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# **THE OFFICIAL MAGAZINE OF TRACKROD MOTOR CLUB Ltd**

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EDITOR

Well here we are again, but this time it is to be my last as I have be opposed for this prestigious position and have been asked to take on the higher position of Secretary. So as all of you who went to the A.G.M. at the Crown on the 28th July will know that the position of Treasurer is to be carried on by John Renny, yours truly as Secretary but as yet no one has stepped forward to take on the job of Chairman, any offers!! The rest of the Committee will comprise of the following people:- Anne Moffat; Stuart Marsh; Peter Rutterford; Vince Fletcher; Barry Dove; Rebecca Kemp; and Mark Midgley. A couple of new faces to help us along the way for the next 12 months and I would like to take this opportunity to thank those who have retired off the committee and to welcome those new faces and hope that they get the full support of the membership!

So this is my last editorial and I hope that over the last 2 year's that they have been informative and useful to you, and I do believe that my spelling has improved since I started. Although I knew that you read my pieces, because people would come up to me and comment on my spelling or if I used a spell check on the computer!

I must get on as I have to write a few more articles to try and fill this issue, so bye for now.

DEREK LEE

**DEADLINE FOR THE SEPTEMBER ISSUE IS  
TUESDAY 25TH AUGUST 1992**

## FROM THE BAR STOOL

Seeing that Richard has stood down as Chairman and as yet a new one not being appointed then this column is going in to pause mode. When the new committee has had a meeting and we can let you know the outcome in the next magazine.

Richard will still be an active member of the club and still keep on competing as long as his tired limbs will carry him! But I would like to thank him for the great job that he has done over the past two years as an ambassador to Trackrod Motor Club.

ED

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## SEC'S PIECE

Well yet again another thank you to Ronnie for his services and next month I will be writing in this section for myself, I suppose I have a bit of practice by doing the odd few for our retiring Secretary.

Ronnie will as, Richard, continue to compete as much as possible or as much as his new business will let him.

ED

## SOCIAL CALENDAR

### AUGUST

- 4 New Inn, Eccup (104/288 429)  
**OPEN FORUM**
- 11 Admiral Hawke, Boston Spa (105/434 454)  
**FREE SANDWICHES**
- 18 Windmill, Linton (104/390 467)
- 25 New Inn, Eccup (104/288 429)  
**VIDEO NIGHT**

### SEPTEMBER

- 1 Crown, Boston Spa (105/429 457)  
**OPEN FORUM**
- 8 Admiral Hawke, Boston Spa (105/435 454)  
**FREE SANDWICHES**
- 15 New Inn, Eccup (104/288 429)
- 16 **MARSHALS BREIFING, RALLY CAR FOREST STAGES**  
**Carin Hotel, Harrogate**
- 22 Windmill, Linton (104/390 467)
- 26 **RALLY CAR FOREST STAGES RALLY, HARROGATE**
- 29 New Inn, Eccup (104/288 429)  
**VIDEO NIGHT**
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## COMPETITION CALENDAR

### AUGUST

- 16 Huddersfield MC Autotest  
York MC Autotest  
Knowdale CC Hillclimb Baitings Dam  
Bolton-Le-Moors CC S/V Ty-Croes
- 30 **Trackrod MC BBQ Hillclimb Baitings Dam**  
Border MC S/V 112, 113  
N. Humberside MC, Alex Carr Autotest, Hull

### SEPTEMBER

- 5/6 Otley Road Rally 98, 99, 103, 104
- 6 Lancashire AC Hillclimb Scammonden Dam  
Kirby Lonsdale MC Stage Rally 90, 91, 92  
Lindholme MSC Gilders Sport Stages 111, 120
- 8 Manx International
- 12 Lincs/Louth S/V (presumably) Manby Showground  
Pendle S/V Stage Rally
- 13 Bridlington S/V Stage Rally 107
- 26 **TRACKROD MC - RALLY CAR FOREST STAGES**  
**RALLY, HARROGATE**
- 27 Darlington & DMC Rallycross Croft (Nat)

You may have all heard by now the the Costa Road Rally was unable to run, due to a small administration oversight and so the event was not covered by insurance. Although all effort to rectify this matter was taken by Rod Parkin, Steve Stringwell and Barry Dove we had no alternative but to postpone the event, and a hopeful date could be 19th September. So I would like to say thank you to everyone who came out and helped on the night and hope that after this dummy run we should get it right in September and we hope that you will make the same effort to help us.

