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40th Anniversary Dinner

In 2010 Trackrod Motor Club will be celebrating its 40th Anniversary the dinner is been held on 4th September at the Marriott Hotel, Leeds

We are planning to hold a grand dinner and would love to hear from former members and for them to join us.

If you are a former member or you know of any who are and would be interested in the event. Please get in touch with us.

E-mail Caroline Marston at
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More information will be available but make a note in your diary.

Forthcoming Events

We have been asked to assist on the following events that are coming up shortly, if you would like to help on any of these please let me know:

Lindholme MC Grass Autotest

6 September

This is the next Yorkshire League event, regs are available on Lindholme's website

<http://www.lindholmemsc.co.uk/>

Yorkshire Revival Rally

12/13 September

This year's event will be aimed mainly for historic cars in order to capture the spirit of the original event run during the 1950's and 1960's - but we will still cater for 'moderns'.

Competitors will have a choice of finishing on Saturday evening having completed the Tests or to continue after the evening rest halt to do a full night navigation rally finishing at breakfast on the Sunday morning.

The Day Leg Tests will be on airfields, farm tracks and other areas of private land. These will be a mixture of tarmac and gravel surfaces. The road sections will be untimed and the route will be in the form of a tulip road book. The Night Leg will start after the evening rest halt.

In keeping with the title of the event it will be based this year in York at Askham Bryan Agricultural College on the outskirts of the city adjacent to the A64.

Marshals are required both for the daytime tests on the Saturday and also for the night run. This was a very entertaining event last year, let me know if you would like to assist this year.

Info is available at <http://www.ilkleymotorclub.org.uk/yrr/index.htm>

Otley Transport Extravaganza

13 September

This is basically a Classic car show, run for charity, usually with about 200 exhibitors consisting of Vintage and Classic cars, bikes, trucks and tractors together with the odd stationary engine and traction engine. It is held in a field off the Pool road in Otley and has been a very popular event for a number of years. We have been assisting with this for a number of years, duties are generally traffic management both of the exhibitors and visitors together with car parking but if we have a reasonable number of people you do get to look round as well. You also get a free packed lunch! This is an entertaining day out – well worth a visit. They seem to be desperately short of people this year so if you can assist please let me know.

Info available at <http://>

www.otleyvintageextravaganza.vpweb.co.uk/

Rally Yorkshire

26 September

Our very own event – if you are not involved already please contact Simon Marston who is Stage Commander for the Pickering Showground stage, I'm sure he could do with your assistance.

Roger Albert Clark Rally

13-16 November 2009

We will be running the Olivers Mount stage on this event again this year so another opportunity to see some of the classic machines and drivers in full flight. This is run on Saturday 14th November, Stage Commander is Simon Marston so if you would like to help please contact either Simon or myself.

Andy Turnbull Chief Marshal Tel 01943 862836

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Help Required

As in previous years I have been asked to stage command on two events coming up this year.

The first one is our very own 'Trackrod Rally Yorkshire' (26th Sept) again this is the Show-ground stage based at Pickering, this will be a full day with signing on at around 09.00hrs with the last stage starting around 17.15hrs. As usual I will be setting up on Friday so any help would be appreciated.

Secondly, I have ben onced again asked to run Olivers Mount for The Roger Albert Clarke on Sat 14th November. Early start again this year signing on will be approx 07.00hrs but we will be finish in daylight as we will be finished for approx 15.00hrs, set up will be Fri 13th !!

Anyone interested in either event please contact me and full details will be provided.

Thanks in advance

Simon Marston

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Yorkshire League 2009

After round 5 Trackrod are in 3rd position. Congratulations to all crews that have been putting in great performances and keep it up for the remainder of the rounds

Current Standings.

