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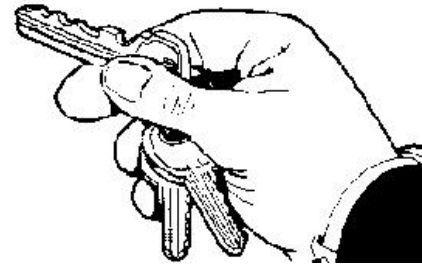
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Bristol Pegasus Track & Tuition Day

Chairman's Chat

By Ian Hall



Finally the 2013 Motorsport season is Go Go Go!

I was amongst a group of Nav Ex enthusiasts that took to the country lanes adjacent to the River Wye on Friday 1st March. I never had a problem reading a map while stationary, but it's quite a different story on the move, which has increased my respect for Rally Navigators.

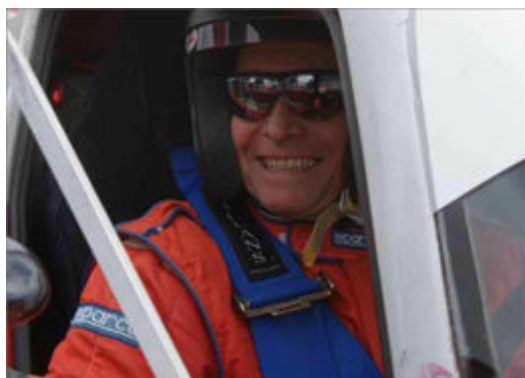
There was a great turnout for Dave Franklin's Historic Racing DVD's. Unfortunately Dave was held up before the start, so while Ted Williams checked his whereabouts I was able to press Terry Sanger into an impromptu talk on his start in motorsport riding Motor Cycles. Terry could have kept us entertained for the whole evening.

Dave's films took us to three European circuits where he drove an Aston Martin and a fabulous Ferrari. It must have been a bit embarrassing for the owner/driver to be 10 seconds off Dave's pace. Having not driven above 160 miles an hour it was certainly fun "sat alongside" Dave at 199mph – only wish I had been at the wheel and pedals myself! Many thanks to Dave and Terry for entertaining us and we look forward to a talk from Ted in the near future.

Howard Strawford's funeral had St Andrew's Church in Castle Combe absolutely packed with 250 plus people from all aspects from National Motor Sport. As a further tribute the traditional Easter Monday season opener at C.C. will be headlined 'Howards Day' with an additional programme of events.

Don't forget our Cross Trophy Trial on April 28th at Dundry and our first sprint of the season at Llandow on May 11th. Marshals will be required for both.

IAN HALL – CHAIRMAN.



Editorial



As Ian as said the season for the motoring enthusiast is already underway. My thanks to Ian for taking the navigators seat in Wales; you can read organiser Dick Craddy's report on how 'we' skillfully won the wooden spoon early in this issue.

Unfortunately I missed Dave Franklin's film night and judging by Ian's comments and Tim Murray's report which also appears in this issue, I shall eternally regret it.

A couple of weeks ago I helped out our BMC colleagues marshalling the Great Western Sprint, watched some entertaining driving and made a couple of new friends. In this issue you will find further requests for marshals, motorsport at any level does not happen without marshals and competitors are always the first to express their gratitude. If you have some free, please do not hesitate to give up your time.

With a little luck I will be competing for the Cross Trophy on April 28th, it is the only trophy I have ever won for driving and I would very much like to have it back on my mantelpiece. For the next 28 days I will be praying if not outright begging any higher powers out there for some well overdue sunshine and a dry field as I don't think my car is going to get very far with smaller diameter wheels that seem to be successful in wet conditions.

Finally many thanks to all at Team BPMC for their patience as I get to grips with the ropes here at Backfire Towers, if you have any suggestions and or comments please do not hesitate to let me or any other committee member know how you would like Backfire to grow and thrive.

Wishing you all a happy month's motoring.

Ralph Colmar - Editor

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Pit Lane Exit News

Clean out those little grey Cells - Tim Murray's BPMC Quiz 8th April

Tim Murray will be setting a Quiz for our monthly meeting at BAWA on April 8th; the quiz format will be: teams of up to four people; questions half-and-half motoring/motor sport and general knowledge, with rounds on specific subjects (eg F1, Rallying, History, Entertainment etc). There will be prizes for the winning team and probably for the runners-up too.

If you're not part of a team of four already do not hesitate to turn up to join a new team.

Bar opens at 7pm The quiz begins at 8pm prompt in room 4, BAWA Leisure Centre, 589 Southmead Road, Filton, Bristol, BS34 7RG

Editor's Note: I look forward to seeing what our quiz master comes up with. Here is a general knowledge question with no prizes :- What sort of car, manufacturer and model, did Diana Rigg's character Contessa Teresa "Tracy" di Vincenzo drive on an ice racing track in the 1969 film On Her Majesty's Secret Service and who was the actor in the passenger seat ?

