#### **Bristol Pegasus Motor Club Magazine**



Congratulations to Martyn and Lisa Davies Expert Winners on the Nav Ex



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We are always looking for members' contributions on competitions, club matters and journeys.

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#### **Editorial**

Since the last issue of Backfire my life's journey has completed its 60th orbit of the sun, a journey an astronomical gnats over 35,060,000,000 miles at an average speed of 67,000 miles per hour.

One might have thought this experience would have been enough to satiate my need for speed, but truth be told there is still little more satisfying than spending a day at work covering 400 miles plus at an average speed of 45 mph plus, or spending a day off work doing something similar or gawping at competition machinery capable of even higher speeds.

If, as Mr Lau is once alleged to have postulated 'life when it is understood and utilised for what it is tastes sweet', then for me life's sweeter moments are still going further and faster in a little metal box with four road wheels.

To wit Sue and I went on our first nav ex together in the middle of the month, she started in the passenger seat but before we left the car park we had changed places which at least meant we made it to the finish thanks to her superior map reading skills. You can read Dick Craddys report on the event in these very pages congratulations to experts Martyn and Lisa Davies and novices Chris and Tom Thompson on managing to score equal highest points!

Looking forwards the pace picks up with former formula one driver Mike Wilds guesting on our club night at BAWA on March 11th, which is followed on Sunday March 17th with an Autosolo in the Brightside Car Park at Aust Services. Lookout for our return to Duncan Pittaway's Dundry farm on Sunday 28th for the Cross Trophy production car trial, Llandow sprint on Saturday May 11th and the Ace Classic Tour on Sunday 2nd of June.

Time dust to get out Madge serviced and MOT'd for another summer of fun.

Wishing you all a safe month's motoring.



#### **Events Calendar**

#### An Evening With Mike Wilds Mon 11th March 8pm BAWA

Mike Wilds is a hugely experienced British Racing Driver who started racing in May 1965 and instructing on track in the early 1970's. His



racing career in the last 50 years includes Formula Ford 1600, European Formula Three, European Formula 5000, World Championship Formula One and the World Sports Car Championship. Mike has won 12 British Championships in Sports, GT and Touring cars including most recently Class 2 of the 2016 Britcar/Dunlop Endurance Championship in a Ferrari 458GTC Evo driving with son Anthony.

#### 17th March Spring AutoSolo

Brightside Car Park Aust Services regs are on the website or Contact Andy Moss 07710000144. Enter early to avoid disappointment.

#### Monday 8th April - Club Night

Club meeting at BAWA from 8pm - speaker historic racer Matt Hulbert.

#### **Sunday 28th April - Cross Trophy Car Trial - Dundry**

Our Production Car Trial is to be held at Lower Grove Farm in Dundry on Sunday April 28th. The venue is superb for an event of this type and should offer a challenge for most. Signing on from 12.00 & first car to start at 13.00. Entrants will need a vehicle, a driver and a passenger whose job it will be to jump about in the passenger seat to maintain traction when the going gets a bit slippy. If you don't have a passenger,



don't worry – you can always grab a fellow competitor to sit in. Entry details coming soon on the club website or contact Event Secretary - Tim Murray 0117 9499449, secretary@bristolpegasus.com

A brilliant fun afternoon with your ordinary road car.

#### **Saturday 11th May - Llandow Sprint**

The 2019 May Llandow Sprint will again be organised by ourselves and Bristol Motor Club. As well as the ASWMC and WAMC championships we joined by a number of one make championships.

Entry details on the club website or contact Andy Moss on 0117 9041841.

Marshals also required - Cooked Lunch Provided - Free bridge crossing!



#### Sunday 2nd June - Ace



#### **Classic and Sports Tour**

June the 2nd is the date for our ACE Car Tour. The Tour will follow a new route which is being planned by Alan Spencer. The event is aimed primarily at Classic, Kit and Sports Cars but club members are very welcome whatever car they are driving. Details in Backfire next month or on the website.

