



From the National Court

**MOTOR SPORTS COUNCIL NATIONAL COURT
SITTING TUESDAY 06 AUGUST 2019**

**John Felix
Ian Watson
Steve Stringwell (Chairman)**

J2019/20 Jonathan Ellison – Bernie's V8s – Brands Hatch – 2 June 2019

This matter came before the National Court as a Disciplinary case following events at Brands Hatch on 2 June 2019.

The background to this case arises to some degree due to an on-track incident between Cars 22 and 196 (Mr Ellison) at Druids which was found by the Clerk of the Course to be a racing incident, with no further action being taken.

The matters being considered by the National Court do not relate to the racing incident but instead relate to the actions of Mr Ellison following the racing incident, once the cars had been recovered to their garages. Mr Ellison admitted to the Clerk of the Course that he had been very cross and shouted at driver of Car 22 using very strong language in an open public area, witnessed by a number of members of the public (including families and children).

The Clerk of the Course (i) disqualified Mr Ellison from the meeting for Abusive Language and Behaviour contrary to General Regulation C1.1.9; (ii) added six points to Mr Ellison's licence; and (iii) referred the decision and Mr Ellison to the Stewards of the Meeting.

The Stewards of the Meeting decided to suspend Mr Ellison's licence for 30 days and referred the matter to Motorsport UK for further consideration pursuant to GR C2.6.2.

The case was presented to the National Court by Mr Champkin (Motorsport UK's Disciplinary Officer) for the National Court to consider the imposition of a further penalty pursuant to GR C2.6.2.

In addition to the presentation of the case by Mr Champkin, the National Court heard evidence from Mr Ellison and reviewed footage of the racing incident.

Mr Ellison expressed his remorse at his behaviour in confronting the driver of Car 22 in a public place, apologised for his behaviour and assured the court that such behaviour would not be repeated.

Having considered all matters presented, the National Court orders that no further action be taken and no order for costs be made.

**Steve Stringwell
Chairman
06th August 2019**