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Bristol Pegasus Motor Club Magazine



How many people does it take to drive a Land Rover ?



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Chairman's Chat

By Andy Moss



What an excellent night we had at Redhill for our June Club night and bring your car evening. As well as some good weather, a BBQ and some excellent cars we also had some guests who had travelled a long way to join us. These included a Spanish dentist, Alberto, who

Ralph brought along – he was in the country doing an intensive English course and seemed to enjoy the evening. Duncan Pittaway brought along a couple of Italian guests who were over from the FIAT museum – I am sure they went back with some stories of the “mad English”. Finally we also had the chief designer of a Formula 1 team. Rob Taylor is currently designing the Haas F1 Car which will be entering its first race in 2016. Rob’s past teams have included Red Bull, Jaguar, Ferrari, Arrows, McLaren and Marussia, so he has a wealth of experience in F1. Rob was a club member when he worked at Rolls-Royce and a competitor in speed events before starting his F1 career at Cosworth.



I also enjoyed our informal trip to the Castle Combe Classic, Kit and Retro day. We arranged this at short notice but had an excellent turnout of club members including



some new members and some who had made the long trip from Cornwall. We met up at the Compass and drove in convoy to the circuit. The day was very enjoyable with some nice displays of cars and good trade stands.

We have another couple of excellent social events in July - first a trip to the Frenchay car show which, although it is a small event, always has a nice selection of cars and a good atmosphere. Then we

have our Sunday morning treasure hunt which this year Ralph Colmar is organising - this sounds a fun event so well worth the effort of coming along.

Looking forward, activities are well underway now for the Pegasus Sprint and entry forms will be sent to past competitors and published on the club website in the near future. We are pleased to confirm the event will follow the same format as last year, which means competitors will get two practice and two timed runs.

Editorial

Another busy month's motoring, seems to have passed in but the blink of an eye, the first Saturday of which was spent at the National Motor Museum at Beaulieu where our club secretary Tim Murray, Alberto a guest from Spain and I joined members of the South West and South East MENSA groups for a morning guided tour of the site and enjoyed an afternoon perusing the Museum which was finished off with Cream Tea. If you are wondering, no I probably do not qualify to be a member of MENSA, but my affiliation with the Institute of Advanced Motorists got me a late invitation which I extended to Tim and Alberto.

On the following Monday I brought Alberto along to our BBQ gathering at Redhill and we both enjoyed the blindfold test set up by Chris Thompson, special thanks to Andy Moss for kindly letting Alberto drive his recently acquired automatic Rover 2000 ! The highlight of the evening for many was Nick Wood's completion of the course blindfolded directed by a dozen or so sitting in the back of Duncan Pittaway's 1959 Rover P5B V8 powered Land Rover fitted with outsize milk float wheels and military type tyres to match !

Four days later I was sitting in the passenger seat of a school friend's Porsche Carrera 4 Cabriolet and being whisked off to Le Mans for the first time since 1992. I can't recommend the Rive Droite Restaurant in Alençon for dinner highly enough.

The 24 Hour race proved to be a disappointment for Aston Martin with a retirement from the GTE Am class lead in the final hour, but overall winner Nick Tandy along with class podiums for; Matthew Howson, Richard Bradley, Simon Dolan, Oliver Tovey, Sam Bird in LMP2, Oliver Gavin and James Caldo in GTE Pro all gave the Brits something to cheer.

Last weekend I spent an enjoyable Saturday with Pete Goodman wearing our IAM hats conducting some parking tests with a distinctly iffy Volkswagen Van at the Volksfest in Easter Compton, the variance in spatial awareness between competitors was a sight to behold and I would be the first to admit I am not sure I'd be in the top 50 percent.

On Friday I went to the Festival of Speed with Tim, Pete and Dave Cutcliffe, and we were joined this year for the first time by Pete's son Ben Goodman, the highlight of the event for me appears on the last but one page of this month's issue.

