



# REPORTS, REVIEWS & REFLECTIONS

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## AWARDS EVENING 2023



Thursday 27th April saw the club's AGM and Awards evening take place at the Uxbridge Golf Club. There was a really good turn out, and we hope it wasn't just the attraction of free food on a wet night!

A fabulous array of silverware was distributed amongst our richly-deserving MCAC winners, with historic cups, some well over a hundred years old, from the embryonic days of motor sport. We really are very fortunate as a club to have such history, personified in silver. It's a real pleasure and privilege to be awarded one of these magnificent trophies and to be able to keep it displayed in one's home for a year!

After some positive natter at the AGM, (you can read the minutes over the page), it was time to get down to the bling – and what a display we had (thanks to the polishing crew)!

Our thanks go to our organiser **Steve Casey**, MC for the evening **Mike Hurst** and our distinguished guest **Tom Ryan** who flew in from Croatia specially for the occasion, and handed out the prizes.

Whilst preparing this report, I read up on the history of those trophies featured here, courtesy of **Adrian L'Estrange's** excellent and invaluable book 'One Hundred Motoring Milestones'.

For instance, the Finchley Cup (formerly known as the Hopkins Cup after its benefactor) was 'lost', probably stolen, in 1947, and after the insurance company paid out £20 on the claim, a replacement was purchased, the one that has been awarded every year since.

Equally notable is the Norman Tipping Memorial Trophy, presented to the club by Mr & Mrs E. C. Tipping in memory of their son who died suddenly in 1972.

Some of the silverware is now presented for different endeavours to that which they were originally awarded. An example of this is the



*Dan Perrins admires his award of the Finchley Cup for the Leading Clubman, Servicing (2021); 2022 winner Nigel Banks*



*Max Maxwell takes brief custodianship of the Jubilee Cup, awarded to the Leading Clubman, Marshalling (2021); 2022 winner Phebe Fletcher*



*Dr Peter Cox with the Norman Tipping Memorial Trophy for the Most Frequent Competitor 2022*



*Andy Murray won the Southgate Cup for Leading Stage Rally Co-Driver (2021); 2022 winner Ray Ripper*



Jubilee Cup (Trophy), which in its time has been given to: the Best Aggregate during the year (Large car class); Best Class A driver; Leading Driver – Road Events; the Clubman’s Award and currently Leading Clubman, Marshalling.

Likewise the The Southgate Cup, first presented in 1932 for the quaintly-

named Village Seeking Competition. This event, first run in 1912, involved drivers and their passengers being given the location of a village they were to find in terms of compass directions on a map – the winners needed to visit the post office in the village in the shortest time. Dagnall, Herts was the first destination, the winner was a Daimler driven by Mr R.

E. Ridge-Jones. The challenge these days would be to find a village with a post office!

The Oakes Cup was originally presented to the winner of the 1930 Speed Judging Competition and notably in 1967 for the winner of the Club’s *Manoeuvres in May* event, a *Driving Test* as it was then known that latterly became the Autotest that we’re now familiar with.

The premier annual award, The Bell Trophy awarded to the Champion Driver, All Events, was first presented in 1925 and provided by the insurers, *The ‘Bell’ Assurance Association at Lloyds*, it seems persuaded to do so by the club’s brokers, Church Brothers of Finsbury, whose senior partner at the time was Mr. F. H. W. Church, the most prolific donor of silverware to the club.

Through the Bell policy, club members were entitled to what would be termed ‘fully comprehensive insurance’, ‘free continental cover’ and ‘repairs to any amount with any repairer, commenced immediately’; modern insurers take note?

The unmistakable Stephens Trophy, a striking steering wheel design, seems almost to belong to Peter Cox. According to the book, Peter won the trophy 13 times in 14 years between 1991 and 2004, and I’d be interested to know how many times since!

The first trophy ever to be presented by the club (under its former name of The North London Automobile Club – NLAC) was the Gamage Cup, in 1906. It was donated by Mr Albert W. Gamage, founder and owner of the Gamage Department Store, located in High Holborn. The Cup was originally intended to be presented to the winners of a Speed Judging Competition between the NLAC and the Southern MC. NLAC won the cup outright in 1909.