Answer on the back page of this issue.

Cross Trophy - Production Car Trial

A reminder that BPMC will be organising a production car trial at Lower Grove Farm, Highridge Road, Dundry BS41 8JT, Map ref 554 673, on April 28th sign on 12:00 to 13:00. If you're interested in taking part or marshalling entry details will be posted on the club website soon or contact Tim Murray 0117 9499449 - email secretary@bristolpegasus.com

Editor's Note: If you have never taken part in a production car trial, I can thoroughly recommend it, all you need is a two wheel drive production car a passenger, who can be organised for you on the day, and a sense of humour. A couple of years I borrowed a 20 year old VW Passat Estate and won first time out, grass roots motor sport, pun intended, really does not get better than this !



A.C.E. 2013 Classic Vehicle Charity Tour – SUNDAY JUNE 2ND

All Classics Enthusiasts (A.C.E.) with Bristol Pegasus Motor Club' will be running The 2013 Classic Vehicle Charity Tour on Sunday 2nd of June in aid of the The British Heart Foundation if you have not already received and entry form they are available with further details from martin@emsley.ndo.co.uk.



Editor's note: my Golf IV Estate is seven years from counting as a classic, if any one would like to share the expense of taking part in this event with their classic and me in the passenger seat please do not hesitate to get in touch with me e-mail: backfire@bristolpegasus.com

5th Bristol & Bath Classic Car Run - Sunday 21st July 2013 in aid of Avon Riding Centre for the Disabled

90 mile scenic tour and great day out for you and your motor starts 9am and finishes at Avon Riding Centre for the Disabled Henbury. Entry £ 30 includes Bacon roll. Hot Grub available £7:50 per person.

Contact Avon Riding Centre for the Disabled, Kings Weston Road, Henbury Bristol, BS10

or Call 0117 959 0266 for further information and an Entry Form.



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Eric Carlsson Evening.

Apologies for short notice but Oxford Motor Club are hosting an evening with rally legend Eric Carlsson and his former co driver Stuart Turner on **Wednesday 3rd April 2013, from 8pm for an 8.30pm start at the Oxfordshire Inn (OX5 3DX), in the Blenheim Room.** Everyone is welcome, so please invite along all your friends and associates !!!

Marshals Wanted

From **Devizes and DMC Myotis Rally** Chief Marshal Keith Edwards is looking for nocturnal marshals on 20th/21st April for the fourth running of this event on Salisbury Plain, starting from Fussell Wadman Ltd. Devizes at 10:30 pm.

Keith tells me OS maps 173 and 184 would be useful and that volunteers will receive a full english breakfast at the Bear Hotel in Devizes .

Keith can be contacted by email Keithkre@aol.com or speak to Keith or his wife Janet on 01225 755077

From Ross Motor Sports Club, April 27/28 2013 sees the second running of the **Ross Endurance Road Rally**, a mixture of selectifs on private land starting 09:45 am and finishing approx 01:45 am at Ross Motor Sports Club clubhouse in Ross-on-Wye.

You can find more information about the rally by visiting www.rossmotorsports.co.uk or

Alan Baker at al-baker1@hotmail.co.uk or on 07837 479561

Russell Joseph at russ.joseph@hotmail.com or on 07720 691740.

Classifieds



MAZDA MX5 Mk2 NEVADA Metallic dark blue, immaculate condition. 53 reg, 33380 miles, Tax & MOT. F.S.H. Hard top with storage brackets and cover, tonneau, wind blocker and many other extras. £4000 o.n.o. tel: 01275 844961

2013 Major Events

Saturday 11th May 2013 - Llandow Sprint

Saturday 1st June 2013 - Castle Combe Tuition and Drive Day

Saturday 19th October 2013 - Pegasus Sprint

Navigation Exercise – 1st March 2013.

A very close result

This event was originally scheduled to be held on Friday 25th January but given the snow and icy conditions prevailing at that time it was decided that a change to 1st March would be prudent in the hope that weather conditions should then be more suitable. It was, therefore, pleasing that the evening was dry albeit the ambient temperature was around freezing when five crews presented themselves for signing on in the car park adjacent to Tintern Abbey.



It was great to welcome, on this occasion, Danny Castleton and Don Neate, see left, in an 'original style' Mini, entering their first event, and Adam Baxter and Ian Aldridge from the BMC. Route cards were handed out at 7.20 pm following the usual briefing calling for careful driving from the Gwent Police.

