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Dear PRIVATE

Special Sprites Chassis No. HAN9-R-238 and HAN9-R-250.

Thank you for your letter of 11 June.

Baker Racing was run by Jim Baker with support from BMC and sponsorship of an oil company and it is very probable that Jim owned and raced the car in the 70s. Jim Baker operated Baker Motor Company in Atlanta and ran his cars with assistance from Macmillan Ring-Free Motor Oils with Paul Richards (Wappingers Falls, Poughkeepsie, New York) and Clive Baker (Devon UK) as co drivers. Baker ran the Ring-Free Racing Team. Address Mcmillan RING-FREE Oil Co Inc., 90 Park Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10016. They may have records of your car in public relations plus a lot of photos. Jim Baker bought and ran a number of the ex works Sprites over a period with considerable success. His preparation was good and the cars were very well finished.

There may be someone at Jaguar Inc, that took over the US company that was JRT Inc, that might remember or be able to confirm that Jim Baker bought the 1968 Le Mans car. I have dropped a line to Mike Dale.

The information that you supplied is useful.

I have written to various organisations to try and get independent verification of the 68 Le Mans cars numbers and am still awaiting a reply from Le Mans. I have also written the man who claims his car is the 68 car but I am almost sure that it is the 67 car. People are dreadful at answering letters particularly when their claims are dubious.

Kind regards

Geoff Healey