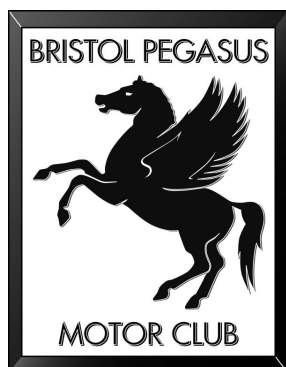


Backfire

September 2003



The Magazine of the
Bristol Pegasus
Motor Club

**Cover : Ian Hall examines his car following an
unprovoked attack by a straw bale**
2003 Two Club Sprint Colerne - Photo : Kieron Winter

September Events

Monday 8th September Club Night Navigation practice

As well as the usual opportunity for a drink and a chat the September club night will feature a Navigation practice session.

This event is aimed at the beginner, novice and expert drivers & navigators. A chance to learn and get a bit of practice before the winter season Scatters and Nav-Ex's are upon us. Start time 8.30.

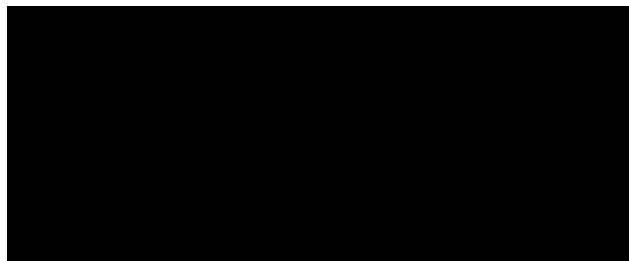
The evening will be in the format of a practical tabletop exercise organised by Martin Emsley; some members did a similar one last year, where novices will be partnered by experts.

You will need the Map 172 edition C and all the usual Navigation equipment: compass, magnifier, pencils, rubber, calculator, tracing paper, rule, paper to scribble on or eat when frustrated etc.

Sunday 28th September Patchway Autotest

A joint MGCC/BPMC event organised by John Delafield of MGCC. Regs are available from John Corfield, the venue is the

Rolls-Royce car park at Patchway, the entry fee is £7.50 in advance (or £9 on the day) and the closing date for postal entries is 25th September. If the maximum number of entries of 35 has not been reached then entries will be accepted on the day.



October Events

Sunday 5th October BMC SOLO

No change from last months in that BPMC should get an invite but BMC are currently trying to find a new venue.

Sunday 12th October Production Car Trial

This was planned to be a joint BPMC/BMC event but is under threat due to lack of organisers and because support was poor on previous trials this years.

Monday 13th October Club Night

Bristol based International Rally Co-driver Pauline Gullick will be giving an illustrated talk about her life in Rallying (over 30 years) at The Wheatsheaf, High Street Winterbourne.

All welcome. 8.30pm.

Saturday 18th October

Pegasus Sprint

Once again the Pegasus Sprint is being sponsored by Bridgestone who will be awarding a new set of tyres to the lucky person who wins the draw on the day. This is BPMC's own event and the regs are now available. The entry fee is £78 and the list closes on 27th September. The maximum entry is 110 plus 5 reserves and the course is the full 1.85 miles around the Castle Combe circuit.

Friday 24th October

Navigation Scatter

A joint event with Bristol MC – More details next month.

Sunday 26th October

MGCC Kimber PCT

Invitation and SR's received from Bruce Weston (MGCC) and available from John Corfield. The venue is at West Harptree, the entry fee is £10 and entry closes at 9:30am on 26th October.

Details of Events on these Pages
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Castle Combe Track Day

A Big Thank You

By Kieron Winter

It now seems long ago, but not too late, to make sure that the Club recognises the efforts of several members that made the Track Day on 19th July a great success.

Firstly the track activities were expertly organised by Phil Harris and Tony Smith. With the help of the Castle Combe team, the queue kept moving and everyone got plenty of track time. Most of the cars survived the day intact, however the Benstock brothers found out what damage can be caused when you forget to put in your bonnet pins!

