

# Editorial

# October 2008

Last month's magazine came out after the *AGM* so I won't reiterate what I put last month, except to state that we asked people whether or not they would support various Club activities, with a reasonable amount of success and that people have already started to support some of our activities.

This month we are discussing a report from Blue Dolphin, with suggestions of forward movement for the Club. The following month will probably be a natter and the December meeting, as I'm sure you are all aware, is the Christmas Buffet and will be a week later than usual (3<sup>rd</sup> Monday in the month).

Once again, if anyone has further suggestions as to what the Club can do to recruit new members/get more publicity/have more interesting Club nights/etc., please contact Alan.

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## Calendar of Events

Date	Event/Organiser	Location	Type
October			
*26	Rallitrak Premier Rally	Sherwood Forest	MV
25/26	Mablethorpe & DMC Autumn Mist	122/131	RR
November			
2	Malton MC – Malton Forest Rally	Yorkshire Forest	MV
*6/9	Lombard Revival Rally	Harrogate and North	MV
8	RAFMSA	Barkston Heath	Test Day
8/9	Autumn Mist – Mablethorpe & DMC	O/S 122, 130, 131	RR
9	Kings Lynn MC Lynn Stages	Sculthorpe	SV
<b>10</b>	<b>PMC Club Night</b>	<b>Ellindon</b>	
*14/17	Roger Albert Clark Rally/Kall Kwik	Yorkshire	MV
<b>23</b>	<b>PMC Johnson Trial</b>	<b>Eaton</b>	<b>Sporting Trial</b>
23	Commercial Transfer Carfax Stages – Oxford Motor Club	Longcross	SV
29/30	Beverley & DMC Beaver Rally	100/101/106/107	RR
December			
4-7	Wales Rally GB	Wales	MV
<b>15</b>	<b>PMC Club Night</b>	<b>Ellindon</b>	<b>Buffet</b>

## Warning!!!

Cambridgeshire Police have taken delivery of some new speed check camera vans and they are blue instead of yellow – just like the current police traffic unit vans you see driving around now. They are slightly bigger than the others and have a yellow camera sign on them but are otherwise indistinguishable from the normal traffic vans. Apparently people kept mistaking the yellow ones for work vehicles ....

## **Chairman's Ramblings.**

First of all I want to pass on the grateful thanks from LOLA for our members and friends who turned out on the 12<sup>th</sup> to marshal their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary run from the factory into the town centre. An estimated 10,000 people turned out to watch, and it was a major success. (there's a video on Youtube) All those who marshalled are being invited back for a tour of the factory!

We had a very useful discussion with Blue Dolphin, at the Club night, where there were a lot of points raised concerning the potential way forward for the Club. In the end, Andrew, from Blue Dolphin, went away with a list of items to be collated, and some agreement from members to take action. He has already produced a report, and it will be circulated to those concerned as soon as possible. If it is ready in time the salient points may be included in the magazine.

The main points are the activities we hope to arrange for next year, and an appropriate change of meeting venue, more likely to be acceptable to potential new members. In addition to the trials we normally run, we expect to be involved with the RAFMSA 'speed challenge' at Barkston Heath which has the potential to provide 6 weekend sprints, and a couple of 'track days', and will be open to whatever you care to run, as they have a road car class. You only require overalls and a helmet to compete. More details later.

We also hope to resurrect the Horrell Trophy, and to add more speakers to the Social calendar for which we will need a good turnout. We are also looking to be involved with the Peterborough Festival next year, and hope to run one or more 'car' related events in the City. We are looking at a Karting evening as a potential to attract some younger members, and we are hoping to improve contacts with some other local car clubs as a means of increasing our potential event calendar.

If any member has a preferred venue for the Club meetings, we need to know three things. Do they sell nice beer? Do they have a dedicated room we can use, and how much will it cost? Finally, is there adequate parking? A dedicated parking area would be a good bonus. Please return any ideas, with answers, to me by next month.

At the November meeting we may have a speaker, but, at the moment that is not clear, so keep an ear out!!! I hope to see you all next month regardless, as we need to pull together to get things up and running.

Alan Kemp

## **Competition Secretary's Report.**

A quiet month has passed overall. Personally I have marshalled on two events, the Richard Burns Memorial Stages at RAF Marham and the Trackrod in North Yorkshire.

The Marham event was excellent and passed with no drama for me although it was hard on the cars mechanically. The Trackrod was based at the Showground in Pickering and was the last round of the HRCR championships as well as hosting a number of other championships. Again it was drama free for me.

