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CHAIRMAN'S CHAT – SEPTEMBER 2004

Not a lot to report this month apart from a good discussion during and after the AGM. For those who attended, there was a discrepancy noted re the new 81 Radio's which were purchased by the Club but paid for, in the main, by individuals. Thus they cannot be on the Club asset register. Indeed this was just a bookkeeping glitch, they are now properly shown as transactions, with the adjusting income from the owners originally shown as part of the MSA refund (since the MSA also gave us £600 towards the new sets). Revised accounts are now prepared and will be formally accepted in due course.

My thanks to all those who managed to get these accounts to this final stage in time for the AGM – not an easy task! Once again we got “unqualified accounts” which is extremely good for a voluntary organisation. Also pleasingly we are in a good financial position – so no increase in subs!!!

The Committee is pleased to welcome Tim Jameson as a new member and as always seeks views, assistance and practical help from all of you.

After the AGM we had a debate mainly on club nights – sometimes not as well frequented as in the past. It was recognised however that many people gain much from being a club member (organising events, competing, marshalling etc) and do not have the time to get out on a Tuesday. Ideas for new venues always welcome – especially those with private facilities (including a bar!!).

As you might expect things are hotting up for Rally Yorkshire – regs are available and if you do not have a job please ask!!!

Enjoy whatever you enjoy!!

Rod Parkin
Chairman

Hello all,

Long time since I have written - been a bit busy with the Scottish Rally, well rather busy, but more of that in a minute.

So whilst on hols a few weeks ago I thought I would catch up on what has/is going on North of the border.

BRC RSAC Scottish Rally

New format, new stages, new members to the team, oh and lot more work!

For 2004 it was decided that we would run a couple of stages on the Friday night around Dumfries, then Saturday stages in the Newton Stewart area. Plus, then on the Sunday stages back in the Dumfries area for the Scottish Rally Championship round. A lot of Motorsport to organise!

This meant we had two major service areas to setup and man, plus we took on the challenge (and passed) to have a tarmac/forest/quarry stage in Dumfries, for the Friday night and Sunday lunchtime. A tremendous amount of prep work was put into building this stage, especially with the local support by Alan Dalziel and Stewart Robertson. A tarmac road had been found at the edge of the service area which was an old airfield, plus a forest track. All not very long (ish .5 mile) but right in the correct location! We then spotted a query on the stage route with one road in/out, no good for cars running in parallel on it but a start. So with forestry permission it was agreed to construct a road/ramp as an exit, plus water splash, plus spectator viewing area, plus spectator access path etc etc.

This resulted in a .7 mile stage, just in the right location for spectators, service crews and rally fans to watch.

Anyway, back to the main part of the rally. For the weekend prior to the event, Mr Dumfries (Alan Dalziel) had organised a publicity day on the main street in Dumfries. This gave the event a lot of local exposure, including with the local press. Wednesday night we then had a sponsored evening with the Suzuki Team - excellent evening and a great opportunity to meet the stars, plus one of our local sponsors.

The media stage on the Thursday worked well again - this year with 12 cars entered with many local prize winners having the chance to sit in a car in a fully setup/manned stage.

Thursday afternoon then saw a group making up the 'Welcome Packs' - all 650 of them! These are for mainly the marshals that come out and help, but also radio crews, rescue, recovery, doctors etc etc, a lot to make up, but then a lot of volunteers are needed to run a 3 day event!

Friday was then the day to get the Heathhall stage finished off, ably managed by John Smallwood and the team of volunteers. This involved the Solway Car Club with a lot of prep work and on the day, plus with the Trackrod team providing a lot of manpower to run the stage. We wished to make sure we had plenty of marshals since we had no idea on the interest it would generate. Heathhall service was adjacent to the stage so this allowed a lot of spectators to be accommodated. The evening format included two visits to the Forest of Ae, with the Heathhall stage in the middle, and it worked out well. We estimate we had about 2,000 spectators in the stage, plus 100's more at the Ae stage.

Saturday was based to the west in the Newton Stewart area. The stages were in pairs, followed by a nip down to the Baldoon service area (nice hard standing on an old airfield similar to Melbourne), and then back into the forest for two more stages. This all worked out very well with the stages being in good condition, oh and well setup by the Trackrod team! There was also a 3 stage Clubman event that proved a great success for those that entered. Saturday afternoon was then scrutineering for the Sunday National event in Dumfries, along with the finish of the BRC back in Dumfries, a busy place it was!

Sunday then saw us running a completely separate event for the Scottish championship. Stages in the Dumfries area and out to the North/East. A second run of the Heathhall spectator stage was done at the lunchtime, and was again well received by all. Entries were well up on 2003, so we hope that after another good event in 2004 then 2005 will be better still!

A tremendous amount of work was put in by a lot of people to make the event the success it was. Tidying up continued until early Monday afternoon in the area, its amazing how much litter can be dropped, even though bins were provided. A lot of support was given by the Yorkshire/English clubs, and the Scottish ones of course!, and I would like to pass on my thanks to all those involved – far too many to mention by name. Plus, it was great that the weather was very good again.

