

Mid Derbyshire Motor Club Spotlight

Newsletter November 2019



Welcome to the November edition of "Spotlight". It has been a busy month with the targa, PCA/Autosolo, winter championship and Donington all happening. As a club, we had 4 events to organise in 3 weeks! All of these events proved to be successful and the weather was reasonably kind to us. Other talking points for members? I'd suggest that not only has it been busy for Mid Derbyshire but some weekends are getting over subscribed with events. For example, the weekend of 9th/10th November had several major events for crews, marshals and spectators to attend. The Saturday had the Jim Clark returning to the Duns area (it actually started on the Friday) and The Wyedean. They are at opposite ends of the country so an easy choice it would appear. However, less than 60 miles from the Forest of Dean, there was also the Builth Showground stages. Added to the mix was the PokerStars event on the Isle of Man. Finally, for stage events, there was a rally in Northern Ireland. There were also something like 7 road/targa rallies. Is this too much? Should Motorsport UK limit the number of events? Should we follow the French example and do things regionally so that we do not stretch competitors, marshals, recovery crews, rescue crews and the like, too thinly? Motorsport UK have already suggested they will only allow 20 closed road events per year. Our area needs to get one sorted out soon! A final thought, will closed road rallying become the elite with gravel events being seen as second rate?

Mid Derbyshire Motorsport weekend at Twyford 19/20th October

Our motorsport extravaganza at Twyford took place over this weekend. The inaugural Targa on Saturday, sponsored by Geoff's Plumbing and Heating, was a great success. The number of entrants actually slipped a little on the run up to the big day. There had been a huge amount of work behind the scenes by club members to get this event off the ground. Despite having very experienced people in the club and on the organising team, it had been a while since we organised a Nat B road event. Consequently Motorsport UK, quite rightly, took the decision to observe the event. It was good to hear that their representative was happy with what he saw. Next years Targa, which is scheduled for May 16th, will be a round of two championships. There was also some really positive feedback from competitors. Putting all of this together suggests that next year we could well have a capacity entry.

The PCA/Autotest on the Sunday was an interesting test for the cars and drivers. Thanks to Craig Streeter for taking charge of this event. He did a great job even if the tests were a little ambitious initially. Next year we have been asked to organise the Inter Association Autosolo.

For the record, the Targa was won by Howard Price/Baz Green in their Subaru. Their total time was approaching 85 minutes of competitive driving. One or two crews did mention that they will have to spend more time in the gym before next years event! In the clubmans event Gawaine Clark/Steve Johnson took the honours in a Mitsubishi Colt.

The Autosolo was won by Alastair Leggett who had to drive the wheels off his BMW. Someone suggested that Callum Powell had to do the same!

A huge thank you to all who helped, in anyway, to make this such a fantastic weekend. Here's to 2020!



Geoffs Plumbing and Heating Twyford Targa Road Rally 2019 - Results

Club News

- Unfortunately this is limited for November. The committee meeting usually generates this content. However, last Thursday 14th November, put several obstacles in our way. The weather was "challenging" with plenty of floods to avoid. Lumb Farm took the decision not to open, so our committee meeting has been put back 2 weeks until November 28th.
- Why a two week delay? The answer lies in this Thursday, November 21st, being selected for a club meal. It may not be too late to get a place at Mumbai Masala in Alfreton. Sadly I will be loitering somewhere in Radnor Forest.

EMAMC Brake Depot Road Rally Tables

Club calendar

- 21st November - club meal Mumbai Masala in Alfreton. Please let Rob Stanesby know if you would like to come a long.
- 28th November - Committee
- 5th December - Winter series - Round 4, 12 car (organised by Richard H and *Dan Tribe*).
- 12th December - Committee
- 14th December - Donington Winter Series - Round 2
- 19th December - Walk about (Christmas jumpers!)

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- 2nd January - natter
- 9th January - Winter series - Round 5, 12 car (organised by Tom and Dennis).
- 16th January - Committee
- 25th January - Donington Winter Series - Round 3
- 6th February - Winter series - Round 6, 12 car (organised by Tom Henman and Jake).
- 22nd February - Donington Winter Series - Round 4
- 5th March - Winter series - Round 7, 12 car (organised by Sam and Reg).

