



1965 McLaren M1B



Year 1965

Make McLaren

Model M1B

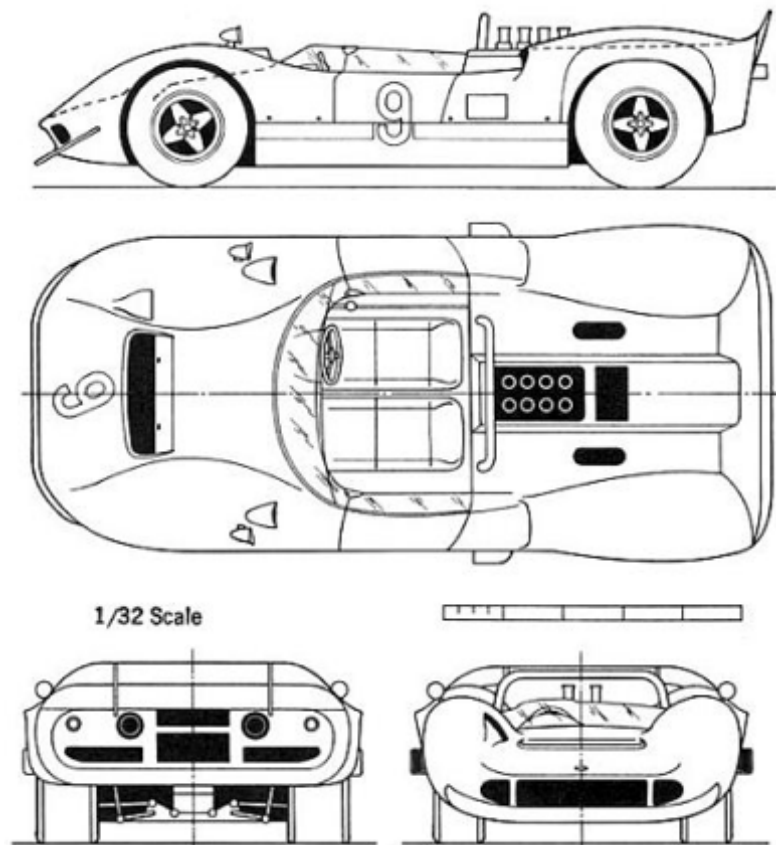
Chassis/Registration Number 30/06

Engine Chevrolet

The McLaren M1B was the 1965 development of McLaren's first racing car the M1A. The design of the M1B was evolved by artist Michael Turner, working with Tyler Alexander and Robin Herd. The McLaren team ran the M1B as their "works" car for 1965 through to the end of 1966.

M1B 30/06 was actually ordered from Bruce McLaren himself. This occurred at the 1965 SCCA convention held in Detroit and the order was placed by Marshall Brooke Doran of Indiana. The car finished on 28th March 1966 and dispatched to the US on 19th April 1966. It was supplied in plain white. Doran raced the car hard throughout 1966 and 1967 in USRRC and CanAm events. In the long distance races he shared with Carl Haas (the McLaren agent for McLaren).

The car continued to race throughout the 70's in national events before newer CanAm technology rendered the M1B obsolete.



By the early 80's the car had made it's way back to the UK with historic racer Alex Seldon, who in turn sold it in 1982 to John Brindley. Brindley, a successful racer himself was coaching John Foulston and the pair raced it occasionally as part of the programme.

In 1983 John Foulston bought the car and raced it in the UK in the HSCC Will Hire Historic GT Championship and further campaigned the car up to 1987 when it was sold to Richard Weiland of Mainz in Germany.

Weiland raced it in the early years of the Supersports Cup on and off until 2001 when Tom Commander of Kennilworth in the UK purchased the car and raced it for a couple of years in the same series.

Richard and Lionel Dodkins purchased the car in 2003 and also ran it in the Supersports Cup driven by Glen Price. It also did the Goodwood Festival of Speed with Tommy Reed from Ireland. The car had been run since John Foulston's ownership with M1C bodywork but with an invite for the Goodwood Revival it was converted back to full 'B' spec. Both Nick Whale and Richard Dodkins enjoyed great success in The Whitsun Trophy, with Whale taking a 2nd place in 2007.



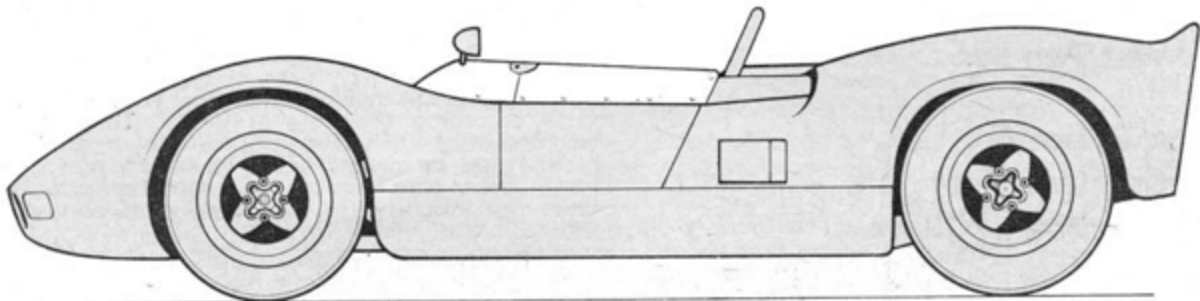
Roger Wills purchased the car in late 2008. Wills enjoyed great success with the car from his very first races in it matching Whale's second place in the Whitsun Trophy and winning the CHE 3 hours with Joe Twyman at Paul Ricard.

Since then he has raced the car with great success taking many outright wins and podiums under the watchful eye of WDK Motorsport. The car is race ready and eligible for events worldwide.



Example Lap times:

Goodwood: 1.19.3
Brands Hatch (GP): 1.36.0
Silverstone (GP): 2.03.3
Spa-Francorchamps: 2.38.5
Donington Park: 1.13.6



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