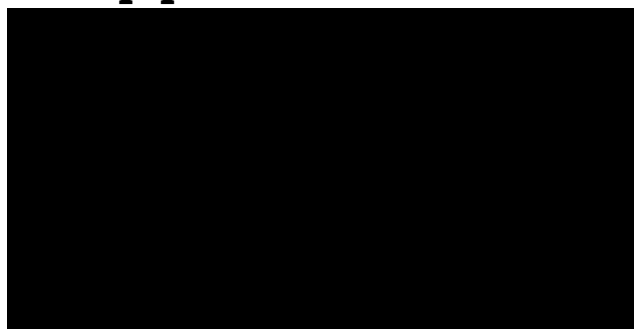
The other part of the day was the off track activities. Once again we ran several events to raise money for St Peter's Hospice. Martin Emsley (with one leg in plaster) had got together an excellent range of raffle prizes, thanks very much to all the Companies and Club members who donated them. Tim Murray then did an excellent job of selling the tickets and raised a good amount of money.

The charity table was also run, several members taking the opportunity to bring along some more items to top up our stock.

Lewis Bird was also being sponsored to take as many rides around the circuit as possible and Judith organised an impromptu competition to guess how many rides he would achieve. Well done to both, and once again a good amount of money was raised.

It was good to see many members call into the circuit (Alan Spencer arranged for some classic motorbikes to call in for lunch), the drivers had fun, plenty of people enjoyed passenger rides and we raised over £300 for St Peter's Hospice.

Bridgestone Pegasus Sprint Top prizes for Marshals



The Club is pleased to announce, that once again Bridgestone will sponsor the Pegasus Sprint at Castle Combe on 18th October.

Thanks to Bridgestone, all Competitors, Marshals and Officials will have the chance to win a full set of tyres (won last year by Jonathan Milne), there will be goody bags for the marshals and there will be five marshals prizes, giving the winners the opportunity to visit the BAR Grand Prix factory.

Any potential marshals should contact Martin Baker (tel: 0117 9563664) who will be able to supply further details of the day.

The Regulations for the event have now been issued; anyone who requires a copy can get them from Kieron Winter (tel: 01275 373363) or John Corfield (0117 9870763) or visit the club website.

Two Club Sprint Colerne 2003 – Photos



Octane Magazine Discount for members



Members may have seen that a new motoring magazine is in the Newsagents. This magazine is for everyone with a passion for motoring, from historic classics to the latest supercars. Members can qualify for an annual subscription rate of £35 (full price £42) and the magazine will also donate £5 to the Club – this will go to our chosen charity, St Peter's Hospice.

A copy of the magazine and subscription forms will be available at the September Club night. Otherwise members should send a cheque for £35 (payable to Octane Magazine) to Geoff Love, Octane Magazine, Isis Way, Minerva Business Park, Peterborough, PE2 6QR. Make sure you state that you are a member of the Bristol Pegasus Motor Club to qualify for the special rate of £35.

Insurance Discount



Club members have been offered a discount of up to 15% off their insurance at specialist insurance Broker Adrian Flux who specialise in enthusiasts kits, modified cars, sports and classic car insurance as well as unusual vehicle insurance for standard or modified vehicles.

Further details may be found on the club website or contact Adrian Flux on 08700 777888.

Castle Combe Day 2003 Charity Report By Martin Emsley

2003 Club Day, great event, good people, superb effort. You will have read Andy Moss' humorous report of a fine day in the August edition of Backfire, my attempts to get on track in my new competition machine 'wheelchair' were thwarted by incorrect tyre choice and complete lack of directional control, much like a shopping trolley.

I would like to extend very heartfelt thanks to all the people who so generously contributed towards the magnificent total of £351.38 raised on the day, your generosity makes a difference and is greatly appreciated.

I must thank Tim Murray for his splendid efforts persuading many of you to buy raffle tickets in an attempt to secure some wonderful donated prizes (thanks to all who produced prizes, individuals and companies) some were lucky, maybe the rest of us will have to try again at the AGM!

Lewis Bird worked hard all day, supported by Judith, in obtaining sponsorship and blagging rides, a great effort, novel and enjoyable I hope, thank you.

Jeff Brown very generously donated a set of wheels and tyres, which Andy Moss sold via Ebay, thanks to them the final cheque was £607.38.

