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ED'S SCRIBBLE

Hi Folks,

Well we have both just had an excellent time on the Talkland Lookout Rally, Becky competing and myself doing MTC in. It was a cold but enjoyable day.

Whats happened to all the articles???? After the mag. getting fatter each time, we have now dropped down to this. We cannot put a mag together without your articles, so please send them to either of us.

We have a short article about The Talkland Lookout rally this month, we are sure that both the organisers and competitors will give us an article for next month. With the RAC rally coming up during the month I am sure John Renny will be telling us all how it went next month, I also wonder how Chatsworth Stage went?

Thanks to Steve for his articles, we might use them at the dinner dance!!

Look forward to receiving all the articles,

Susanne and Becky
EDITORS

**DEADLINE FOR THE DECEMBER MAGAZINE IS
TUESDAY 28th NOVEMBER**

CHAIRMAN'S CHAT

Well, how many of us are reading this months mag round the Bonfire? If you are not, by the time you read this another superb social event will have past, but I am sure you have all reserved your Christmas Party tickets!?

The Crystal Stages has happened, literally!! It was a lovely Saturday, the stage set up in plenty of time, but no boards! These eventually arrived and after the event officials had been through, and decided not to run the stage twice, the stage ran smoothly.

The TALKLAND LOOKOUT rally has just been a resounding success well done to Richard Simpson and his team. The event was in the past a superb Road Rally, but now after a year off, it has changed to be single venue at York Dragway. After the very frosty and foggy start it turned out to be quite a nice day. As stage commander I would like to thank everybody who helped, it all ran very well, even with the occasional truck getting in the way.

I am pleased to announce that the club has purchased a new Club Caravan. It has been decided by the committee that when the caravan goes out on events it will NOT carry any heavy or dirty equipment. If you are responsible for taking the caravan out on an event then please make sure you return it in a clean condition ready for the next person. We are proposing to buy a small open box trailer to carry the heavy/dirty equipment. Does anybody know of a good home for our old caravan?

The Shell League Prize Presentation is on Saturday 11th November, it is usually a very sociable evening. On Thursday 7th of December there is the Shell League Annual General Meeting, this is when it is decided which clubs will be in the championship next year.

Hope to see you all out on the Lombard RAC Rally.

Peter Stanhope
Chairman

SEC SPOT

Not much to report this month except that we've had 2 Shell League Autotests and by the time you read this it will be known who the ANCC Autotest Champion is for 1989 and the Shell League will only have the Talkland Lookout to go before the 1989 Championship Club is confirmed. The best we can hope for is to enhance our position hopefully to somewhere around the middle of the top 10.

Anyway, Committee Chat this month is rather low-key. We've hopefully got Terry Harryman as our guest speaker at the Dinner Dance. It seems as though we may have found a caravan - just need a cheap trailer now! If you're organising any event(s) it is important that if you invite ANCC to partake then you MUST send Regs. to ALL ANCC Clubs - also did you know that the RAC now offer a recovery service to their members who break down whilst competing in Motor Sport events - at an additional cost of course! Talking of cost - Club equipment can be expensive so don't use ANY of it as ballast for cardboard boxes on which to mount stage arrows - the contents then risk getting broken!! Also raised was the possibility of providing tea/soup/coffee to our members on stages etc from our caravan(?) - so keep a lookout for steaming cups - if the equipment officer can find the urn!

Don't forget the Bonfire/Disco on 7th November and the Shell League Disco on 11th November, these two affairs will enable you to let your hair down (amongst other things maybe) after the Talkland Lookout Stages on the 5th!!!

RICHARD INESON
HON. SECRETARY

Social Calendar

Here we are again with another list of dates for your diaries - doesn't time fly when you're enjoying yourself:-

- 7 November - Crown, Boston Spa **BONFIRE PARTY**
14 - New Inn, Eccup **VIDEOS AND RAC MEETING**
21 - Admiral Hawke, High St Boston Spa
FREE SANDWICHES
28 - Roundhegians, Chelwood Drive, Leeds
- 5 December - Roundhegians, Chelwood Drive, Leeds
RAFFLE NIGHT (see details below)
12 - New Inn, Eccup
19 - Crown, Boston Spa
XMAS PARTY
26 - Boxing Day Autotest
(Details to follow)

Hope you all enjoyed the free nosh-up of sandwiches, sausage rolls and jacket potatoes at the Admiral Hawke on 24th October. If you missed all these freebies, be sure to attend our next clubnight there on 21st November - you won't be disappointed.