2020 Protyre Motorsport UK Asphalt Rally Championship

20/21 March....Legend Fires North West Stages

11 April....Rallynuts National Tour of Epynt

15/16 May.... Manx National Rally

30/31 May....Jim Clark Rally

18 July....Tyrone Stages Rally

6 September....Hills Ford Three Shires Stages Rally

27 September....Ford Parts Cheviot Stages Rally

The BRC and BTRDA dates were in last months newsletter.

STAGE RALLY (* Multi-venue)

- Feb 8 Jack Neal Clitheroe &
DMC
- Feb 22 Ormco Stages Manx
AS
- Mar 1 Lee Holland Pendle
DMC
- Mar 1 Questmead Warrington
& DMC
- Mar 7/8 Tour of Epynt Port
Talbot MC
- Mar 14/15 AGBO Stages
Owen MC
- Mar 21 NW Stages * Motor
Sport NW
 - Apr 4 Anglesey Stages
Stockport 061 MC
 - Apr 11 Tour of Epynt Port
Talbot MC
- Apr 12 Warcop N Humberside
MC

FOREST STAGE CHAMPIONSHIP

- Apr 19 MC Stages Stockport
061 MC
- Apr 25 Rally D Liss & Quinn
MC
- Feb 8 Cumbria North Wales
May 16 Cumbria North Wales
CG
- May 15/16 Manx * Manx AS
CG
- Feb 9 Ringier Rinn MSC
May 17 Ringier Rinn MSC
- Mar 14 Malcolm Wilson Kirkby
MC
- Sep 4 Lonsdale MC
Premiere Wallasey
MC
- Mar 28/29 Rally N Wales
MC
- Oct 10 Woly & S Staffs CC
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- May 16 Plains Knutsford &
Oct 11 Adgespeed Wigan &
DMC
- Jun 27 Arvill Mull CC
Nov 6 7 Pokers Manx
Nov 7 8 Pokers Manx
- Jul 5 Greystoke W Cumbria
AS
- Nov 7 Neil Howard Bolton-le-
MC
- Jul 11 Nicky Grist Quinton MC
Moors CC
- Sep 5 Woodpecker 60 &
Nov 21 Hal Trophy Clitheroe
& DMC
Worcestershire MC
- Sep 26/27 Trackrod Trackrod
MC

TARGA RALLY

- Nov 7 Wyedean Forest of
MC
- Mar 14 Dean MC
Mull CC
- May 2 061 Targa Stockport
061 MC

ROAD & NAVIGATION RALLY

- Sep 5 Targa Knutsford &
DMC
- Oct 7 Towford Mid-
Derbyshire MC – this is likely
to change!
- Feb 29/1 Bro Caron Lampeter
& DMC
- Mar 14/15 Llyn Harlech &
DMC
- Apr 4/5 Primrose Clitheroe &
DMC

- Apr 4/5 Bro Preseli * Teifi
Valley MC
- Apr 25/26 Night Owl
Aberystwyth & DMC
- Sep 19/20 Clitheronian
Clitheroe & DMC
- Oct 31/1 Cilwendeg Teifi
Valley MC

**Please note many of these
dates are provisional. They
are taken from the ANWCC
website**

[MDMC website](#)

[Forum](#)

[Revolution -Motorsport Uk magazine](#)

Winter championship round 4

The TRIMAN 12 Car
Thursday 5th December 2019

Supplementary Regulations

1. ANNOUNCEMENT

Mid-Derbyshire Motor Club Ltd will organize a 12 Car Navigational-Clubmans

on The 5th December 2019. Starting and finishing from The Smithy Pond,
Wingerworth S42 6LN
MR (119) 3775 6675

2. JURISDICTION

The event will be held under the General Regulations of The Motor Sports Association (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA) and these Supplementary Regulations and any written instructions that the Organizing club may issue for the event.

3. AUTHORISATION

MSUK Permit Number 114862

4. ELIGIBILITY

The event is open to fully elected members of the organizing club and Members of the following clubs: - Coalville Car Club, Eastwood & District Motor Club, Loughborough Car Club, Matlock Motor Club & Carlton & District Motor Club, All competitors must produce a valid club membership card Competitors will be required to produce proof of MOT and ownership of vehicle or owners consent to use the vehicle..

5. CHAMPIONSHIP

The event is a round of the MDMC winter championship.

