

THE MIDDLESEX MAGAZINE



REVIEW OF 2018



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CLOTHING

Order your club clothing at www.teamworld.co.uk/mcac



T-Shirt

100% pre-shrunk
ringspun cotton



Polo Shirt

50% polyester
50% cotton or Piqué
100% ringspun cotton



Contrast Hoodie

Double fabric hood with
contrast inner and flat lace
drawcords. Pouch pocket.
Ribbed cuff and hem.



Beanie

100% soft-touch acrylic
with Thinsulate™ lining



Lightweight Windcheater

Midseason windbreaker with
tricot thermo lining. Windproof,
showerproof. Full zip. Concealed
hood. 3 pockets. Elasticated cuffs.
Ergonomic side panels. Adjustable
bottom hem.



Lightweight Softshell Jacket

Full zip. Zip closing front pockets.
Chin guard. Micro fleece inner
provides extra warmth. Elasticised
bound cuff. Slim fashion fit



Winter Parka

Fully taped waterproof seams. Long fit.
Super warm. Quick drying. Fleece lining.
Concealed 3 -panel hood in collar with
adjuster. Full zip. 3 pockets - fronts are fleece
lined. Elasticated cuffs with reflective detail.
Storm flaps. Lower back reflective tape.
Adjustable bottom hem.

CLUB NIGHT

Join us at our regular
Club Night on the first
Thursday of each month.

Venue (unless otherwise
notified) is at Uxbridge
Cricket Club, Gating
Way, Park Road,
Uxbridge UB8 1NR.

Come along for a natter
and a general catch up!

OFFICIALS

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Tony Phillips

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Secretary:
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Darren Pike

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& Chris Comley

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Ray Ripper

NOTES FROM THE EDITOR



2018 was another productive year for the club, a few highlights of which are shown in this review. There were notable successes, Chris West and Keith Hounslow winning and the MSN Circuit Rally Championship, David Ginn topping a class in England's first closed-road rally at Clacton and the club's final running of the Rockingham Stages, for instance.

Our locally held events at Bovingdon, continue to attract a lot of interest with full or near-full entries and our club nights, a few of which were held at different locations proved popular as this allowed members nearby to bring out vehicles which ordinarily wouldn't be seen.

Once again, our stands at the Uxbridge Show, Ace Cafe, Croxley Green and the Big Bang event at Uxbridge College underlined our commitment of taking the club to the public to attract new members to the fold. The current membership hovers around 210 and ideally we would like to grow this. Maybe we can all encourage our family and friends to take part in this year's Christine Poxon Celebration Fun Run? This is a gentle jaunt through the beautiful Oxfordshire countryside – a pleasant introduction to the club and its membership.

We would like to see more content of our members' efforts in motorsport – I'm thinking of historic, trans-national and lesser-known disciplines, so if you have entered any events for 2019, do let us know via social media or email and we can recirculate your reports and pictures for maximum effect.

I must say a big thank you to those members who work tirelessly behind the scenes, keeping the show on the road as it were, and also to those among us who dedicate their free time to marshal at the many events that occur throughout the year.

Looking ahead, the club is working on significant new events during 2019 and our biggest ever event in 2020, which we hope will excite and involve our members and keep MCAC ahead in our sport.

Happy motoring and keep the shiny side up!

**STRONG CLUB
ACTIVITY THROUGHOUT
THE YEAR**

**COMPETITION
SUCCESSSES**

**MANY LOCAL AND
NATIONAL EVENTS**

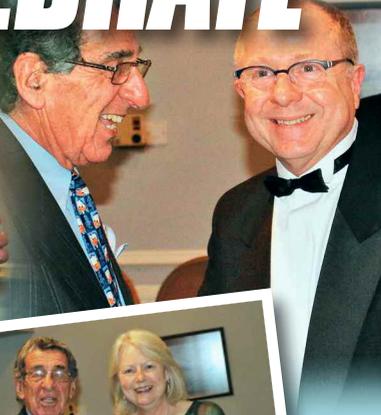
**FINAL ROCKINGHAM
STAGES COMPLETED**

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latest news on our
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www.mcac.co.uk**



With events thin on the ground, February is a time to celebrate past successes and our Annual Dinner & Dance was held this year at the Uxbridge Golf Club. Congratulations to our many winners from 2018!

LET'S CELEBRATE



FLYING AROUND



Stephen Beck & Paul Brown on their way first place in Class C with their Escort Mk2

Snetterton



Snetterton 2018 saw MCAC members **Chris West & Keith Hounslow** win overall with their soon-to-be MSN Rally Champion Peugeot 306 Maxi Kit car.