5th December

Sorry folks, we can't meet at the Crown as they're being refurbished at that time, however, come along to the Roundhegians for a super raffle night.

Great Prizes - eg. Remote control car alarm, car stereo, bottle of whiskey, (no, not all one prize) A light supper will be available also, for those who have a healthy appetite. Costs approx 60p, pay on the night if required. Come along on the 5th and you may go home with a prize.

19 December - XMAS PARTY

A MUST for your diaries. You'll all enjoy letting your hair down at the Crown (which will be all posh by then). Talent spotters will be in attendance, watching for the most original dancer. (can members owning kilts please refrain from wearing them till the Dinner Dance).

Tickets on sale soon (cheap)

Raffle prizes...

Food....

Bar Extensions....

Start 8 pm.....

FUTURE EVENTS

ANNUAL DINNER DANCE - PRIZE PRESENTATION

Still on cue for 26th January 1990. Mike Britton does it again, closely followed by Ezmerelda the Snake Charmer (watch out Richard)! More details to follow.

ANNE MOFFAT
SOCIAL SECRETARY

MERCHANDISE

Don't worry folks - I haven't forgotten the fabulous T-Shirts, Sweatshirts etc, I promised you. These are in the pipeline.

Keep on savin'

ANNE MOFFAT

COMPETITION CALENDAR

NOV

- 5 TALKLAND LOOKOUT. Trackrod MC
S/V Melbourne Airfield
- 11 SINGLE VENUE. Lancs & Cheshire
Oulton Park
- 18 SINGLE VENUE. Knutsford & District MC
Oulton Park
- 19/23 LOMBARD RAC. RACMSA
M/V International
- 24/25 ROAD RALLY. Clitheroe & DMC
RESTRICTED. 97,98,103

DEC

- 2 Stage Rally Clithero & DMC
- 3 Stage Rally Beverly & DMC
- 3 SINGLE VENUE. Ecurie Royal Oak MC
Map 118.
- 26 BOXING DAY AUTOTEST. Trackrod MC
Get Rid of your Xmas day hangover!!!
See Becky or Barry for more details.
Regs will be out soon.

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**BARRY DOVE
COMPETITION SECRETARY**

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Stuart Bell and Claire Green who got married on Saturday 7th October.

John and Margaret Smallwood who got married early October.

Vicky and John Renny on the birth of their second baby, Harriett Sarah-Jane, and Steve Hitchcock on the birth of his baby.

With all these babies, are we goin to need a creche???



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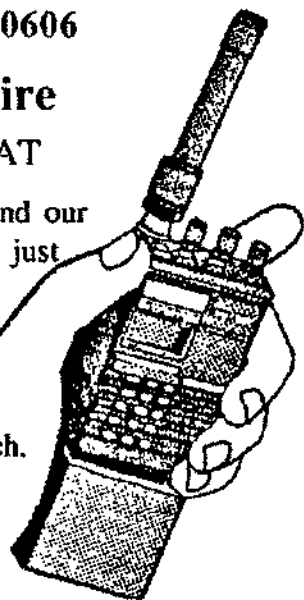
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THE COSTA - MAMBY (Obviously a memorable event - ed)

7 am on a cold saturday morning we arrived at Mamby airfield. Wasting no time in warming the car up ready for the noise test and scrutineering. Noise test OK and no problems with scrutineering.

After last minute checks on oil, tyres etc, a little nervous we joined the queue for the start. Then up to the line!

Five, Four, Three, Two, One, Go!

1st gear 6000 revs then 2nd, 3rd, 4th and up the straight to the first 90 and chicane. Leaving the brakes a little late and mis- judging the 90 through us off the track into the rough. At right then left I could not keep it straight and we ended up 45 on the bank parallel to the track. I remember thinking this was our rally over and felt sure we would end up inverted. But with alot of luck and pure brilliance, not so much of the latter, I managed to keep it going.