This provided adequate time for crews to travel the three mile neutral section in time for the 7.30pm start adjacent to the Wye Bridge at Bigsweir, three miles from Tintern.

This year the route was solely confined to the 3 mile wide area to the east of the Wye and bounded on the West by the limit of map 162. Initially the route took competitors north to Penault and then south to Trellech. The route then went due east to Llandogo before returning via



Cicelyford and back, via Parkhouse to the outskirts of Tintern. A second neutral section then took the crews through Tintern before restarting in the valley leading to Tintern Cross. From there was a straight run down to the Piercefield Inn at St Arvans. (Above right Nick Wood and Andy Moss)



While these events are held under a Certificate of Exemption permit they are, nevertheless, subject to the same Police and RLO scrutiny as a 12 Car Rally and on this occasion difficulties with advised areas to be avoided, closed and damaged roads resulted in the need for four reconnoitres. (Ian Hall and

Ralph Colmar above)

When the total scores were known it transpired that, in a very close contest, Adam and Ian won by 5 points (one correct question) from Bob Bull and Mark Sylvester in a 'modern' Mini Cooper 'S'. (See front cover)

The full results are:

Crew	Car	Correct Answer	Time penalty	Total score	Overall result	BPMC Position	BMC Position
Nick Wood/Andy Moss	Mazda MX5	120	0	120	3	2	-
Danny Castleton/Don Neate	Mini	90	10	80	4	3	-
Bob Bull/Mark Sylvester	Mini Cooper S	195	0	195	2	1	-
Ralph Colmar/Ian Hall	VW Golf	45	0	45	5	4	-
Adam Baxter/Ian Aldridge	Rover 216	200	0	200	1	-	1

Given the total possible score was 220 a score of 200 points was very commendable. My thanks to each crew for entering. I trust you enjoyed yet another route in this area that year on year provides excellent competition.

Dick Craddy

Club Night 11th March - BAWA Guest - David Franklin

There was a full house at the March club night when David Franklin came along to show us a series of in-car films from his recent historic racing exploits. The audience included well-known guests Ted Williams, Julian Bronson, Terry Smith and John Dangerfield, and our old friend Terry Sanger.

Before Terry moved to Pembrokeshire he used to regularly entertain us with his wonderful anecdotes from his life in motor sport. So when David was a bit late due to a misunderstanding over times, Terry without any preparation kindly entertained us again with a story about a trip to compete in a Moroccan motorcycle race, timing it perfectly to finish just as David arrived.

David showed us three films, from races he did last year at Spa, Le Mans and Paul Ricard. In the first two of these he drove an Aston Martin DB4GT, and at Paul Ricard he was out in a fabulous Ferrari 512. We were able to watch David doing several laps at each event, and thus had time to get a good feel for what was going on and what David was having to cope with. This included the interior rear view mirror of the Aston being shaken out of adjustment every time David rode the kerbs, which he then had to readjust as he drove.

It was a bit scary watching David nearly t-bone a very valuable 'Birdcage' Maserati which got broadside in front of him. Historic racing is definitely not for the faint-hearted.

The best bit, was the Ricard film featuring the wonderful Ferrari 512 with its glorious engine note. On the long straight at Ricard it was doing very nearly 200 mph and then knocked off about 90 mph to go through the next fast right-hander, Signes, at a little over 100 mph. This reminded me of DSJ's report on the 1980 French GP in Motor Sport magazine. He went out to Signes during practice and reported that the ground effect Williams FW07 cars were the only ones able to take the corner flat out.

David then answered a few questions, and the evening concluded. We'd like to thank David (and Terry) for a most entertaining evening, and look forward to welcoming both of them back in due course.

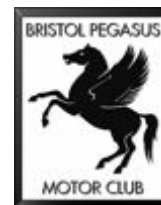
Tim Murray





LLANDOW

May Sprint 2013



Llandow Circuit, Vale of Glamorgan

SATURDAY 11th MAY 2011

The Trident Engineering Welsh Sprint and Hillclimb Championship
The Bridge Tyres & Wheels ASWMC Sprint Championship
The Lotus 7 Club Speed Championship
The Luffield MG MGCC Speed Championship

Following last years very successful three club co-promoted Llandow Sprint we will again be returning to Llandow in May. The 2013 event will be organised by ourselves and BMC. Welsh Counties Car Club are not able to join us this year due to illness of a key member of their organising team - we hope they will be able to join us again in the future. As well as the club championships the event will be an ASWMC and WAMC round and will again include the very popular Lotus 7 Championship. For the first time this year we will also be joined by the MGCC Luffield Speed Championship.

Entry details from the club website or contact Entries Secretary Cherry Robinson on 01275 833098 for a printed copy.

