

### **July 2005**

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THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF TRACKROD MOTOR CLUB LTD RAC MSA AFFILLIATED, NO. 1230

#### Your club needs YOU!!!

Over the next few months, several members of the committee will be taking flight and moving to pastures new. Alison and David Beaven will be moving to Spain early 2006, and Emma Bain and Graham Steggles are moving to Australia in September this year. This means that the club will be losing Secretary, Treasurer and Membership Secretary during the next 12 months.

The club cannot function without members prepared to commit time and effort to ensure that these roles are filled. The upcoming AGM on 2<sup>nd</sup> August at Gildersome Conservative Club will be your opportunity to help the club. In this newsletter is notification of the AGM, together with a nomination form for officers. We need people to come forward to help with the gaps there will be during the next year. Emma, David and I are all prepared to help the new officers, but we can't do the work once we leave.

So it's vital that you consider whether YOU are prepared to help out. Please contact any member of the committee if you want any further information

Alison Beaven

#### **OFFICIAL NOTICE**

AGM will be held on August 2nd at Gildersome Con Club (9:30 start).

All nominations to the Hon Sec at least 7 days before also for "any other business" items

Nomination forms are available in the middle of the magazine

#### **Chief Marshal**

Hello and thanks, to all who turned out last month. Busy month coming up so I hope to see some of you out and about we have an invite to the Jim Clark rally.

#### Dates for July

- 1) 2nd/3rd Harewood Hillclimb MSA Championship meeting
- 2) 10<sup>th</sup> Trackrod BBQ Hillclimb
- 3) 7th/ 10th Jim Clark Rally
- 4) 23rd promenade stages
- 5) 23rd opposite lock rally (Manby Linc's)
- 6) 24th Olivers Mount Hillclimb

ARMSTRONG MASSEY RALLY CANCELLED

That's it for this month if anyone has any information on other events please let me or the club know if we don't know about it we can't get crew's to turn out

See Ya Phill



Graham Snape demonstrating the latest safety marshal transport on the Dukeries Rally

#### Scottish Correspondent July 2005

Well life has been busy and I have had hardly any chance to write some words since the Pirelli, but sat on another plane (but this time on the way to a long weekend in Barcelona with Susanne!) I have made the time!!

#### British Rally Championship Pirelli International – 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> May.

First of all a BIG 'Thank you' to all those that came out to help – your help was much appreciated.

For those of you that were not there, you missed an amazing stage/venue/location. The Super Special stage – 'P Zero' had been created in the owners front garden, he had built a stage with 3,500tons of stone, two yumps, hairpins and a great concrete water splash. This chap has also recently bought Eddie Stobart Transport, and the motorsport team! The owner even flew in/out a couple of times in his private 12 seater helicopter, and landed it on his front lawn, just (and I mean just) missing two massive trees!

So, back to the story and what we did. A couple of us arrived on the Thursday afternoon to setup the stage prior to the recce coming through. I had blasted down from Stirling late afternoon, and Alan Dalziel had kindly brought over our caravan from Dumfries where it had been stored. With 10 junctions over 1.4miles this didn't take that long to setup, but it was good then to see the driver/teams drive sedately (in most cases) through the stage. It was then back to the caravan site, excellent late tea and a good long sleep.

Friday was then doing some work, and then the final setup of the stage, with the increasing number of helpers worked very well. The weather then decided it wasn't going to be friendly to us, but at least it wasn't constantly wet. We were then ready for the cars on time SS1 being run on the minute, with then an ish 10minute road section and then back in to SS2 on the 30second – that made things very busy, at both the arrivals and the start. Well done to all to make it happen, plus it was great to have the 'Team Lee' gazebo to shelter from the rain!!!

Friday night was back in the caravan site to relax, and relaxation is what was needed – I was shattered. I couldn't move for half an hour at least, the adrenaline had stopped pumping so I had to stop!

Saturday morning dawned and it was back to the stage to put back up all the control boards, and work with the local security/stewards to make sure we had everything in place. The organizers had put up 3 foot high 'crowd fencing' around the venue and it made our lives a lot easier. We had approx 40 marshals to run the controls and infield and this worked out fine.

We then found out that the 1<sup>st</sup> stage would be running late, an incident on an earlier stage, so via the commentator (young Mr John Horton) we were able to keep all the crowd informed. Then the rain came, in burst, but heavy when it came! We held a few cars back so that we could then run the majority through in one session, it was great to watch – whilst I wasn't busy on the radio etc!!! Towards the end of the National event we then had the Utterly Butterly air display go through. Following the 'official stage' run we then Colin McRae and Malcolm Wilson doing displays, Motorbike displays, Stobart dancing girls, a full fair, truck with a TV on the back (showing football as well!!), rally/motorsport stalls around the edge for the spectators etc etc. A real party time.