A truly great effort, it is good to be able to continue our support for St Peter's Hospice, Bristol, and it is really appreciated by them.

Thank You.



St. Peter's Hospice

Patron H.R.H. The Duchess of Kent



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Mr Martin Emsley
The Pegasus Motor Club

1st September 2003

Dear Martin,

I am writing on behalf of St Peter's Hospice to thank you for the wonderful donation of £607.38 raised through the activities held at your recent 2003 Club Day. Please could you pass on our sincere thanks to everyone who supported and assure them that the money will be put to very good use.

Celebrating our 25th Anniversary in 2003, St Peter's Hospice, provides specialised care and support for patients with severe and progressive disease, usually cancer, where curative treatment is no longer possible. Our commitment is to improve the quality of life of patients. Last year we cared for over 1,500 patients and supported over 5,000 families including children. Although we have two Hospice sites, the majority of our work takes place in the community and we serve patients living in and around Bristol. The service now costs £4 million every year to run and so your help is therefore all the more appreciated.

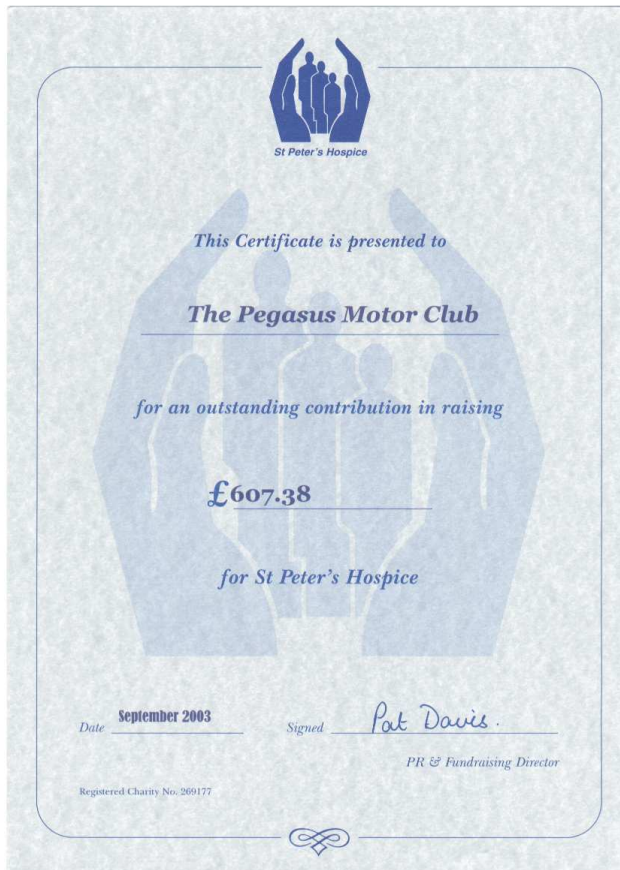
I have taken this opportunity to enclose information about our 5th annual Bad Hair Day event for your consideration, taking place on Friday 24th October. It's a great opportunity to have 'bad' hair, style it in an unusual way, or put on a wig - just have fun and make a donation to St Peter's Hospice. Last years event raised over £12,500 for patient care and this year we hope it's going to be even bigger. In the meantime, please could you pass on our thanks to everyone at the Pegasus Motor Club for their continued support?

With best wishes

Yours sincerely

Sian

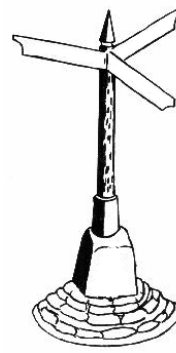
Sian Rees
Corporate Fundraiser



DID YOU KNOW? ST PETER'S HOSPICE IS...

- BRISTOL'S ONLY HOSPICE
- Caring for over 1500 patients with incurable illness, usually cancer
- Free of charge to patients and their families
- A Highly specialised unit with 2 in-Patient Units
- 2 Day Hospices
- Therapists
- an experienced Social Work Department
- a Chaplaincy and Education Centre
- Community based, St Peter's Hospice specialist nurses look after most patients their own homes
- Dependent on an army of over 700 volunteers helping the specialist staff
- Funded by the Bristol community
- in need of your support!