Chris Keys & James Riley and **Steve Casey & Paul Hopkinson** in Peugeot 205s, finished 6th and 9th in Class B respectively.

David & Robert Ginn drove to a creditable 6th in Class A with their smart Nissan Micra 1400.



Chris Hedges finding some lift in his powerful Mk2 Escort. Worthy winners, left to right: PA3: **Kasper Potyra**, Citroen C2 VTS (left). C2: **Onur Ibrahim**, BMW 318i (right).



BRAKEFAST!

April saw the Brakefast event held at Bovingdon airfield. The tight and twisty courses proved just as testing for the hot hatches as it did for the luxury saloons.



D6: **Sav Johal**, Vauxhall VX220.
AE1: **Alex Peters**, Mazda MX5.
B3: **Nathan Barnett**, Porsche Boxster.
A2: **Oliver Hutchins-Smith**, Lexus.





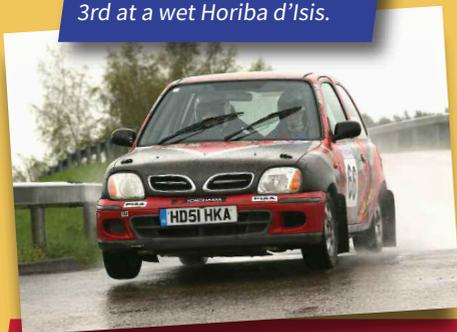
GOT THE LEGS

Plenty of activity during March & April with a highlight being class winners **David & Robert Ginn** at the closed-road Corbeau Seats Rally.



Guy Anderson & Stephen Link finished 3rd in the Corbeau Seats Historic while **Andrew Williamson & Dave Taylor** also enjoyed the Clacton & Tendring sunshine!

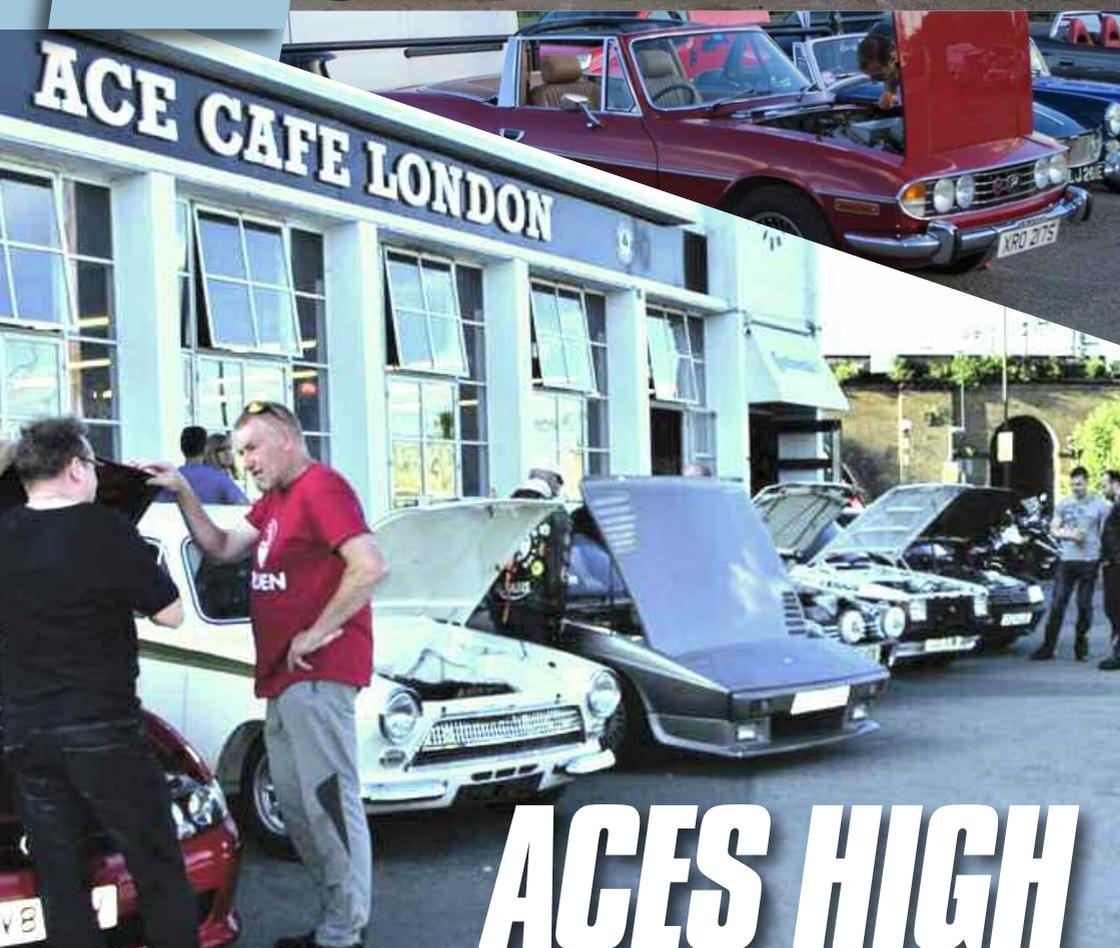
And in April **Adam Ripper & Nigel Banks** posted a Class 3rd at a wet Horiba d'Isis.



