

Editorial

It's been a quiet month on the competition side apart from that little jaunt round the country for the more wealthy in the sport. The social side is now approaching its peak with the xmas disco on December 9th and the dinner dance in January.

You will find a membership renewal form in this issue, please make sure you fill in your full address - INCLUDING your postcode (otherwise your treasured magazine may not arrive).

Our congratulations go to John Millington who successfully navigated Finnish Junior Rally Team member, Jari Niemi, to a very creditable 21st O/A on the RAC Rally. I understand this could have been considerably higher if not for an incident in Dalby.

As you will read later our Shell League Captain, John Renny is retiring from the post after three years. I'm sure I speak for all in thanking John for his work in the job. This means, of course, we are now without a Shell League Captain. If anyone would like to be considered for this post, or find out more about what it entails, please contact any committee member as soon as possible.

Finally may I be the first to wish you all a very merry Christmas and a successful New Year.

Steve Grant
Editor

Chairman's Chat

With the RAC Rally already gone it is time to think about Christmas. It is amazing how time flies. Must be old age.

If you are wondering about Christmas presents for your man, don't forget he will need a new crash helmet from January 1st.

If you want to get away from Plum Duff, how about watching the Northallerton Christmas Stages on Tuesday 27th December. It has a fantastic after rally social evening and we have several crews taking part. Also there's our club Autotest on 26th December at Wellington St. car park.

Whilst on the theme of social events, the dinner dance tickets are available from me, cash with order please. It was a sell out last year so it will be first come etc.

May I wish you and your families every happiness for Christmas.
MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Keith Bowen

Social Calendar

- 9.12.83 Crown, Boston Spa. CHRISTMAS DISCO.
- 13.12.83 Noggin, Old Star, Collingham.
- 20.12.83 Noggin, Beehive, Thorner.
- 27.12.83 Noggin, Shoulder of Mutton, Kirby Overblow.
- 03.01.84 Noggin, Crown, Boston Spa.
- 10.01.84 Noggin, Beehive, Thorner.
- 17.01.84 Noggin, Old Star, Collingham.
- 24.01.84 Noggin, Warfedale, Arthington.
- 31.01.84 Noggin, Shoulder of Mutton, Kirby Overblow.
- 07.02.84 Noggin, Crown, Boston Spa.
- 14.02.84 Bardsey Club, Training Evening.
- 21.02.84 Noggin, Old Star, Collingham.
- 28.02.84 Noggin, Shoulder of Mutton, Kirby Overblow.

Competition Calendar

- 11.12.83 Northallerton M.C. Forest Stages Rally - Dalby Area.
- 26.12.83 TMC Boxing Day Autotest - 'Closed Club' Wellington St. Leeds.
- 27.12.83 Christmas Stages Rally - Northallerton M.C.
- 28.01.84 Three Swans Rally (Shell League) Selby M.C.
- 29.01.84

Shell League

Well another year has passed us by and yet another chance of winning the championship has eluded us. Our final position this year was fifth. The year was rounded off as usual with a prize presentation and disco ably organized by eventual winners Y.S.C.C. It ran in the true spirit of the championship and reflected the years closely fought championship with plenty of rivalry within the camps and plenty of witty comments flying around between teams.

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Our reward for the year was a cheque for £50.00 presented by Terry Rundel of Shell, a long time supporter and campaigner for the Championship. Our thanks go to Terry and Shell for their continued support.

As for next year I regret to have to stand down as Captain, due to other commitments. At the moment I can not inform you of the new Captain but I am sure the committee will elect someone who is willing, capable and enthusiastic to do the job. May I take this opportunity to thank everyone who has competed over the last three years in the Shell League and wish the new Captain even more success than I have had.

John Renny
Ex Shell League Captain

Training Evening

The first, in what is hoped to be a series of training evenings will take place at the Bardsey Club, on the 14th February.

The subject will be ROAD RALLYING RULES and REGULATIONS, and will cover the entire subject from Public Relations to Results. Start-time is 8.00pm. PROMPT, finishing with a questions and answers session.

If you've ever wondered about the mysteries of 'Targa Timing', the 'Three - Quarters' rule etc. come along and be enlightened (It's not painful). Anyone interested in the organisational side will be very welcome - I'll soon find you a job on the 'Lookout'.