The Kensington Cup is another stunner – with real wow-factor. Dating from 1914 and displaying some beautiful embossing, it was presented to the club to mark the amalgamation of the Kensington AC with the MCAC. An early recipient of the cup, when it was awarded for winning Hill Climbs, was Dr J. D. Benjafield, who won the cup six times in seven years (1926 – 1932). A remarkable character, Benjafield was a surgeon who served with the Royal Army Medical Corps during the Great War as a Captain and as a Major in WW2. A member of the original ‘Bentley Boys’, the first outsider, he raced at Brooklands and Le Mans and won the French race in 1927 with ‘Old Number 7’.

A relative newcomer in the trophy cabinet is the Napspeed Trophy, first awarded in 1983 and presented to the



Joe Poxon with the Oakes Cup for the Leading Night Trial Driver 2022



Joe Poxon collects the Run Autocar Cup for winning the Christine Poxon Fun Run 2022 with navigator Roberto Azcuaga



Ray Ripper accepting from Tom Ryan the Bell Trophy awarded to son Adam Ripper for the achievement of Champion Driver 2022



Dr Peter Cox collects the Stephens Trophy for the Leading Off Road Driver 2022...



...and is up again to receive the Gamage Cup for the Leading Road Rally Navigator 2022



club by the Social Sub-Committee members Alan Bishop, Finbar Murphy, Peter Dunkley and Les Gulston. The design and materials used for the trophy are of the time, and it's an attractive and heavy trophy.

50 years or so previously, the Lawson Cup came to be presented to the club, by A. T. Lawson. An art-deco classic, it was originally given to the fastest time by a lady in the hill climbing competition. Won on three consecutive occasions by Miss Coote, the trophy was given to her and replaced by another trophy. However, it remained in the club collection to be presented for general purposes and since 1983 for

the Leading Navigator – Night Trials.

Lastly, The Powysbrooke Trophy is a punch-bowl type and dates from 1929, being presented by Alderman J. Thomas Barber, who was joint founder of the club in 1905. It was intended for British cars and a serious discussion took place before being awarded as to whether Ford cars, made in Dagenham, were actually 'British'! An opinion that Graham Samuel and Tom Ryan will doubtless affirm as they are the new keepers of the Powysbrooke, (given to the crew for the best performance in an overseas rally) for this year's commendable antipodean efforts – in a Ford Escort!

You won't fail to notice that some members win more than one trophy, indeed the Ripper household proudly displays three trophies from this year, and this is indicative of the level of members' engagement in claiming their event points. So come on reader, hold a piece of club history in your hand next year – let's share these wonderful trophies around a bit more – simply claim your points immediately after your event! It's easy to do and at the very least it'll give Championship Secretary **Max Maxwell** something to do!

Well done to all our winners.



*The Napspeed Trophy for Champion Navigator 2022 presented by Tom Ryan to Ray Ripper*



*Brett Murray with the Kensington Cup for the Leading Stage Rally Driver (2021); 2022 winner Ian Barclay*



*Mike Hurst presenting the Powysbrooke Trophy to Tom Ryan and Graham Samuel for completing the Silver Fern Rally, New Zealand*



*Tom Ryan presents the Lawson Cup to Mike Cawthra for the Leading Night Trial Navigator (2021); 2022 winner Roberto Azcuaga*

*If you're posting your activities up to your own social media, why not post it onto the MCAC Facebook or Instagram pages as well? It's a great way to keep everyone informed of what you're up to in motor sport and remember to 'like' and 'tag' with references to the MCAC accounts. A little like lingers long online! Tag [middlesexcountyac](#)*

# Middlesex County Automobile Club Ltd

## MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT 20:00 ON THURSDAY 27th April 2023 AT UXBRIDGE GOLF CLUB

### Present:-

Tony Phillips, Steve Casey, Mike Hurst, Peter Nathan, Ray Ripper, Stephen Spooner, Peter Cox, Brian Catt, Paul Jeeves, Andy Murray, Brett Murray, Deanna Murray, Max Maxwell, Steve Hedges, Chris Hedges, John Wilson, Malc Farmer, Joe Poxon, Chris Comley, Martin Lush, Chris Keys, Tom Ryan, Jackie Dollimore, Dan Perrins, Graham Samuel, Mike Cawthra, Guy Anderson and Pete Walters.