Then in July there will be the Frenchay car show on the 11th and I hope you will join me for our Summer Treasure Hunt on Sunday the 19th, the theme of which will be characters from the Disney Movie cars, start dressing up your car !

Wishing you all a safe month's motoring.

Ralph Colmar



July 2015 Event Summary

Saturday 11th July - Frenchay Village Car Show

There will be a gathering of club classic cars at the Frenchay Village car show at Frenchay Museum from 2 - 5pm on Saturday 11th of July. Refreshments including highly recommended cake will be available.

Sunday 19th July - Treasure Hunt

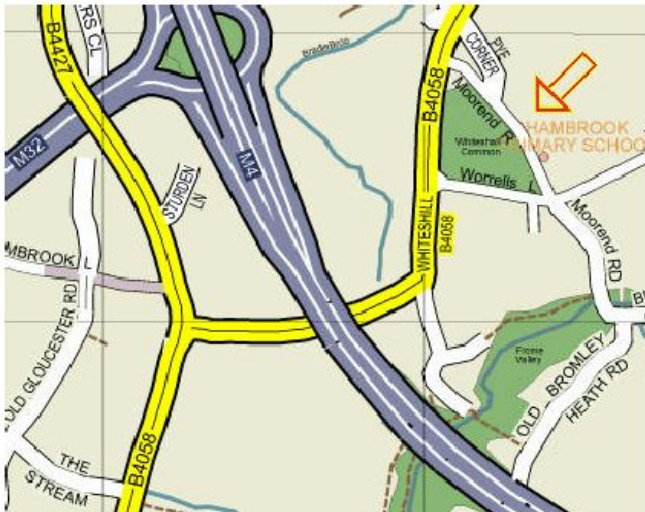
Sunday morning Treasure Hunt starts on Gibbet Lane just past the junction with the A37, BS14 0BX, OS Map 172 Ref 619 668 finish at a country pub. The theme for this year's event will be characters from the Disney Movie "Cars".

Meet at 10.15am for a 10.30 start.

Monday 10th August - Evening Car Tour

Short evening scenic tour with finish at the Compass Inn at Tormarton.

A scenic route has been chosen that all should enjoy. Dust off the car, the family, even the mother-in-law and come along and enjoy motoring through some of our fantastic countryside. No previous experience required, just bring a car and a couple of pens or pencils. The start is from Hambrook Common at 7.15pm. Sign on from 7pm, park opposite Hambrook Primary School, Moorend Road, BS16 1SJ. The finish will be at the Compass Inn at Tormarton.



Saturday 22nd August – Castle Come Track Day

Our Castle Combe Track Day is on August the 22nd this year and entry information is now available from the club website, which has all the information you need in a special Castle Combe day section. <http://castlecombetrackday.bristolpegasus.com>

The event is now filling up quickly so get your entry in soon.

Sunday 13th September - Autosolo

Driving tests on a smooth tarmac at Rolls-Royce Bristol - More information and entry forms coming soon.



Saturday 3rd October - Castle Combe Autumn Classic

The Club will again have a significant involvement at this meeting and will once more be providing the main trophies for the *Bristol Aeroplane Company Motor Sports Club Challenge Trophy* 500cc Formula 3 race.

The Club will also have its own stand to display members' classic cars, so if you have an interesting car from the '60s or earlier that you'd like to display please contact Nick Wood, 0778 6936941 or nickswood@hotmail.com

New at this year's Autumn Classic will be the *Terry Sanger Trophy* race for pre-1966 Saloon cars. Terry had a long association with Castle Combe and also with the club, having been a member in the mid-1950s, and instructor at our annual track day.

Other races will be for Historic Aston Martins, Austin Healeys, VSCC pre-war sportscars, pre-66 Jaguars, FISCAR 50s sportscars and Historic Formula Juniors, while a highlight of the day will be a demonstration of the BRM V16. Further announcements will appear at www.castlecombeautumnclassic.co.uk.

