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Mid Derbyshire Motor Club

Spotlight Newsletter

March 2023



Welcome to YOUR club newsletter

Plans for the Twyford events continue to progress, the regulations and entry form for the Twyford Targa on 13th May are now available on the website.

We continue to look to secure a regular meeting place for the club and more details on this will follow shortly.

Finally, the club is also looking at being represented in various local car shows.

Committee Meetings

The March committee meeting took place at The Cliff Inn on Thursday 16th March 2023

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Club Socials

At the March committee meeting it was agreed that as we move on from the pandemic we need to start putting social events back into the calendar with this in mind please give some thought into what you would like to see happening, we can then get things organized.

Suggestions to social@mid-derbyshiremc.co.uk

MDMC Diary Dates

Please keep in mind that we require volunteers to organise and staff our events

- 6th April 2023 - Committee Meeting
- 13th April 2023 - Twyford Targa Meeting
- 13th May 2023 – Twyford Targa
- 14th May 2023 – Twyford Autosolo/PCA ?
- 23rd July 2023 - Twyford Stages

Events

Results and championship information

Winter Series 2022-23

The winter series was concluded on Saturday 11th February and the championship standings can be found at the following link.

[Results](#)

Unfortunately the Awards night scheduled for 22nd March had to be cancelled due to numbers.

Donington continues to be a challenge in terms of its economic viability and it may be necessary to look for an alternative venue for this series to continue. Hopefully an agreement can be reached, one way or another, for next winter.

LB Electrical 12 Car Rally

This took place on Thursday 2nd February starting and finishing at The Hollingwood in Chesterfield and the final results are shown below.

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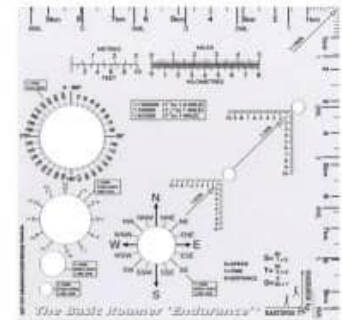
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O/A	Car No.	Driver	Navigator	Control	PCA	Irtc 2	PCC	PCD	GTE	GTF	RTC 3(s)	PCJ	STC 5	STC 6	STC 7	STC 8	PCU	IRTC10(s)	PCX	PCY	PCZ	RTC 11	Total	
1	2	Jason Simms	Holly Simms								2:31		1:00					1:15				1:00	5:46	
2	4	Ali Leggett	Ashley Brownlee								5:25							4:05					9:30	
3	3	Mark Slatcher	Jack Slatcher								5:23		2:00		3:00			12:02					22:25	
4	9	Richard Henman	Jake Simms			3:00		5:00	5:00		3:15							5:00				2:00	23:15	
5	8	Ollie Michaels	Ken Worf			30:00	5:00				12:40		3:00				2:00	6:19				2:00	60:59	
6	1	Jacob Barnaby	Fenton Malcolm		5:00	30:00	5:00	5:00	5:00	5:00	6:19		17:00	1:00	3:00	1:00	5:00	4:56				3:00	89:16	
7	6	Jason Birks	Andrew Millington			30:00	5:00	5:00	5:00	WD	1:57	5:00	2:00					27:25			5:00	2:00	91:22	
8	5	Dennis Cooke	Phil Prosser			30:00	5:00	5:00	5:00	WD	4:21		3:00			1:00	2:00	5:00	30	5:00	5:00	5:00	30:00	140:21
9	7	Richard Houldsworth	Chris Walker	Retired																			Retired	

Mad March Scatter



Mad March Scatter

Thursday March 2nd 2023 starting at 20.00

Start and finish at The Young Vanish, Glapwell

Regulations and entry form are on the club website

[Mid-Derbyshire Motor Club \(mid-derbyshire-mc.co.uk\)](http://mid-derbyshire-mc.co.uk)



This took place on Thursday 2nd March and was the final round of the winter championship.