### 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Andrew Williamson, Darren Pike, John Roseblade, Julian Felgate, Adrian L'Estrange, Pete Farmer and Andy Greenland.

### 2 MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 28th April 2022

The Minutes of the previous AGM held on 28th April 2022 were read by Steve Casey. They were agreed as a correct record proposed by Paul Jeeves, seconded by Jackie Dollimore and passed unanimously.

### 3 MATTERS ARISING

Mike Cawthra stated his thanks and congratulations to the Council for managing the accounts successfully under challenging times over the past few years. Graham Samuel asked if we technically had a Club Treasurer – Mike confirmed he was covering the role in the absence of an appointed person.

### 4 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The Report of the Directors was read by the Chairman. The acceptance of the report was proposed by Graham Samuel, seconded by Mike Cawthra and passed unanimously.

### 5 ADOPTION OF ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER 2022

The Accounts report was read by Mike Hurst. The adoption of the Accounts was proposed by Graham Samuel, seconded by Mike Cawthra and passed unanimously.

### 6 ELECTION OF OFFICERS

#### 6.1 ELECTION OF PRESIDENT

The Council proposed Mr Tony Phillips for the position of President and with no other nominations being received he was duly elected unopposed.

#### 6.2 ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENTS

The Council proposed Mike Cawthra, Adrian L'Estrange, Graham E Samuel, John M Williams, Tom Ryan, Joe Poxon, Pete Farmer, Andy Greenland and Katie Anderson and all were duly elected unopposed.

#### 6.3 ELECTION OF SECRETARY

Steve Casey confirmed his standing down from the Club Secretary role and thanked the Council and members for their support and contributions throughout his 6 years as Club Secretary. He confirmed he would stay on the Council to assist with some Admin duties until a replacement was identified. With no proposals highlighted this position remains vacant.

#### 6.4 ELECTION OF TREASURER

The Council proposed Mike Hurst for the position of Treasurer, however Mike politely declined and therefore this position remains vacant.

#### 6.5 ELECTION OF COMPETITION SECRETARY

The Council proposed Peter Nathan for the position of Competition Secretary and with no other nominations being received he was duly elected unopposed.

#### 6.6 ELECTION OF COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT

Messrs Mike Hurst, Brian Catt, Paul Duckmanton, Darren Pike, Brett Murray, Chris Hedges, Paul Jeeves, Guy Anderson, Steve Hedges, Ray Ripper and Chris Comley stood for re-election and were all duly elected unopposed.

### 7 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

#### 7.1 MEMBERSHIP

Although not presented at the AGM itself an updated summary of the current MCAC Membership position (numbers supplied by Brian Catt) is provided below for reference:

Membership type	2021	2022	2023
Full Paying Members (1, 2 & 3 years)	74	76	78
Linked Members	37	38	50
Life members (inc VP's)	16	26	26
Hampton Members	25	25	25
Students	4	11	9
Total	156	176	188

#### 2023 DETAILS

Full Paying Members plus Linked members:			Totals
1 Year = 62	2 years = 11	3 years = 55	128
Life members = 16	President and Vice Presidents = 10		26
Students U18 = 6	Students over 18 = 3		9

#### 7.2 SOCIAL MEDIA CAMPAIGN/PRESENCE

Brett Murray provided an overview of the last 12 months in terms of the work undertaken to promote the club online.

The club has successfully delivered a quarterly newsletter, and thanks was given to Ray Ripper for undertaking this work.

We have approximately 100 followers on Instagram (since its creation in June 2022) and 342 FaceBook members.

One example highlighted was the recent event at Debden which achieved a huge amount of engagement (approximately a 1,500 post reach) and positive feedback, with some AMSC committee members impressed with the way in which the campaign was run and posts delivered across a number of platforms.