Club	Overall Score
Ilkley	527
Beverley	487
Trackrod	434.6
Huddersfield	406.8
North Humberside	393.9
York	256.1
Airedale & Pennine	236.6
Sheffield	189.5
David Brown	181.5
Slaithwaite	128.3
Alwoodley	70
YSCC	53.3
Lindholme	35.4
Selby	4

RETROSPECTIVE

30 YEARS AGO - SEPTEMBER 1979 - Our 107th issue. Vince Fletcher reported on the Calderford Trophy Rally which he did alongside Gez Waters. Crews started from Garforth and meandered around the Wolds; Sutton Bank; Riuevaulx; Caydale etc with a brief petrol halt before the final 7 time controls. These proved to be a bit of a road race to the finish at Barton Hall where Beecroft/Millington were declared winners from Birkett/Fellows with our own Mick Watkin/Nick Leuchars in a very creditable 4th. Steve Wood/Bob Spensley were 2nd in class and out of the 50 finishers, Gez and Vince were a resounding 50th!!

12 crews tackled the 3rd round of the Hunters Trophy treasure hunt and with only 1 round left it was very close with only 2 points separating the 1st two teams.

20 YEARS AGO - SEPTEMBER 1989 - The 1st issue from Becky Kemp/Susanne Stanhope, and an excellent effort it was too!

Thanks were preferred to Richard Simpson who stood down as Chairman after 2 years and was replaced by Peter Stanhope who, via the Chairman's Chat column kept us up to speed with the broader issues, including a bit of his personal background for the benefit of those who hadn't a clue who he was!!! John Richardson thanked all the timing/result crews on the recent Costa Stages at Manby - run in appalling weather conditions - none of them whined or gave any grounds for complaints - Chief Timekeeper obviously well pleased!!

Nick Pullan won the Whafedale PCT, held at the bottom of Old Pool Bank, with Roland Cross; Pam White and Steve Smith taking class wins. Rod P (CofC) alerted us to the screening of the Mobil 1 Rally Challenge on BBC TV - TMC having run a couple of the stages in Wykeham and Dalby.

Vince Fletcher reported on the Three Swans Rally which he did with Tom Whittaker, the only other TMC crew being Alan Powell/Andrew Hobman. Bit of a less than spectacular event what with delays, cancellations and mediocre stages around Drifffield. Tom's car was suffering from a lack of top end grunt on the long straights but managed a 14th o/a and 2nd in class whilst Alan/Andrew did a good bit better and finished 5th o/a and 2nd in class - all very good for Shell League points.

10 YEARS AGO - SEPTEMBER 1999 - Jim Plevey told us about his outing on the Armstrong Massey Tour in the Escort of Craig Dykes, from whose premises the event started. A broken track control arm impeded their progress somewhat but a swift repair at service confirmed that the car was as fast as ever and was most impressive to Jim. They finished 20th o/a and 6th in class. Jim Plevey, it was reported, had stood down as Editor at the AGM and this issue was the first from new incumbent Stuart Marsh,

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Richard Ineson

e-Wheels

NMW awards – hurry!

With the National Motorsport Week underway as this issue was being prepared, the MSA is pleased to announce that the Motorsport Industry Association (MIA) is to offer awards each year to motor clubs taking part in NMW.

This year, a £500 prize will be awarded to an MSA affiliated club which organises the event which best captures the spirit of NMW. In future years, there will be additional prizes.

To be considered for the award this year, send any marketing and supporting material about your NMW event to Charlotte Austin at the MIA by Friday 21 August.

Her contact details are: Charlotte Austin, Motorsport Industry Association, telephone 02476 692600, email charlotte.austin@the-mia.com

For the latest news about NMW go to: www.nationalmotorsportweek.co.uk

MSA Academy launched

The MSA has created the MSA Academy – a new structure for the MSA’s investment in the training and development of young drivers – and a new TEAM UK identity which will encompass the country’s best up and coming motor sport talent.

The MSA Academy creates a development pathway which will take competitors from the entry level at just eight years of age, through to Elite and post-Elite levels, with a view to the most promising emerging onto the world stage.

The academy is the brainchild of MSA Performance Director, Robert Reid. The 2001 WRC champion has been working with the MSA for the past four years and is delighted that a recognisable structure has now emerged.

Until the age of 16, all British children must legally remain within the education system, so the academy will ensure that young competitors are supported and encouraged in their mainstream studies. With some 1,600 licence holders under 16 years of age in the UK, the MSA takes its responsibilities to these children and their education extremely seriously.