THE HOSPICE WILL AGAIN BE
ORGANISING A "BAD HAIR DAY" ON
FRIDAY 24TH OCTOBER 2003



The 'Where the Hell are we going?' Treasure Hunt

**Monday 18th August
2003**

By Tony Smith

The Plan :

To design a treasure hunt, which would be interesting yet cover an area we hadn't tackled before.

So I drove, Phil Harris and I looked for clues and Charlotte (my lovely Wife) sat in the back with her trusty laptop. However, the Sun seems to set early these days. We got half way around and had to change our plans, as it was pitch black and there seemed to be no clues to be had.

We returned the next week and plotted a different route. We still had a few problems, access only roads and road closures! But we battled on, oddly... no Starbucks on the route!

The Event :

The Sun was strong and slowly dipping to meet the horizon, as Phil and I waited in a quiet part of the Gordano Motorway Services.

Suddenly, like a herd of wild wilderbeast, 9 cars suddenly appeared. Everyone arrived in good time and we sent them into the distance with nothing more than a few pages of instructions.

A staggered flow of teams departed

into the night. We wondered if they would ever return, or at the very least, if friendships would still be intact. We didn't ponder on this too long, as we shot off to Border's for a Latte!

The Route :

The convoy snaked itself through, Portbury, Wraxall, Farleigh, Backwell, Brockley, Felton, Winford, Chew Manga, Publow and Chewton to finish in Keynsham.

The Return :

The moon was shining and the coffee a flowing as we sat on the terrace of the Brassmill Brewers Mill at Keynsham.

All of a sudden, the tribes came out of the darkness, oddly in a completely different order as they went in. Shouts of 'I need alcohol' were heard as the mob ran to the bar.

The route seemed go fine, except for

one minor mis-type..... what's a 'left' instead of 'right' between friends?

All teams managed to survive the route, and with one exception, arrived before the penalty time. The main bulk of the results were very close.

With a maximum of 65 points. Several teams had ½ points due to incomplete answers. There was also a tie break given to everyone at the beginning of the evening to tease as they enjoyed the ride.

It was Lucky that we had this, as there was a joint second place. There were one or two teams who correctly answered the 'on the road price' of a new Ferrari 360 Modena Spider of £112,195 !!!

Prizes were awarded of a nice bottle of wine for 1st, Box of chocs for 2nd and Kieron has to wash Martin's car in 3rd!

Thanks to all who attended.

The Results

1 st	63 of 65	M Astin & M Marples	MGB GT
2 nd	62 ½ + tiebreak	N Cook & Goodchild	Honda CRV
3 rd	62 ½	M Baker & K Winter	Peugeot 306
4 th	61	R & S Bull	Ford Puma
5 th	60 ½	P Bird & Family	Rover 216
6 th	60	J & S Corfield	Toyota
7 th	56	N Wood & C Robinson	Honda Civic
8 th	52 ½ inc 5 penalties	M Williams & L Holsman	Vauxhall Cavalier
9 th	42	J Harris & M Wright	Vauxhall Nova