Marshals Required

Maple Garage Beaver Rally 4th/5th July

The event is a round of the SD34, Premier Road, ANCC, ANEMMC and EMAMC association championships, and has been voted the Best Road Rally of the year by most of these associations.

The summer timing means a much earlier finish than we used to have. Please can anyone who would like to marshal get in touch with me by e-mail or on 07970 264094 or 01482 876400 in the evening.

Any questions, please get in touch, and thank you.

Matthew Atkinson, Chief Marshal - Beaver Rally, www.bdmc.org.uk

BMC - Dick Mayo Sprint Castle Combe 25th July

To run safely 40+ Marshals are needed for circuit posts, paddock and start line.

All Marshals will be given a free lunch in The Tavern Restaurant in the Combe paddock and there will be a quality raffle draw.

If you can volunteer your valuable time it would be greatly appreciated.

To register your interest please contact :-

Mike Cole, Lead Marshal, Bristol Motor Club, Tel: 07980 416075

BMC Hillclimb Wiscombe Park 5th/6th September

Bristol Motor Club will be running their annual hillclimb event at Wiscombe Park on September 5th/6th. The organising team are starting to get things sorted and are asking for volunteers to assist on one or both days. There is camping space available and a host of local pubs and B&B's if you want to make a weekend of it. Please let me know if you are interested and I can pass on your details.

Mike Cole, Lead Marshal, Bristol Motor Club, Tel: 07980 416075

Deadline for Next Backfire: 21st July 2015

We are always looking for members' contributions on competitions, club matters and or journeys to Backfire

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Bristol Pegasus NEEDS YOU !

The successful running of club events requires Marshals and Organisers

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- [Be close to the action](#)
- [Meet Other Club Members](#)
- [No experience required](#)



Frenchay Village Show

Alan Spencer is co-ordinating BPMC club cars.



Please join us again



this year!

Saturday 11th July

**Frenchay Vintage Vehicle Day
at Frenchay Village Museum 2 - 5pm**



Again there are free vintage buses to Frenchay Flower Show
Please arrive between 1 and 1.30pm if you are displaying a vehicle
Entrance B of Frenchay Hospital BS16 1SZ
Free Entry - More details 0117 9570942

Redhill BBQ Club Night



Redhill Gymkhana

Position	Driver	Seconds
1st	Martin Baker	100
2nd	Danny Castleton	110
3rd	Mal Allen	120
4th	Keith Knight	125
5th	Alan Spencer	140
6th	Neil Thomas	160
7th	Nick Wood	190
8th	A Head	220
9th	Ralph Colmar	240
10th	Duncan Pittaway	270
11th	Alberto Carreño	360



Bristol Pegasus Fantasy Formula One 2015

Results After Austrian Grand Prix



Jon Dee remains top but he started with bonus points for not spending all his budget and the gap is closing - can Ferrari do enough to keep him there or will those with Mercedes cars and drivers catch up ? Please check your entry and let Andy Moss (andy@mossdata.co.uk or 07710 000144) know if there are any mistakes or omissions.