#### **Club Trip - Saturday June 8th**

Cosford RAF Museum during the day and afterwards an evening visit to Birmingham Wheels to watch the stock car racing. This will be a long day, approximate return to Bristol at 11pm. A mini bus will be provided but numbers will be limited. Please give your name to Nick Wood (07786936941) if you would like to come.



https://www.rafmuseum.org.uk/cosford/
http://www.spedeworth.co.uk/incarace/fixtures.php?pageNum\_RSfixtures=1&totalR
ows\_RSfixtures=119

## Saturday 17th August Castle Combe Track Day

Entries open soon - forms will be e-mailed to past entrants and will be published on the club website where you can enter online.



#### **Invitations**

#### **Lotus Drivers Club The Bull Hinton**

Rob Ford the Lotus Drivers Club area leader organises meetings at The Bull Inn, Hinton usually on the first Tuesday of the month at 19:30 for 20:00 start.

Kevin Whittle on Lotus 19's April 2nd, Guy Mundy and Dave Minter on Lotus Elise April 16th, Peter Lucas on Lotus 11 May 7th, John Barnard on Formula 1, Williams Open Day see notice in this issue of Backfire.

All BPMC members welcome.

#### John Barnard at Williams Automobiles Saturday 1st June

FREE Open at 10am talk at 11:30am.

John Barnard the legendary Formula One Designer will be giving a talk, at this totally FREE event so just come along and enjoy.

John introduced a range of aviation technology into Formula One during his career in motor sport which included but was not limited spells at :-

2002 - 2007 Kenny Roberts MotoGP — Designer, 1998 - 2001 Prost F1 — Technical Consultant, 1993 - 1997 Scuderia Ferrari — Designer, 1990 - 1992 Benetton — Designer, 1987 - 1989 Scuderia Ferrari — Designer, 1980 - 1986 McLaren Formula One Team — Designer, 1975 - 1979 Parnelli Jones Racing — Designer, 1972 - 1974, McLaren Formula One Team — Designer, 1968 - 1971 Lola Racing Team — Designer

We will have FREE Burgers, Bacon rolls, Sausages, Teas and Coffees plus cakes for you on the day.

Venue will be Williams Automobiles at:

Totteroak Courtyard, Horton, Chipping Sodbury, Bristol BS37 6QG

Please let Nick Wood know if you are planning to come as we need names and numbers for food and drink. e-mail nickswood@hotmail.com

#### **Marshalls Wanted**

#### **Great Western Sprint, Castle Combe, Saturday March 23rd.**

Featuring rounds of the MSA British Sprint Championship and HSA Speed Championship this event is organised by Bristol Motor Club who are looking for volunteers to marshal the circuit posts, paddock and start line. No experience is necessary as novices will always be paired with more experienced members of the team.

Marshals will be given a free hot lunch in The Tavern Restaurant in the paddock, quality raffle draw and reward points for BMC members.

To register your interest please email, text, phone or tweet Chief Marshal Mike Cole Tel: 07980 416075 Twitter: @mcole7617





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#### **Club Night Venue**

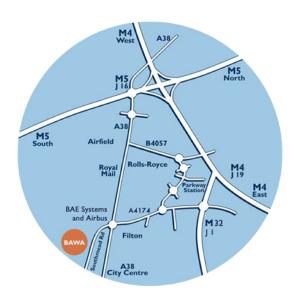
# Our regular venue is BAWA Leisure Centre 589 Southmead Road, Filton, Bristol, BS34 7RG



As many members will know we recently returned to BAWA which was our regular club meeting venue for many years. There are no issues for non-BAWA members coming to our evening.

We normally meet in Room 7 or Room 4. Most meetings start at 8.00pm, check Backfire for details each month.

There is a public bar so members arriving early may enjoy a drink and a chat before the formal club night proceedings start.



Note: Next BPMC meeting at BAWA is on Mon 11th March, An Evening With Mike Wilds arrive in time to get drinks before a prompt 8pm start.

#### 15th February Navigation Exercise

Coppice Mawr, being located 1 mile to the east of Shirenewton adjacent to the B4235 is a most suitable place to start an event such as this. In daytime it is a haven for dog walkers or those wish to hold a picnic given the adjacent fast running stream and crossing bridge.