The start and finish was at The Young Vanish in Glapwell and the event was based entirely on Map 120 Mansfield and Worksop.

The final results are as follows:-

- 1st - Ali and Ashley
- 2nd - Lee and Chloe
- 3rd - Jason and Holly
- 4th - Jake and Jack
- 5th - Jacob and Fenton (on a cc tie breaker)
- 6th - Ken and Oli
- 7th - Mark and Harry

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Following the results of the Mad March Scatter the Winter Championship looks like this:-

- 1st - Wayne Langthorne and Richard Cheetham : 16 sec
- 2nd - David Quinney and Gary Evans : 45 sec
- 3rd - Richard Henman and Jake Simms : 50 sec
- 4th - Lee Burgess and Chloe Burgess : 1 min 5 sec
- 5th - Richard Holdsworth and Luke : 1 min 55 sec
- 6th - Mark Slatcher and Jack Slatcher : 3 min 25 sec
- 7th - Jason Birks and Pete : 4 min 20 sec
- 8th = Jason Simms and Holly Simms : 13 min 57 sec
- 9th - Alistair Leggett and Ashley Brownlee : 20 min 54 sec
- 10th - Dennis Cooke and Chris Walker : 45 min 16 sec

Thank you to all that took part.

The Alpha Concrete ANEMMC Stage Rally Championship 2023

Regulations and entry form for competitors are available on the association website.

www.anemmc.org/championship-calendar

Please note the Twyford event should be called The Race-Keeper Twyford Wood Stages

The first round of the championship, The Dukeries Rally, took place at Donington Park on Sunday 12th March and the results can be found at the following link.

[Driver](#)

[Co-Driver](#)

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MDMC members competing

Rally of Derbyshire - 25th February 2023

Rally of Derbyshire rally was run with eleven members driving or navigating in seven cars and others were out in the lanes marshalling. On Sunday the East Riding Stages was run from Beverley in East Yorkshire with three members competing, one driving and the other two navigating.

The Rally of Derbyshire, organised by Matlock Motor Club, was a round of four Regional Championships and attracted an entry of 40 cars. The main route was 105 miles around the lanes of the Peak District but it started with a special test at the go-kart track near to Buxton at 11:00 pm. At midnight the first car set off on the rally route aiming to finish by 4:00 am.

The most successful club member was James Gratton-Smith who finished 3rd driving a MGZR. Richard Oxley finished 8th driving a Proton Satria Gti. Richard Henman and Ken Worf were a commendable 12th in a Peugeot 106 having been seeded at 18. Father and son duo Jason and Jake Simms were 15th also in a Proton. Mark Slatcher and Alistair Leggett were 21st in their BMW Compact but had been running as high as 3rd before encountering some issues. Unfortunately Dennis Cooke and Phil Prosser had to retire their Citroen Saxo. Tom Murphy was navigating but he and his driver also had to retire their BMW two miles into the first section due to broken rear suspension. Every cloud though has a silver lining which meant he got more sleep than expected before navigating the next day in Yorkshire although their luck was then only marginally better. Phil Prosser benefited from retiring early as well because he was also out in Yorkshire on Sunday marshaling on the event.

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East Riding Stages - 26th February 2023

The East Riding Stages is a special stage rally on closed public roads. It was the first round of the Protyre Motorsport UK Asphalt Rally Championship and attracted a very high-quality entry of 146 cars that Motorsport News described as sensational and of a quality seldom seen on mainland rallies. A number of cars were only one category down from the World Rally Championship Rally 1. The four special stages run in the morning were repeated in the afternoon giving a total of 45 miles.

The club chairman Lee Burgess and his brother finished a creditable 74th in his Subaru Impreza. This was his first event for three years and he had been seeded at 107. Tracy Wood navigated for her uncle and finished 75th in a Mitsubishi Evo. Saturday was a somewhat better day for Tom Murphy but he and his driver still had to retire after five stages when in 65th place as the engine was close to blowing up. This was of course a different car to the one they used on Saturday night.

