



Seven 2016 Formula 1 Teams Confirmed for Festival of Speed

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Grand Prix machines from seven current Formula 1 teams will grace the hillclimb at the Goodwood Festival of Speed in June, bringing the sights and sounds of the World Championship to West Sussex.

Leading from the front will be reigning double World Champions Mercedes-Benz, fresh from back-to-back title victories with Britain's Lewis Hamilton. Joining Mercedes on the 1.16-mile hillclimb course will be Ferrari, Force India, McLaren, Red Bull, Renault and Williams.

The Festival of Speed is the only event, other than the British Grand Prix, where British fans can see so many F1 cars in action in one place, with an unrivalled level of access to both the cars and the drivers.

Already confirmed to appear at this year's Festival are Force India's Nico Hulkenberg, who also took victory in last year's Le Mans 24 Hours with Porsche, and 2009 World Champion Jenson Button, with many more expected to be announced in the coming weeks.

While no longer an active F1 driver, although he will be in action in an LMP3 Sportscar race ahead of this year's Le Mans 24 Hours, *Sky Sports F1* commentator Martin Brundle will be taking Button's championship-winning Brawn BGP 001, not seen running since 2009, up the hill.

Lord March said, "There are more top F1 teams here than ever before and I am very pleased to hear that Jenson Button's already confirmed his appearance just before the British Grand Prix with his McLaren-Honda".

Tickets for the event are selling fast, with Saturday tickets now officially sold out, so if you want to get up close and personal with seven machines from the pinnacle of global motorsport, act quickly to avoid disappointment via www.goodwood.com/tickets or via phone 01243 755055.

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EDITORS' NOTES:

The Festival of Speed will take place from 23-26 June 2016.

Staged every summer since 1993, the **Goodwood Festival of Speed** is the world's largest automotive garden party; set against the spectacular backdrop of Goodwood House in West Sussex, UK. Over 600 cars and motorcycles spanning the phenomenal history of motoring and

motor sport take part with some of the most legendary figures from the sport as well as international celebrities regularly attending. Highlights of the 2015 event, which took place on June 25-28, included the Moving Motor Show presented by the AA in association with The Telegraph, Forest Rally Stage, Michelin Supercar Paddock, Michelin Supercar Run, F1 paddock presented by Sky Sports F1, Drivers' Club presented by TAG Heuer, GAS Arena powered by TomTom Bandit, Cartier Style et Luxe Concours d'Elegance, Aviation Exhibition and Bonhams Auction.

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