Bristol Pegasus Fantasy F1 2003

Positions after Hungarian GP – Prepared by Tim Murray

Pos	Entrant	Driver 1	Driver 2	Team 1	Team 2	Total
1	Pete Stowe	Montoya	Alonso	McLaren	BAR	428
2	Kieron Winter	Alonso	Pizzonia	Williams	McLaren	427
3	Mary Craddy	R Schumacher	Alonso	McLaren	Jaguar	414
4	Andy Moss	Webber	Button	McLaren	Renault	374
5	Mark Elvin	Raikkonen	Webber	Williams	Toyota	356
6	Jeff Spencer	Coulthard	Button	McLaren	Toyota	355
7	Matthew Watts	Barrichello	Alonso	Renault	BAR	340
8=	Dave Cutcliffe	Raikkonen	Pizzonia	Ferrari	Toyota	319
8=	Patrick Williams	Raikkonen	Pizzonia	Ferrari	Toyota	319
10	Martin Baker	Alonso	Heidfeld	Ferrari	Jaguar	313
11	Alison & Josh Bennett	R Schumacher	Coulthard	BAR	Minardi	312
12	Chris Morgan	Pizzonia	Verstappen	Ferrari	Renault	301
13=	Louella Holsman	M Schumacher	Wilson	Renault	Minardi	296
13=	Donny Allen	Heidfeld	Verstappen	Williams	Sauber	296
15	Chris Lewis	Coulthard	Button	Renault	Toyota	294
16	Elisabeth Lewis	Montoya	Panis	Renault	Minardi	289
17	Chris & Sam Bennett	Fisichella	Firman	McLaren	Jordan	287
18	Alan Spencer	R Schumacher	Coulthard	Jaguar	Toyota	280
19	Steve Conner	Firman	Button	Ferrari	Minardi	279
20	Mal Allen	Firman	Button	Ferrari	BAR	276
21=	John Page	Alonso	Villeneuve	Ferrari	Toyota	274
21=	Tim Murray	Alonso	Villeneuve	Ferrari	Toyota	274
23	Arthur Tankins	Trulli	Webber	Ferrari	Minardi	264
24	Paul Bird	Heidfeld	Firman	Ferrari	BAR	263
25	Alison Emsley	R Schumacher	Button	Jordan	Jaguar	261
26	Martin Emsley	Heidfeld	Panis	Ferrari	Minardi	244
27	Dick Craddy	M Schumacher	Frentzen	BAR	Toyota	241
28	Judith Bird	Button	Panis	Renault	Jordan	235
29	Liz Moss	Coulthard	Fisichella	Jordan	BAR	232
30	Mark Williams	Firman	Panis	Ferrari	Jordan	228
31	Lewis Bird	M Schumacher	Villeneuve	BAR	Toyota	218
32	Lucy Manning	Barrichello	Villeneuve	Jaguar	Toyota	186