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Malcolm Wilson Rally - 11th March February 2023

Tom Murphy, a member of Mid-Derbyshire Motor Club bounced back from two retirements over one weekend in February to record an impressive result on the Malcolm Wilson Rally in the snowy Lake District on Saturday 11th March.

The Malcolm Wilson Rally was a round of both the Motorsport UK British Rally Championship, the BTRDA (British Trials and Rally Drivers Association) Gold and Silver Star Championships as well as a number of others. The entry of 107 cars included two from Malcolm Wilson's MSport, the unofficial works Ford team, one of which was the very latest Ford Puma World Rally Championship car using the event for testing.

Tom Murphy shares his navigation skills primarily between two drivers and on this occasion he was navigating for Andrew (Davo) Davison from Middlesborough in his Vauxhall engined Talbot Sunbeam VXR. They were entered in the BTRDA Silver® Star® Championship for two wheel drive cars but were also competing against four wheel drive cars in the Gold Star® Championship. The night before the event started the first three stages that were due to start at 7:30 am were cancelled as they were covered in snow and the forecast was for the temperature to drop to minus 6. This would have resulted in the surface of the stage being potentially lethal. Part of the rally therefore had to be rearranged at the last minute.

The overnight temperature was not as low as forecast but the remaining stages still proved to be a challenge as there were patches of snow and ice to negotiate. Tom and Davo posted very competitive stage times and despite a spin on the second stage that cost them 30 seconds they finished second in class and 15th overall in the BTRDA section of the rally. They were also faster than some of the more powerful four-wheel drive cars. The result was all the more impressive because following a serious roll, without any injuries, in the Grizedale Stages Rally at the end of last year the car had had to be completely rebuilt by Davo's

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opportunity for any prior testing. They were also returning to the scene of their accident as the route took them through Chelmsley again!

Although Tom is only 24 he has been navigating in rally cars since he was 15 and has won a number of awards for navigators. These are BTRDA Junior Champion 2016/17/18, English Junior Champion 2016/17/18, Welsh Junior Champion 2019 and BTRDA Silver Star Champion 2019.



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If anyone has any reports, or photographs, of any event that could be included next month please send them to the new communication secretary communication@mid-derbyshiremc.co.uk .

Marshal Requests

Many of these requests are on the Rallystageteam website.

I would also encourage all members to get themselves accredited marshal status.

AHMR Cadwell Park Stages - 2nd April 2023

If you can help out by marshaling on this event please contact marshals@nhmccadwellstages.org.uk

Rainworth Skoda Stages at DST Leconfield - 30th April 2023

If you can help out by marshaling on this event please contact Jon Leconby at jonleckenby@aol.com

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Streetcar

Mid-Derbyshire Motor Club have opted to join in with this initiative from Motorsport UK. It is an attempt to get people in to motorsport using their everyday road car. It is relevant to our club as we organise events that can be done in standard road cars. For example, autotests, 12 cars and targas.



Streetcar

Streetcar FaceBook Group

Club Merchandise

The club still has plenty of merchandise that was ordered shortly before the outbreak of Covid. However, should you want a personalised item e.g. a polo shirt or fleece etc, it is best for us to order these in bulk. This avoids single orders having to pay a large delivery fee. An order form is attached but please keep in mind these prices are the original charges from 2019-20. The club is endeavouring to find the current prices

Club clothing and merchandise

Contacts

The new committee was announced in last months newsletter but to make it easier to contact any of us the e-mail addresses are as follows:-

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Vice Chairman - Jason Simms vicechairman@mid-derbyshiremc.co.uk

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Links

The following links can be used to take you to other Motorsport content.

A comprehensive worldwide rally calendar 2023

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A comprehensive rally calendar 2023

BRC rally calendar 2023

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