. Fastest lap. 1 Podium finish, 7 Trophy wins. A First National Youth Scholarship Driver.

2001: BRSCC GT Winter Sports Car Championship.

5th in class, 7th overall.

2000: TKM Club 100 Karting Championship.

A regular 'A' finisher.

1999: Legends Championship

1998: Tim Sugden Vauxhall Junior Scholarship Semi Finalist

1998: Formula Six Pro Kart Light.

2nd in Championship

1997: Formula Six Junior Pro Kart Championship

1996: Lincolnshire Junior Gearbox Kart Championship

Instructor and Consultant Positions

2007: Victory MotorSport Senior Consultant

2006: Victory MotorSport International Consultant.

2006: Miller MotorSport Park Senior Instructor

2005: Silverstone Team Leader

2003-06: Contracted driver for corporate Drive events and other track day events

2002-05: Instructor at Silverstone / Rockingham / Palmer for both corporate and public days

2002-03: Contracted driver for corporate Ford events.

2002: Instructed on Blue Oval Ford Dealer Days at National Race Circuits and British Testing Grounds.

2000-01: Kart Instructor at Silverstone

2000-01: ARKS Registered Instructor

2000-01: Instructor training day Mallory Park 2001

Media and sponsor comments

Autosport Magazine

Sports Car Racing Review: “ Young James Burke made a good impression on his way to 3rd in the Championship & winning the Final race of the season.”

- Paul Lawence at the Formula Ford Festival

“Burke was in no mood to capitulate this weekend on his way to a First and a second”.

Motorsport News

Driver of the Day: “James Burke Fought his way through from the back of the Global GT Lights grid to earn third-place spoils”

Motorsport

“James is an extremely likeable young man with a promising future. We have found James to be an attentive candidate who seems to improve with every new session. He has now qualified for the semi-final stage and could go all the way”.

- Tim Sugden

The Loop Magazine:

“Every one of our customers and staff who has children relates to the value of education and development. Our sponsorship goes to the very core of this and helps develop excellence and the stars of the future. James has many of the qualities we look for when we select youth candidates. He is very focussed on his personal goals and objectives, and is extremely committed to motor racing.”

- Kevin French, First National Motor Finance Brand Manager