NAME	DRIVER 1	DRIVER 2	TEAM 1	TEAM 2	ENGINE	SCORE
JON DEE	RAIKKONEN	VETTEL	FERRARI	LOTUS	FERRARI	322
KEN ROBSON	ROSBERG	VETTEL	FERRARI	SAUBER	FERRARI	309
ALYSON MARSDEN	HAMILTON	ROSBERG	FERRARI	SAUBER	SAUBER	289
HELENA SARSTED	ERICSSON	GROSJEAN	LOTUS	MERCEDES	MERCEDES	284
DAVE CUTCLIFFE	NASR	RAIKKONEN	LOTUS	MERCEDES	WILLIAMS	277
MIKE MARSDEN	GROSJEAN	ROSBERG	MERCEDES	SAUBER	LOTUS	270
MATT JOHNSON	GROSJEAN	RICCIARDO	FERRARI	LOTUS	MERCEDES	255
TIM MURRAY	BOTTAS	HULKENBERG	LOTUS	MERCEDES	SAUBER	255
DONNY ALLEN	HAMILTON	ROSBERG	LOTUS	ROSSO	FERRARI	252
AUDREY KING	HAMILTON	RICCIARDO	FERRARI	LOTUS	SAUBER	246
MARY CRADDY	BOTTAS	ROSBERG	FERRARI	INDIA	LOTUS	244
CHARLIE EMSLEY	BOTTAS	ERICSSON	LOTUS	MERCEDES	INDIA	242
DICK CRADDY	HAMILTON	VETTEL	INDIA	ROSSO	WILLIAMS	236
CHRIS THOMPSON	HAMILTON	SAINZ	INDIA	ROSSO	MERCEDES	230
MARK NIBLETT	HAMILTON	MALDONADO	LOTUS	WILLIAMS	WILLIAMS	229
MARTIN EMSLEY	HAMILTON	PEREZ	SAUBER	WILLIAMS	WILLIAMS	229
ANN FARROW	BOTTAS	ROSBERG	SAUBER	ROSSO	MERCEDES	229
SHARON REYNOLDS	ERICSSON	HAMILTON	FERRARI	MCLAREN	ROSSO	228
JOE ROBSON	RICCIARDO	VETTEL	FERRARI	ROSSO	INDIA	222
ROSS WILLING	ALONSO	HAMILTON	FERRARI	INDIA	ROSSO	222
MAL ALLEN	BUTTON	PEREZ	INDIA	MERCEDES	LOTUS	213
CHRIS BENNETT	BUTTON	RAIKKONEN	FERRARI	MCLAREN	FERRARI	213
MICHAEL GRIFFITHS	BOTTAS	HAMILTON	INDIA	ROSSO	WILLIAMS	210
ANDREW MOSS	BUTTON	MALDONADO	LOTUS	WILLIAMS	MERCEDES	205

SIMON MOSS	BUTTON	ROSBERG	INDIA	LOTUS	MERCEDES	205
SAM THOMPSON	BOTTAS	MASSA	INDIA	LOTUS	MERCEDES	201
MARK ELVIN	BOTTAS	HULKENBERG	ROSSO	WILLIAMS	WILLIAMS	197
BOB BULL	BOTTAS	BUTTON	LOTUS	WILLIAMS	FERRARI	197
KATE HARRIS	GROSJEAN	VETTEL	INDIA	WILLIAMS	REDBULL	195
ALISON BENNETT	HAMILTON	VETTEL	INDIA	MCLAREN	LOTUS	190
MICHELLE RADCLIFFE	RAIKKONEN	RICCIARDO	FERRARI	MCLAREN	SAUBER	185
CHARLES ALEXANDER	BOTTAS	PEREZ	ROSSO	WILLIAMS	INDIA	184
PAUL BEAL	BUTTON	VETTEL	FERRARI	MCLAREN	MCLAREN	175
BILL FARROW	BOTTAS	HULKENBERG	INDIA	MCLAREN	MERCEDES	167
JAMIE BEAL	ALONSO	HAMILTON	LOTUS	MCLAREN	WILLIAMS	154
JOHN HARRIS	BOTTAS	BUTTON	LOTUS	MCLAREN	MERCEDES	154
TOM DEE	BOTTAS	KVYAT	ROSSO	WILLIAMS	FERRARI	152
LIZ MOSS	BUTTON	VETTEL	LOTUS	REDBULL	LOTUS	146
PETE STOWE	BOTTAS	RICCIARDO	LOTUS	MCLAREN	WILLIAMS	132
JEFF OAKLEY	BOTTAS	ROSBERG	MCLAREN	ROSSO	MCLAREN	127
JOSH BEAL	BUTTON	HAMILTON	INDIA	MCLAREN	MCLAREN	120