Peter Rutterford  
COMPETITION SECRETARY

## BARBECUE HILLCLIMB 1992

The 1992 BBQ hillclimb is just around the corner, things are going well, regs have been sent out and all we require now are entries! The event this year is on 30th August, bank holiday Sunday, and will be run again at Baitings Dam. The format will be as follows:-

Signing on from        09:00,  
Practice starts at     10:30,  
Timed runs from       13:30,  
Barbecue from         16:30,  
tickets FREE for all marshals and competitors.

If any members are interested in helping please contact Graham Whitaker, Chief Marshal, on 0532 654182. Regs are available now, either on the notice board or from Richard Ineson on 0532 679329. This is a good venue for both the first timer as well as the expert.

Due to moving to Scotland this will be the last year I will be organising this event. If you are interested in being the Clerk of Course please give me a call, 0259 760611, or contact any club committee member.

Hope to see you all on the 30th.

Peter Stanhope  
Clerk of Course

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## TREASURE HUNT - AUGUST 23rd - NEW INN, ECCUP

We are now in a position to reveal that we have invited De Lacy, Otley and Alwoodley Motor Clubs to join us for our first Treasure Hunt for absolutely ages!! We would like to see some faces from Trackrod to fly the flag for the home team.

As revealed previously, sheet 104 may be useful but is definitely not essential as we will include route instructions with the clues. If you are not confident at map reading you therefore have no excuse for not turning up.

The route will be "less than 50 miles" and we are not using any rough roads so do not say you are frightened of damaging your car either.

You will be required to supply your own pens/pencils and a clipboard may be useful but most importantly bring your sense of humour.

So for a fun day out in the country with the opportunity to win prizes!! Join us at 10am at the NEW INN, ECCUP.

We hope that you will make all the organising worthwhile with a healthy turn out.

See you all there

Stephen, Paul and Nick.

P.S. A rough idea of numbers would be useful see us at any clubnight or ring Leeds 674326 (Nick) where you should catch me in mid-bodge, pre-Forest Rally.

## “ROOKIE AUTOTESTER PART 1”

Sunday morning arrived and the nerves were high, yes it was my chance to have ago at an autotest. That kind Ronnie MacKinnon had said with him being away in Scotland that I could use his Escort with Derek Lee, so as to make up the numbers for the Larkspeed League.

A short drive round the car park to try the car out and get the feel of the clutch. Now was the time to walk round the first two tests to learn were to go. After watching the first five cars round the tests I was getting to know the way round. Then the time had come to start and with Derek going first, he managed to get round with no problems. Now it was my turn, up to the start line, last quick look at the test diagram then away we go. All the fear seems to go out of your head and concentration on where to go takes over. After the first test was over you breath a big sigh of relief that you have got through the first test with no mistakes and so on to test two, with no problems.

The first two tests were then repeated and after a slow start on test four, halfway round I suddenly lost all power, no acceleration and so I had to limp out of the test and back to the pits!! The thought of a broken car came over me, but after looking under the bonnet Derek found that a nut and bolt had come out of the throttle linkage, so it was a quick scrounge from Richard for a spare and we were back on the road again.

My times were started to come down through the day, and on one test I even got a faster time than Derek, but only the one! I think that I got over confident after that because on the next test I acquired a +10 for hitting a cone, but I was enjoying every minute. Then I had to retire after test twelve because as Derek finished doing tests 13 & 14 the gear box decided that it would play up and not allow me to select reverse properly. So my first autotest was over but a good days motorsport was put on by Alwoodley Motor Club.

Now that I have taken part I have seen another side to motor sport and the encouragement the other competitors and friends give you. My thanks must go to Derek for his help, to Richard for the spare parts and a big thanks to Ronnie. Sorry about the car!! (Not been serviced properly I believe!! - ED)

I have just received my results through the post and I came 11 in class out of 12, and 31 overall out of 32.

Paul Scruton

(Paul many thanks for your article and I am very glad that you enjoyed yourself, maybe Ronnie will go away again!!! - ED)

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## RETROSPECTIVE

From the pages of the Trackrod Newsletter of August 1973.

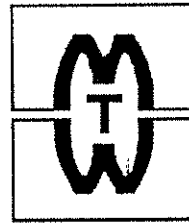
The SPY 44 restoration fund was announced following the 240 Z's spectacular demise on the Calderford Trophy Rally after making fairly severe contact with a tree! The impact was such that driver Richard Jackson suffered a broken ankle and navigator Dennis Dickinson chipped teeth and a mass of bruises. The 240 Z also got another mention for using a whole tank of petrol on a recent economy run!

AGM looming up on 22 August, results next month.

