

Great Scott up for award

Former Bishop Vesey's pupil, Scott Mansell, has been shortlisted for a prestigious Young Driver of the Year Award, which has previously been won by David Coulthard and Jenson Button.

Following superb performances in the EuroBOSS championship, the eighteen-year-old, has been selected as a finalist for the 2004 McLaren Autosport BRDC Young Driver of the Year Award.

A panel of experts, comprising of British Racing Drivers' Club secretary, Roger Lane-Nott, ex grand prix racer Howden Ganley, former award winner Andrew Kirkaldy, veteran commentator Ian Titchmarsh and Autosport's Marcus Pye have selected six drivers from a list of nominees voted by Autosport readers.

Scott will fight it out against five promising young drivers for a chance to test drive a McLaren Formula 1 car.

The drivers will be

evaluated over the course of two days at Silverstone racetrack in a variety of machinery, including the latest spec Dallara Formula 3 cars.

The winner will be announced at the Autosport Awards Ceremony, which will be held at the Grosvenor House Hotel in London on December 6.

Previous winners of the award, which is now in its 16th year, are Formula One drivers David Coulthard and Jenson Button, DTM driver Gary Paffett and IRL IndyCar Series star, Dario Franchitti

Scott said: "It is fantastic that I have been chosen to compete in the final for this prestigious award and I am really looking forward to the two day assessment at Silverstone."

The final round of the EuroBOSS championship takes place at Le Mans this weekend and Scott needs just two points to win the championship.