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THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF TRACKROD MOTOR CLUB LTD  
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## **AGM Announcement Reminder**

Trackrods Annual General Meeting will be held on 1st August 2006 at Gildersome Conservative Club (9:30 start).

### **Chief Marshal**

The committee would like to welcome and thank Andy Turnbull for volunteering to become the chief marshal

If you know of any events or you need any help on any contact Andy

Look forward to hearing from him on all the events he gets to know of

Good Luck Andy

The Committee

## **Obituary**

### **Chris Leeming      14<sup>th</sup> May 1957 - 22 July 2006**

It is with sadness that I inform you that on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2006 Chris Leeming suffered a heart attack. He was competing on the Opposite Lock Rally at Manby and fell ill while in the service area between stages. The rescue crew at the venue transferred him to the county ambulance service. He was taken to Louth General Hospital where they did everything they could for him but sadly he died there later.

Chris has been around Motorsport for many years either entertaining or annoying people with his all out flamboyant attitude. Wheels spinning and tyres smoking. It was with this in mind that in the early days of me knowing Chris, we nicknamed him "Animal" as he reminded us of the character from the Muppet Show.

Chris started his Motorsport with Keighley & DMC but moved on to Sporting Escort Owners Club and finally in recent years with Huddersfield MC but gave 110% effort in to what ever he was competing at.

Chris will be sadly missed but not forgotten, by me and I think many others who knew him and his red and white Leeming Brothers escorts around the Yorkshire venues.

Derek Lee

## Trophy Point's

Thought it was about time I wrote a few words for the mag and gave you all an update on the trophy point's situation. We have had an agreeable increase in claimants this year so far, so please keep those claims coming in. Listed below are the 3 main categories.

### Marshals Trophy

Andy Turnbull	90
Richard Goldie	85
Simon Marston	75
Caroline Marston	60
Kevin Patrick	40

### Stage Rally

Jonathon Turnbull	311.5
Howard Choppin	311.5
Darren Moon	307
John McNichol	307
Jim "The Slim" Plevey	195.1
Graham Wride	108.3

### Perfect 10 Championship

Driver	H Choppin	192.7
	D Moon	115.9
	D Hemingway	89.3
Navigator	J Turnbull	192.7
	J McNichol	115.9
	J" the slim" Plevey	89.3

The most hotly contested trophy is the one for marshals, which brings me to a topic of discussion at a recent committee meeting. Traditionally Trackrod has been a club of competing members, but in recent times we have many many more organising members than competitors, and as such I put a question to committee that we should perhaps look to rewarding participants and organisers more than we do currently.

Committee suggested I throw this open to the membership for discussion, which is what I am doing here. We are in no way trying to discourage active competitors but as you can see from the above tables we have but 3 crews competing, whereas in the Marshals award for instance we have over 20 claimants.

My suggestion is that for NEXT year we have more awards to fight for on the organisational side, and possibly less on the competitive side.

What do you think? Email me or anyone on committee or give us a ring and bend our ears.

Helpful suggestions, comments, arguments gratefully received. GO ON

GIVE US A RING > IT'S YOUR CLUB TOO!!!!!!

Cheers Russell Holdsworth      Trophy points sec

## **The Richard Burns Foundation launches at the Goodwood Festival of Speed**

The Richard Burns Foundation will be launched at the Goodwood Festival of Speed on 7-9 July 2006.

Established in memory of the 2001 FIA World Rally Champion who died last year of cancer, the Richard Burns Foundation wants to inspire and support people whose lives are affected by serious illness and injury.

As a World Rally Champion, Richard used all his energy and focus to make his dreams come true. When diagnosed with brain cancer at the age of 32, he used the same mental strength to fight his illness and live life to the fullest. Even with his brain under attack, his mind never faltered.

The RBF will raise resources and awareness to help people of all ages in their fight against adversity – supporting projects aimed at care, prevention, and giving quality of life to people living with brain cancer and other conditions that can have a severe impact on their lives.

Robert Reid, co-driver to Richard throughout his illustrious career, has led the initiative for the Richard Burns Foundation and has become its Chief Executive. “Richard was a great driver and winning the World Championship together was a dream come true. After being diagnosed with a brain tumour, Richard fought his illness with great dignity and without complaint. This inspired us to launch the Richard Burns Foundation, dedicated to support people battling any form of illness or injury. It is not just about medical care, but very much about inspiring people to extract the maximum out of life when faced with adversity.”