We have a couple of events coming up where marshals are needed:

Kings Lynn Charity Stages on 9<sup>th</sup> November (a Sunday for once) is at Sculthorpe Airfield. This isn't too far from us for what is a cracking event. It is supporting the East Anglia Air Ambulance so it is well worth supporting the event. Bob Offer is the Chief Marshal and can be contacted on [marshal@lynstages.co.uk](mailto:marshal@lynstages.co.uk) or 01775 841064 or 07900 836345.

The other event is the Rallitruk Premier Stages on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> October, offers of help to Simon Hall on 07788 922414 or [shall3@btconnect.com](mailto:shall3@btconnect.com). This event is based in Sherwood Forest, a good chance to get out on a good quality forest venue within just over an hour of Peterborough and with the opportunity to see some of the top club drivers taking part.

Well, I'll sign off for now and leave you to look forward to the next Magazine.

Richard

## Warco Trial - Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> September, 2008

Firstly, a great thanks to the Club for the extra support received, this was greatly appreciated, even if Dick and Andy Gowen (not PMC) arrived to help set out!!

We were at our popular site at Uppingham by kind permission of Chris Hicks. This I believe is the sixth year. Twentyseven entered but there were two non-starters, with Julian Fack still "cloud hopping" in Scotland.

It was the usual 10 hill format with all the hills on the north-facing bank. An early start was made with the sun greeting us. After the first round Roland Uglow from Cornwall lead on 13, Roger Bricknell, also from Cornwall, was second on 14, with Ian Wright third on 15.

In the second round, three competitors went round on 19, John Fack, Duncan Stephens and Thomas Bricknell, putting John Fack in the lead, Roger remaining at second, making it very close for the final round. Roger drove a magnificent round, showing everyone how to trickle. He's not lost the touch, either, only dropping 12, making his total 48. John Fack was second on 52 and Roland Uglow was third on 61. The most challenging hills were Hill 1 (marshalled by Andrew Faux) with Duncan Stephens the only one to clear it on all three rounds, and Hill 9 (in the charge of David Catling), which no-one climbed all day – well done, boys.

Our thanks to the setting-out team, and all the officials and marshals, with special thanks to Lyn Jones for the paperwork and Norman Bradshaw for supply "you-know-what". It was most encouraging to the "Trial Boys" to have more support from the Club, long may it continue!

The next date for your diary is The Johnson Trial on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2008 at Eaton, near Grantham. It will be signed from Waltham on the Wolds. See you there!

### Brian Stapleton

#### RESULTS

##### **The Warco Cup (Red Class)**

	Roger Bricknell	Julia Bricknell (passenger)	48	1 <sup>st</sup> O/A
2 <sup>nd</sup>	John Fack	Maxine Fack (passenger)	52	2 <sup>nd</sup>

##### **The PMC Trophy (Blue Class)**

	Andy Wilks	Mark Smith (passenger)	83	8 <sup>th</sup>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Monty Peters	John Bundock (passenger)	110	10 <sup>th</sup>

##### **The Stapleton Trophy (Green Class)**

	Bill Sherras	Kate Sherras (passenger)	138	17 <sup>th</sup>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Dougie Parkinson	C. Parkinson (passenger)	196	23 <sup>rd</sup>

##### **PMC Members**

	Kim Warwick	Margaret Stapleton (passenger)	123	12 <sup>th</sup>
	Tom Stevenson	Elizabeth Stevenson (passenger)	165	20 <sup>th</sup>

## **Barkston Heath Test Day**

The Royal Air Force Motor Sports Association will be holding a test day at Barkston Heath on 8<sup>th</sup> November. This is usually quite a fun event and we are welcome to participate. It will give PMC members a chance to see and try their track. If you enter before 29 October the entry fee is £35 including lunch for the driver. Extra lunches cost £7.50; Pete Richards and Ian Toone certainly recommend them. Contact Billy Fletcher <fletcherb152@hqlcr.mod.uk

## **Marshals required**

Marshals are required for the **RalliTrak Premier Rally & Premier Historic Rally** on Sunday 26th October 2008, which is organised by Dukeries Motor Club Ltd

It is a round of the Competition Car Insurance EMAMC Stage Rally Championship, the Road Runner/Phoenix Awards ANEMMC Stage Rally Championship, the Ward Construction AEMC Stage Rally Championship and the 2008 MSA Regional Committee Inter-Association Stage Rally Challenge.