We were lying 4th in the Shell League which all seemed pretty impressed with. Paul Adelman had his Escort Sport raided for suspension parts by a competitor at Cadwell Park, whose similar machine had a disagreement with the scenery in practice on the corner being marshalled by Paul. The guy went on to win the race and returned to refit the bits afterwards, service indeed!

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More new members about to disappear over the infamous hill :-  
Roy Gibbs; Alan Forrest; Carl Davis; Mike Duffield; Chris Perkins;  
(MacKinnon can't be far away now!) and R. Whittaker.

Who mentioned Ron MacKinnon, how come he has escaped the new members section? Anyway he scored some brownie points for correcting a mistake in the recent J.C.W. Autotest results which meant Ken Goodall won the class and not Ron. Always said he was a thoroughly nice chap, however he is also over the hill now!

A report appeared on the Autospeed Stages Rally run in June our contenders finished as follows :-

Jackson/Ashcroft	(240Z)	6th O/A
Dickinson/Cantrill	(Mexico)	33rd O/A
Powell/Millington	(Cooper 'S')	39th O/A
Kemp/Buchanan	(Cooper)	63rd O/A
Jackson A./Hazeldine	(Ascona)	71st O/A
Lee/Lee	(Mexico)	80th O/A
Newman/Rathbone	(Mini 1100)	96th O/A

Andy Mackay was selling double lamp brackets for Escorts at £1.75 each or £3.25 per pair or any other pattern made to order!

Trackrod ..... ends

Richard Ineson

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Although we will lose the thoughts of Chairman Richard, he has promised to keep us in touch with the past through his Retrospective's, and his over the hill mob. Well I have got a couple more years to avoid Richard's revelations so until then..... ED.

## EVENTS COMING UP NEEDING YOU HELP.....

26 September Rally Car Forest Stages Rally, Trackrod MC, starts from Harrogate. You help and assistant is required to help Rod Parkin and his team to keep the standards of this event high and the name of Trackrod Motor Club. So if you have not got a job NOW is the time to speak, see Rod, John McNichol or Barry Dove A.S.A.P...

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17 October Castrol Crystal Ford Forest Rally, North Humberside MC. We have yet again be asked to run a stage on this years event, as yet we do not know which one it will be but John Smallwood is our Stage Commander and he will tell as soon as he gets to know. So in the meantime give your names to John or me so as to get the main jobs sorted out early.

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8 November Alphagraphics Lookout Stages Rally, Trackrod MC, Melbourne Airfield, Nr York. We are once again in the throws of organising the Lookout for this year, again to be the last round of the Larkspeed League. So for those of you who will not be competing to gain the club points in the League we hope to see you out there helping run the event. So if you fancy a job for the day come and see John Smallwood, Stephen Lancaster, Peter Rutterford or myself.

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22 - 25 November Lombard RAC Rally, as yet no information but these are the dates to put in your diaries, until we get full information, so keep your eyes on these pages over the next couple of months.

Derek Lee

**TROPHY  
POINTS  
CLAIM**



Name \_\_\_\_\_ Memb. No. \_\_\_\_\_

Event \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Organising Club: Trackrod/Other

**ORGANISER/DRIVER/NAVIGATOR  
MARSHAL/SERVICE CREW**

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Competitors: Please fill in below  
**AND** provide evidence:-

EVENT Type:

- |                 |                 |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| Autotest        | PCT             |
| Stage Rally S-V | Stage Rally M-V |
| Road Rally      | 12-Car          |
| Hillclimb       | Treasure Hunt   |
| Economy Run     | Other:-         |

EVENT STATUS:

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ANCC round? Y/N  
LARKSPEED League round? Y/N

ENTRANT Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**RESULTS**

Entry No. \_\_\_\_\_ Position Overall \_\_\_\_\_

No. in Class \_\_\_\_\_ Position in Class \_\_\_\_\_

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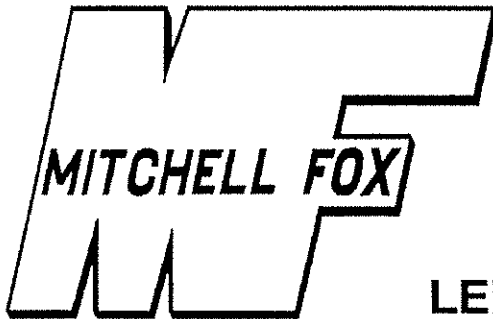
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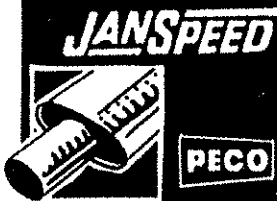
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