There are several subjects under consideration including Timing, Fire-fighting, simple First Aid and so on, but if you have any ideas (not THAT sort) tell me about them and I'll see what can be done. One problem that we are encountering is the finding of suitable venues. Anything with a roof will do and it needn't sell beer, although that would be an advantage. Once again tell me about anywhere you know of.

Don't forget, 14th February, Bardsey Club, 8.00pm.

Stuart Marsh
Training Officer.

Northallerton Forest Stages Rally - Dec. 11th.

We are to assist 62 Car Club with the running of Troutdale (Wykehan) stage on the above Rally. The refs. are - start 918873, finish 940892 $\frac{1}{2}$. The stage is the fifth and is operational around midday. See me for more details if you wish to Marshal.

Stephen Sanderson.

P.S. I have a supply of 1984 RAC competition licence application forms for those requiring them.

Trackrod Annual Dinner Dance.

This years Dinner Dance will follow last years successful format, i.e. It will be held at the Parkway Hotel, Otley Road, Lawnswood on the 27th of January '84 (a Friday). 7.30pm for 8.00pm till late.

DRESS - Informal

Tickets are available from Keith Bowen, £9.00 each. First come etc.

Membership News.

We welcome the following new members to the Club;

Martyn Miller
Russell Holdsworth
Anthony Hanson
Tim Stevens

We hope their association with Trackrod MC will be both enjoyable and successful.

Membership Renewals.

Membership is due for renewal from the 1st of January 1984. Therefore enclosed in this issue of the magazine is the application form for renewal. Please complete the form and return it to me, enabling the Clubs' records to be updated. The system operated for renewals in previous years has been discontinued, enabling me to renumber the membership. May I take this opportunity in thanking all Club Members for their assistance in this matter.

Chris Sanderson
Membership Secretary.

R.A.C. Scrutineering.

The RAC are in the process of recruiting some new Scrutineers. All formal training will be given by the RAC, which we understand will consist of several parts before being declared fully qualified.

For more details please see Keith Bowen.

"Willie Wonka Trophy" Indoor Rally Championship 1983/84

Round 1 1.11.1983

Tuesday November 1st saw the first round of this-winter season's championship. This round was organized by Graham Staggles and very ably assisted and kept under control by Jackie Sryth. The event was held at the popular Crown Hotel in Boston Spa, but unfortunately, only supported by four crews. Is this a sign of things to come?

Graham and Jackie put on an excellent event using all the tricks in the book, giving us all a headache from the word go. The first section of route was an exceedingly difficult herringbone which slowed us all down so much, that no one actually finished the route. It was obvious to us all that the route could not be completed, and was a battle of nerves as to who could answer the most questions on two sections of route before the hour was up.

The chance we took was to answer all the questions and risk the penalties by going over the hour, as did one other crew. Two other crews gambling the other way by stopping bang on the hour without penalties. For us the gamble paid off, beating nearest rivals by 9 points.

Well done Graham and Jackie for an excellent nights sport.

Results

Team Oscar Tango 92	1hr 3mins	27pts	1
Team What's on	1hr 5mins	10pts	4
Team White Rankers	1hr	13½pts	3
Team Sanderson	1hr	16pts	2

Championship Points

<u>Team</u>	<u>Round 1 Points</u>	<u>Pos</u>
Oscar Tango	27	1
Sanderson	21	2
White Rankers	16	3
What's On	12	4

Trackrod Motor Club Trophy Points

As you will no doubt have noticed from last months magazine, there has been a change in secretaries for the Trophy Points, i.e. that dreaded name of Westmoreland crops up yet again. Many of you, like me, may think this is an easy job, but I can assure you that it is not, as I quickly found out.

Therefore I am sure you will all join me in giving Ronnie Moore a big sincere thank you for the work put in over the past years in the position of Trophy Points Secretary. Many thanks Ronnie!

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Now to the future. As Ronnie has often said in the past, "IT IS NOT MY JOB TO ASK YOU", It is up to you to tell me of your points, if you don't tell me, I won't know will I?

I know I can depend on you.