6. PROGRAMME

Scrutineering & signing on opens at 18.45 hours and closes at 19.30 hours. Any competitor not signed on 30 minutes before their due start time may be excluded. Car 1 starts at MTC1 at 19.46 hours and from then on at 1-minute intervals.

7. ROUTE

Map 119 C4 is required. Total mileage will be Approx 56 miles. White roads will

not be used. The finish will be MTC2 located at The Smithy Pond (119/3775 6675)

8. TECHNICAL REGULATIONS

All vehicles must comply with the current MSA technical regulations J5 and R18

9 NOISE

Competitors vehicles must comply with noise as stated in J5.18 at the start and during the course of the event. If your vehicle does not comply then you will not be able to start.

10 ENTRIES

The entry List opens on publication of these SR's and finally closes on 05/12/19 at 19:30. The Entry Fee is £10.00. All entries must be made on the official entry form and be accompanied by the appropriate fee. Any competitor whose cheque is not honoured will be excluded from the competition and reported to the MSA. The maximum entry for the meeting is 12. The minimum is 4.

11. The Entries Secretary to whom all entries must be sent is:-

Richard Henman
[52 Pinfold Road](#)
[Giltbrook](#)
[Nottingham](#)
[NG16 2FT](#)

12. OFFICIALS

Clerk of the Course:	Dan Tribe 07572779183
Secretary of the Meeting:	Richard Henman 07795957772
Club Steward:	Lee Burgess
Timekeeper:	Sam Housley
Scrutineer:	Reg Walker

13. RESULTS

Results will be published in accordance with D26.1,2 where practical. Failing that D26.1.3 will apply. Any protests or appeals must be lodged in accordance with C5.1 to C13.1.

Tie Breaks

1. Furthest Cleanest
2. Ascending Class (Navigator)
3. Ascending Engine Size

14. ROAD BOOK/TIME CARD

Entrants will be supplied with a Road Book/ Time Card at signing on and other points along the route. These documents will provide all the information necessary to enable competitors to comply with R2.3.2 and R14.1. This information may be graded according to Navigators experience.

Give Ways and Stop signs will be treated as R9.1.3

Competitors will be required to make up lateness at the specified rest halts and/or time make up sections (R.12.6).

Competitors will be identified by rally plates supplied by the organisers to be displayed as per R6.1.1

15. PENALTIES

Marking and penalties will be applied as per ..R 13.. As follows: -

(a) Not reporting or reporting OTL at a Main Time

Control Retired

(b) Not reporting or reporting OTL at any other Time

Control 30 mins

(c) Not complying with the route card including visiting a control more than once 15 mins

(d) Not reporting at Passage Control or providing proof of visiting a Route Check 5 mins

(e) Arrival before scheduled time at the end of a Standard Section 2 mins
per min

(f) Arrival after due time at the end of a Standard Section 1 min
per min

(g) Arrival before due time at the end of a Neutral Section 30 mins

(h) Arrival before due time at an intermediate regularity or regularity control: Actual
Time Early

(i) Early arrival & stopping in sight of an intermediate Regularity or Regularity control Actual time on

clock

(j) Breach of any statutory requirement concerning the use of a motor vehicle 30 mins

(k) Contravention of .12.7.. First Offence 30 mins

Second

Offence Exclusion

The following shall also apply: -

Unauthorized alteration of Time

Card: Exclusion

Conveying route to spectators: Exclusion

Use of mobile phones for obtaining route Information or advantage: Exclusion

Entering a "Blackspot" or passing a "NO" board: Exclusion

Failing to comply with 'Quiet'

zones: Exclusion

Judges of Fact and Driving Standards Observers will be Appointed to adjudicate on matters referred to R8.1 to R8. 1.8 the penalty for which is Exclusion

16. MODIFICATION OF GR'S

All general regulations of the MSA apply as written, except for the following, which are modified:

R7.2.3: Mobile telephones may be carried in the car (for use in breakdown or emergency situations only)

H2.3.3: Secret checks may be established to ensure compliance with route instructions, technical regulations, noise and maps used Maximum lateness is 30 minutes

17. INSURANCE

The Club has applied to JELF for a Blanket Cover Note to provide competitors who need Third Party Cover to meet RTA requirements on the Road Sections of this Event. The basic rate for the event (before any loadings) will be £17.00.

All new applicants wishing to use the scheme must be able to comply with all points of the JELF Declaration: -

Over 19 and held a full licence for at least 6 months

Not more than 1 fault accident in last 3 years

No more than maximum of 6 speeding points on licence

No physical or mental disabilities.

