

Editorial

March 2009

This month we have a speaker, Alistair Goodrum, who is a local aviation historian and will speak on 'Balloons to Bleriot and Barnstormers", which should be very interesting and a nice change.

Next month is likely to be either a natter or a video/dvd evening but I have no details at present. It will be on April 20th which is the third Monday, as the 13th is Easter Monday.

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Calendars

Social

Date	Social Event	Location	Type
Mar			
9	PMC Club Night	The Farmers, Yaxley	Talk – Alistair Goodrum
12	Bourne MRC		Talk – Ed McDonough
Apr			
9	Bourne MRC		Talk – Pat Thomas
20	PMC Club Night	The Farmers, Yaxley	
May			
11	PMC Club Night	The Farmers, Yaxley	Egg Race
14	Bourne MRC		Talk – Roger Fountain
June			
8	PMC Club Night	TBA	Treasure Hunt
11	Bourne MRC		Talk – Simon Hadfield
14	Bourne MRC		Classic Car Show

Competition

Date	Event	Location	Type
Mar			
15	Borough 19	North Weald	Sprint
29	Tour of Caerwent	Caerwent Defence Training Estate	SV
29	Jane Cowling Memorial Phoenix Stages	RAF Fulbeck	SV
Apr			
4	Tunbridge Wells MC	Lydden	Sprint
5	Sevenoaks	North Weald	Sprint
5	Sutton & Cheam MC Tempest Stages	Longcross	SV
5	SCCOOn – Malcolm Wilson Spring Rally	Sculthorpe	SV
19	Borough 19	Honington	Sprint
26	GBMC	North Weald	Sprint
May			
2	BARC – May Sprint	Curborough	Sprint
3	Middlesex County – Middlesex Stages	Honington	SV
10	Herts County	Debden	Sprint
17	Borough 19	Bentwaters Parks	Sprint
25	West Essex Car Club	Milbrook	SV
31	Barkston Heath Sprint	Barkston Heath	Sprint

I am informed that the Robin Hood Stages, which was to have taken place on 14/15th March , has been cancelled, presumably due to lack of entries.

THE CHARLES POLLARD TRIAL - Sunday 22nd February, 2009

The Charles Pollard Trial was held at Nethercote Farm, Billesdon, Leicestershire by kind permission of Mr. Edward Hill. The usual setting-up team of Lynn, Tom, Margaret, David Bastable and I arrived and were greeted by a very wet site, so we ventured into the second field, where we found four completely new hills.

The day dawned as a beautiful sunny, dry morning, but we were unable to get into the car park and so we used the farmyard for parking, which was good, as the Geoff Taylor trial had had to be cancelled the previous week and they were unable to get onto the site.

Twenty six competitors attempted the 10 hills with vigour, with 5 clean cards at the end of round one and even the novices achieving many clears. At lunchtime Ian Veale and Paul Price were tied on 5, two on 6, one on 7 and two on 9. What do we do!?! Leave well alone and let them sort themselves out!! Ian completed a clear round, no mean feat, becoming the clear winner, Paul couldn't stand the heat, dropping five on this round taking him down to 7th place and moving Roland Uglow from Cornwall into second place, with Roger Bricknell (also from Cornwall) third on 7 and our old friend Paul Faulkner in his new Indy Sherpa trials car fourth overall and first in the Blue class.

Our many thanks to whoever attributed to the influx of new marshals, several saying they would come again as they had thoroughly enjoyed it!. One marshal was "Excused Duties", so we hope to see you again soon, Phil. What would we do without Lynn Jones for the office-work, his friend Tim for the results, John Corfield (scrutineer), Phil Johnson (steward) and of course the ladies

favourite, Norman Bradshaw, for bringing the loos. We are in need of a volunteer to replace John Hollman to be our Chief Marshal. If anyone is interested, please contact me (Brian Stapleton) on 01733 202450 or Lynn Jones.

After the results were announced, many made their way to the Rose and Crown in Tilton for a pie and a pint – or should I say a hot buffet at £3 a head, which was gratefully received. This had been hastily organised by Lynn as the new landlord had only been in residence for 10 days!

In my view, this was the best PMC trial for many years and it was rewarding to get such support, making it so worthwhile for the organisers. We hope to see you at the next event, the Warco Trial at Uppingham, on 27th September, 2009.

Brian F. Stapleton

Results

	Score	Overall
Charles Pollard Trophy:		
Ian Veale passenger: Sandy Veale	5	1
1st Red Class:		
Roland Uglow Passenger: Laura Wilks	6	3
1st Blue Class:		
Paul Faulkner Passenger: Gerry Clear	8	4
2nd Blue Class:		
Stephen Barnes passenger: Simon Cowley	14	9
1st Green Class:		
Mike Baker passenger: Nick Speed	44	20
2nd Green Class:		
Ian Fullwood passenger: Janette Rowlatt	55	22
Best PMC members:		
Kim Warwick/Margaret Stapleton	23	12
Tom & Elizabeth Stevenson	30	15

Barkston Heath Track Day and Speed Challenge: 30th & 31st May 2009

We have been invited by the Royal Air Force Motor Sports Association (RAFMSA) to participate in their Track Day at Barkston Heath Airfield near Grantham on Saturday 30th May. This will be in the form of a one lap sprint (untimed) and as the entries are limited to between 30 and 40 it should be possible to do several laps during the course of the day. The track is quite technical and should prove interesting for both new and returning drivers. The entry fee will be in the region of £50 to £55 for the first driver and £40 for the second driver of each car but the Club will rebate this by £15 for members so it will be good value.

Regulations and entry forms are available from David Catling or Richard Elms.

Members are also invited to take part in the five round RAFMSA 2009 Speed Challenge also to be held at Barkston Heath. This is basically a timed sprint again with several runs.

The dates for each round are:

- Sunday 31st May
- Saturday 13th June
- Sunday 19th July
- Sunday 6th September
- Sunday 4th October

In addition there will be a Flame and Thunder track and prize giving day on Saturday 7th November. Again SRs and Entry Forms are not yet available but we will circulate them when they are.

The circuit does not currently hold a track licence although we are working on this for 2010 and the Speed events will not be run under an MSA permit. However the MSA have indicated that they cannot take action against members, including competition licence holders, participating in the speed events because it would contravene human rights legislation!

Please put these event dates in you diaries and do your best to support them.

Phil Johnson

BARC Sprints at Curborough

If anyone is interested in doing the BARC Sprints at Curborough this year, there will only be one set of Supplementary Regulations for all three of them. The dates are May 2nd, August 8th and October 3rd.

I have an electronic set of the regs and the entry forms if they are required, as should Richard Elms (who sent them to me in the first place!).

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