Club Night Venue

Our new regular venue is -

BAWA Leisure Centre

589 Southmead Road, Filton, Bristol, BS34 7RG

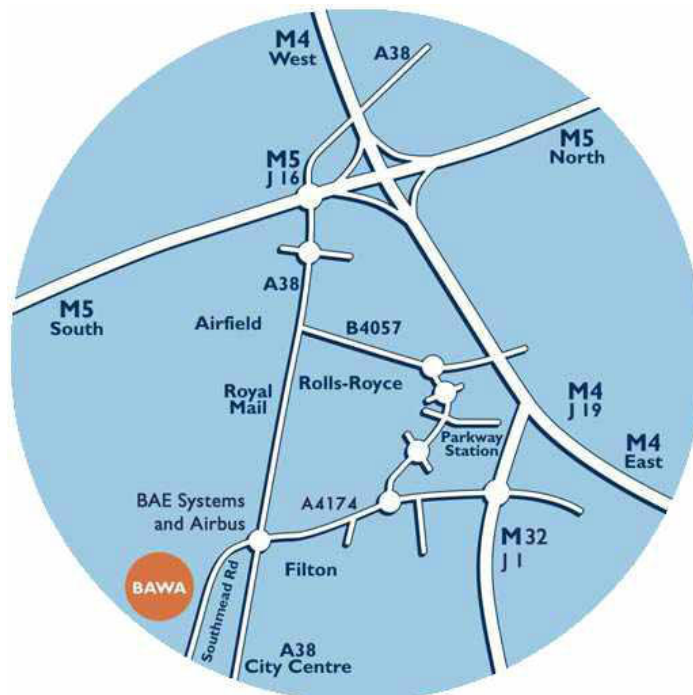


We meet from 8.30pm (8pm for AGM) in **Room 4** which has excellent views of the sports field as well as parking visible from within the room.

There is a public bar area next to our room so members arriving early may enjoy a drink and a chat before the formal club night proceedings start. During our summer

meetings we are able to open the doors to our room and have direct access into the car park

As many members will know we recently returned to BAWA which was our regular club meeting venue for many years. We are very impressed with the updated room and bar facilities as well as the excellent view and access to our parking area. We are also pleased there will be no issues for non-BAWA members coming to our evening.



Note : Next meeting April 8th - Room 4

BPMC Pin Badges

Now available; Delightful 20mm diameter BPMC pin badges in black nickel, red / white enamel finish. These are a must for club members and available for £2.00 each from Alan Spencer.



BPMC polo or sweatshirts

Fancy a shirt with the club logo on? Pick your colour and size, state whether polo or sweatshirt and how many, then ring/email Alan Spencer with your order.

alanspencer@orange.net 01179 712587

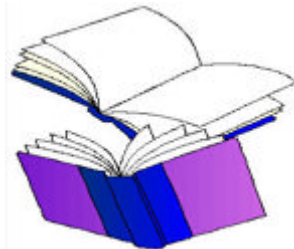
Poloshirts £6.50 each and sweatshirts £10 - a bargain!



Sweatshirts & polo shirts are available in the following colours and sizes: White, grey, light blue, royal blue and black - S, M, L and XL.

For Bristol Pegasus Motor Club **car & windscreen stickers** contact Alan Spencer.

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The Pegasus Open Speed Championship - New for 2013



For many years the club organised an Open Championship to allow us to reward the efforts of club members competing in a wider range of events than those offered in our own calendar.

For 2013 we plan to revive this approach by running an Open Speed Championship. Members entering **any non-race speed event** can register for this and claim points for the events they enter during 2013. Each month we will keep you up to date with the latest positions in Backfire, and we hope some of the entrants may report on the events they have entered and send in pictures of their exploits.

This is an internal closed-to-club challenge and there will not be a fixed calendar of events, you can claim points for any speed event you enter including our own events. We will provide you with information in Backfire about the many events the club gets invited to during the year to give you a few ideas of what you could enter.

Registration - Competitors must register for the championship by contacting the championship co-ordinator. Speed Championship stickers will be issued which should be displayed on your car during events.

Number of Qualifying events - Your best six event scores submitted during the 2013 season will count. The closing date for points to be claimed is the 1st of November 2013. To claim points email a copy of the event results to the championship co-ordinator.

Points Points are awarded according to the formula below

$$\left(\frac{5 (\text{Number of Starters} - \text{Number of Finishers})}{\text{Number of Starters}} \right) + 1$$

- Points are awarded according to finishing position in class.
- Non finishers will be classed as finishing in last position.
- For tied positions, points are averaged for the number tied (eg if 2 entrants tie for 4th place, then each is given position 4½).

Marshalling Credit Entrants may make a single claim of 5 points for marshalling or organising at a Speed event which will be classed as one of the competitor's 6 events.