The entry on this occasion consisted of four quality crews. Returning from their win in 2018 were father and daughter crew of as Martyn and Lisa Davies (Ford Fiesta). Lined up against them were father and son combination of Chris and Tom Thompson (SAAB 93). Chairman Bob and Alan Spencer (Mini Cooper S) and Ralph Colmar and first-time navigator Sue Brown (VW Golf SV) completed the field.

As has become traditional the Novice route cards consisted entirely of 6 or 8 figure map references whereas the Expert route cards incorporated false origins, a herringbone, grid squares and tulip arrows.

Year on year this area has offered ample opportunity for varying routes and 2019 was no exception with a 27- mile challenge on offer. Initially crews navigated a clockwise loop that took them from the west of Shirenewton, via Pwlimeric and back to the south of Shirenewton before heading west via Trewen, Llanvair Discoed and Llanvaches. From there the route headed north to Pen y cae-mawr, via Wentwood, at which point crews turned east and south east passing through Earlswood and Bica Common. Heading north to Caerllwyd the route reached the familiar area around Bullyhole Bottom before heading east towards Itton and finally south to finish at the Huntsmans Inn north of Shirenewton.

Al crews returned to the finish in good time and the result turned out to be very close a battle between Lisa and Tom (and their fathers!) such that they both finished with a score of 235 points out of a possible maximum of 250! An excellent performance by both crews.

#### The results were:

| 1st             | Martyn and Lisa Davies     | Expert | Ford Fiesta   |
|-----------------|----------------------------|--------|---------------|
| equal           | Chris and Tom Thompson     | Novice | SAAB 93       |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Bob Bull and Alan Spencer  | Expert | Mini Cooper S |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Ralph Colmar and Sue Brown | Novice | VW Golf SV    |

My thanks to each crew who supported this annual event.

**Dick Craddy** 

#### **Nav Ex Pics**



Chris and Tom Thompson Novice Winners



Bob Bull and Alan Spencer



Sue Brown and Ralph Colmar

#### It's an uphill struggle

#### They do run run run, they do run run...

Well, they would if they did. With the Elan Sprint back at home we decided to have a poke about and sort the little foibles left on the list. Fortunately not many.

Ah yes water temp. It was all a bit déjà vu with the old blue Elan S4 in mind.

We have an ally rad and Dellortos, so the pesky lean Strombergs of the last car were not any part of the problem this time. Running the car up to temp and putting a laser gun on it, suspicion arose that, yet again, an Elan temperature gauge was reading over 10 degrees hot. But, having dismissed an oil pressure issue on my old Simca as a gauge problem only to hear the motor go 'bang', I was going to stay with this one a little longer.



We decided to get a variable fan switch to replace the Otter. £32 and a week later, it arrived looking very like the old Kenlowe controllers. An hour later and it was all buttoned up.

To address the gauge problem we shielded the temperature gauge sender with Zircotec as it sits right above the stainless big bore manifolds. It's a bit of a daft piece of positioning but the effects are probably not so extreme with the standard cast manifold.

A test run into the meat of the Cardiff traffic (we do a nice line in traffic over here) had the gauge reading 80 ish and the fan cutting in and out in a very timely fashion. Result.

And then my attention turned to a more trivial matter – slightly cramped legs. The last Elan was very roomy. Gordon Murray drives one for goodness sake. And he's 6'6"!

A bit of fumbling later and I realised that the clever reversible brackets for the drivers front seat mount were in the forward position – presumably the previous 'one lady owner' was not 6'6". To top it off, the seat was also jammed in its runners. They don't run run run...



Well that's an easy fix then isn't it? Just whip the brackets off, slide the seat back and refit them in reverse. Two sheared bolt heads later and I knew I was in for an evening of it. Not enough thread to get a pair of nuts on, no welder to my name and a nut clamp that couldn't quite grab the remaining threaded bar meant drilling the bolts out was the only answer. Anyway, a couple of hours of swearing, broken drill bits and cleaning up had the seat in its rear position and me comfortable. That's it. One working Elan Sprint.