Lets see what 2005 brings us, hopefully great weather again!

UKRC5 - July 25th

Knockhill race circuit near Edinburgh hosted again the UKRC event organised by RSAC Motorsport. Well, I guess by the time you are reading this it will be over! so I will try and do a report in the coming months!

Mull 2004, 8th to 10th October

Mull looks likely to be a busy year again for entries, since it is the 35th event. Not sure what I will be doing this year, I hung up my keys for Road Opening Car last year - 8 years of doing it and the kids are now the age to get more involved.

We were hoping that the Tobermory stage could be run again this year. However, the locals were very keen but unfortunately the Police were not, even after the good team effort in putting on the 30th event there. That's life!

Entries opened on 2nd August and within 2 weeks they were full. Oh, and book your accommodation and ferry as well early!

Crail, single venue

This is to be held again in November (6th) at Crail airfield near St Andrews.

It's an excellent single venue on a great WWII airfield, with smooth tarmac! It's usually a very popular event to finish off the year with. Get your entry in early.

Cheers for now and catch up with you soon.

Happy motoring.

Peter Stanhope
Scottish Correspondent.

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Taxed Oct 04, MOT April 05
White with spare set of wheels
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Approx 30" Hose, Tyre
inflator, air gun £90

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MID WALES STAGES

The end of June saw us back in Wales for the 5th round of the Historic Rally Championship. This was the 4th rally in a row down in Wales so I am beginning to get to know the A493 pretty well. The event was based on Newtown using mainly Hafren and Sweet.

Scruntineering was on Saturday morning with two stages in the afternoon followed by seven on Sunday with an early afternoon finish. Robin Shuttleworth and Mark Midgley had also entered in their Mexico and we were in ours.

Stage one was completed and so into Sweet Lamb for stage two including Walters Arena. This is very false including man made water splashes but is good for spectators. Very misty on this stage with visibility in places down to 50 yards we pushed on and were rewarded with 7th overall stage time. Service was in the forest so a quick check over and then back to Newtown for parc ferme lying 1st in class.

The first four stages on Sunday were again in Hafren and Sweet Lamb followed by service. All went well and we maintained our class lead. Unfortunately Robin and Mark didn't make it to service having had distributor problems. On leaving the service area the starter motor failed so we had to do the last three stages without one. Needless to say we stalled on the next stage but fortunately there were some spectators to push us off. Stages eight and nine caused no problems apart from a very steep and rough stretch in Cwmcynydd (how do you pronounce that?)

Back to Newtown for the finish having maintained our class lead and just creeping into the top ten overall. This enabled us to remain 1st in Class in the Championship and 4th overall. Missing the next round on The Manx so our next one is the Tour of Flanders in September.

Graham Wride

Regs Available for Rally Yorkshire

Regulations are available now to request a set
contact Nicola Sanderson Tel: 01937 587508
e-mail: trackrod.rally@virgin.net.
or alternatively go online www.rallyyorkshire.co.uk/ click
on Regs Available Here section



2nd-3rd October 2004

Wanted!!!

**Marshals, Radio Crews, Passage Control
crews**

Chief Marshal - Amanda Smith
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Trackrod Motor Club Merchandise

Round neck T-Shirt	Black, White, Navy, Green or Royal.	£5.50
S(38) M(40) L(42) XL(44) XXL(46)		
Man's Polo Shirt	Black, White, Navy, Green, Royal or Orange.	£10.50
S(36) M(40) L(42) XL(44) XXL(46)		
Ladies Polo Shirt	Black, White, Navy, Green or Royal.	£10.50
XS(8) S(10) M(12) L(14) XL(16)		
Sweatshirt	Black, White, Navy, Green or Royal.	£11.00
S(38) M(40) L(42) XL(46) XXL(50)		
Shirt L/S	Black, Natural, Navy or Green.	£16.50
S(36) M(38) L(42) XL(44) XXL(48)		
Shirt S/S	Black, Natural, Navy or Green.	£15.50
S(36) M(38) L(42) XL(44) XXL(48)		
Fleece half zip	Black, Navy, Green or Violet	£17.50
XS(36) S(37) M(41) L(44) XL(48) XXL(50)		
Fleece Jacket	Black, Navy, Green or Violet	£18.50
XS(36) S(37) M(41) L(44) XL(48) XXL(50)		
Motorsport Jacket	Black/Red, Navy/Red or All Black	£39.00
S(38) M(41) L(44) XL(47) XXL(50) XXXL(53)		
Fleece hat	Black or Navy	£5.00
Fleece Scarf	Black or Navy	£5.50
Fleece Accessory set	Black or Navy	£11.00
Knitted Pull on Hat	Black or Navy	£4.50
Baseball Cap	Black/Red, Navy/Red or White/Navy	£5.00
Navigator's Bag	Black, Navy or Green	£7.50
Holdall	Black, Navy or Green	£12.00

Kid's Stuff

T-Shirt	Black, White, Navy or Green	£4.00
XS(1/2) S(3/4) M(5/6) L(7/8) XL(9/10) XXL(11/12) XXXL(12/13) XXXXL(14/15)		
Sweatshirt	Black, Navy, Green or purple	£8.00
S(3/4) M(5/6) L(7/8) XL(9/11) XXL(12/13) XXXL(14/15)		
Fleece Jacket	Black, Navy, Green or Violet	£14.00
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Other items are available on request. Please note that all items must be paid for prior to ordering.		

