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Mr. Stephen P. Bowen,
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Dear Mr. Bowen,

Thank you for your letter of February 6th, and confirm that WJB 707 certainly was my car.

This was originally bought from B.M.C. Competitions Department, and was once, I believe, driven by Pat Moss in one of the Continental rallies. Following this I had the original body completely removed and an aluminium body built. The base platform was lightened and stressed aluminium floor fitted in it's place. Minor modifications were made to rear and front springs and shock absorbers, and other detail modifications made to produce a suitable racing vehicle.

I had the car one season, and in the time I had it, it set up class lap records at every circuit it appeared, and in fact I believe still holds the Class record at Crystal Palace. I am afraid I have not kept records to advise you of precise successes, lap times, etc. etc., but I believe it did in fact win 15 races during the season I had it.

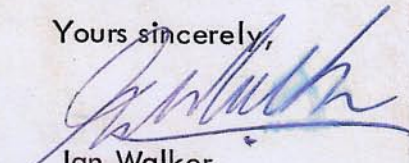
Apart from all of the circuits in Great Britain, it also raced in the Nurburgring 500 Km. where it finished 5th (I think) and was one of the three Sprites that won the Manufacturers' Team prize (from Abarth).

Summing up I would suggest that this was possibly the most successful Sprite ever built, bearing in mind that it was racing in National and International events the whole time - with one exception, the 750 Club six hour relay, when it was in the winning team.

I am sorry I can't be more specific in my reply, but hope that the generalisation I have made will assist you.

Wishing you the very best of luck.

Yours sincerely,


Ian Walker