A sortie to Prescott to watch a British Hill Climb Championship round is always a super day out. The boys and I got there early, parked in the Members – very lumpy – field and got a full English down us pronto. It stayed dry all day and I spent half of it chin wagging, as you do. The top 12 run off was impressive with Trevor Willis and Will Hall both 4 wheel drifting their single seaters. Equally amazing is Robert Kenrick's GWR Raptor with its, allegedly, 240bhp, 15 000 rpm BMW 1000 motor. It goes well enough to justify those numbers.

With no rain forecast, for Goodwood Revival, we assumed that it would indeed rain and went in the Jeep. I am beginning to wonder why I have so many cars when in fact the Jeep does most things that I want to do. Mrs Jones doesn't read Backfire so I can say what I really think here. Mum's the word though aye?

It stayed fine all weekend. I never get tired of seeing fabulous cars and indeed the car park was just as good. The St Mary's Part 2 was a bit too spectacular but the TT, CAN- AMs and St Mary's pro race were as terrific as ever. The ex-Dan Gurney Impala sat there on display in the paddock. It looked great and Lloyd had been fortunate enough to 'have a fiddle with it' when he was up at Jordan Racing.



The Eagle Weslake sounded wonderful – that's a nice V12 that I had not heard before.



It seems Porsche 904s are now fully in fashion. They sound lovely but with 2 litre sixes they struggle against the Cobras and E Types, though the event was better for them being in the TT. I look forward to the day when an Abarth Simca 2 Mila hits the grid.

And then there was Shelsley. It's a bit like a Goodwood MkII in many ways – similar sheds, some of the same commentators, rich heritage. I do love the place and was privileged to have competed at the Centenary event back in 2005 in my old white Abarth 850TC. This time I would be in the 1000 – although they share the same A112 type motor.

A gathering for a wedding, some feral kids, feckless 'Facebook' parents and people lying in the corridor on their iphones in the wee hours confirmed to me the Premier Inns are now officially Pants and I will be going elsewhere in future. But Shelsley – that was just lovely.

I wanted to beat my 42.40 from 2005. Would the revised gearbox be any better? Would it last all day? Was the 95bhp but heavier 1000TC going to be quicker than the 77bhp 850TC? Well the good news is that the gearbox is good and strong, the car ran very sweetly and had a crowd round it all day. The bad news is that I ended up 9 tenths off my old time. Why?

It was simply gear ratios. Everything worked fine but the 4 speeder had yawning gaps which did not present themselves at Rockingham where it was all 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> and the little blighter was very quick indeed. On the hill though, the rev drop between the lower gears killed it.

But a best start of 2.70 secs for the 64 ft. is not too shabby for a little 95bhp classic off a start line with a gradient. Thereafter, I was pedal to the floor all the way to bottom Ess.

It was a day packed with incident and two cars got badly damaged. A Mini went off into the bank at Kennel, rotated and did all 4 corners. Earlier, and sadly, CMSCC's Ben Everett manged to total a second car in 18mths when he dropped the family MX5 (fortunately at low speed) at top Ess. It's not going to buff out. After a long stoppage with us trapped in the top paddock, the recovery truck arrived with an MX5 'butter side down'...

It had a roll bar, but not a full cage and it was a salutary reminder not to rely on the windscreen header rail to save you. Fortunately he was not wearing a HANs so he could duck down. And he needed to. A HANs without a cage is not a good idea in a car like an MX5. I would not have thought it unless I had seen it. At least it was just a damaged car — Ben was fine and we all breathed a sigh of relief.





So that was the end of what had been a short season. Still, I was buoyed by news that the Marcos 1800 GT was pretty much on its feet and we were into 'booking the FIA scrutineer' to get HTP papers sorted. Exciting times.

#### Bristol Pegasus NEEDS YOU!

The successful running of club events requires Marshals and Organisers

Get involved

Be close to the action

Meet Other Club Members



#### **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

Pick your colour and size, state whether polo or sweatshirt and how many, then ring/email Alan Spencer with your order :- alan49spencer@gmail.com 01179 712587 Polo shirts £6.50 each and sweatshirts £10 - a bargain!