Two Club Sprint – Colerne - 25th August 2003

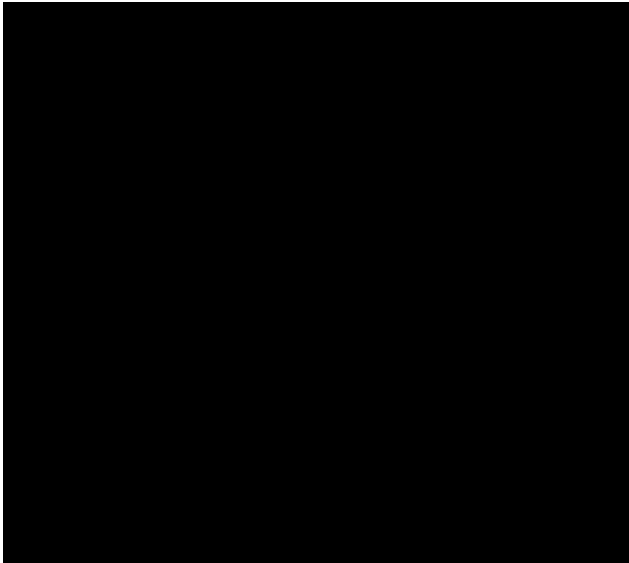
Class Winners / BPMC Members

No.	Name	Car	Club	Run 1	Run 2	Class Pos.
<u>Class A1 - Road Production Cars up to 1400cc</u>						
20	Andy Moss	Citroen AX GT	Bristol Pegasus MC	106.94	100.41	4
23	Andy Webb	Suzuki Swift GTi	Bristol MC	85.27	84.62	1
<u>Class A2 - Road Production Cars over 1400cc and up to 1800cc</u>						
26	Paul Rowbottom	Peugeot 106	Bristol Pegasus MC	91.14	90.30	7
31	Paul Bird	Renault 19 16v	Bristol Pegasus MC	92.18	91.64	8
731	Paul Draper	Renault 19 16v	Bristol Pegasus MC	99.32	94.50	9
32	Jonathan Milne	Honda CRX	Bristol Pegasus MC	93.49	86.93	3
732	Mark Roberts	Honda CRX	Bristol Pegasus MC	85.60	84.60	1
<u>Class A3 - Road Production Cars over 1800cc and up to 2600cc</u>						
37	Brendon Jones	Ford Escort RS2000	Bristol MC	84.23	84.07	1
43	Bruce Atkinson	Alfa Romeo GT Junior	Bristol Pegasus MC	99.47	98.60	6
<u>Class A4 - Road Production Cars over 2600cc</u>						
47	John Corfield	Ford Sierra RS Cosworth	Bristol Pegasus MC	87.60	85.43	6
51	Tony Michael	Mitsubishi Evo 8 FQ300	Bristol MC	82.89	81.94	1
55	Pete Goodman	Subaru Impreza	Bristol Pegasus MC	82.55	82.96	2
56	Mike McBraida	Mitsubishi Evo VI	Bristol Pegasus MC	82.69	83.42	3
<u>Class B1 - Road Kit Cars and Replica Cars up to 1800cc</u>						
65	Peter Williams	Caterham 7	Bristol Pegasus MC	92.24	91.32	10
66	Tony Thorpe	Caterham 7	Bristol Pegasus MC	82.67	82.06	2
75	Oliver Bull	Caterham Roadsport	Bristol Pegasus MC	81.75	80.84	1
775	Bob Bull	Caterham Roadsport	Bristol Pegasus MC	91.56	89.95	7
<u>Class B2 - Road Kit Cars and Replica Cars over 1800cc</u>						
79	Richard Gambling	Caterham 7	Bristol Pegasus MC	82.87	82.26	2
80	John Mearns	Westfield SEi	Bristol Pegasus MC	83.45	83.16	4
82	David Rae	Robin Hood 2B	Bristol Pegasus MC	87.47	94.15	6
784	Tony Michael	Westfield SEW	Bristol MC	154.40	80.24	1
<u>Class C1 - Modified Production Saloon & Sports Cars up to 1400cc</u>						
88	Pete Crudgington	Mini Marcos MkIV	Bristol Pegasus MC	85.69	84.96	2
89	Andrew Till	Clan Crusader	Torbay MC	83.41	82.64	1
<u>Class C2 - Modified Production Saloon & Sports Cars over 1400cc and up to 1800cc</u>						
92	Richie Devall	Davrian Mk8	Bristol Pegasus MC	88.53	86.25	2
792	Pete Devall	Davrian Mk8	Bristol Pegasus MC	86.90	85.40	1
<u>Class C3 - Modified Production Saloon & Sports Cars over 1800cc and up to 2600cc</u>						
102	Andrew Platt	Westfield	Midland AC	77.21	75.18	1
<u>Class C4 - Modified Production Saloon & Sports Cars over 2600cc</u>						
100	David Jones	Ford Escort Cosworth	Bristol Pegasus MC	92.88	91.49	4
108	John Sampson	Quantum Xtreme	BMSA	73.90	73.17	1
<u>Class D1 - Sports Libre Cars up to 1800cc and Hillclimb Supersports Cars</u>						
120	Barry Rogers	Nike Mk12	North Devon MC	79.94	78.30	1
<u>Class D2 - Sports Libre cars over 1800cc</u>						
117	Ian Hall	Darrian T98 GTR	Bristol Pegasus MC	72.78	DNS	1
<u>Class E1 - Racing Cars up to 600cc</u>						
125	Alan Flavell	Bewley Mk6	Midland AC	108.16	98.48	1
<u>Class E2 - Racing Cars over 600cc and up to 1100cc</u>						
128	Ross Browne	Force 10	Bristol Pegasus MC	76.65	74.92	3
129	Dean Robertson	Dick Terrapin	Bristol MC	75.67	74.24	1
130	Trevor Hartland	OMS SF1B	Bristol Pegasus MC	80.85	79.72	4
<u>Class E3 - Racing Cars over 1100cc and up to 1600cc</u>						
8	Guy Gibson	Force TTS Suzuki	Midland AC	70.80	DNS	1
<u>Class E4 - Racing Cars over 1600cc and up to 2000cc</u>						
4	Dave Cutcliffe	Van Diemen DC93M	Bristol Pegasus MC	70.35	63.97	1
<u>Class E5 - Racing Cars over 2000cc</u>						
70	Neil Harrison	Reynard 93D	BMSA	74.96	70.82	1
British Sprint Championship Top 12 Run-Off						
No.	Driver	Car	Club	Run 1	Run 2	Pos.
706	Stuart Webster	Reynard 93D	Midland AC	69.99	68.99	3
131	Jane Farthing	Force	Hagley & DMC	DNS	DNS	
834	Scott Pillinger	Royale RP26/28	Bristol MC	73.33	73.84	8
148	John Payne	SPA MP58 Judd	HSA	74.07	73.39	9
108	John Sampson	Quantum Xtreme	BMSA	73.55	74.20	10
835	David Sims	Magnum 843	Torbay MC	72.85	72.60	7
5	Terry Holmes	Reynard SF84 Cosworth	Bognor Regis MC	71.24	69.68	4
149	Martin Dowling	Reynard 88D	HSA	70.27	108.78	5
145	Simon Ashby	Reynard 883	Midland AC	71.81	70.41	6
70	Neil Harrison	Reynard 93D	BMSA	71.93	68.30	2
8	Guy Gibson	Force TTS Suzuki	Midland AC	DNS	DNS	
4	Dave Cutcliffe	Van Diemen DC93M	Bristol Pegasus MC	63.63	63.93	1