Upcoming Races

Round	Date	Race	Circuit	Live on BBC
9	05-Jul	British Grand Prix	Silverstone	Yes
10	19-Jul	German Grand Prix	TBC	No
11	26-Jul	Hungarian Grand Prix	Budapest	Yes

Club Members - Castle Combe Kit and Retro Day



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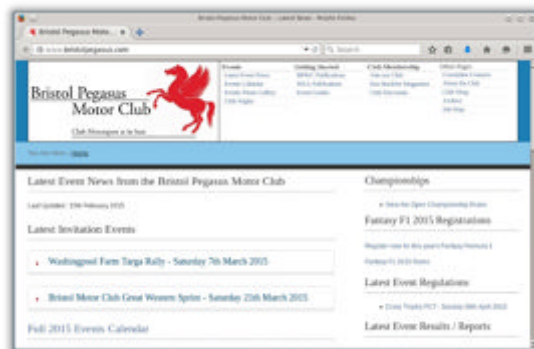


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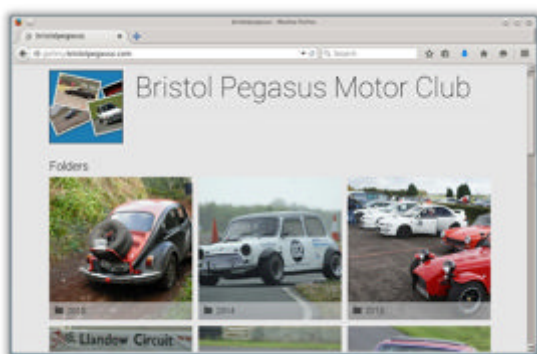
The club has a number of useful resources on the internet

Club Website – www.bristolpegasus.com

The club website is the place to go for information on forthcoming events, join or renew your membership or look up information about club officials and the club itself. Online entry is available for our major events, as well as for competitions such as our Fantasy F1. Results from events are published here along with information on events we have been invited to by other clubs. You can read past copies of the club Backfire magazine and there are also publications such as guides to getting started in different motorsport events. Links to the other club internet resources, as well as links to other interesting websites can also be found here.



Club Photo Gallery – gallery.bristolpegasus.com



Here you will find lots of photos from past club events, as well as other events that members have attended or entered. There are hundreds of photos and this is an ideal place to get a feel for the sort of events you can enjoy as a Pegasus member.

Club Facebook Page – bristolpegasus.com/facebook

Our facebook page contains major news and information about the club. As well as giving the club a presence on this popular site it allows members to follow this page on facebook so updates appear automatically on their facebook feed. All the posts on this page come from the club itself and typically will include things such as a new Backfire magazine being available or



entry forms for a major event being made available. You do not need to be a facebook member to read the contents of this page, but will need to join facebook to automatically receive updates.

Club Facebook Group - [bristolpegasus.com/facebook-group](https://www.facebook.com/bristolpegasus.com/facebook-group)



The Pegasus facebook group is a place where members can post and discuss their motoring and motorsport activities. Similar to a forum the facebook setup makes it easy to post pictures as well as text, and makes it easy for people to comment on what has been posted. You have to be a facebook member to join the group, but this is free to join. If you are not a fan of facebook you can set up a very basic profile without the need to reveal more online than your name – and if you don't want to do that you can always sign up under an alias. Despite being quite a new facebook

group we already have a good number of members and there are a lot of interesting posts.

Club Twitter Feed - [bristolpegasus.com/twitter](https://twitter.com/bristolpegasus.com/twitter)

If you just want the most important announcements sent to you automatically you can follow the club on twitter. You will receive a message when important things like event entry forms are released or when the latest club magazine is available. If you are a regular twitter user and wish to mention the club in your own twitter messages don't forget to include

@BristolPegasus in your tweet. You need to be a twitter member to get automatic updates sent to you on your PC or phone, but if you just want to read past messages from the club you can simply point your web browser at the address above.