The RalliTrak Premier Rally will be run in Sherwood Forest on Sunday 26th October. There will be 3 forest stage venues used twice on the event with 38 stage miles. The 13th Premier Historic Rally will run in advance of the modern event and is used by many competitors as a shakedown for the Roger Albert Clark Rally. There is a Rally Challenge for teams of three cars which represent each of the Regional Motorsport Associations in the UK.

The website [www.premier-rally.co.uk](http://www.premier-rally.co.uk) will carry all the pre-event information such as supplementary regulations, entry list, spectator information and marshalling information and will contain the post event report and results after the event so please check back for further information.

Please email [shall3@btconnect.com](mailto:shall3@btconnect.com) or call the Chief Marshal (Simon Hall) on 07788 922414 if you can help.

On the night of 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> November, Mablethorpe and District Motor Club are running the Autumn Mist Road Rally. They would be grateful of any offers to marshal and are giving free breakfasts to anyone who mans 2 or more controls. They also have plenty of goodies on the night. If you are interested, please contact Rhiannon Blythe on 01522 696177 or 07706 875713.

As stated above, **PMC** will be holding **The Johnson Trial** on Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> November at Eaton. This is just north of Waltham on the Wolds on the A607 between Grantham and Melton Mowbray. Marshals will be required for this and also for setting out on the Saturday. The map reference for it is SK 790292 and it is a short distance west of the village on the unclassified road leading to Stathern and Eastwell.

Kings Lynn are running the **Lynn Charity Stages** at Sculthorpe on 9<sup>th</sup> November. This airfield has a very abrasive surface, I seem to remember from competing there. The chief marshal is Bob Offer and he can be contacted on 01775 841064 or 07900 836345 or by email at [marshal@lynnstages.co.uk](mailto:marshal@lynnstages.co.uk). I have no information as to when they are doing signing on or anything, but Bob is an extremely helpful person and can give you this info if you are interested. There should be quite a few interesting cars there as some of the competitors from the Richard Burns Memorial Rally (also run by Kings Lynn) have expressed interest in competing.

Marshals are also required for the **Lombard Revival Rally**. We have details only of the stages in Dumfries and Galloway for the Endurance Rally on the 8<sup>th</sup> November. Signing on is between 1300 and 1320, with the first car at 1448. The entry map reference is 84 / 939570. It is expected to finish at about 1700. Please contact the stage commander Jon Binns if you are interested. His email address is [jon.binns1@gmail.com](mailto:jon.binns1@gmail.com).

Jon is also stage commander for the Temple Newsam (Leeds) stage of the **Roger Albert Clark Rally/Kall Kwik Stages** on 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> November (a week later). Signing on for these is 1700 to 1750 on the Friday with the first car due on SS1 at 1935 and on SS2 at 1958 (2119 for the Kall Kwik) and 0530 to 0620 on the Saturday with the first car due on SS3 at 0804 and on SS4 at 0827 (0949 for the Kall Kwik). It is expected that the stages will be clear by 2200 on the Friday and 1130 on the Saturday. The entry map reference for these is 104 / 359327. Contact Jon as above.

Clashing with the Johnson Trial is Oxford Motor Club's Commercial Transfer Carfax Stages at the Longcross testing facility in Surrey. They are running an event of 55 stage miles (10 stages), some of which will be run in the dark and (as always) need marshals. If you are interested (and we'd prefer you to marshal at the Johnson Trial – but some people may be in the area), please contact the Chief Marshal, Robert Bowsher, on 07787 103405 or via his email address [marshalling@oxfordmotorclub.co.uk](mailto:marshalling@oxfordmotorclub.co.uk).

## Rockingham Stages

Rockingham Stages Rally will take place over the weekend of 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> December at Rockingham Raceway. This will be the 5<sup>th</sup> time this event has been run and it is expected that there will be about 10 stages of 8-11 miles each which are fast, flowing and non-damaging (providing you miss the concrete walls). Food and drink will be available and there will be a party on the Saturday night with admission included in the entry fee of £295. Scrutineering etc. will be on Saturday morning and some of the stages will be in the dark on Saturday.

Further details can be found on the website [www.rockinghamstages.co.uk](http://www.rockinghamstages.co.uk).

Rockingham are also offering a track day on Sunday, October 26<sup>th</sup> for the sum of £199, or £175 each if club members book as a group.