Awards The top three entrants will receive awards. Ties will be decided by the most 1st place positions, followed by most 2nd place and so on.

Officials Co-ordinator: Cherry Robinson cherryzrobinson@hotmail.com
Championship Stewards: The Club Vice Presidents

2013 Invited Speed Events

Date	Organising Club	Venue	Event Type
07/04/2013	Bournemouth & DCC	Clay Pigeon Raceway	Sprint
28/04/2013	Woolbridge MC	Wiscombe Park	Hillclimb
04/05/2013	Plymouth MC	Werrington Park	Hillclimb
05/05/2013	Plymouth MC	Werrington Park	Hillclimb
11/05/2013	Welsh Counties CC / BMC / BPMC	Llandow	Sprint
18/05/2013	Torbay MC	Wiscombe Park	Hillclimb
18/05/2013	Brighton & Hove MC	Goodwood	Sprint
19/05/2013	Burnham-on-Sea MC / Taunton MC	Wiscombe Park	Hillclimb
01/06/2013	BARC Wales	Pembrey	Sprint
02/06/2013	BARC Wales	Pembrey	Sprint
08/06/2013	Sutton & Cheam MC	Abingdon	Sprint
08/06/2013	Truro & DMC	Tregrehan	Hillclimb
09/06/2013	Truro & DMC	Tregrehan	Hillclimb
15/06/2013	Taunton MC / Burnham-on-Sea MC / Torbay MC	Manor Farm	Hillclimb
15/06/2013	Brecon MC	Epynt	Hillclimb
16/06/2013	Taunton MC / Burnham-on-Sea MC / Torbay MC	Manor Farm	Hillclimb
16/06/2013	Brecon MC	Epynt	Hillclimb
22/06/2013	BARC(SW)	Gurston Down	Sprint
22/06/2013	BMC	Castle Combe	Hillclimb
13/07/2013	Camel Vale MC	Castle	Hillclimb
14/07/2013	Camel Vale MC	Castle	Hillclimb
21/07/2013	Torbay MC	Clay Pigeon Raceway	Sprint
27/07/2013	BARC Wales	Llandow	Sprint
03/08/2013	Camel Vale MC	Castle	Hillclimb
03/08/2013	Brighton & Hove MC	Goodwood	Sprint
04/08/2013	Camel Vale MC	Castle	Hillclimb
07/09/2013	Bristol (5 Clubs)	Wiscombe Park	Hillclimb
08/09/2013	Bristol (5 Clubs)	Wiscombe Park	Hillclimb
14/09/2013	Brighton & Hove MC	Brighton	Speed Trial
21/09/2013	Woolbridge MC	Manor Farm	Hillclimb
22/09/2013	Woolbridge MC	Manor Farm	Hillclimb
06/10/2013	Bournemouth & DCC	Clay Pigeon Raceway	Sprint
19/10/2013	BPMC	Castle Combe	Sprint

