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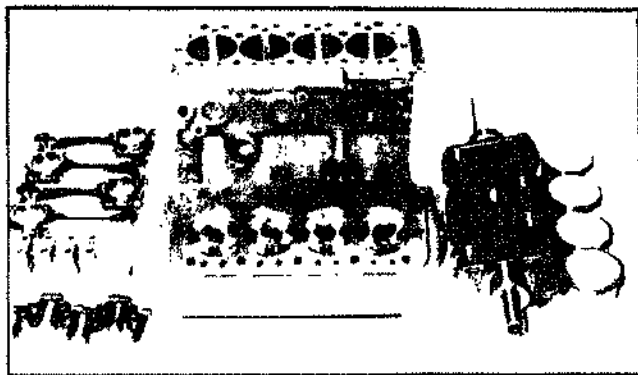


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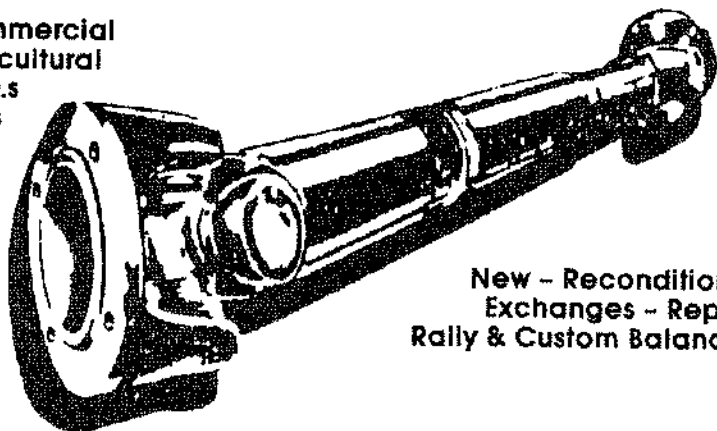
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EDITOR

Welcome to the November issue.

In last months editorial I mentioned that I would act as collection point for any material for the bonfire. If anybody has anything could they drop it off please; the sooner the better so I know how much we've got!!

The number of articles seems to be dying off again, a few more offerings for the mag would not go amiss.

Membership now stands at 138, which is already higher than the final figure for 1984 of 123.

"Scoop" MUNNIS

Editor

SOCIAL CALENDAR

Nov.

5	Crown	Boston Spa
12	Crown	Boston Spa Bonfire and Disco
19	Wharfedale	Arthington
26	Shoulder of Mutton	Kirby Overblow

Dec.

3	Crown	Boston Spa
10	Duke of Wellington	East Keswick
17	Wharfedale	Arthington
24	NO CLUBNIGHT MEETING	
31		

REBECCA KEMP

Social Sec.

COMPETITION CALENDAR

Nov.

- 2/ R.R Larkspeed Rally. Alwoodley MC
3 Shell Oils League, ANCC
- 9 S.V High Moor MC. Dulton Park ANCC
- 24- S.R LOMBARD RAC RALLY. Starts at
27 Nottingham
- 30/ R.R Hall Trophy. Clitheroe MC ANCC
1

Dec.

- 7/ R.R Beaver Rally. Beverley & DMC
8 Maps 101,107,113
- 7 S.R Bullough Trophy. Kirby Lonsdale MC
ANCC

MARTIN KEMP

Competition Sec.

CHAIRMAN'S CHAT

Another month passes..... sorry I missed last months issue but.....well, you know what it's like.

So whats been going on. Well at the end of Sept. the Costa 85 ran, and what a super event. Alan Powell and yours truly decided to have a go, and seeing Alan had not rallied for some five years, I had been out of the hot seat for over 2 years, we did quite well. Unfortunately only just after half-way the exhaust broke, so we cruised to the finish, to see how we had done in the first half. I believe we were around 10th/11th not bad really. So on the strength of that, we have entered the Larkspeed Rally which will have just run by the time you read this. We're hoping for a reasonable finish this time, as the car has now been 'fettled'.

The other large event of our competitive calendar ran with no problems, thanks to Rod Parkin/Phil Sykes and the many helpers from Trackrod and friends. The weather was kind to the event with the holding off.

There will, I'm sure be a full report of both events soon to find out how our crews did etc.

Finally may I say a big "Get Well" to Rebecca Kemp after her accident. I think she's a very brave girl to continue on with all her duties in respect of the Bonfire/Disco and our Dinner Dance organisation. Well done Becky, but don't do too much, there's always people who will help out if needed.

Well thats about all for now. See you all at

the Bonfire/Disco on the 12th Nov., should be a good do!!
Happy motoring.

RONNIE MACKINNON

Chairman

NATIONAL BREAKDOWN ROLL

First indications are that the event will start on Friday evening, February 21st in Bradford. There will be a three hour rest halt in Scarborough on Saturday night before finishing back at Bradford on Sunday dinnertime. The total route is about 750mils. long.

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LIDERSWELL 1951

I decided I would enter my first RTV Trial (Road Taxed Vehicle Trial), after entering a Gymkana up at Grassington. Both events were organised by Pennine Land Rover Club and you had to be a member of Pennine or a member club of the Northern Off Road Club, very similar to normal rallies!

The event was organised over August Bank Holiday weekend, so Saturday morning after getting Rod (navigator) moving we went round to Phil Sykes (Official Photographer) to pick up his caravan and off we went to Derbyshire.