At this point I would like to ask all you lucky people who won trophies last year to return them to me as soon as possible, so they can be made roady for thi year's winners. If they could be returned by Christmas I would be very grateful. This can be done on any club night, or any day at GB AUTOCENTRE, 275 ROUNDHAY ROAD, LEEDS - even if I am not there.

I thank you all in anticipation.

John Westmorland
Trophy Points Secretary

Lombard RAC Rally 1983

Sunday, 20th November saw Trackrods contribution to this years rally when we once again operated the Bolthby Forest Stage.

The stage was prepared during the day by the usual worthies and as darkness fell, the marshals and medical personnel were positioned. A short wait produced several course cars, the chief medical officer chauffeured by member Steve Hazeldine and the F.I.A observers and stewards driven by Chris Bolton. A further short wait, in arguably the best RAC weather that we have enjoyed in years, brought the Toivonen / Gallager Opel Manta to open the proceedings.

Although two competitors were stopped on the stage (for mixed reasons) the whole operation was satisfactorily concluded by the Course Closing Car at 9.25pm and we were able to clear the forest and go to the 'Sutton under Whitestone Cliff' for a well earned jar (or at least some were able to).

The fastest times were :-

Blonqvist 3.59 Mouton 4.02 Mikkola 4.06 Eklund 4.09 Buffum 4.10
Toivonen & Waldergard 4.12 Brookos 4.15 Vatanen 4.16 Weidner &
Kankkunen 4.18 .

Many members carried out jobs which they have done many times in the way one would expect. However, there were several people doing jobs on the stage for the first time and they all carried them out admirably. I thank everyone for all the work they did , both on the stage and in preparation beforehand. Please accept my own thanks, together with those of the Yorkshire Area Organisation, for all your efforts towards this years event.

I still have some of the Yorkshire RAC badges and yearbars if anyone missed out on them at Bolthby. Either contact me at clubnight or give me a ring at Selby 702048.

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Next years event will be based at Chester, watch this space for more information as it becomes available.

John Richardson.

Trophy Points

Shell League Trophy

R.F.Ineson	248.7
R.Moore	232.5
J.Renny	210.8
J.North	95.9
K.Goodall	93.0
I.Tenpost	93.0
A.Roddy	90.7

Off Road Events

R.F.Ineson	334.9
A.Roddy	183.2
R.Moore	172.8
J.Westmoreland	129.6
J.North	95.9
R.Mackinnon	93.8

Rally & Speed Autotest

R.F.Ineson	29
R.Moore	15
J.Renny	12
R.Dobney	6
H.Mantle	5
S.Wood	5

ANCC Rally Driver

K.Goodall	93.0	1 event
P.Jordan	85.0	1 "
J.Renny	40.0	2 "
P.Thornton	28.0	1 "
M.Brown	3.0	1 "
P.Cope	3.0	1 "

ANCC Rally Navigator

R.Moore	121.6	3 events
I.Tenpost	93.0	1 "
P.Crompton	85.0	1 "
A.Munnis	75.3	2 "
J.McNichol	34.0	3 "
J.Bean	3.0	1 "
R.Mackinnon	3.0	1 "

P.C.T. Trophy

J.Westmoreland	28
A.Roddy	21
R.Moore	20
S.Sanderson	13
C.Sanderson	13
A.Nutter	13
J.Bean	10
R.Leening	9
C.Watson	9

Marshals Trophy

A.Hunn	45
S.Marsh	40
C.Sanderson	40
R.Buchan	40
E.Longhorn	35
K.Hunn	35
S.Sanderson	30
C.Nutter	25
N.Gillet	20
R.Leening	20

Ladies Challenge Cup

C.Nutter	10
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Stage Co-Drivers Trophy

G.Kellett	748.2
A.Hirst	364.8
R.Parkin	95.1
K.Bowen	78.0
G.Steggles	75.0
R.Moore	71.6
T.Lee	53.4

Service Crew Trophy

S.Grant	70
A.Sunley	55
K.Bowen	50
D.Marshall	10
G.Bradford	5
A.Nutter	5

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F.S.B. Rally Driver

S.Muscroft	48	5	events
P.Jordan	37	4	"
J.Renny	31	5	"
D.Turnbull	26	3	"
J.Cope	25	3	"
D.Rawlings	19	2	"
K.Goodall	17	1	"
I.Dixon	12	1	"