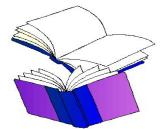




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#### **2019 Clubmans Championship**

| Position | Name            | Total | No of events | Organised or marshalled? |
|----------|-----------------|-------|--------------|--------------------------|
| 1        | Chris Thompson  | 12.70 | 3            | No                       |
| 2        | Tom Thompson    | 9.70  | 3            | No                       |
| 3        | Alan Spencer    | 7.00  | 2            | No                       |
| 4        | Ben Bishop      | 5.50  | 1            | No                       |
| 5        | Shaun West      | 5.00  | 1            | No                       |
| 6        | Philip Turner   | 4.33  | 1            | No                       |
| 7=       | Martyn Davies   | 4.13  | 1            | No                       |
| 7=       | Lisa Davies     | 4.13  | 1            | No                       |
| 9=       | Niall Smiddy    | 3.50  | 1            | No                       |
| 9=       | Peter Dickinson | 3.50  | 1            | No                       |
| 9=       | Andy Moss       | 3.50  | 1            | No                       |

**Compiled by Tim Murray** 

#### **Automated Membership System**

We have introduced a new automated membership system. A link has been added to the Bristol Pegasus website.

The new system will help to ensure our details are correct and allow you to update your own information to ensure you get timely information from the club including your renewal reminders. As well as these benefits it reduces administration for the club volunteers and keeps your information secure.

All members who can use the new system are encouraged to do so, but should you not have internet access we will help update your information and provide a paper form. One significant difference is that new memberships will run for 12 months from start/renewal date as opposed to running out at year end. New members can already join using the system which is online on the club website.

ALL members can check and update their details by accessing our membership system at :- <a href="https://bristolpegasus.com/manage-your-membership/">https://bristolpegasus.com/manage-your-membership/</a>

All members now get membership for a year from renewal or joining date.





## **Bristol Pegasus Fantasy Formula One 2019 Competition Details - Free Entry**

The Bristol Pegasus Fantasy Formula One competition is now into its 24th year and continues to be popular with members. Our rules differ a little from those found in the "real" F1 championship so make sure you read them carefully.

Entry is free and open to all club members. One family member may also submit an entry. Results will be published in Backfire each month and will be available between magazines on the club website.

Prizes – Whilst our Fantasy F1 contest is mostly for fun, a £20 gift voucher of your choice will be awarded to the winner. We will accept entries up to the first race – the Australian Grand Prix. Entries should arrive by Friday 15th March - Good Luck!

#### **Rules**

You must pick any TWO drivers, any TWO teams and an Engine

- You have a budget of £110m; if you exceed this amount your team will not be accepted. For every £1m under budget, 5 bonus points will be awarded.
- Your driver must finish the race to score points
- Replacement drivers do not count, likewise if one of your teams doesn't complete the season, you cannot replace them. However the rest of your drivers/teams will still count and you will score points.
- Team and Engine scores are based on the combined score of both cars. Engines score half points.
- All participants have to pick a joker race, in the event of a tie at the end of the season your score from this race will count double.
- Points will be as follows:

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1st = 25, 2nd = 18, 3rd = 15, 4th = 12, 5th = 10, 6th = 8, 7th = 6, 8th = 4, 9th = 2, 10th = 1
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The easiest way to enter is online at

https://bristolpegasus.com/news/fantasy-formula-1/

or Complete the entry form on the next page. If you do not wish to cut your Backfire send your entry on a photocopy or a plain piece of paper.