David Garnett	Raikkonon	Vettel	India	Lotus	Williams	120
Sharon Reynolds	Button	Chilton	Caterham	Marussia	Rosso	119
Alyson Marsden	Hamilton	Vettel	Lotus	Sauber	Caterham	99
Martyn Davies	Hamilton	Rosberg	Lotus	Mercedes	Mercedes	96
Richard Reynolds	Hamilton	Raikkonon	India	Sauber	Lotus	90
Steve Clark	Resta	Rosberg	Sauber	Rosso	Redbull	84
Ian Hall	Bianchi	Vettel	Marussia	Redbull	Marussia	82
Mike Marsden	Raikkonon	Vettel	Mercedes	Sauber	Rosso	71
Helen Davies	Grosjean	Raikkonon	Lotus	Mercedes	Mercedes	70
Bill Farrow	Alonso	Hulkenberg	India	Lotus	Mclaren	70
Alison Bennett	Raikkonon	Vettel	India	Williams	Ferrari	69
Dom Bennett	Hamilton	Vettel	India	Lotus	Rosso	69
Mary Craddy	Hamilton	Vettel	Lotus	Williams	India	68
Ken Robson	Hamilton	Vettel	Mercedes	Williams	Mercedes	67
Mark Niblett	Hulkenberg	Raikkonon	Lotus	Mercedes	Mclaren	67
Rex Meaden	Hamilton	Vettel	Lotus	Rosso	Sauber	65
Mal Allen	Hamilton	Vettel	Lotus	Williams	Sauber	64
Matt Johnson	Hamilton	Vettel	Lotus	Williams	Sauber	64
Simon Moss	Raikkonon	Vettel	Sauber	Williams	Ferrari	64
Martin Baker	Hamilton	Resta	Lotus	Sauber	Redbull	60
Tim Murray	Maldonado	Rosberg	Lotus	Mercedes	Redbull	55
Dick Craddy	Alonso	Raikkonon	Mercedes	Williams	Sauber	52
Jenny Hall	Hamilton	Vettel	Marussia	Mclaren	Caterham	51
John Page	Button	Raikkonon	Lotus	Williams	Lotus	51
Pete Stowe	Hamilton	Raikkonon	Mclaren	Sauber	Williams	49
Joe Robson	Alonso	Hamilton	Mercedes	Williams	Mercedes	48
Liz Moss	Alonso	Vettel	Rosso	Williams	Lotus	48
Ross Willing	Hamilton	Vergne	India	Redbull	Caterham	47
Martin Emsley	Garde	Raikkonon	India	Mclaren	Redbull	46
Helena Sarsted	Button	Raikkonon	Mercedes	Williams	Mclaren	46
Ann Farrow	Button	Resta	Caterham	Lotus	Redbull	43
Kate Umfreville	Button	Maldonado	Lotus	Rosso	Redbull	39
Victoria Phillips	Hamilton	Resta	Ferrari	Sauber	Williams	39
Caroline Meaden	Button	Grosjean	Caterham	Mercedes	Redbull	38
Charlie Emsley	Button	Rosberg	Mercedes	Rosso	Ferrari	38
Donny Allen	Alonso	Rosberg	Caterham	Mclaren	Williams	27
Thomas Wigley	Button	Hamilton	Mclaren	Williams	Marussia	27
Marc Rogers	Button	Sutil	Mclaren	Rosso	Mercedes	25
Andrew Moss	Button	Resta	Mclaren	Williams	Mercedes	23
Chris Bennett	Button	Vergne	Mclaren	Rosso	Mclaren	22

2013 Club Championships

Prepared By Chris Thompson - Changes for 2013 identified in **bold**
Clubmans Championship

Points will be awarded for all BPMC events entailing the use of a car.
Points are awarded according to the formula.

$$\left(\frac{5 (\text{Number of Starters} - \text{Number of Finishers})}{\text{Number of Starters}} \right) + 1$$

- Points are awarded according to finishing position in class or if there are no classes, by overall finishing position.
- Non finishers are included in number of starters and will be classed as finishing in last position.
- For tied positions, points are averaged for the number tied (eg if 2 entrants tie for 4th place, then each is given position 4½).
- The first signed-on passenger scores for Navigation Exercises, Navigation Scatters, Treasure Hunts. For the Test Day organisers points only will be awarded.
- **For club events such as Touring Assemblies, Test Days etc where no result is declared members who enter will receive 2 bonus point towards the Clubmans championship. Qualifying events are defined by the club committee.**
- **Points will no longer be awarded for Organising or Marshalling which will be recognised separately in the Marshals Championship, however note that in order to be classified in the final championship results entrants must have marshalled or organised an event.**

Awards are given to the first three in the end of year standings. In the event of a tie it will be decided by the following criteria

1. The person who has marshalled or organised the most events
2. The most 1st place positions, followed by most 2nd place and so on

Marshals Championship

Trophies for 1st, 2nd and 3rd will be presented based on organising & marshalling.

3 points will be awarded to event organisers

2 points will be awarded to marshals

1 point will be awarded for setting up an event on the day before an event

- Event organisers points will be awarded to those who organise **any club event including non-competitive events** including Navigation Events, Treasure Hunts, or who act as Clerk of the Course, Secretary of Meeting or Entries Secretary.
- Should an event be cancelled due to circumstances beyond the organisers control, points will still be awarded.

Officials

Championship co-ordinator : Chris Thompson

Championship Stewards : The Club Vice Presidents are appointed as Championship Stewards.