Howard Skelton's Mk1 Escort had a late blast at the Alan Healy Memorial before being sold on.



The open tops came out on a nice sunny June evening at the Ace Cafe, London.



ACES HIGH

A chance to check out **Peter Nathan's** work in progress on his Nissan Pulsar GTI-R.



Busy under the bonnet...



...and the fuel tank's in the case!



The appearance of a rare 1920s Bean at the July Social made for an interesting evening. **Steve Hedges'** classic tourer had plenty of admirers, as did his array of Fords.

BEAN FEAST



A TVR, Holden Murano, and V8 Discovery in attendance.



Pat Anderson's stunning Lotus Cortina; **Steve Hedges'** Ford line-up.



The Big Bang
Near Me

MORE BANG FOR THE BUCKS

The Big Bang is a science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) initiative aiming to engage students in these areas. We took our stand to the local Uxbridge College and had interest all day.

Mike Hurst demonstrating UK Motorsport's Rescue Training Module



One challenge was to start this Avenger during the show... which we duly did! Below is a tidier Avenger also there.

UXBRIDGE AUTO SHOW

What a super Uxbridge Autoshow! A beautifully warm sunny day and the backdrop of the Middlesex Showground set the scene for a great turnout of MCAC vehicles.



Winner of Class A, **Robert Baker** picking up some time penalties in his Caterham SS7.



Our second AutoSOLO of the year had some terrific action with full-on excitement for competitors, especially those that couldn't avoid the cones!



SIMPLY SIDEWAYS



Both **Stephen Spooner**, Toyota MR2, and **Keith Pettit** in his highly competitive Austin Healey Sprite demonstrated impressive manoeuvrability in achieving class wins.

Nigel & Julia Vincent have a blast and keep the marshals occupied with their Arkley SS.





Autumn action from the wide variety of events available. At top is the Darran T90 GTR of **Ian Barclay & Sue Plater** whizzing through the Wethersfield Stages while **Alex Waterman & Harry Thomas** take the rougher road during the Dayinsure Rally of Great Britain in Wales.

HORSES FOR COURSES



The Sputnik AutoSOLO provided good entertainment for competitors and marshals alike.



The intricacies of the course proved no problem for **Sam Casey** in a Peugeot 205 GTi.

A WALK IN...



THE PARK!



Similarly, Oulton Park, the first round of the 2018-19 MSN Circuit Rally Championship saw **Adam & Ray Ripper** negotiate changing surfaces for a 5th in class finish.



A bitter-sweet event for the club as its association with the circuit officially came to an end, but not without many compliments; this from the **British Rally Forum**: "Yes, this event has long been the flagship of single venue rallying. Smart, upmarket, professional, well organised, cracking staff and marshals, excellent stage mileage, superb night stages, great facilities, epic stages, great variety of cars, fabulous spectating positions, good run off/safety, gloriously slippery sideways action. I'm running out of superlatives. This event set the standard for SV rallies. Really hope that the dream team can bring us 'Rockingham Reloaded' in some form in the future."

Fittingly, in the 50th year of the Escort, a Mk2 with **Paul King & Alicia Miles** picked up the spoils in the last ever Rock.

END OF THE ROCK

John Stone wins the Sunday Stages with his Ford Fiesta R5 WRC, having remarkably won the first Rock in 2004 with an MG Metro 6R4!



2018 AND ALL THAT...



Paul Jeeves ▶ MCAC
Admin · 4 December 2018 · 🌐

Racing harness on,
All belts tight and checked,
Lets go Grandad

Brian Catt 🌐 Is that a Hans, knees and bumpsedaisy set?



Tony Phillips' unconventional skittling style



Stephen Spooner ▶ MCAC
1 December 2018 · 🌐

Tarzan is slippery today. Make what you will of that.



Pete Farmer ▶ MCAC
Admin · 5 September 2018 · 🌐

MCAC's own little pixie visiting friends on Dartmoor.



Chris Keys ▶ MCAC
21 April 2018 · 🌐

Dave Taylor paying his subs, with actual money 😊😊

