

Mansell sets another circuit lap record



Bishop Vesey School teenage racing driver Scott Mansell continues to smash records in the EuroBOSS championship.

The 18-year-old became the fastest racer ever to lap the Indy circuit at Brands Hatch, driving his Zig Zag Benetton Judd V10 majestically around the twists and turns of the Kent circuit to secure the lap record by almost 0.2secs.

Mexican Adrian Fernandez set the previous record in last year's ChampCar World Series race and the impressive Mansell had clearly set

his sights on this achievement, spurred on by a crowd of over 40,000.

He set a blistering pace from the start, putting together a string of sub-39 second laps but lap four was the flyer as he once again demonstrated maturity well beyond his years.

Classic

Already this season, Mansell has broken the lap record at two other classic British circuits, Silverstone national and Donington Park.

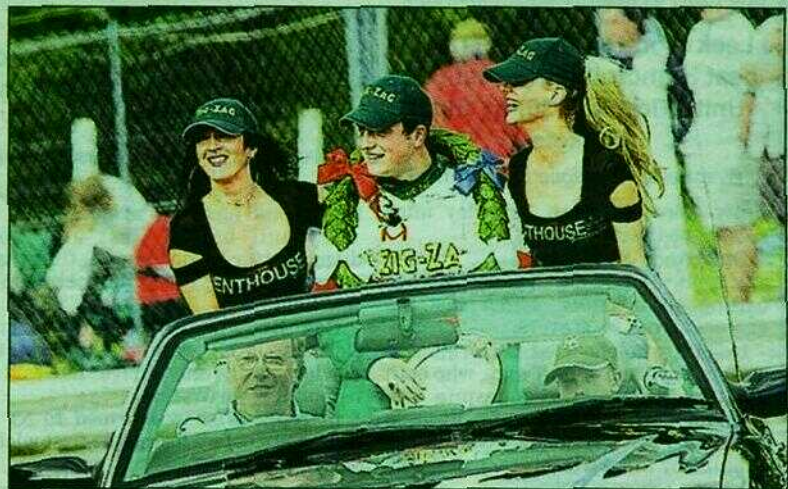
Mansell is still the youngest ever driver to win a competitive race in a Formula One car.

"The team has worked extremely hard all weekend to make this a possibility," Mansell said.

"We knew that the weather and the car were right for a record attempt and that we should go for it in the early laps, while the tyres were at their best.

"It is a fantastic achievement to break the lap record by 0.2 of a second and I would like to thank my family, team mates and sponsors Zig Zag for making this possible.

"With every race I am starting to get the best out of the Benetton."



■ Mansell takes his plaudits on a lap of honour. (SI)