BPMC Castle Combe Day

Sponsored Rides

By Lewis Bird



At the June Treasure Hunt, Martin Baker came up with a brilliant idea that involved me going around Castle Combe Circuit as many times as I could, all in the name of a good cause.

The plan was to go around the paddock on the day, to collect sponsorship and ask as many people as I could if I could ride with them (All Good Fun).

I think the maximum amount of rides I could have had was about 18 so I think I did well to get 12 rides.

The first ride I had was in the Westfield Se of Chris Goodchild. The second ride I had was with Martin Baker. As he came up with the idea in the first place I thought he would give me a ride around.

The next ride I had was Andy Moss in his Citroen AX GT, I was meant to have a ride with Martin Emsley as well!!

I Then went with Mike Bell in his Reliant Scimitar GTC, followed by the MGA Coupe. The last ride before lunch was in the very entertaining Suzuki Swift driven by Bruce Graham. Whoops-we had a spin at The Esses.

After lunch I had a ride in a 200BHP Mini Cooper S which was very refined. The next car was quite a change from a tin top because I went out in the Caterham Twin Cam owned by Tony Thorp.

The third ride after lunch was with John Corfield in the battered Sierra Cosworth. He asked me to talk him around the track. I suggested where the apex was on every corner, it was pretty funny.

Then I had a ride with Pete Goodman in his Subaru which was fast!! Pete was another driver who had a spin.

The last driver that I have on my list is Martin Corfield. That ride was good because he was improving though out the day. After his ordeal at the CCC action day I am surprised he wanted to drive the Sierra.

Oh yes dad didn't give me a ride around either!

When we totalled up all the sponsorship money it came to just over £103, which was brilliant.

Thank You for Sponsoring Me

Lewis Bird

Clubmans Championship

Up to Two Club Sprint - Results prepared by John Corfield

TOTAL POINTS	ENTRANT	POSITIONS	NUMBER OF EVENTS	ORGANISED?
38.60	Mark Astin	1	8	Yes
37.77	Matt Marples	2	8	Yes
37.73	John Corfield	3	10	Yes
36.18	Paul Bird	4	9	
27.71	Martin Baker	5	6	Yes
24.03	Kieron Winter	6	5	Yes
22.43	Andy Moss	7	8	Yes
17.74	Martin Emsley	8	4	Yes
17.19	Dave Cutcliffe	9	4	
16.09	Chris Goodchild	10	5	
15.24	Judith Bird	11	4	
14.94	Pete Goodman	12	3	
14.31	Howard Johnson	13	3	
11.65	David Adams	14	4	
11.21	Mark Roberts	15	2	Yes
11.08	Cherry Robinson	16	4	Yes
11.08	Nick Wood	16	4	Yes
10.45	Ian Hall	18	2	
10.19	Jonathan Milne	19	2	Yes
9.92	Mike McBraida	20	2	