| Constructor  | Cost | Race Drivers       | Cost | Engines                 | Cost |
|--------------|------|--------------------|------|-------------------------|------|
|              | (£M) |                    | (£M) |                         | (£M) |
| Alfa Romeo   | 10   | Kimi Räikkönen     | 10   | Ferrari (Alfa)          | 5    |
|              |      | Antonio Giovinazzi | 8    |                         |      |
| Ferrari      | 50   | Sebastian Vettel   | 40   | Ferrari                 | 25   |
|              |      | Charles Leclerc    | 30   |                         |      |
| Haas         | 20   | Romain Grosjean    | 10   | Ferrari (Haas)          | 10   |
|              |      | Kevin Magnussen    | 8    |                         |      |
| McLaren      | 20   | Lando Norris       | 15   | Renault (McLaren)       | 10   |
|              |      | Carlos Sainz Jr.   | 19   |                         |      |
| Mercedes     | 60   | Lewis Hamilton     | 50   | Mercedes                | 30   |
|              |      | Valtteri Bottas    | 40   |                         |      |
| Racing Point | 20   | Sergio Pérez       | 20   | Mercedes (Racing Point) | 10   |
|              |      | Lance Stroll       | 12   |                         |      |
| Red Bull     | 30   | Pierre Gasly       | 25   | Honda (Red Bull)        | 15   |
|              |      | Max Verstappen     | 30   |                         |      |
| Renault      | 25   | Daniel Ricciardo   | 20   | Renault                 | 12   |
|              |      | Nico Hülkenberg    | 15   |                         |      |
| Toro Rosso   | 12   | Alexander Albon    | 9    | Honda (Toro Rosso)      | 6    |
|              |      | Daniil Kvyat       | 7    |                         |      |
| Williams     | 8    | George Russell     | 8    | Mercedes (Williams)     | 4    |
|              |      | Robert Kubica      | 5    |                         |      |

#### 2019 Fantasy F1 Entry Form

Enter online at <a href="https://bristolpegasus.com/news/fantasy-formula-1/">https://bristolpegasus.com/news/fantasy-formula-1/</a>

Send form to Andy Moss, 80 Meadow Way, Bradley Stoke, Bristol, BS32 8BP E-mail entries to andy@mossdata.co.uk

You have £110m to spend on two different drivers, two cars & an Engine

| Driver 1:          | Driver 2 :   |
|--------------------|--------------|
| Team 1:            | Team 2 :     |
| Engine :           | Joker Race : |
| Name:<br>Address : |              |

Telephone : E-Mail:

| 1  | Australian    | Melbourne      | 17-Mar |
|----|---------------|----------------|--------|
| 2  | Bahrain       | Sakhir         | 31-Mar |
| 3  | Chinese       | Shanghai       | 14-Apr |
| 4  | Azerbaijan    | Baku City      | 28-Apr |
| 5  | Spanish       | Catalunya      | 12-May |
| 6  | Monaco        | Monte Carlo    | 26-May |
| 7  | Canadian      | Montreal       | 09-Jun |
| 8  | French        | Paul Ricard    | 23-Jun |
| 9  | Austrian      | Red Bull Ring  | 30-Jun |
| 10 | British       | Silverstone    | 14-Jul |
| 11 | German        | Hockenheim     | 28-Jul |
| 12 | Hungarian     | Hungaroring    | 04-Aug |
| 13 | Belgian       | Spa            | 01-Sep |
| 14 | Italian       | Monza          | 08-Sep |
| 15 | Singapore     | Marina Bay     | 22-Sep |
| 16 | Russian       | Sochi          | 29-Sep |
| 17 | Japanese      | Suzuka         | 13-Oct |
| 18 | Mexican       | Mexico City    | 27-Oct |
| 19 | United States | Austin, Texas  | 03-Nov |
| 20 | Brazilian     | São Paulo      | 17-Nov |
| 21 | Abu Dhabi     | Marina Circuit | 01-Dec |

#### **Backfire Bitz By Andy Moss**

I have had a relatively quiet month in terms of doing anything related to Motorsport or cars, but have been involved in trying to help sort things out for a few of our future events, more of which later.

I really enjoyed our February club night - to be honest I was not that enthusiastic before the night and dragged myself along, but it was actually a really good evening. The scalextric was helped by Ben bringing along a decent track ( the ones I had as a child were always a bit battered ) and we had some good banter and laughs during the evening.

We were well into the evening before anyone noticed we had not put social secretary Nick Wood on the list of names to drive, so he had not got a go. Sorry Nick. I do think he was enjoying unboxing a large collection of cars which had been passed to him from Graham Franklin, so he did not seem too concerned.

Sorting anything out on the cars has been held up by the need to sort out the garage enough to be able to move out there, much of the mess having been created by some work I had been doing on the kitchen recently. At last things are tidy and I can get on with sorting out both the Westfield and the Marlin. A little progress has been made on the Westfield as when I pushed it out the garage the broken steering lock jammed on meaning I would be unable to steer it back into the garage. I therefore had to remove the dash, steering wheel and top steering column to drill out the security bolts holding the lock on before a quick reassembly job. Hopefully I will have time next weekend to fit the new lock and put it all back together properly.