## LOMBARD REVIVAL RALLY

### GENERAL ROUTE INFORMATION

The Lombard Rally heads north this November, starting from the historic town of Harrogate, North Yorkshire, on Thursday morning 6 November. The lead car will start at 10:00 from Crescent Gardens, opposite the Royal Hall, flagged away by the Mayor of Harrogate. The event winds its way north, following a retrospective route close to that of 1971 on Thursday via the North Yorkshire forests, Kielder, Kershope, and Castle O'er. Friday sees the route visit Cowal & Trossachs National Park, including 'Rest & Be Thankful' and the forests of West Argyll. Saturday is spent in Galloway, Ayr and the Borders forests, before heading south once more to Harrogate through Cumbria and North Yorkshire.

### LEADING ENDURANCE ENTRIES

Robin Eyre-Maunsell and co-driver Peter Scott are favourites to win this year in their Nissan Micra 1000cc, but a strong field will mean they will have to keep one eye on the rear-view mirror! Other leading entries include Frank Fennell / Kevin Savage (Rover 200), Paul & Debbie Flinders (Suzuki Swift GTi), Doug Brown / Graham Raeburn (Vauxhall 1.4Sri), Iain Patterson / Lesley Patterson (Rover Metro), and Neil Wilson, who has still to nominate a navigator. Leading Irish contestants are Karl & Frank O'Donoghue (Rover 200). Kenny Owen, Clerk of the Course, said: "The event is very open this year, so anyone has a chance over the four long days - it could be YOU!"

### **LEADING HISTORIC ENTRIES**

Stuart & Linda Cariss last year's category winners will be contesting the new Historic section in their trusty Mk1 Escort 1300cc, but with strong opposition this year from the likes of Kevin Clark / Tom Leeming (Avenger Tiger) and Chris Parkes / John Taylor (SAAB 850 Sport two-stroke), victory is not certain! Other cars in this category include Jack Curran / David Bardwell (Lancia Coupe Rallye), who will also pose a serious challenge to the Cariss' title hopes.

### **DEMONSTRATION RALLYE for GROUP B CARS**

Running alongside the Lombard Rally this year is the Lombard Demonstration Rallye for 'Sexy Cars'! Yes, Group B is back for a demonstration run at selected venues. Current entries include a Porche 911 (Safari Car), Ford Escort Mk2 (ex-Wilson / Rothmans), Audi quattro A2 (ex-Mikkola / Tour de Corse), Fiat Ritmo Abarth (ex-Sundstrom / Finland 1000 Lakes), Opel Manta 400 (ex-Frequelin / Rothmans), Renault 5 Maxi Turbo (ex-Ragnotti / Tour de Corse), MG Metro 6R4 (ex-Llewelin / Computervision), MG Metro 6R4 (ex-Auriol / French Rallye Export 33 car, Ford RS200 (ex-Lovell / Lombard RAC Rally), Lada VFTS (ex-Brundza /New Zealand Rally), Nissan 240RS (ex-Walker / Jordan Rally) and a Lancia Delta Integrale (Italian Totip liveried car).

### **WHERE TO SEE THE GROUP B CARS**

There are two venues on this year's Lombard Rally where the 'Sexy Cars' can be seen. . .

1) Colin McRae Selectif Forest Estate at Dalry, Near Castle Douglas. Saturday 8 November.

Car parks open from 06:30hrs

Demonstration starts: 09:30hrs

Lombard Rally starts: 11:00hrs

Demonstration recommences immediately after the Lombard Rally ends

Ends: 15:00hrs latest.

Jimmy McRae will start the demonstration in one of Colin's cars, in respectful memory of one of Britain's all-time rallying icons. A collection will be made for the "Colin McRae Vision" charity.

2) Yorkshire Event Centre at Harrogate Sunday 9 November.

Car parks open from 10:00hrs

Demonstration starts: 12:00hrs

Lombard Rally starts: 13:20hrs

Demonstration recommences immediately after the Lombard Rally ends

Ends: 16:00hrs latest.

### **MARSHALLING**

If you are interested in marshalling – especially if you want to see the Demonstration Rallye at close quarters - why not contact the Chief Marshal and express your interest?

Ian Butcher (Chief Marshal) Tel: 0121 354 2023. Email: butcher965@btinternet.com.

### **Driver with one million pounds in fines nabbed**

Transport authorities in Brazil have caught up with a speed-loving Brazilian driver who clocked up nearly \$2 million (1.1 million pounds) in fines, local media reported.

Police intercepted the driver of a 12-year-old car in Sao Paulo at the spot he most frequently committed infractions, the O Globo daily said on Thursday.

For seven years he had been speeding and running red lights but was not arrested earlier because he never registered the car in his own name.

The paper said the car, worth around \$6,500, would be auctioned if the driver, unnamed, did not pay the \$1.8 million in fines in 90 days.