After that hairy moment it was on to the loose, this part of the course was fantastic. The car went every where I wanted it to go except on a hairpin where I unter cooked it and had to mountain climb to getr round it.

After the first stage was over, rather abruptly because Pete brought us in to the time control on the 1st lap. So we took a maximum time, but this did not matter as I was that excited I could only get out four letter words, "that was ***** brilliant".

We completed the rest of the Rally with no problems. Just very pleased to finish 64th out of 65 finishers, and looking forward to the Talkland stages, so watch out for the bog standard silver strada.

K C Owen

POINTS OF INTEREST

Claims for trophy points are absolutely trickling in ! How shall I cope with the amount of time it isn't taking to process all these claims ? Well, one way I've found is to draw the beautiful chart on the centre pages, which explains in an instant which trophies your claim might gain you points towards. Just find the column heading which relates to the activity you've been involved in, then follow the column down to see all the awards you could be gaining points towards - and all with a single claim!

Each trophy has its own set of rules governing exactly what specific conditions must be fulfilled in order to qualify for points - for example: some require the Entrant to be "Trackrod Motor Club Ltd.", some require the Organising Club to be TMC whilst others require that the organising club is not TMC.

Starting next month I'm going to go through each of the championships in detail, explaining the particular conditions and the oddities of the scoring systems.

These are the positions in the most hotly-contested championships, calculated in mid-October:

Marshal's Trophy: P Andrews 100; A Heaton 85

Off-Road: R Ineson 626.79; J Renny 257.11

Lloyds Multi-venue Driver:

David Unsworth 78.91; Steve Sanderson 77.23;
Alan Powell 73.42

Crest S/V driver: Tom Whittaker 277.12; Alan Powell 167.36

Stage Navigator: V Fletcher 375.58; B Dove 240.75

Andy Shaw

Trophy Point Sec

TRACKROD MOTOR CLUB TROPHIES

AWARD	AUTOTEST	PCT	ROAD RALLY	S/V STAGE RALLY	M/V STAGE RALLY	SOCIAL	OTHER	ORGANISING	RESTRICTION
TRACKROD TROPHY	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	Only TMC Events
Mrs NEWMAN	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	Ladies on TMC events
RALLY & SPEED SHOP	X								TMC only
DICKINSON PCT		D							TMC only
BEST LADY COMP.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		Ladies only
MARSHALS	M	M	M	M	M	M	M		
SERVICE CREW				S	S				
SHELL LEAGUE	X	X	X	X	X		X		Shell league Events
FSB RALLY DRIVER			D		D				NOTE 1
FSB RALLY			N		N				NOTE 1

ANCC RALLY DRIVER			D	D	D				ANCC only
ANCC RALLY NAVIGATOR			N	N	N				ANCC only
LLOYDS M/V					D				
CREST S/V				D					
STAGE NAVIGATOR				N	N				
OFF ROAD	X	X					X (2)		Not TMC
SPY 44	X	D	X	X	X		X (2)		Not TMC NOTE 1

NOTE 1 Entry must show: "ENTRANT TRACKROD MOTOR CLUB Ltd"
or "TEAM TRACKROD"

2 Also Hillclimbs & Sprints

KEY

X Activity counts towards the trophy
D Drivers only N Navigators only
S Service Crew M Marshaling



"SHELL OILS" League Report

Well, after sitting at 8th position after seven rounds I am pleased to announce we finished at 5th.

The final round was our Talkland Lookout Stages Rally when we had a full team out. The top 5 teams were:-

1st Airedale & Pennine	- 250.5
2nd Trackrod	- 248.2
3rd Selby	- 196.4
4th Alwoodley	- 191.7
5th York	- 190.8

So the overall results are as below:-

THE TOP TEN AFTER TEN ROUNDS

1	Ilkley	- 2246.7
2	Airedale & Pennine	- 1855.5
3	Alwoodly	- 1659.8
4	Shipley	- 1634.1
5	Trackrod	- 1379.1
6	North Humberside	- 1281.0
7	Y.S.C.C	- 1269.1
8	David Brown	- 1177.9
9	Keithley	- 1020.9
10	Selby	- 992.8

Thank you to everybody who helped or competed throughout the year, hope to see you all there next year when we will win?!