E-Mail Lists

If you wish to be the first receive a mail when entry forms are available for our Sprint Events or Castle Combe Track Day we can add you to our e-mail lists. Mail enquiries@bristolpegasus.com and let us know which events interest you.

Bristol Pegasus Track & Tuition Day Castle Combe



Saturday 22nd August 2015

**Tickets now on sale for our Annual
Castle Combe Track Day**

BPMC member price held for the 5th year at £129.00

This is your chance to drive your own car at Castle Combe Circuit

- Around 6 cars in each session so plenty of track space
- Tuition from Castle Combe Instructor included in price
 - No extra charges for passengers
- Share tickets between two drivers or cars at no extra cost
- A true club day - run for the benefit of members not for profit
 - All you need is a helmet and ordinary driving license
 - Sensible drivers with good on track driving standards

See club website www.bristolpegasus.com for entry details or contact Tim Murray if you require a printed entry form posted

This event is always popular - Send your entry in NOW !

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 (Have limited stocks left)

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.

We are having a new batch of club **car & windscreen stickers** printed details of how to get yours next month.

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2015 Castle Combe Race Meetings



Howard's Day, Monday 6th April

Celebrate the start of the season with some fantastic racing in memory of the great Howard Strawford. Look forward to track action from each of the home championships & sports series, the superb Mini Miglias & 7s, the MGCC Midget & Sprite Challenge & the inaugural visit of the Welsh Sports & Saloon Car Championship!

BARC Motors TV Race Day, Monday 4th May

Joining the Castle Combe Championships in their second round of the season will be a great variety of BARC Championships including races from the Classic Touring Car Racing Club and the Classic Formula Ford 1600s, with live broadcasting on Motors TV for fans to enjoy across the world!

BRSCC Whitsun Race Day, Monday 25th May

Look forward to a fantastic day of racing with the BRSCC including the Mazda MX-5 Championship and SuperCup plus their Ultimate Saloon Championship. Expect great action from the three Castle Combe Championships now all in full swing and enjoy the endurance racing of the Dave Allan Trophy.

BRSCC Race Weekend, Saturday 18th & Sunday 19th July

BRSCC are back, bringing even more great racing alongside round 4 of the home Championships. Watch the Avon Tyres Caterham Championships, the Toyo Tires Honda VTEC Challenge & Smart 4Two Cup plus the hugely popular BRSCC Mighty Minis & Super Mighty Minis. If all that wasn't enough there's also the Ford Fiesta & Fiesta Junior Championships!

Summer Race Day, Saturday 8th August

Enjoy a wonderful day of summer racing with the 5th round of the Castle Combe Championships and the 2nd round of the Sports Racing Series. Enjoy a definite MG theme to the day with the MG Trophy, Metro Cup, as well as the MGCC BCV8s and Thoroughbred Sportscars!

August Bank Holiday Race Day, Monday 31st August

Alongside the Castle Combe Championships and Sports Series, now nearing this season's crescendo, enjoy the unmistakable sound of the 'prancing horses' as the Ferrari Owners' Club returns for two races as does the great Monoposto Racing Club with their super speedy Single Seaters!

September Race Day, Saturday 5th September

It's a day of visiting clubs and championships for this meeting including the Caterham Graduates as well as the 750 Motor Club with double headers of their super-fast RGB and Sports Specials Championships. The Track Attack Racing Club will also be in attendance with the Nippon Challenge and the Toyota MR2s.

Autumn Classic, Saturday 3rd October

A wonderful revival of the motoring joys of yesteryear which fills the paddock, track and car parks on this superb day. Prepare to take a trip down memory lane again this year with some delightful displays & great historic racing plus the nostalgic atmosphere which attract thousands of enthusiasts! Find out more on the dedicated Autumn Classic website; www.castlecombeautumnclassic.co.uk

Grand Finals Race Day, Saturday 10th October

Enjoy the climax of the Castle Combe Championships & Sports Racing Series and see who will wear the last Laurel wreaths of 2015! Entertainment also comes in the form of an HSCC Historic Formula 3 double header, the Formula Ford Carnival Race as well as tin top action from the Production BMW Championship & the Sports vs Saloons open race; a thrilling end to the season!

