ALAN ANSTEAD and JOHN LARRINGTON are a pair of London police officers who have together participated in ten Euroclassics in their Austin-Healey Sprites. This year, Anstead's 1962 Sprite sported new "Sebring" coupe bodywork; the car had also just completed a mechanical restoration with a fresh motor, Ford Sierra 5-speed gearbox and new brakes. "We had no major problems," said Anstead, "just an oil leak on the cam gear cover and a brake fluid leak at a junction. The navigation always turns into chaos between us, but that's all part of the fun of doing the event."

DAVID LOCKSPEISER is 77 going on 35, and has been driving his 1961 Lotus Elite Series 2 since 1965. Together with co-driver Jeremy Tetley, they have run virtually all previous Euroclassics as well as numerous other rallies. Clearly they were familiar with the car, because these septuagenarian drivers were noticeably quicker around the circuits than virtually anybody else. Said Lockspeiser, "We enjoyed this year's event immensely, although we always regret there's never enough time to socialize or tighten up the front wheel bearings."

TONY AND ELAINE MERRYGOld are the owners of The Open Road, a classic car rental company, and their 1974 Triumph TR6 is one of the company's seven rental units. They have been doing classic car runs since 1993. "We don't go in for competitive or regularity events, as they feature too much hard work," said Tony. "We prefer to enjoy the driving, the scenery and the company."

KEITH WREN and ANN DUIGNAN shared one of the most interesting cars on the rally, a 1951 Bentley Mark VI special. It began life as a normal saloon, but in 1988 they had a unique body hand-fabricated, one inspired by the style of 1930s open two-seat sports racing cars. A later Bentley S1 4.9-liter straight-6 was fitted, and thanks to the Mark VI's much lighter weight, the car is surprisingly fast. "We have now clocked up over 33,000 miles on the car, mostly on the continent where the roads are much more pleasurable than home," said Wren. "We are now looking forward to Scandinavia next year, and hopefully one day we will get over to the States. It would be great to drive some of the mountain roads in California."

EDDY AND ELLEN ALBERS are a Dutch couple who have been driving non-competitive historic car rallies for over ten years, primarily for the fun of meeting other car enthusiasts who are interested in driving their cars instead of just looking at them. They have campaigned their Renault Alpine A110 and Jaguar XK150 on previous rallies, and this year were in their 1962 Jaguar E-Type coupe. "I could really enjoy my car to the fullest on the routes through the mountains in France and Italy," said Eddy.