F.S.B. Rally Navigator

J.McNichol	45	6	events
R.Moore	41	6	"
P.Compton	29	3	"
G.Kellott	26	3	"
A.G.Elliott	19	2	"
A.Munnis	19	3	"
I.Tempest	17	1	"
D.Dixon	12	1	"

Special Stage Rally Driver

D.Turnbull	250.4	3	events
S.Muscroft	170.0	2	"
K.Bowen	71.6	1	"
J.North	28.8	1	"
D.Harrison	3.0	1	"

Single Venue Rally Driver

D.Turnbull	438.7
D.Harrison	361.8
D.Marshall	176.1
J.North	99.6
C.Davidson	28.0
K.Bowen	15.0

SPY 44 Trophy

R.Moore	314.1
J.Renny	299.6

All Round Lady Member

C.Nutter	80
A.Hunn	50
E.Longhorn	40
L.Latiner	35
C.Goodall	30
J.Lee	20

All Round Club Member

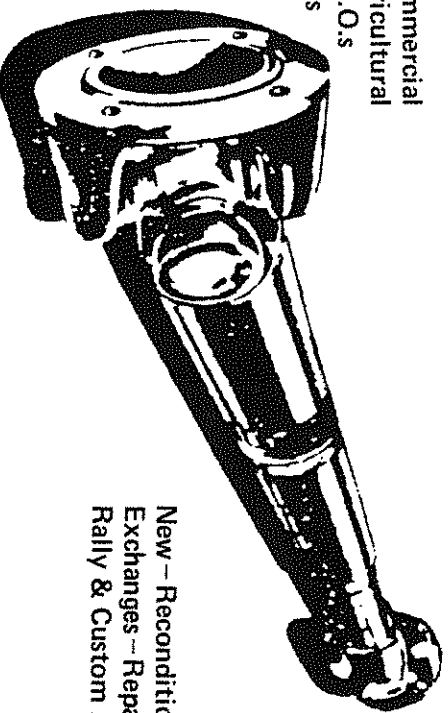
R.Moore	148
C.Sanderson	120
J.Westmoreland	120
S.Sanderson	115
R.Looming	115
J.Bean	98
R.Buchan	80
C.Nutter	80
K.Bowen	75
R.Parkin	75
P.Sykos	75
S.Marsh	65

John Westmoreland
Trophy Points Sec.

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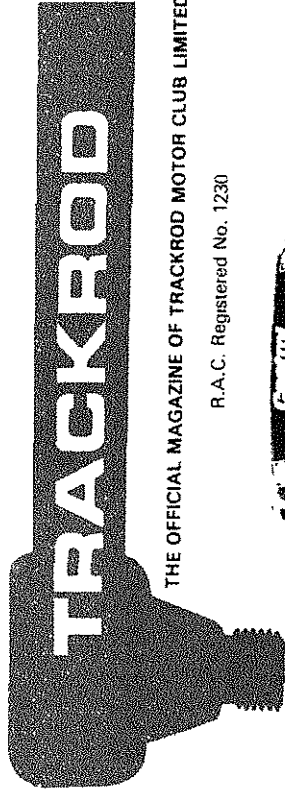
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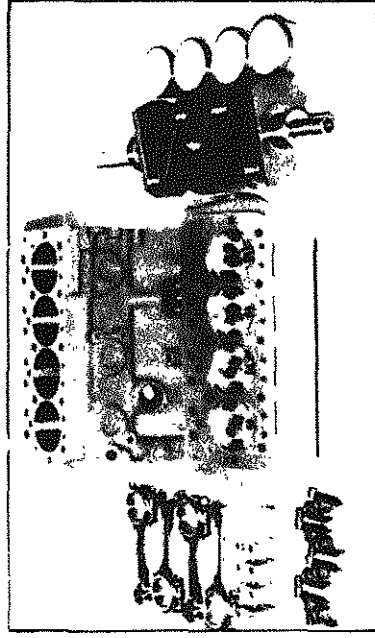


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