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MG in bonus race for Midlands cycling fans

MG's crack women's cycling team will be fighting it out in a bonus race for fans of Britain's biggest growing sport.

Changes to the 2013 racing calendar mean that the MG Maxifuel Pro Cycling team women will now be racing in Redditch on June 4 which coincides with one of the biggest events in the men's racing schedule.

So Midlands fans will get top see both squads in action.

MG Maxifuel team principal, Rod Freeman, said: "The women's race in the top Johnson Health Tech Grand Prix Series had to be re-arranged and moved to Redditch, but it's a real bonus for us and Midland fans.

"One of the top men's races is on the same night so the MG Maxifuel team will be out in force. With these being the closest races to the MG factory in Birmingham we expect to get lots of local support."

The MG Maxifuel Pro Cycling team is currently third in the British Racing Road & Track rankings in which several hundred of Britain's top teams are listed.

This weekend the men take on one of the toughest races in the British Cycling Premier championships in Lincoln. More than 160 of the UK's top riders, including some of the 2012 British Olympic team, will tackle the 102 mile University of Lincoln Grand Prix on Sunday.

They will fight it out over 13 laps of a course that takes the riders through the heart of Lincoln's tourist area including the cathedral and castle.



The sting in the tale of the Lincoln event is the 1in 6 Michaelgate Hill in the city centre. Apart from the sheer steepness of the incline, the roadway is also cobbled and can be treacherous in the wet.

But the MG Maxifuel team, which includes two MG6 GT support cars, is confident it will emerge with further points to add to this season's tally.

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