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Motor Sport Hall of Fame announces 2016 nominees

The Motor Sport Hall of Fame has announced its 2016 nominees. Over 25000 votes were cast, and the top three nominees in each category will now have to wait until the Hall of Fame Awards dinner to find out if they have been awarded the most prestigious honour in motorsport.

Names include legendary pairing Mike Costin and Keith Duckworth, who between them formed Cosworth, changing F1 forever with the advent of its DFV V8. They're joined by Gilles Villeneuve and legendary Formula 1 doctor Professor Sid Watkins, who advanced the cause of F1 safety considerably throughout his career.

Five times Le Mans 24hr winner Derek Bell has also been nominated in the Sports Car category, for his three-decade long contribution to endurance racing. Brian Redman has also been nominated, alongside the late Pedro Rodriguez.

England's sole world rally champion Richard Burns joins Hannu Mikkola and Sebastian Loeb in the Rally category, while Dan Gurney, Roger Penske and AJ Foyt have been nominated in the new US Racing category. The legendary Mike Hailwood has been nominated alongside Valentino Rossi and Joey Dunlop in the Motorcycling category.

Guests at the Hall of Fame Awards dinner will include Adrian Newey, Jackie Stewart, John Surtees, Jackie Oliver, Tom Kristensen, Darren Turner, David Brabham, James Allan, Mark Blundell and Charley Boorman; guests will have the opportunity to mingle with these greats of motor racing and more besides. A number of demonstrations will also be held to showcase the vehicles of motorsport; from static exhibits to live runs in vehicles which represent the careers of the Hall of Fame nominees. On display statically will be the Richard Burns Safari rally winning Impreza from 2000 and one of Roger Penske's finest; the Penske PC23, which Al Unser Jr, Emerson Fittipaldi and Paul Tracy raced in 1994 and which secured the team victory in the Chassis Constructor's Cup. Celebrating two wheels will be Mike Hailwood's son David riding his late father's motorcycle, plus John Surtees and the 1956 championship-winning MV Agusta.

The 2016 Hall of Fame Live and Hall of Fame Awards dinner will take place on Tuesday May 31st at the Royal Automobile Club, Woodcote Park, Epsom. Tickets to the Hall of Fame Live event cost £72, tickets to the dinner are from £399 with discounts when bought in bulk. All are available via the Motor Sport website, www.motorsportmagazine.com or directly: www.motorsportmagazine.com/halloffame/tickets/

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