Along with the increased collaboration with the AMSC and its member clubs Steve Casey was reminded of the actions from last year's AGM where significant progress had been made on all three of the points referenced below:

- A regular newsletter has already started with a January review published and a Feb/March/April due. Contributions from members are key to making this an ongoing success
- Plans to review the club's online presence is underway
- Plans to engage and collaborate more broadly with the AMSC to be discussed

In terms of next steps and in order to maintain momentum on these initiatives it is key that:

- That members continue to submit their content to the club and/or post to the club's Facebook page
- An idea was raised to create an MCAC WhatsApp group where members could submit content for Brett and other council members to upload on their behalf. This was well received and will be investigated.

In addition to this Mike Hurst had raised in his earlier address that the club will be looking to outsource the website development which would play positively to these initiatives.

There being no other business, the Chairman and Secretary thanked the members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 21:09



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# CORBEAU SEATS RALLY



8 MCAC members contested what was a very wet Corbeau Seats Rally at Clacton & Tendring, Essex on April 22nd and 23rd. MCAC marshals and support crews were also on hand to keep the event running smoothly as the conditions did prove challenging to the competitors, many surfaces giving limited grip and as a result there were many retirements. Well done to all who took part.

Our club's contingent fared thus:

**Martin Lush & David Taylor**, Toyota Corolla AE86 finished 11th in Class 2 and 50th overall

**John Gibson & Steven Davey** (pictured right), Ford Escort Mk1 Mexico finished 12th in Class 2 and 58th overall

Joe Evett & **Richard Wise**, MG ZR finished 3rd in Class 1 and 34th overall

**Jeremy Packer & Chris Gilbert**, Ford Fiesta retired Stage 4 with steering problems

**Guy Anderson & Kim Gray**, Mitsubishi Galant VR4 retired Stage 9 with gearbox trouble



## MAX'S MOVEMENTS

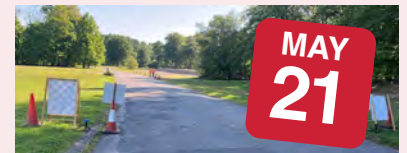
Top Facebook contributor Max Maxwell has been out and about in his radio Yeti:

Out again but at a different type of event, bit like a autosolo but at times, due to the tightness of the courses, the competitors reverse their cars. The courses, here at Bramley, have a mixture of dampness and mud, nice combination, standing water in some places. It's called the April Antics which is run by Farnborough & District Motor Club.



Another not so early start today, sprint organised by Farnborough and District at Rushmore Arena near Aldershot. Yes I did say Rushmore Arena. They've stationed me on the finish. Hopefully a good day's motorsport.

No picture today down here at Clacton, it's been raining most of the day. Sitting here on the start lane providing radio, **Brian Catt** and **Paul Jeeves** are somewhere out in the stage. Bit unusual it's been quite a while since I've done radio on the start line, reception is not very good so Simon Markes, stage commander, has set up his mast for me. Yesterday Brian and I were checking the recce cars on stage 4, remained dry all day.



Abingdon Car-Nival Day 2, sprint yesterday, stage rally today, been placed on J3 which is where the runways cross, stage 1 is finished with a few cars breaking including 2 near me. Not as sunny today but still quite warm.



Must be a glutton for punishment, Targa Rally at Debdon last week, HERO Rally for the Ages yesterday along with a visit to the Ace Cafe. Now today out at Cotswold Airport for the Kemble Targa Rally.



# COMPETITOR SAFETY

Following a serious incident involving Damien Cole and Charly Cole in their Skoda, their lives undoubtedly saved by the combination of belts, helmets, harnesses and roll cage, some discussion has been taking place regarding basic stage rally safety.

Please ALWAYS ask your partner to check their safety fixings are secure BEFORE arriving at MTC1, and run through a general check list (including extinguisher pins) so that you are both fully prepared for any eventuality that may happen on stage.

Safety equipment is mandatory for a reason, please adhere to the regulations. If an event marshal is detailed to walk along the start line and check then it's a welcome bonus, but don't rely on that, crews should take full responsibility for their own safety and work together to be secure.

Experienced navigator **Richard Wise** also called for organisers of closed road rallies to allow more time on road sections for disconnection of safety equipment and thence reconnection before the next stage start.