The first project the Richard Burns Foundation has identified for its support is the Youth Cancer Trust\*, a charity that provides holidays for young adults living with cancer. The YCT's effort to supply young people with the energy and inspiration needed to sustain their fight against disease is a good illustration of the values backed by the RBF.

“The efforts of the Youth Cancer Trust are a logical fit with the objectives of our Foundation, and this is hopefully the first of many activities we can support,” says the Foundation's chairman David Lapworth. As Motorsport Director at Prodrive, David was responsible for many of the rally cars driven by Richard.

The Foundation will be present at the Goodwood Festival of Speed with a stand and a display of rally cars from the Richard Burns Collection – each marking milestones in Richard's career, starting with his very first rally car, a Talbot Sunbeam he drove in 1987. Money will be raised through collections, a charity raffle, a membership drive, the sale of merchandise and the auction of rides alongside WRC's top stars.

Many WRC teams & drivers will attend the Festival and make an appearance in support of the Foundation. Markus Gronholm, Petter Solberg, Colin McRae, Markko Martin, Gilles Panizzi, Francois Duval, Martin Rowe, Chris Atkinson and Mikko Hirvonen will all be rallying together to support people fighting illness or injury.

Incorporated as a key element in the Richard Burns Foundation is the Michael Park Fund, named in honour of Richard's friend and fellow competitor who was killed in a tragic competition accident in 2005. This Fund has dedicated objectives focussed on motorsport safety, and will benefit from dedicated fund raising activities.

Robert Reid: "I am very happy that we have made the application for a charitable status, even if starting a foundation in memory of Richard and Michael, two of my closest friends, wasn't a something that I would have ever envisaged doing. I know that they would both be extremely proud to see their names being put to such good causes. We invite anybody coming to Goodwood to visit our stand, or alternatively to find out more about our objectives and on our website: [www.RichardBurnsFoundation.com](http://www.RichardBurnsFoundation.com). From 5 July, the Foundation is able to accept donations by SMS, by texting "RBF" to 82344. Each message will cost £2.50 and, depending on your network, approximately £1.80 will be raised for the causes we support. More details about the SMS service are on our web-site\*\*."

Editor's notes:

The Richard Burns Foundation Ltd is a registered company that has applied for charitable status in the UK. Pending this application, it will raise funds for selected other charities in UK and abroad that match the objectives of the Foundation.

Further info is available on [www.RichardBurnsFoundation.com](http://www.RichardBurnsFoundation.com), or contact Richard Burns Foundation Ltd., PO Box 687, Oxford OX1 9LD, United Kingdom.

\* The Youth Cancer Trust is a unique charity based in Bournemouth which provides free, fun activity based holidays for young people aged 14 to 25 suffering with cancer or any malignant disease from anywhere in the UK or who are patients of any UK hospital. The Youth Cancer Trust is a charitable company limited by guarantee, registered at London No.3436893 and at the Charity Commission No.1064736. For more information, please see [www.yct.org.uk](http://www.yct.org.uk) or call 01202 763591.

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## **Retrospective Reply**

Dear Richard,

Having just read the electronic version of the above, I am prompted to 'fill you in' - in nicest possible way !.

With reference to your Retrospective article, I note your comments 'where are they now' related to M.K.Davey and M.Brown.

Just as a coincidence I went to visit Malcolm Davey last week in order to resolve the restoration of my Manta Coupe, which I in desperate need of a shell (any ideas) as it looks a little worse for wear having been 'stored' in a field at Denholme Gate for some ten years. 1976 I feel is about the same time I joined TMC, I keep reading your article to see how long ago it was that I did join TMC and continually to this day. I was competition on events that Malcolm entered in those days and competed with him from 1980 through to the Tour of Mull in 1991. By the way he advised me that he will be in residence later in the year at the Glen Forsa, Isle of Mull for the usual tour and binge. He is still involved in Motorsport , he services on Stage rallies, rides enduro bike events, hours not days, and with his son travels the country supporting him at kart meetings (6 speed g/b) and sometimes has a practice, his son also karts in Holland. He has just acquired a cheap write of Subaru that he feels will cost him little to prepare for his son, Gareth, I would not put it past him that he will be tented, watch this space - he has not changed - still thinning and getting older.