TROPHY POINTS CLAIM FORM

Members Name

Competitors tick [✓] appropriate boxes below and provide evidence (results)

Event Name

Event Date

Event Type:

Autotest []

Economy Run []

Hillclimb []

Organising Club:

Trackrod [] PCT []

Other [] Road Rally []

Type of Claim:

Stage Rally M/V []

Stage Rally S/V []

Driver [] Treasure Hunt []

Navigator [] 12-Car []

Marshal [] Other -

Service Crew [] state type

Organiser :

state position

Event Status

Clubman CM [] National "B" [] ANCC Round []

National "A" [] International [] LARKSPEED Round []

Other

For Official Use Only

RESULTS

Date received

Your Entry No

Processed by

Position Overall

Awards eligible for

Position in Class

No. in Class

ALL claims to be made within 1 month from the date of the event and must include a copy of entry list and final results sheet.

Rolling Calendar 2004

September 2004

2nd-4th	Answercall Direct Ulster Rally, Armagh – BRC
3rd-5th	Rally Of Japan – WRC
4th	Woodpecker Stages, Ludlow – BTRDA
5th	Wolds Rally – Swinderby - ANCC
11th	Park Systems Stages, Newton Stewart - Ancro
11th-12th	Tour Of Flanders, Belgium - BHC
12th	Hamsterley Stages – Hamsterley Forest
12th	York-Autotest -Larkspeed
17th-19th	Wales Rally GB – WRC
18th-19th	Harewood Hill-Climb - BARC
25th	Plains Rally, Welshpool - BTRDA

October 2004

1st-3rd	Rally Of Italy – WRC
2nd-3rd	Trackrod Rally Yorkshire, York – BRC & BHC
8th-10th	Tour Of Mull – Isle Of Mul
9th 1	Harold Palin Memorial Stages Rally – Manby - ANCC
10th	Y.S.C.C.-Autotest-Larkspeed
15th-17th	Tour Of Corsica – WRC
23rd	Bulldog Stages, Shrewsbury – BHC & Ancro
29th-31st	Catalonia Rally – WRC
31st	Premier Stages Rally - Mansfield

November 2004

6th	Tempest South Of England Rally, Aldershot – BRC
6th	Cambrian Rally, Llandudno - BTRDA
7th	Alwoodley-Autotest-Larkspeed
12th-14th	Rally Australia - WRC
20th-23th	Roger Albert Clark Rally – Nationally
21st	Malton Motor Club Forest Rally – Yorkshire Forests
25th-28th	Revival Rally – Nationally

December 2004

4th	Grizedale Stages Rally – Coniston - ANCC
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January 2005

29th	Dinner Dance– TBA
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Club Nights

September 2004

7th Gildersome Con Club
14th The Old Star – Collingham
21st The Yeoman Pub – Otley
28th Admiral Hawke – Boston Spa

October 2004

5th Gildersome Con Club
12th Admiral Hawke – Boston Spa **(CHANGE)**
19th The Yeoman Pub – Otley
26th Admiral Hawke – Boston Spa

We are going back to our double visit to Admiral Hawke in October. Due to lack of interest at The Old Star and people been keen to go back to the double visit at the Admiral Hawke.

HI AND THANKS TO ALL WHO TURNED OUT LAST MONTH ESPECIALLY WHO TURNED UP AT TWYFORD WOOD, DUST, DUST AND MORE DUST. WE COULDN'T SEE THE CARS SOME TIMES, SO HOW THE DRIVERS SAW WHERE THEY WERE GOING I DON'T KNOW.

SEPTEMBER'S EVENTS 2004 (1) 5TH CAR TRIAL. JEBB LANE. WAKEFIELD. (2) 5TH THE WOLDS RALLY. SWINDERBY AIRFIELD. (3) 11TH& 12TH SEP. DANUM RD RALLY (LINDHOLME MC) .(4) 12TH WEETON STAGES. WEETON CAMP. (5) 12TH SEP. 2004 THE S.G.PETCH HAMSTERLEY FOREST STAGES. (5) 17TH-19TH NETWORK Q. SOMEWHERE IN WALES. OCT 2004 2ND-3RD TRACKROD FOREST STAGES. IF YOU WANT TO GO TO ANY OF THE EVENTS LET ME KNOW I SHOULD HAVE SOME TIMES NEARER TO THE EVENTS OR TRY MY WEB SITE WWW.RALLYAROUND.CO.UK

THANKS PHILL

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