We then had a little wait for just the 20 remaining International cars to come back for the 4<sup>th</sup> run of the stage, then a quick tidy up prior to going off to the local pub for some excellent food and beer.

Overall an EXCELLENT weekend, good company, great teamwork and a tremendous venue – all rallies need one. Well done to the organizers pulling off such an excellent event. Hopefully we will be invited back in 2006!!!

#### McRae Stages – 1st October

Based in Perth so just an hours drive from my house. No idea what we will be doing yet, but I am sure we will be doing something!!!

#### Tour of Mull Rally – 14th to 16th October

Plans are coming together for this event and I am sure as usual it will be a busy, fun and sociable weekend. The event has a new Chief Marshal, no less than Richard Webster of Trackrod fame. I am sure he will be keen to hear from new volunteers. Just remember though your accommodation, there are no spare cottages that I am aware of.

This year we are lucky that the Scottish October school holiday is the week after Mull, so we will be staying on the Island until the Wednesday. Should be a nice relaxing time to wind down after the event.

#### Kingdom Stages, Crail - 5th November

Single venue rally on a WWII airfield similar to Melbourne, but smooth tarmac! More details to follow later in the year, well recommend – either to compete or marshal, could make a good social event too!!! Plenty of space for caravans.

#### Roger Albert Clark (RAC) Scottish Region - 20th & 21st November

Similar format to last year based in the Dumfries area. Regs are now out and at the last count there were already 20 entries in, and last year there were only 30+ in total!!! The organizers are hoping for/expecting a large entry. Plans are starting to come nicely together for the Scottish region, with most of the planning starting after the Scottish. There will also be a Clubman event on the Monday in the Scottish region, so we should see a lot of action this year!

Get the date in your diary now, and step forward for a role!

#### **Finally**

This month mag has just come through the letterbox and its great to see the 'Retrospective' in there again. Sad thing for me I can remember back to the 10 and 20 years, but not the 30!!! Keep up the good work with this Richard, its great reading.

If anybody would like more details on any of the above, then please contact me on 01259 760611H, 07793 662444 M – but not after 22:00! (eMail peter.stanhope@diageo.com)

Safe motoring.

Peter Stanhope

#### RETROSPECTIVE

30 YEARS AGO - JULY 1975 Nigel Drayton took our cover photo - a somewhat blurred likeness of an Escort driven by Eric Jackson on our stage [Boltby] on the 75 Mintex. Other photos this month depict the SPY44 Datsun of Richard Jackson/Steve Lloyd on the 74 Crystal Stages and the old 'Angelbox' of Steve Lloyd on an autocross in 1966 [all historic stuff this!].

New members this month were Richard Ashcroft; Bob Chapman; Derek Lee [who?]; John Spencer and Tom Tidswell. The last named made a good start to his membership by presenting the editor with a 2- page report on the Michelin Foreign Car test day at Silverstone, courtesy of Dealer Opel Team!

Our own Costa Di Plenti Rally was a resounding success and of our 18 [!!!!] club entries Steve Rathbone finished 4th and Ken Goodall 5th with Alan Powell; Martin Kemp; Steve Wood; Ron White; Elvin Garnett; Dennis Dickinson and John Fair-weather further down the order.

With the AGM looming, a nomination form for Committee was included in the magazine as was a copy bof the Club balance sheet for the year - our turnover was £1400 for the year and there were some outstanding debts - one of which still bwas in 1994! - I believe this has since been written off!!

20 YEARS AGO - JULY 1985 Mark Dawes indicated his intention of standing down as Club Chairman - the search is on for a replacement victim!! AGM to be at The Crown, Boston Spa at 8.30pm on 6th August

John Renny provided an update on our Shell League antics and despite some stirring performances by our team[s] we were still in 7th place overall - must extract digits on upcoming PCT's of Ilkley and Huddersfield!!

Phil Sykes; John Renny; Bob Stoker; Mark Tierney; Neil DuCros; Mark Dawes and Jacqui Neal all formed our team in the Knaresborough Bed Race which was a worthy charitable cause even if we didn't do very well! They all managed a thorough wash at the river crossing though!!

Ian Miller reported on his and Keith Bowen's antics at the YSCC's Wharfedale Trophy Hillclimb at Scammonden and it seems their aspirations were thwarted by changeable weather and only one set of balding Colway remoulds!

10 YEARS AGO - JULY 1995 A gentle reminder from the editor about the forth-coming bumper 25th anniversary issue of the magazine -b much info and many photos requested.

Rod Parkin reported on his trip to the Ypres 24hr Rally with Barry Dove and Tom Whittaker. It seems they were taken with the geneal ambience of the place as much as the rallying .