2013 Calendar - Provisional Dates

All dates & events are currently provisional

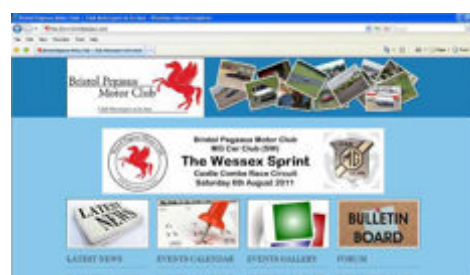
Date	Event	Time	Club	Venue
Sunday April 7th	ASWMC : Clay Pigeon Sprint		Bournemouth	
Monday 8th April	Club Night	8.30pm	BPMC	BAWA
Saturday 13th April	MGCC Kimber Classic Trial		MGCC	
Sunday 14th April	MGCC Kimber Gymkhana		MGCC	
Sunday 14th April	Kyrle Trial		Ross	
Saturday 20th April	Bristol Classic Car Show			
Sunday 21st April	Bristol Classic Car Show			
Sunday 28th April	Cross Trophy Trial		BPMC	Dundry
Saturday 11th May	ASWMC : Llandow Sprint		BPMC/WCCC/BMC	
Monday 20th May	Treasure Hunt		BPMC	
Saturday 1st June	Castle Combe Track Day		BPMC	Castle Combe
Saturday 1st June	ASWMC : Pembrey Sprint		BARC	Pembrey Circuit
Sunday 2nd June	ACE Classic Tour		BPMC/ACE	
Saturday 2nd June	ASWMC : Pembrey Sprint		BARC	Pembrey Circuit
Saturday 8th June	ASWMC : Abingdon Sprint		Sutton & Cheam	
Monday 10th June	Evening Touring Assembly		BPMC	
Saturday 22nd June	ASWMC : Dick Mayo Sprint		BMC	Castle Combe
Saturday 29th June	Llandow Track Day		BPMC/BKCC	Llandow
Sunday 7th July	Sunday Treasure Hunt		BPMC	
Saturday 13th July	Frenchay Car Show		BPMC	
Sunday 14th July	Bristol and Bath Car Tour		Riding for disabled	
Sunday 21st July	ASWMC : Clay Pigeon Sprint		Torbay	
Saturday 27th July	ASWMC : Pembrey Sprint		BARC	
Monday 5th August	Bring Your Car Club Night		BPMC	
Sunday 11th August	Gymkhana		BPMC	
Sunday 18th August	Mendip Production Car Trial		MGCC	

Saturday 7th September	Wiscombe Hillclimb		5 Clubs	
Sunday 8th September	Wiscombe Hillclimb		5 Clubs	
Monday 9th September	Club Night	8.30pm	BPMC	
Saturday 14th September	Wiscombe Hillclimb		MGCC	
Sunday 15th September	Tour and Test		BPMC	
Friday 4th October	Edinburgh Trial		MCC	
Saturday 5th October	Edinburgh Trial		MCC	
Sunday 6th October	ASWMC : Clay Pigeon Sprint		Bournemouth	
Sunday 13th October	Kimber Trial		MGCC	
Monday 14th October	Club Night	8.30pm	BPMC	
Saturday 19th October	Pegasus Sprint		BPMC	Castle Combe
Friday 25th October	Navigation Event		BMC	
Monday 11th November	Club Night	8.30pm	BPMC	
Thursday 14th November	Charity Karting		BPMC	
Friday 15th November	NEC Classic Show Club Trip		BPMC	
Sunday 24th November	Allen Trial		BMC	
Monday 9th December	Club AGM and Buffet	8pm	BPMC	
Monday 30th December	Christmas Pub Meet		BPMC	

Further events - Dates TBD

TBD February	BMC Autosolo		BMC	
TBD August	BMC Autosolo		BMC	
TBD	Breakfast Meet		BPMC	
TBD	Caring With Cars			
TBD	Speedway Club Trip		BPMC	
TBD	Stock Car Racing Club Trip		BPMC	
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1973 South African GP Winner - Tyrrell 006

1973 was an important year for me, at 14 years old I began to take my first steps towards becoming a motor racing anorak by spending all my pocket money on motor racing magazines specifically MotorSport and some months later Autosport.

I was at Ndola Airport a glorified Nissen hut in the middle of Africa on my way back to school in January 1973 when I bought my first edition of MotorSport it covered the last two events of the 1972 season, the Canadian and US Grand Prix which were won by Jackie Stewart driving a Ford DFV powered Tyrrell chassis 005. Jackie's team mate Francois Cevert was given this month's featured car Tyrrell 006 to drive for the 1972 Canadian Grand Prix where he qualified 8th but retired with gearbox problems.



At the US Grand Prix Francois used the same car to qualify 4th and finished 2nd behind Jackie to end the season on a high note for the Tyrrell team which had lost the 1972 drivers and constructors championships to Emerson Fittipaldi and Lotus respectively by the Italian Grand Prix.



On my way back to Zambia in April 1973 I bought a second issue of MotorSport which covered the 1973 South African Grand Prix. Stewart had crashed Tyrrell 005, with which he had scored a third behind Francois and 2nd in the opening two races of the 1973 season, in first practice for the 1973 South African Grand Prix and taken

over Cevert's Tyrrell 006 to qualify 16th on the grid.

With the aid of just seven retirements by faster qualifying cars Jackie managed to overtake the 8 remaining cars and pull out a comfortable 24 seconds to cross the line at Kyalami in first place. His team mate Francois driving the repaired 005 failed to set a qualifying time and finished an unclassified 13 laps down from last place on the grid.

