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"BIG BAD SANDOWN" - VHRR Historic Meeting (Nov. 9-11, 2012)

BRITISH DRIVER SET FOR SANDOWN

Top British Historic racer, Rod Jolley is set to return to Australia to compete in the Victorian Historic Racing Register's "Big Bad Sandown" meeting on November 9-11.

Fresh from a podium finish at the recent Goodwood Revival meeting in England, Jolley will campaign his ex-Ecurie Ecosse Lister Jaguar at Sandown. This follows other successful outings at Silverstone, U.K. and the Nurburgring in Germany.

Jolley is no newcomer to Australia, and in 2010 he scored a runaway win at the Phillip Island Classic Festival of Motor Sport driving another of his Historic race cars - a Cooper T45/51. Unfortunately, due to last minute family commitments in 2011 the popular Brit had to withdraw from the 'Island meeting, and is now keen to return with his Lister Jaguar to do battle with the locals in "Big Bad Sandown".

The Lister Jaguars, created by Brian Lister of Cambridge, first appeared at British circuits in 1957, and won four major sports car events in their first season. More successes followed in 1958 with American driver Masten Gregory and Englishman Archie Scott-Brown, until Scott-Brown's fatal accident at Spa. Stirling Moss, Ivor Bueb and Bruce Halford continued the success during 1958, and Masten Gregory continued his success in writing off the unfortunate Listers. One of his greatest accidents was in a sports car support race at the 1958 British Grand Prix, and after 1959 the Lister Jags faded into virtual oblivion.



Rod Jolley's spectacular car is known as the Lister Jaguar "Monzapolis", and is sure to be a big attraction at the Sandown Historic meeting on November 9-11.