Derek Lee advised us that we were 7th in the Larkspeed League after 6 rounds - aPCT and an Autotest being the next events. We actually had a full team for the sprint at Elvington for the first time this year - Paul Scruton; Arthur Heaton; Tom Whittaker; Ian Pollock and Ian Richardson getting us to 8th place on the day.

Nigel Drayton reported on the Team's performance on the Larkspeed Autotest run by Keighley & DMC and it was Nigel's first outing in his recently acquired Escort Mexico Mk 1! The team comprised Nigel Barry Dove [sharing the Mex] and Tom Whittaker in the Peugeot 205 and after struggling coming to terms with the squiggles that formed the test diagrams and the black art of the handbrake turns an enjoyable ,if not overly successful, day was had by all!!

Congrats to Peter Rutterford/Julie Davison; Tim Jameson/Karen Shutt; Ronnie Mackinnon/Gil and Gez Draper - All of whom were recently married - though not to each other I hasten to add!!

TRACKROD ENDS

Richad Ineson

And no one believed me when I said I'd seen a nuclear bunker



# **For Sale**

FORD SIERRA 4X4 2.8 injection. Good straight & strong shell with multipoint cage, Ralloy tank and Brantz.

Needs new engine fitting. Lots of spares, 14 wheels and tyres and spare engine. Call for more info

Looking for best offer, take it all away. Doctor forces sale.

1600 Crossflow Inlet Manifold, alloy, by Peco, number IM67.

1600 Crossflow Inlet Manifold, alloy for twin 40's or similar.

Both in good clean condition, £50 each

A-Triple-F Fire extinguisher, 2.25 ltrs with mounting brackets. Was in my old Mexico, in excellent condition £80

5 alloy wheels, 5 ½ J x 13 x 28.5, Ford 4 stud with 76EBDB markings, thought to be ex Capri, but came on the Mex. Make me an offer.

Commercial engine crane, lifts up to one ton, very heavy duty, excellent condition £350

Nigel Drayton 07775 947660

1994 Peugeot 106 Rallye 1294cc Taxed, MOT White with spare set of wheels For just £1500 Tel 0113 2853513 or 07860525546

**Barry Stoner** 

#### MK2 ESCORT FOR SALE

1980 2 Door no sunroof in red Ziebarted from new standard 1300 road car interior missing—would make excellent rally project

#### £600 OVNO

VAUXHALL 1.6 Ecotec 16v and 2.0 Ecotec 16v engines available suit above! - Please enquire

#### 1983 ESCORT MK3 XR£

Non injection model—would suit ford enthusiast bodily and interior very good—Stratos silver

Offers invited!!

All of the above are for sale due to pending house move

Please contact Derek Marshall on 01673 857385 or 07909 578534 (Market asen Area, Lincs)



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#### TROPHY POINTS CLAIM FORM

Members Name		Competitors tick [	
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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.

#### **Club Nights**

#### July 2005

5th Gildersome Con Club

12th Admiral Hawke – Boston Spa 19th The Yeoman Pub – Otley

26th Admiral Hawke – Boston Spa

#### August 2005

2nd Gildersome Con Club \*\*AGM\*\*
9th Admiral Hawke – Boston Spa
16th The Yeoman Pub – Otley

23rd The Travellers Rest - Harewood 30th Admiral Hawke – Boston Spa

#### **Rolling Calendar 2005**

#### **July 2005**

2nd-3rd MSA British Hillclimb Championship Meeting- Harewood Hill-Climb

8th-9th Jim Clark Memorial Rally, Edinburgh

10th BBQ Hillclimb - Harewood 10th Armstrong Massey - Melbourne

15th-17th Rally Argentina

28th-30th Manx International Rally, Douglas

31st Ilkley-P.C.T.

#### August 2005

7th Montague Burton Meeting - Harewood Hill-Climb

5th-7th Neste Rally Finland

13th Shenpar Phoenix Stages - Fulbeck 26th-28th OMV ADAC Rallye Deutschland

28th Summer Championship Meeting - Harewood Hill-Climb

#### September 2005

2nd-3rd Answercall Direct Ulster Rally, Armagh 11th CDMC Weeton Stages- Weeton Camp

4th Wolds Rally – Swinderby

16th18th Wales Rally GB

17th & 18th Greenwood Cup & Mike Wilson Memorial - Harewood Hill-Climb

24th Plains Rally, Welshpool

30th-2nd Rally Japan

#### October 2005

8th-9th Trackrod Rally Yorkshire, York

8th Harold Palin Memorial Stages Rally – Manby

14th– 16th Tour of Mull Rally

21th-23th Rallye de France – Tour de Corse 28th-30th Rally de Catalunya – Spain

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