For the 1973 Spanish Grand Prix Stewart was given a new chassis #006/2 to race that, like #006 which reverted to Cevert, had been fitted with the distinctive angular deformable structure on the sides that were required by new regulations that came into force. At this race both Cevert and Stewart ran with the oblong end plates as seen on #006 in this month's feature driven by Sir Jackie at last years BRM Day.



Cevert finished 2nd in the 1973 Spanish Grand Prix as he did in the following Belgian GP where he followed Stewart home in the first, of three, Tyrrell one-two finishes. Still driving #006 Francois finished 2nd at his home French Grand Prix at Paul Ricard.



Tyrrell designer Derek Gardner is quoted as having been influenced by the design of the central engine intake of the Hawker Siddeley Trident having gained access to Hawker Siddeley's Test and Development research on the shape of the inlet. The top piece of the trident airbox as seen here and in period has a buff appearance because

it appears to have been made inside out with the rough side of the fibre glass on the outside of moulding rather than on the inside as one might normally expect.

At the British Grand Prix #006/2 used by Stewart and #006 for Cevert both appeared with older tear drop shape rear wing end plates, but without the aerodynamic appendage hitherto mounted to the back of the airbox and without bodywork covering the Ford DFV cam covers and rear suspension. Despite qualifying 4th and 7th Stewart and Cevert could only finish the British Grand Prix 10th, one lap down, and 5th respectively.

Next came back-to-back one two finishes in the Dutch and German Grands Prix with Cevert in #006 behind Stewart in #006/2, at the Austrian Grand Prix Stewart finished second and clinched the World Championship with a 4th place finish ahead of Cevert at the 1973 Italian Grand Prix after a tremendous recovery from a puncture.

#006 with Francois at the wheel was damaged in a collision with Jody Scheckter on the 36th lap of the 1973 Canadian Grand Prix and parts #006 were salvaged to build up #006/3 in time for the following US Grand Prix. Francois was killed in the new car during practice for that race and the Tyrrell team withdrew from what should have been Stewart's swan song and last Grand Prix before retirement.



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Despite Jackie's five victories and Francois' six 2nd place finishes plus numerous further points paying finishes, Tyrrell were beaten to the 1973 World Constructors championship by Lotus for the second year running, their drivers Fittipaldi and Ronnie Peterson scoring seven victories alongside their other finishes in the points.



The current owner of #006 has had it restored by Hall and Hall to 1973 Spanish - French Grand Prix spec. From 17 Grand Prix starts, along with winning the 1973 South African Grand Prix in the hands of Stewart, #006 scored 7 2nd place finishes with Francois Cevert at the wheel in the 1972 and 1973 seasons.

Sadly first Gerry Birrell and then Roger Williamson who were signed in turn to replace Jackie Stewart at Tyrrell died during the 1973 season and eventually Jackie and Francois were replaced by South African hot shot Jody Scheckter and Frenchman Patrick Depailler.

Although the Tyrrell team would score Grand Prix victories in 1974/75/76/78 1982 and 1983 the team would never again quite reach the heights reached when Jackie Stewart and Francois Cevert raced for the team in 1973.



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Pit Lane Entry News

BPMC Karting raises £400 donation for Bradly Stoke Community Radio

'The Wood and Spence comedy duo'



Following the Charity Karting event last year run by Ken Robson at Avonmouth, it was decided with Ken that we would donate a sum to Bradley Stoke Community radio station, myself and Nick were to be the invited guests at the station to present the cheque.

The comedy act 'Wood and Spence' arrived at the station to be greeted by presenter 16 year old Connor, and Rachael the Bradley Stoke Community Radio chair person. Connor hosts a sports programme and we were shown in to the studio.



Handing over the cheque

Video killed the radio star?





Boys will be boys

Fifteen minutes of fame



Connor started by discussing the farce that is modern Grand Prix racing with Nick. After some music and a recorded interview about basket ball, Connor introduced me as 'Spence, the famous Rally Driver', but I put him right on that.

We talked about the club's activities, along with grass roots motor sports. A few Emails came in, so Nick and I were pleased that at least some one was listening, but it turned out that it was only Ken Robson who was on holiday with his son in sunnier climes, tanning himself, he suggested I watch out how I spoke to the listening hordes.....some one was listening.

The cheque was then handed to Rachael for



£400, that Ken and the club had raised at last year's charity karting event. This event has run for many years with Ken as the driving force, we hope some more Pegasus teams will join us and sign up this year, the charity karting day is a great laugh for a good cause, please think about joining in.

Spence

Answer to what car did Diana Rigg drive in On Her Majesty's Secret Service and the name of the actor in the passenger seat:



Mercury XR7 and George Lazenby

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