**Remember – there must be no compromise on safety – IT COULD SAVE YOUR LIFE!**

## MARSHALS...



### BRMC Online Training

The British Rally Marshals Club will be running online training throughout the coming months. They will commence at the beginning of February and continue throughout the year. Covering all Motorsport UK modules, this training can be used for upgrade or retention purposes with a certificate being issued.

All sessions will commence at 19:30 and should last between one and one and a half hours.

When you join any of these training sessions, please ensure your screen name clearly identifies who you are. This is used to authenticate your attendance.

To enrol please complete the form for the required course.

[brmc.org.uk/training](http://brmc.org.uk/training)

### On-Line Training Dates

2023 Date	Code	Module
6 Jun	RY02D - RY02E	Intro to Rally Radio - Rally Timing
4 Jul	RY01C	Spectator Safety & Management
5 Sep	RY03C	Stage Set-Up
3 Oct	RY03D	Advanced Radio
7 Nov	RY03E	Advanced Timing

# EAST ANGLIAN CLASSIC

What could be better to keep one's mental faculties alive than a Classic Road Rally? This was my second event, following the Hughes Rally last year, and was brought about by **Guy Anderson's** desire to use his father Pat's Mk I Lotus Cortina.

The car is immaculate in every way and we had no qualms about finishing the event, despite the expected hard use over farm roads and tracks. I even mused that as we probably wouldn't win anything competitively, the Cortina would be in with a shout for best turned out, if there was such a category.

After trailering to Bury St Edmunds on Friday night for scrutineering, I busied myself plotting all of the start and finish points for the regularity sections and tests to come the following day. I had two maps, 154 & 155, the newest of which was a 1999 issue – surely the roads weren't so different nowadays? Ooer! What could possibly go wrong?

I confess to a little assistance here, as we had entered the 'Run' and not the full blown 'Rally'; for the Run each crew is provided with the route already marked out, so all I had to do was copy this onto my maps (phew!). The idea is that this gives novice entrants (I count us amongst those) a chance to get the flavour of a road rally without the pressure of having to plot the route from scratch with all the potential problems. This works as it provides confidence to the crew who can also use the 'Rally' navigation instructions to check and understand how routes are planned – I didn't use this handy option for the Hughes and did get into a few pickles as a result.

However, having now had the confidence booster of a 'Run', I think for the next one I'll again embrace the challenge of plotting our own course completely.

The most difficult thing to master is the regularity, the speed the car must travel over certain distances, with the vagaries of stopping at junctions, allowing passing traffic etc to factor in. This, I think, will take more time to conquer and I didn't get anywhere close to calling the correct speeds to Guy, it was all a bit of a guess to be honest, but Guy did his thing and all was well(ish).

This was Guy's first historic road rally, a toe-dip as it were, and he took to it very well indeed. The day was split into five regularity sections and three tests in the morning, with two afternoon regularities bookending five tests, along with a finishing route back to the start of the event, The Grange Hotel, Thurston.





## EAST ANGLIAN CLASSIC *continued*



I must give a plug here to The Grange Hotel, who kindly agreed to host the event and whose staff were very efficient in providing for the competitors. Everyone was looked after really well and this old country hotel provided a fitting backdrop for this classic motoring event.

After negotiating Regularity A successfully, I got mixed up a little on Reg B, and we drove the farm track section somewhat quicker than we needed to, so some penalties were undoubtedly picked up there. Tests 1, 2 and 3 were dusty affairs on mixed surfaces, some tight coned tests in farmyards with concrete, gravel, grass, rutted mud and sand out on the farm tracks themselves. The Cortina coped really well, expertly driven by Guy, and I'm sure we did ourselves justice on those sections of the rally, with a lot of grinning to boot!



Regs C, D and E followed and ate up half of the 150 rally miles that were driven that day, and it was pretty fine country to drive through too! Old mills, a packhorse bridge, manicured estates and tidy villages featured, and although in retrospect the area covered was quite extensive, it didn't seem so at the time as one piece of beautiful landscape gave way to another, usefully punctuated by those majestic stone landmarks, Norman churches.

A lunch stop at The White Horse at Withersfield was welcome (the food provided all day was free!) and gave Guy a chance to catch up with familiar characters from his rallying past, some not encountered for many years!

