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MINI CHALLENGE: BATTLE OF THE BUTLER-HENDERSONS

- Siblings Vicki and Charlie Butler-Henderson go head to head at MINI Challenge, Donington Park, this weekend
- Debut appearance for Vicki Butler-Henderson
- Both racing 255bhp 2.0-litre turbo-charged MINI Challenge race car

Brother and sister duo Vicki and Charlie Butler-Henderson will be taking sibling rivalry to the grid this weekend, battling it out in the penultimate round of the MINI Challenge series.

Vicki will be driving the 2.0-litre turbo-charged 2015 MINI Challenge race car competitively for the very first time today, challenging her brother on the circuit at Donington Park.

Charlie on the other hand, has already enjoyed a very successful first MINI Challenge season, winning 3 races so far this year. His vast racing experience includes a stint in the BTTC Racing Championships and he is a qualified racing instructor.

Hoping to put the brakes on Charlie's success in the series during her appearance this weekend, Vicki is not to be underestimated. Despite only having got behind the wheel of the car she will be racing for the first time during testing yesterday, Vicki has been racing karts since the age of 12 which combined with her motorsport background, could well see her challenge the field as an unpredictable outsider.

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Both Vicki and Charlie will be driving the 2015 MINI Challenge race car which is based on the current third-generation MINI 3-door Hatch, boasting 255bhp and a six-speed Quaife sequential gearbox.

The MINI Challenge race series is one of the UK's top race series with an ever growing fan base. The race at Donington marks the 7th round of 2015 with the 8th and final round taking place on 31st October at Snetterton.

For tickets to this weekend's race please visit: http://www.donington-park.co.uk/

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