No other material facts to disclose.

If you comply with all points above NO LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE WILL BE REQUIRED.

18. OTHER INFORMATION

Force majeure notwithstanding, the organisers reserve the right to delete or amend penalties at any control or check and/or delete any part of the route from the results, should they deem it fairer to do so. Organisers will enforce this should it become obvious that an incorrect time has been entered onto a timecard. Any notice displayed at the start or on the route bearing an official's signature shall have the same authority as these SR's.

19. NAVIGATION

Route definition will comply with current EMAMC rules.

Motostop Belper

Motostop, in King Street, Belper, have kindly offered a discount to club members. All you need to do is present a current club card. The discount will increase as more orders are placed. Motostop can source a wide variety of parts for most

vehicles. Further information will be provided in the following newsletters. In the meantime, why not have a look at their website <https://www.motostop.co.uk/>.

Winter Championship and Winter Series

Ideally results, an event write up and a picture or two should appear here. Could organisers, competitors or anyone attending the events please try to forward some information? We put a lot of time and effort in to organising these things be it 12 cars, scatters, tabletops or autotests. I believe that Dennis Cooke/Reg Walker won the table top back in September. This had been very well organised by Dave Quinney and John Haslam.

The recent scatter, organised by Simon Walsh, had the following top 3 - 1st Alistair, Lisa and Alisha, 2nd Dave and John and 3rd Craig and Jason.

I currently have no information about the winter series. However the results are available on the Loughborough Car Club web site.

A pint with.....





Craig Burgess

How long have you been a member of MDMC? 30 Years.

Have you held any posts on the committee? *Comp Secretary and Chairman, also self-proclaimed official heckler from the side-lines.*

What got you interested in cars and motorsport? When? *My Dad, got me interested in cars. My motorsport interest started from watching the old RAC rally Top Gear reviews when young. My first hands on in motorsport was servicing for Paul Lager and the late John Wheatley at Ruddinigton. After that I was hooked.*

What do you think are the strengths of MDMC? *Its small core of hard working members.*

Do you have any history as a competitor in either seat? *Yes, Started in the Silly seat with Rob Thorpe in 1989, then moved up a pace to sit with the crazy quick Bernie Arnold in EMAMC Road rallies. Then moved on to stage events. I did a few road rallies with Lee in the yellow shed Fiesta. My first Stage event as a driver was the Gwynedd Rally in my Group A 106 , in the Mobil 1 BRC in 2000 , followed by a couple of years in the EMAMC SV championship . A move back to road rallies followed with a couple of 205's and protons.*

What is your highlight in motorsport? *There are several, Competing in the Middle East Rally championship in 94/95 taking in , Dubai , Abu Dhabi , Lebanon , Jordan etc. , and from this I can confirm that soft sand gets absolutely everywhere. Another highlight was finishing the Network Q 2nd in class, which was an achievement in resilience. And finally, our 2nd overall in the Belgian Fiesta sport R2 trophy, the only crew to have ever finished every round in the history of the series.*

In the interest of balance, what is your lowlight? *Also in the Middle East, travelling 4,500 miles to get there doing a three day recce, and then breaking down $\frac{1}{2}$ mile into the rally.*

If you could go for a drink with your motorsport hero or heroine, who would it be? Why? What would your drink of choice be? *I would really like to have a beer with big Pentti Arikkala, Mark Lovell and Bertie Fisher, the drink would have to be Guinness, just for the craic.*

How do you see motorsport changing in the next few years? *Unfortunately I see more control and limitations in road rallies as it becomes more socially unacceptable to the intolerant society we live in. I do hope the changes and the noises coming out of MSUK since DR has been in charge, follow through on their promises. There is a definite change in attitude toward the real club competitor that can only be for the good of the sport. Also the emergence of the new Targa rallies that are allowing anyone to take part in a good days sport, as was witnessed by the grins on the faces of the competitors at the recent Geoff's Plumbing & Heating Twyford Targa.*

If you controlled MotorsportsUK what would be the first change you'd make? *Change the ridiculous seatbelt rules.*

If you weren't interested in motor club things, what else might you spend your free time doing? *Probably trying to master my inadequate control of a golf ball.*

Finally, what would your motorsport motto be? *Keep at it, never give in.*