Look forward to seeing you all at the prize presentation on Saturday 11th November, see the add opposite.

Ronnie Mac
SHELL LEAGUE CAPTAIN

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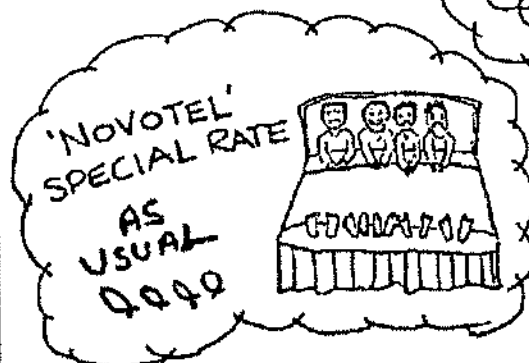
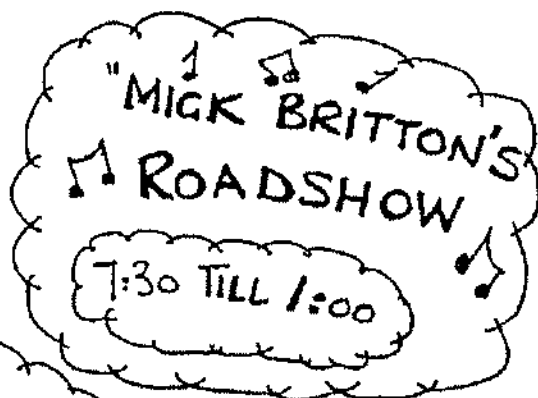
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LOMBARD RAC RALLY 19th NOVEMBER 1989
CHATSWORTH SS4

Just a note to jog your memories about the stage at Chatsworth on the RAC Lombard. We are helping another club on the day, but Trackrod are manning the stage start and the first sector.

I have about 18 names so far so where are the rest of you club members? let us put on a good impression to all the other clubs, to point out that we are able to marshal on an event as well as run them.

So come forth and volunteer, and remember, WE ARE LIVE ON THE TELE, so plenty of TMC jackets and sweaters if you please. Full details as and when I get them.

Malcolm Jagger
TMC Oddjob/Everyjob Man

LOMBARD RAC RALLY 23rd NOVEMBER
LANGDALE SS46 & 52

There is a training evening on Tuesday the 14th November at the New Inn at Eccup for all those involved with the RAC starting at 20:00. Ilkley & District are also coming along so lets have a good turn out. Everyone can learn from the evening so NO EXCUSES.

We don't have a good reputation as far as training goes so lets give a good impression this time!! John Richardson will be doing the training evening and I can assure you everything he has to say is relevant and to the point. Please be PROMPT, 20:00, thank you.

We still need Sector Marshals, Timekeepers etc for our stage, Langdale 1/2 on Thursday 23rd November, so please contact me, John Renny (Lds 582334) or Peter Stanhope (Lds 675685) for more details.

John Renny
Stage Commander

RADIO PROCEDURE

After last years problems in Yorkshire on The RAC Lombard Rally, with radios, I think it is wise to print a few notes now.

Last year the RAC MSA 86Mhz radio net got "blocked" quite a few times, make sure that you know where your microphone is at ALL times. Radio's MUST be manned at ALL times, so two people need to be with each radio. One person can take notes whilst the other operates and so having hold of the mic at all times.

When you are calling another radio, put the callsign of the radio you are CALLING first, followed by your own callsign.

Make sure you use the correct prefix, they are:-

- a. RELEVANT - to interrupt, at a break between calls, in order to provide significant information which may materially assist the problem/situation in hand.
- b. SAFETY - for messages concerning stage safety e.g. stage arrowing, spectator marshalling problems
- c. URGENT - for situations requiring immediate action e.g. car known to be in difficulty, suspected injuries, stopping the stage.
- d. EMERGENCY - for CONFIRMED situations involving personal injury where immediate Medical/Rescue services are required.

Use common-sense - do not overrate the urgency of your message unnecessarily.

Think about your message before keying the mike - don't use air time for thinking.

Always work through Control, it is there to help not hinder.

