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to the editor

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GRAVELEY SNOBS

Sir, On March 14th, at the closed practice meeting at Graveley, my husband was most kindly allowed facilities to test the engine of his Formula 1 Stock Car. For this we were most grateful. However, I am writing in the hope that people who look down their noses at stock cars will read this and have the grace to blush.

In the 'pits' early in the day, we were approached by a man who was asking for help for someone towing a dragster behind a London taxi, which had broken down. I went and towed him into the pits, my husband and our mechanic helped unload, and gave (considerable) general assistance. Towards the end of the day, as it was quite obvious the dragster was going to have to either remain at Graveley or walk home by itself, my husband offered to take it home to Cambridge with us and to garage it. This we did, giving the people the address. It was collected a week later. From that day to this, not one word of thanks has been received, let alone any word that the machine was safely collected by the owners. Moral (for us!) Thank goodness for stock-car drivers—who turn to and help each other continuously.

We have just spent all Saturday night in a London garage, using its full equipment freely—thanks to a star driver's kindness. On the M1 on Sunday, no less than five stock cars were pulled in a lay-by helping an unfortunate driver towing to Brafield meeting. The "thank you's" from both occasions were loud and clear. So let the snobs—and we felt it plainly at Graveley—have their rudeness. We'll take the rough and dirty and genuine and polite stockers any day of the week!

Yours sincerely
Jane Tarbar,
Cambridge.