The MSA is considering the introduction of new regulations to ensure that competitors are fully engaged with their schools and to encourage organisers to provide study facilities for their competitors. It is anticipated that ultimately all drivers under 16 wishing to enter any of the UK’s national championships will be required to enter into a signed ‘contract’ with their school to keep up to date with their work. The message is simple: no education, no racing.

The MSA has looked carefully at the examples of other sports and has recognised the need to identify the best British talent as a team of individuals under a collective banner. Consequently, members of the MSA Academy at Elite and post-Elite levels will become known as TEAM UK and will be able to carry this designation to identify them as the best emerging talent in British motor sport.

The final element in the MSA Academy will be the creation of a recognised coaching structure within UK motor sport, although this may take a little longer to deliver.

More information is on the MSA website: www.msauk.org

Lydden Hill wins

Following an open tender process, the MSA awarded the title rights to the MSA British Rallycross Championship and the MSA British Rallycross Grand Prix to Lydden Hill Race Circuit for a period of three years from 1 January 2010.

Annual awards reminder

Nominations for Club of the Year 2009 and Marshal of the Year 2009 must be made by 1 October 2009. See June *e-Wheels* for more information.

RoGB

The Rally of Great Britain takes place from 22 to 25 October 2009 starting from Cardiff. Full details and ticket information is on www.rallygb.org

MSA Club Officials seminars 2010

From January to March 2010, the MSA (with the support of the British Motor Sports Training Trust) will be running a series of Club Officials seminars at locations across the UK. Letters asking MSA Registered Clubs to nominate a number of representatives to attend will be issued in September 2009.

The seminars will be targeted at unlicensed officials including, but not limited to, club stewards, those involved in club administration and event organisers.

Workshop groups will cover speed, rally, club sport and permanent fixed venue events (race, kart, drag racing etc).

If you are interested in attending one or more of these seminars, approach your club committee or secretary so that you can be included on the list of nominees.

Downloading *e-Wheels*

If a paper copy is required and to access back issues, Word and pdf versions of *e-Wheels* can be downloaded from the MSA website www.msauk.org by clicking on Clubs then Publications. You can also download *Motorsports Now!* – the MSA magazine sent to competition licence holders and officials as well as MSA yearbooks.

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Don't Forget



26th September

For information go to
www.rallyyorkshire.co.uk

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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 []

Other []

Road Rally []

Stage Rally M/V []

Stage Rally S/V []

Type of Claim:

Driver []

Navigator []

Marshal []

Service Crew []

Organiser : []

state position []

Treasure Hunt []

12-Car []

Other - state type []

Event Status

Clubman CM []

National "B" []

ANCC Round []

National "A" []

International []

Yorkshire League 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.

Club Nights

September 2009

- 1st Old Modernians Sports & Social Club
- 8th Fox & Grapes – York Road (A64)
- 15th The Yeoman – Otley
- 22nd Fox & Grapes – York Road (A64)
- 29th Admiral Hawke – Boston Spa

October 2009

- 6th Old Modernians Sports & Social Club
- 13th Fox & Grapes – York Road (A64)
- 20th The Yeoman – Otley
- 27th Admiral Hawke – Boston Spa

November 2009

- 3rd Old Modernians Sports & Social Club
- 10th Fox & Grapes – York Road (A64)
- 17th The Yeoman – Otley
- 24th Admiral Hawke – Boston Spa

**Also any suggestions
for new places to meet
please contact any
member of the commit-
tee.**

Events Calendar 2009

September 2009

- 5th-6th Oaks Trophy Road Rally
- 6th Wolds Rally
- 12th-13th Yorkshire Retro
- 13th Lindisfarne Stages
- 19th & 20th Harewood Hill Climb
- 26th International Rally Yorkshire**
- 27th Adrian Barker Memorial Stages
- 27th Speedy Hire Stages

October 2008

- 3rd Harold Palin Memorial Rally
- 4th Keith A Wood Memorial Rally
- 23rd-25th Wales Rally GB
- 25th Premier Rally

November 2009

- 1st Malton Forest Rally
- 7th-8th AB Motorsport Rally
- 13th-16th Roger Albert Clark Rally
- 19th-21st RAC MSA Rally of Scotland
- 22nd Neil Howard Memorial Stages Rally
- 28th Gullion Stages Rally

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