ALL ROUNDERS QUALIFYING EVENT No 4

Coventry and Warwickshire PCT

It's a long way for a shed especially when you've had a skin full the night before and it's -issing it down - no pun intended. After 2 1/2 hours travelling we arrived last which actually turned out OK as it only stopped raining as we bolted on the ballest and changed the wheels; with hardly time to grab a butt (but we managed). We were off straight onto the hills or off as the case may be as they were very slippery.

After what could be called a diabolical first round of 10 hills we were well and truly last in our class of seven, but the Tetley mist was clearing and the rain holding off.

With nothing to lose and all to gain we just completed the next round as quickly as possible (can't even remember getting out of the shed) so that we had a long lunch halt - glad we took a couple of hare of the dog tins!

And so on to the afternoon performance where everyone in our class must of had a bad time or we were paying less attention of others as we had some storming hills and by the end of the day 40 wet but enjoyable hills we took 1st in class by five marks and gained 20 valuable allrounders points. 1st O/A on the day went to that man N MacKay again. Class E had a massive 18 starters with 13 Imps, 3 Beetles and 2 Fiat worse than deaths.

With a total score of 58 out of 60 points for my three PCTs, I can only improve if I take a First In Class or as I intend to do some more ANCC/BTRDA rounds things aren't over yet - so you thought you'd got off lightly!

Next round for me and the shed, an autotest - I wonder which one of us will break first?

Nick Yellow Shed Pullan

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COHEN RETAINS TITLE

The Association of Northern Car Clubs Autotest Championship has been won for the second year running by Peter Cohen from Alwoodley M.C. in his 1100cc Mini.

Theoretically it was all on the last event at Hartshead Moor on 29th October with David Sowman also in with a chance at the title. However both Cohen and Sowman needed to drop their lowest scores, Sowman's being a 20 and Cohen's a 70. The catch to this was that, in order to beat Cohen to the title, Sowman had to beat both David Haigh and Glen Simpson on Slaithwaite M.C.'s Shell League event. Cohen, on the other hand, could afford to relax and not finish below 6th in a class of 20 !! It all nearly came undone when Cohen's clutch failed - but a trip to the local scrapyard soon put things right and allowed Peter to cruise home second in class.

The Championship placings after a very successful and competitive season are :-

1989 ANCC Autotest Champion

Peter Cohen Mini 1100 817.5

Class 1 1st Roy Higginson Mini 1100 674.7

2nd Clive Raistrick Mini 1100 452.8

3rd David Mosey Mini 1100 360.9

Class 2 1st John North Golf GTI 181.6

Class 3 1st Richard Ineson Mini 1275 709.9

2nd Andrew Cohen Midget/XR3 494.4

3rd Graham Oldfield Westfield 7 439.1

Class 4 1st David Sowman Mini Special 751.1

2nd Ian Reid Mini Special 725.1

3rd Eric Wood Ford Special 568.6

TALKLAND LOOKOUT STAGES RALLY

The results on this years event are as follows:-

- 1st O/A Car 2 Andy Elliott/Ian Oldfield
2nd Car 6 Malcolm Davy/I Shardlow
3rd Car 22 S Herd/C Fewlass

We had a very good Trackrod entry, nine in total. The results are:-

B Colligan/ John McNichol	6th	O/A 4th in class	
Alan Powell/Barry Dove	8th	4th	
Darren Moon/Jackie Smyth	19th	7th	Best TMC Entry
Tom Whittaker/Vince Fletcher	23rd	10th	
Shaun Hanlon/Mark Appleyard	38th	15th	
Mark Brier/Bob Stoker	39th	14th	
A Dryden/J Woollin	40th	8th	
Rebecca Kemp/Andrew Hobman	42nd	15th	Best Lady
Stephen Sanderson/Stuart Bell	57th	18th	

There will be a full report in next months magazine.

Further to allegations against Mr M Vary a meeting was convened on Wednesday 25 October 1989 to adjudicate on the aforementioned. The council deemed that the allegations were substantiated and proven and Mr Vary was in contravention of Article 12 of the "Memorandum and Articles of Association of Trackrod Motor Club Limited 1977". The decision was taken therefore to revoke Mr Vary's membership of Trackrod Motor Club forthwith for a minimum period of 5 years.

The Committee

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