As for M. Brown, I think this may be Mike Brown who navigated with Alan Larkin in the early days, about then, in a MARINA. He worked for the CEGB at Skelton Grange on and Whitehall Road (now demolished), lived at Tadcaster for a while and kept in touch socially and then got promotion and moved to Birmingham/West Midlands, a few Christmas cards, then unfortunately never to heard of or seen again.

Keep up the good work,

Regards,

Graham Whitaker

## RETROSPECTIVE

30 YEARS AGO - AUGUST 1976 - On the cover was the Mini 1275GT of Steve Mills leaping his way round Melbourne on our stage practice day, also captured on camera were Vince Girardier's Opel Ascona (also at Melbourne) and Steve Wood's mk1 Cortina at Wykham.

Captain Ineson reported on the Shell League Team's progress at the Slaithwaite MC's autotest at the Brighthouse car auctions - our team of 5 fared reasonably well though none did better than 4th in class - despite determined efforts from Lloyd; Goodall; Ineson: D.Taylor and Mills. We ended up 3rd in the league, 93 points behind leaders Ilkley.

We had a float in the Lord Mayor's Parade on the back of an artic followed on the next day by our own Midsummer Autotest at Tockwith - a very dusty affair which was won by Gerald Taylor in his 1275GT whilst Mary Lloyd won the Ladies award from Sue Broadbelt - the 3rd lady, Diana White retired with overheating ( it doesn't mention if it was or wasn't the car !!! ).

Ian Waddington won the club night PCT put on by novice organisers John Fairweather; Pete Germaine etc. A very good event apparently, Stan Peel and Sue Broadbelt took the other awards but a worthy performance was turned in by one Rod Parkin (plenty of ballast even 30 years ago!!!! ).

20 YEARS AGO - AUGUST 1986 - Last issue from the pen of Scoop Munnis - replaced in the editorial chair by John McNichol.

Chairman Mackinnon put pen to paper after a significant absence and aired his views on various recent events, his excuse being work, work and work!! He said he wrote his piece whilst watching the start of the Economy Run (still missing the Jackwill Trophy I believe!!) which was organised by Malcom Jagger and John Bean. Stop Press indicated that it was won by John Westmoreland from Steve Sanderson, Chris Sanderson; Andy Munnis and Mark Varley were 3rd 4th & 5th - don't think there were any more participants!!

Captain Renny told us that lead feet were no good for PCT's but this heavy footed approach by our team of 5 on the Ilkley event nevertheless helped us to maintain our position. Sadly the same could not be said of our turnout and performance on the next event - the Ripon autotest. Only messrs Goodall & Ineson took part and Ken managed to hole his radiator. so even a class win by the Ineson Mini couldn't prevent a big loss of points which dropped us a couple of places o/a.

10 YEARS AGO - AUGUST 1996 - Brian Walters took over from Nick Stevens as editor and provided a brief resume of the John Overend Memorial Stages at Manby where we had several crews partaking: Nigel Drayton/Simon Marston (4th in class); Alan Larkin/Graham Whitaker (20 somethingth o/a); Pam Lukeman/Derek Lee (blown engine on last stage!) and Steve Sanderson/ Steve Hugill (OTL). Needless to say the Drayton camp were delighted and everyone else less so !! Our Scottish correspondent, Peter Stanhope gave us one of his periodic updates from north of the border, this time on the Perth Scottish Rally ,normally well supported by club members but a clash of dates with the Alwoodley road rally kept the majority of regulars at home to enjoy their sport. Nevertheless the two who did make the trip enjoyed the action at Knockhill and Pitmedden stages and the customary Stanhope BBQ!! Peter also gave his customary plug (as if any were needed!!) for the forthcoming Tour of Mull.

Trackrod.....Ends

Richard Ineson

**Scottish Correspondent**  
**August 2006**

What a great summer we are having weather wise, I hope you are making the best of it being outside doing lots of motorsport! I am doing my best to do a few extra events, when home/work doesn't get in the way!

We were on our summer hols recently and held a 'mini' Trackrod club night in Menorca – Susanne and I bumped into Beckie, Barry and Martin, so over a beer our two we did a spot of reminiscing!!!!

So here is a short update based on what is ongoing in Scotland, with some high level details of another event we will be doing this September.

