

## David Franklin in a Ferarri at the Goodwood Festival of Speed 2017



1. Preparing to go!



2. Leaving the start.



3. A very rapid first stage.



4. A very fast V12 engine makes it very competitive in good hands.



5. Through the bends with the dreaded "flint wall" on the left hand side of the track.



6. The chequered flag waving on the finishing line as David sets a very fast time of 57.92 secs.

**David Franklin** is a talented race driver who had several successful seasons and became the British Hill Climb Champion in 1978 driving a March-BMW. He has been a regular competitor at the Goodwood Revival meetings in September for many years.

David competed at the MG Car Club's annual meeting at Silverstone in the 70s and 80s in his "wife's shopping car", an MGBGTV8 he drove the circuit, took off the rubber bumpers in the paddock and then entered several events. In the wet he was faster than many modified cars on the track at Silverstone.

A founder member of the V8 Register and former owner of an MGBGTV8, **Mike Maude-Roxby**, sent a text message from the Festival of Speed last weekend with a message saying he had met David Franklin and he was in good form doing timed runs in a Ferrari 275 GTB/C, a big 12 cylinder front engined beast! **David's best time was 57.92 secs** taking 18th overall in the "Sunday Times Shootout".