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ACE Classic Tour 2015



Pegasus Motor Club

**The 2015 Crumpled
Cup Autosolo**

Rolls-Royce - Bristol

Sunday 13th September

**We are pleased to announce we will be running an Autosolo
at Rolls-Royce in 2015**

**For those who have not entered one before an Autosolo is a
set of timed all forward tests around cones**

**A low cost, fun driving event rather than a memory test - our
event is ideal for beginners or experienced competitors**

**Flowing tests
No experience Required
No competition licence
No helmet or overalls**

**Suitable for most road
cars - just turn up and
join in**



**Regulations and entry details coming soon
on the club website.**

Remember When ?



On the 12th of June 1955 three 2 litre Bristol 450's driven by Peter Wilson sharing with Jim Mayers, Mike Keen with Tommy Line and Tommy Wisdom with Jack Fairman finished 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the 2 litre class in the Le Mans 24 Hours, repeating the team's feat in 1954. The team's prize money was donated to the relief fund supporting victims of the Le Mans disaster on the day of the start of the 1955 race after which Bristol withdrew further competition, breaking up all the cars except the one above seen at last year's Autumn Classic.

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Duncan Pittaway's FIAT S76 at Goodwood Festival of Speed 2015

BPMC 2015 Events Calendar

Month	Day	Date	Event	Location
Jul	Sat	11th	Frenchay Car Show	Gathering of club cars at the Frenchay Museum car show
Jul	Sun	19th	Treasure Hunt Disney Movie Cars theme Meet 10.15am, 10.30 start	Near Gibbet Lane junction with A37, BS14 0BX, Map Ref 172/619668 country pub finish
Aug	Mon	10th	Evening Car Tour Finish Compass Tormarton	Hambrook Common BS16 1SJ 7.15pm. Sign on from 7pm
Aug	Sat	22nd	Pegasus Castle Combe Track Day	Our own track day at Castle Combe Circuit
Sep	Sun	13th	Autosolo	Driving tests on a smooth tarmac at Rolls-Royce Bristol
Sep	Mon	14th	Club Night	Our usual mix of speakers and socials, BAWA Room 7 - 8pm
Oct	Sat	3rd	Castle Combe Autumn Classic	Club display at the Castle Combe Classic Race Meeting
Oct	Mon	12th	Club Night	Our usual mix of speakers and socials, BAWA Room 7 - 8pm
Oct	Sat	24th	Pegasus Sprint	Our Sprint at Castle Combe Circuit
Nov	Mon	9th	Club Night	Our usual mix of speakers and socials, BAWA Room 7 - 8pm
Nov	Fri	13th	Club Trip - Classic Car Show	Club Trip to this impressive show at the NEC
Dec	Mon	14th	AGM, Buffet and Prize Giving	Our annual Buffet, prize giving and AGM BAWA Room 7 - 8pm
Dec	Mon	28th	Christmas Meeting	Post-Christmas informal get together

MSA confirms Motor Sports Council decisions regarding Frontal Head Restraints

Motor Sports Council, the MSA's rule-making body, has voted to mandate the use of Frontal Head Restraints in Stage Rallying, Hillclimbs and Sprints – with certain exceptions in each – from 2016 onward.

It was decided that from 1 January 2016 an FIA-approved FHR will be mandatory for all Stage Rally competitors and all Hillclimb and Sprint competitors, except for those in Historic Category One Stage Rally vehicles, for whom they will be mandatory from 2017, and for those Hillclimb and Sprint competitors in Period Defined Vehicles, Road-going Series Production Cars and Road-going Specialist Production Cars for whom they will be recommended.

The relevant new regulations – along with all others approved by Motor Sports Council on June 9th – will be published in due course.