**KNOCKHILL CLASSIC SPEEDFAIR – Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July**

A new event for this year at Knockhill and a great success it was. There was everything there that you needed to do with Motorsport, on two or four wheels. In size from classic old bikes to buses and fire engines! There were many club groups there, TVR, Jaguar, Porsche but to name only a few, a paddock full of 'everything' old and classic, Spitfire fly past, etc etc. Plus to make the day the weather was excellent, hot and sunny, so you see Knockhill can have good weather!

Sir Jackie Stewart was reunited with a Tyrrell of his, and it was there in the paddock and you could even touch it if you wished (the car that is)!! It was also out on the track as well, a great to see and hear.

During the day there was a full agenda of classic motor racing ongoing, FF1600, supercars etc plus we were involved with a number of rally stages that were being carried out on the perimeter roads. This rally event was entered by 35 classic cars, Minis, Escorts, Saabs, Porsche, Stratos etc – a very good entry and great fun to help and watch on.

A really great day was had by all that attended – we all will be back in 2007!

**PARK SYSTEM RALLY – 9<sup>th</sup> September**

**HELP NEEDED** I helped on this event a couple of years ago, and we are aiming to run a stage again (lunchtime/afternoon timing we hope). The event is based at Newton Stewart, so we are planning to stay at Barnsoul Farm near Dumfries again, just like we used to do for the Scottish. Part of the Scottish Championship it usually has a good entry and is a fun/busy event.

Why not make a weekend of it and come to Scotland in the late summer???? Anyone interested do let me know, ASAP.

**ROGER ALBERT CLARK RALLY – 17<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> November**

No change here, **Saturday** stages in Yorkshire, then the **Sunday** Scottish region route is to be a single 'extra long' Ae stage run twice, double run of Heathhall, plus Twigless and Castle O'er. In true 'RAC tradition' why not follow the event and come to Scotland for the Sunday to assist?

So book the time in your diary, and then if you wish to do Kielder on the Monday book the time off work!!! More detail in the coming months.

**Planning for 2007!!!!**

**RALLOY MULL FOREST STAGES – 20<sup>th</sup> January**

Our accom is now booked and only one spare bed at the present!!!! This turned out to be an excellent weekend for the 1<sup>st</sup> running in 2006.



## PIRELLI INTERNATIONAL – 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> April

This is an early notification for you for two reasons:

The date is in April for 2007 (was May in previous years)

Back to a Friday and Saturday format

That's all the details I have at the present, but if we are invited back to do PZero again I will let you all know ASAP.

So that's it for now.

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 peterstanhope@hotmail.co.uk)

Safe motoring.

Peter Stanhope

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# 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 [ ]

Stage Rally M/V [ ]

Stage Rally S/V [ ]

Type of Claim:

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Marshal [ ]

Service Crew [ ]

Organiser : [ ]

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Treasure Hunt [ ]

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Event Status

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**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**

### August 2006

- 1st Gildersome Con Club (AGM)
- 8th Fox & Grapes – York Road (A64)
- 15th The Yeoman – Otley
- 22nd Fox & Grapes – York Road (A64)
- 29th Admiral Hawke – Boston Spa

### September 2006

- 5th Old Modernians Sports & Social Club—Cookridge **\*\*\*NEW\*\*\***
- 12th Fox & Grapes – York Road (A64)
- 19th The Yeoman – Otley
- 26th Admiral Hawke – Boston Spa

### **AGM Announcement**

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### **Old Modernians Sports & Social Club**

The Clubhouse, Cookridge Lane, Leeds, LS16 7ND  
Map reference 289/251412

## **Rolling Calendar 2006**

### **August 2006**

- 3rd-5th Manx International Rally - Isle of Man
- 6th Centenary Stages - Twyford Wood
- 6th Montague Burton Trophy - Harewood Hill Climb
- 27th Summer Championship - Harewood Hill Climb

### **September 2006**

- 2nd Woodpecker Stages Rally - Shropshire
- 9th-10th Yorkshire Endurance Rally - North Yorkshire
- 10th Lindisfarne Rally - Otterburn
- 10th Hall Trophy Stages - Blackpool
- 16th Greenwood Cup - Harewood Hill Climb
- 17th Mike Wilson Memorial - Harewood Hill Climb

### **October 2006**

- 7th Rally Yorkshire - Pickering, North Yorkshire Forests**
- 21st Bulldog Rally- Shrewsbury/N Wales
- 26th-29th Lombard Revival Rally - UK various
- 28th Historic Somerset Stages- Exmoor
- 29th Premier Rally- Nottinghamshire

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