Going back to club events
I have volunteered to do
the entries at Llandow and
these have been coming
in at quite a pace. In just
over a week we have 95
entries and are nearly full.
The entries secretaries job
has been made a lot
easier thanks to online

entry which saves a lot of retyping of paper forms, as well as removing the guesswork trying to decipher people's handwriting.

I have also been taking in the entries for the Autosolo on the 17th march and while the entries have not come as fast as they do for the Christmas one, we do have a decent entry especially considering we clash with a championship round further up country which has taken a few who would have entered.





I have also been sorting out the regs for the trial at the end of April and the fantasy formula one - two things which Tim Murray is also kindly helping out with. Hopefully I might get the Marlin sorted in time to have a go at the trial myself.

We have also had a meeting about the ACE tour in June and we are starting to get things up together for the Track Day. Keep an eye on the website and Facebook for more info on these.



#### John Barnard Talk

#### Williams Automobiles Saturday 1st June

Open at 10am talk at 11:30am.

John Barnard the legendary Formula One Designer will be giving a talk, at this totally FREE event so just come along and enjoy.

Venue will be Williams Automobiles at:

Winning McLaren TAG MP4/2

Totteroak Courtyard, Horton, Chipping Sodbury, Bristol BS37 6QG



Please let Nick Wood know if you are planning to come as we need names and numbers for food and drink. e-mail nickswood@hotmail.com

#### **Club Night**

### **Monday 11th March At BAWA 8pm**

#### An Evening With Mike Wilds



Fastest Lap BRM Chevrolet P154 '82 British GP Meeting



Wilds / Mallock 1st C2 Ecosse DFL C285 '85 Brands 1000kms



Demo Arrows Megatron A10B '15 Silverstone Classic



Ford Falcon 75th Goodwood Memebers Meeting

In a career spanning 50 years Mike has graduated from being the car cleaner at the famous Checkered Flag Garage in London to becoming a driver in Clubman's, Formula Ford, Formula 3 with the Ensign now sprinted and hillclimbed by Fryth Crosse, Formula 5000, Formula One with Ensign and Stanley BRM, Group C with Ecurie Ecosse and Nissan before winning 12 British Championships in Sports, GT and Touring Cars.

Please arrive in plenty of time to get your drinks at the Bar and be seated by 8pm.

#### **BPMC 2019 Events Calendar**

| Date           | Event                              | Location             |
|----------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Mon 11th Mar   | Club Night                         | BAWA 8pm             |
| Sun 17th Mar   | Spring AutoSolo                    |                      |
| Mon 8th April  | Club Night                         | BAWA                 |
| Sun 28th April | Cross Trophy Production Car Trials | Dundry               |
| Sun 6th May_   | Spring Treasure Hunt               | 10am TBA             |
| Sat 11th May   | Llandow Sprint                     | Llandow              |
| Mon 13th May   | Club Night                         | BAWA                 |
| Sun 2nd June   | ACE Classic Tour                   |                      |
| Mon 15th July  | Evening Car Tour                   | 7pm TBA              |
| Sun 11th Aug   | Summer Treasure Hunt               | 10am TBA             |
| Sat 17th Aug   | Track Day                          | Castle Combe         |
| Mon 9th Sep    | Club Night                         | BAWA                 |
| Sun 22nd Sept  | Pegasus Charity Tour               |                      |
| Mon 14th Oct   | Club Night                         | BAWA                 |
| Sat 19th Oct   | Pegasus Sprint                     | Castle Combe         |
| Mon 11th Nov   | Club Night                         | BAWA                 |
| Mon 9th Dec    | AGM Buffet & Prizegiving           | BAWA 8pm             |
| Sun 29th Dec   | Autosolo                           | Brightside Aust Svcs |

#### **Backfire**



Crews relax after the Nav Ex while Dick Craddy works hard to establish the identities of the winners! Photo Bob Bull.