We had to be scrutineered by 2.30pm (4 tyres, brakes Yes, tax disc, passed), competing at 3.0pm. There were ten sections laid out, exactly the same as a PCT but a lot harder; about 20 vehicles were entered mainly SWB Landrovers. These were split into classes, SWB, LWB/Range Rovers, and Specials. We were split into groups of 5/6 and taken off to a section. We started at 9 then 10 then 1 etc. to 8. The ground was very good and we got 6 clears, a 1, a 3, and a 6 (we just clipped the six marker). We only got pulled out once, that was when we got as far as peg 1 going up a one in three slope just after coming out of a dip and ran out of traction. With being classed as a long wheelbase we were allowed a shunt back but this dug our tow bar in so we had to be pulled forward out.

So at the end of the day we had 10pts. against us so we finished 6th O/A, 1st in our class (my first pot!). The official photographer got some good shots so it was

back to the caravan for a Rod tea followed by an evening stroll to the local, a good way of finishing off a very enjoyable day. Sunday morning there was a full trial, this is a lot harder and for 'specials' as well as lightweights. Sunday afternoon it started to pourdown. Then at midnight there was a Comp. Safari, very similar to a special stage but the course was set out across a field, and the route made up by putting in stakes and arrows. A very enjoyable weekend and I look forward to my next bit of off road competition.

PETER STANHOPE

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EQUIPMENT

This is a second plea to anyone who may know the whereabouts of any club equipment, we are about five or six control boards down after the Costa. If we carry on at that rate we'll have no equipment for events, in the future. So come on, please let me know if you have any equipment, or anyone else who may have.

You can contact me on Leeds 589683 at home - evenings.

Thank you.

MALCOLM JAGGER
Equipment Officer.

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COSTA'85

From the start at the Carrefour Superstore in Boro'bridge it was only a mile and a half run out for the start of the first competitive section, a short two miler where Roger Jackson and myself in the Stable Garage RS2 dropped 52secs. The second selective ran onto map 100 then turned south over the very bumpy Pilmoor Cottage white, where the RS2 of Tony Moore and Steve Hitchcock had trouble finding the correct slot, Steve being drafted in at the eleventh hour to navigate on his first ever event. The selective continued via fourteen controls to finish just west of Bulzer.

Roger was getting to grips with the event and we were both hoping that the car wouldn't let us down as it had on the two previous events.

The familiar white at the back of Barton -le-Willows was next and the off-set cross roads at Bossall where a police Granada spent part of the evening spectating. Down onto 106 and through Buttercrambe village, over the bridge and round the loop before heading south to finish at the A166. The organisers were stringing together some nice competitive sections. Other well known roads traversed were Millington Pastures, Thixendale including the village competitively, before finishing just south of Malton. As we came into the final control before halfway we had just caught car 18 in front of us, who then put his car sideways past a line of three early runners parked up, including Mike Watson and Nick Leuchars. At halfway we had dropped 28.08, and Tony Moore/Steve Hitchcock, the only other TMC crew out of six to finish were on 51.44, whilst the eventual winners Mennell and Jarvis were on 20.44.

The second half ran up map 100 to the A170 at Welburn where a PC and SGW were sited on the A road. The PC was unmanned and was subsequently cancelled. After crossing the A road I'd called "90R at T", but Roger took exception to this and preferred a female spectator on the left at the junction, she certainly scrambled up

the grass banking quickly enough. Next came Cockayne run W to E and fog shrouded in places as usual. Passing through the last string of TC's we somehow went straight through PC H and as a result picked up a fail. So at the finish we were a rather disappointed crew, finishing 42nd O/A, when we could have been 8th without the fail.

1st	J. Mennell/C. Jarvis	31.46
2nd	J. Shuffe/S. Argent	32.17
33rd	A. Moore/S. Hitchcock	64.18
42nd	R. Jackson/A. Munnis	1F 42.13

QUIP STAGES

Just a quick thank you to everyone who helped out, yet again a job well done. Hopefully a larger report next month.

ROD PARKIN

SORRY NO TROPHY POINTS THIS MONTH.

LARKSPEED RALLY

I was out marshalling at PC3 with Graeme Powell of Alwoodley MC and his two female associates. The tone for the evening was set when shortly after arriving Graeme produced a large banner on stakes saying "Welcome to PC 3". Graeme had also borrowed his mothers tape of pub sing-along music, Roll out the barrel, etc. which produced some impromptu dancing and a general festive atmosphere. The level of conversation dropped to seeking nominations for the longest skid marks, which was ultimately won by our own John Cope and John McNichol with over 10 feet.

Some of the results are;

1st	A. Shields/N. Harrison	38.07
2nd	L. Clarke/R. Sumpner	39.11
3rd	J. Cope/J. McNichol	40.21
10th	K. Goodall/M. Tempest	47.32

ANDY MUGNIS

SHELL OILS LEAGUE

This years Shell Oils League has been one of Trackrod's first years. The final placings will not be known until later this week but it looks like we will have just scraped into the top ten thankfully thus ensuring an event in next years calendar.

The prize presentation will be held on Saturday night 9th November at the Novotel off the M606 just outside Bradford tickets £1 so lets have a good turn out for the final shown down its always a very good do See me for more details.

John Renny

Shell Oils Captain

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