Marshals Championship

Up to Two Club Sprint - Results prepared by John Corfield

TOTAL POINTS	ENTRANT	POSITIONS	NUMBER OF EVENTS
9	Dick Craddy	1	4
9	Martin Baker	1	4
8	Kieron Winter	3	4
6	Bob Hart	4	2
5	John Corfield	5	3
5	Martin Emsley	5	3
4	Lesley Hart	7	2
4	Lewis Bird	7	3
4	Malcolm Allen	7	3
4	Tim Murray	7	2
4	Tony Smith	7	2



**Club Night Venue
The Wheatsheaf
From M32 (Junction 1)**

Take the A4174 ring road towards Downend. 200 metres further on, turn left at traffic lights (signposted to Winterbourne). Follow the B4058 for approximately 2 miles. You will find the Wheatsheaf Inn on the right hand side of the road.

**From M5 junction 16
(Almondsbury)**

Take the A38 towards Bristol. After 200 metres take the first left at the roundabout. Keeping in the outside lane to go straight ahead at the traffic lights.

Continue straight ahead at three consecutive roundabouts. At the fourth roundabout turn left, continue to the T junction and turn left into Winterbourne High Street. The Wheatsheaf Inn is on the right hand side of the road, approximately 400m from the turning.

**CCC Action Day - Castle
Combe Circuit
By Ken Robson**

Pegasus Club Members Chris Goodchild and Nick Cook were featured in the May/June 2003 issue of the Westfield Sportscar Club Magazine.

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The background to this event is that anyone can arrive and drive their car on the circuit provided they pass the 100dB sound test. Up until 11am only clubs are allowed on the circuit to use their allocation of free tickets, after that the general public can have a go.

Each session allows 34 cars on the circuit for five laps at a cost of £20

I arrived in the paddock at around 8.30am with my mobile ringing loudly. Chris Goodchild and Nick Cook had been there since 7.50am and were at the front of the queue. They needed me to sign for the free track passes otherwise they would have been put to the back of the queue which was now quite long. I parked up, obtained the tickets and decided to jump into Nicks V8 Lowcost for a spin around the circuit.

Spin was the operative word. The

track was slightly damp with a few patches of standing water.

Nick caught one of these on the second lap and spun but as there was nothing behind us and we were on the far side of the circuit no damage was done. Not content with that as his confidence grew Nick pushed on exploring the limits of his car and we spun again, this time it was much more spectacular.

There is a slight kink at Camp Corner before going onto the start/finish straight at which a slight dab on the brakes is required.

It was at this point that we spun again but this time carrying a lot more speed. The scenery went by in a flash and we ended up facing the wrong way right in the middle of the circuit. This happened at the start/finish straight right in front of all the stewards and track officials, and so we headed for the pits where Nick was given some useful advice on his (dubious) driving skills and issued with a yellow card.

After his ticking off we headed for our Paddock area to be greeted with cheers and whistles from our so-called friends and fellow members.

This was a source a great amusement and Nick was immediately entered for a "Black Award" where the member who displays the most stupidity and/or incompetence wins a prize at the end of the year.

For some reason Nick decided not to take to the track again even though we still had a few more free tickets.

We then entered into the social aspects of the event, meeting new people from other areas, kicking tyre and talking rubbish. Other clubs were also well represented from older Capri's, Cortinas to TVR's and the like. We all had a good look around the paddock at other clubs and cars and found people very friendly and more than willing to talk about their pride and joy.

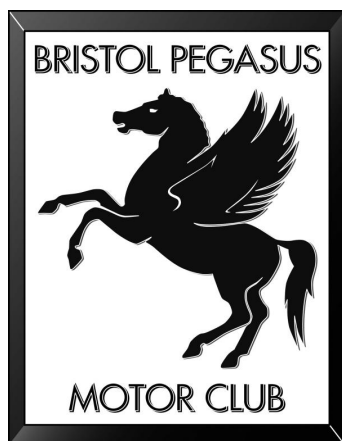


At around 3pm it started to rain and all the Westies headed home. I went back to Camp Corner but this time as a spectator to witness many more spins as the track got wetter and wetter.

Needless to say the driving standards reduced significantly during the public sessions and some cars were written~off, whilst others blew up.

Considering the entrance tickets and the track passes were free and the slush fund paid for the refreshments we had a great day out with a lot of laughs for just a few quid spent on lunch.

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