

## ANDERES RECEIVES SPIRIT OF THE HMSA AWARD

Salinas, CA—Before a single car got to take a lap to kick off the 2019 Historic Motor Sports Association season on March 16, an award had to be given out honoring the person who most embodies the Spirit of the HMSA.

HMSA president Cris Vandagriff said the award was going to someone who probably goes unnoticed at most events, but does everything with an incredible attitude. The honor was given to Sunnyvale's Stan Anderes. The 88-year-old has been named the 2019 Spirit of the HMSA honoree and was given the glass cup by Vandagriff and Danny Baker, the son of the 2018 honoree, the late Bob Baker.

"Stan races for the sheer fun of it and is always at our events," Vandagriff said. "He tows and works on his own car and just has an incredibly positive attitude about sharing the history of his vehicle and being part of what makes HMSA such a special group of people."

Anderes has been racing at WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca since 1982. He bought his current race car—a vintage Lotus Eleven—in 1979. Like many HMSA cars, it has historical significance. Anderes' car was raced in the 1956 Le Mans by the head of Lotus, Colin Chapman.

"I went looking for a car," Anderes said about his search in 1979. "I had been doing some club racing and I wanted to

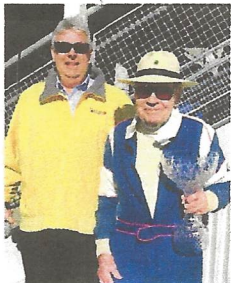
start vintage racing. I saw an ad in the *San Francisco Chronicle* and I told my wife I wanted to go look at it the next day. She said 'let's not wait until tomorrow, let's go look at it now,' and we did and we were the first people to look at it. As we were signing the paperwork, someone else drove up looking for the car. It was in terrible shape and was filled with Black Widow spiders. The other (potential buyer) still asked if he could give me more money for it but I told

him 'no.'"

Anderes was born and raised in San Francisco and has been racing much of his life for the enjoyment and never doubted his ability to race his car. He was in the first group to practice Saturday but said he had to be extra vigilant while behind the wheel this time.

"I started racing because it's exhilarating and I like working on my own cars," he said. "But I had to be extra careful on that first lap because of all of Cris' buildup about me when he presented the award. I had no idea (about receiving the award). I'm still shocked."

The 2019 schedule of events for one of the only sanctioning body in the world that requires period-correct race cars can be found at [hmsausa.com](http://hmsausa.com) and features some of the longest-running events in the country.



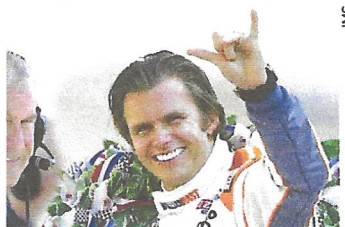
ices have a total of four races across the U.S.

is May 3-5 at Weathertech Laguna Seca's Trans-Am followed by the WeatherTech Challenge with Brian Redman by Hawk at Road America, WI

bore single-seaters next head to s Motor Speedway Aug. 1-4 for ard Invitational, and wind up n at the U.S. Vintage Grand Prix Glen, NY Sept. 5-8.

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## of Fame Selects orees



his, IN—Two-time Indianapolis er Dan Wheldon, and longtime rts radio/television personality public address announcer Bob have been elected to the olis Motor Speedway Hall of ir selection was announced last Founders Day (March 20)—the en the Indianapolis Motor Company was officially formed

o were chosen from a ballot of 14 by a distinguished panel of more 0 auto racing journalists, ts and historians. Wheldon and ill be formally inducted into the , May 23 at the 2019 IMS Hall of nduction Ceremony and olis 500 Oldtimers Dinner, by Firestone.

n earned 16 wins in 128 career eries starts, including the 2005 Indianapolis 500. After finishing i the series championship to Green Racing teammate Tony 2004, Wheldon earned the 2005 Andretti. He lost his life in a crash during the season-ending as Vegas Motor Speedway on 311.

an Indiana native, has been a esence in national motorsports ince 1979, when he became one on-air employees of ESPN.

He was the anchor for ESPN's weekly "Thunder" series national broadcasts of USAC Sprint and Midget races across the Midwest. He also anchored hundreds of NASCAR broadcasts, forming a popular team with former drivers Benny Parsons and Ned Jarrett, on ESPN and ABC from 1979 until 2000.

After several years as a reporter for the IMS Radio Network, Jenkins served as chief announcer for the global broadcast of the 500 from 1990-98. He later anchored NTT IndyCar Series broadcasts on the Versus network (now NBCSN) and retired as an anchor in 2012. He continues to lend his voice to the IMS public address during events and is frequently a master of ceremonies for major racing functions.

## The London Classic Car Show

The purpose-built ExCel exhibition center, adjacent to the River Thames in the revitalized docklands of East London was home Feb. 14-17 to the 5th running of The



London Classic Car Show. Several anniversaries were being celebrated including 100 years of both Bentley and Citroen and Mini's 60th with cavalcades of these cars and other classics being demonstrated up and down the indoor "Grand Avenue."

It's also 50 years since the iconic film "The Italian Job," starring Michael Caine as Charlie Croker was made. A tribute included three red, white and blue Minis, a Lamborghini Miura, a Jaguar E-Type, Croker's Aston Martin DB4 convertible, the Harrington Legionnaire getaway coach and