Back on the road, Reg F and Reg G were divided by five more tests on the same farmland as we had previously visited, but pretty much in reverse direction, with a few modifications to be kinder on the older cars taking part. Our last test took us alongside a potato field that was being irrigated and, (this may have been planned by the organisers), we drove through the end of spray from the boom, so had a quick car wash. Not sure I'd have wanted to be in a convertible at that point though!

The route back to the start took us through some more Time Controls and we picked up a couple more code boards along the way, finishing the rally (whoopee!), and eager for another challenge in the future.

Thanks to Chelmsford Motor Club and the other clubs that supported the event, there were lots of cheery marshals about and everyone looked to have had a great time, come the end of the day. **Ray Ripper**





## ABINGDON CAR-NIVAL



Congratulations to **Peter Cox** and **Craig Murray** who competed in the Autosolo section of this year's Abingdon Car-Nival, Peter in a Honda 2000S, Craig in a Mini Cooper.

Flying the flag for the club in the Rally were **Chris Hedges** and **Philip Russ** with another outing in the Mk1 Escort (pictured), finishing 29th overall and 10th in Class C.

The Sprint section saw **Sam Mousley** burning the rubber successfully there in a Renault Clio.

## SOL RALLY BARBADOS



The Barclay clan enjoyed the fun and spectacle of the 2023 Sol Rally Barbados, with **Ian Barclay & Sue Plater** taking on the stages in their M4-Class Mitsubishi Lancer Evo VI, while **Cameron Barclay** navigated for Mick Smith in the H1-class Rentokil Initial sponsored Sunbeam Imp. Also on the bill were **Andrew Costin-Hurley & Rob Brook** in the Group B-Class Ford Puma Cosworth who finished 2nd in class – a superb effort!

## DIARY DATES FOR MORE DATES, SEE THE EVENT CALENDAR ON PAGE 10

### TAMS Packaging North Weald Sprint

Entries for the TAMS Packaging North Weald Sprint are open for the event to be held on Sunday, 16th July. The event is being held at North Weald Airfield, near Epping. The event is open to fully elected members of the Organising Club, championship contenders in the 2023 key.guru AEMC/AEMC (and others) and members of clubs belonging to the AEMC, ACSMC and the Welsh Association Motor Clubs.



The length of the course is approximately 1700m and consists of left and right hand bends on tarmac and concrete surfaces. Entry fee is from £90.

[greenbeltmc.org.uk/Competition/Sprints/Sprint\\_2023/sprint\\_2023.html](https://greenbeltmc.org.uk/Competition/Sprints/Sprint_2023/sprint_2023.html)

### Classics on the Common

Harpenden's premier car event, Classics on the Common, will be on Wednesday, 26 July 2023. It usually a busy affair and online booking is available for cars that are 25 years old or older and for all bikes and scooters

If your car was registered in 1930 or earlier you can apply, by post, for a **FREE ticket!** There will be the usual autojumble stalls for any odd spares or items to add to your automotive collection.



<https://www.classicsonthecommon.com>

### Bovington & Challenger Stages



Due to MoD requirements, the event has been rescheduled for 19th & 20th August 2023. Paid entries will be transferred to the new date, with the option of a full refund on application to the organisers. This is the first time in the history of the event that use of the AWDC has been withdrawn and the organising team fully realise the disappointment for competitors, marshals and officials alike.



## New Club Secretary required...

**Steve Casey**, who has been our Club Secretary for several years has decided that it's time to pass that particular mantle to somebody else. The transition will take place in the months to come. Steve intends to continue as Regional Rep as well as administering the club website.

Steve has brought clarity and professionalism to all his undertakings for the club and it would be in a poorer position without his input. Thanks for all you've do so far, Steve, whether as organiser, competitor or marshal.

**The club is looking to appoint a replacement for Club Sec and Social Sec, so if you would like to step forward to volunteer, it would be a massive help to keep the club moving forward.**

We know you're not going far from us Steve, and we appreciate your advanced notice about the position. We hope you have enjoyed your time as Club Sec as much as we have enjoyed and benefited from your presence in this crucial position. Thank you again.



*There he goes... but not quite yet! Steve Casey has said that he'd like to pass the Club Sec role to someone fresh.*



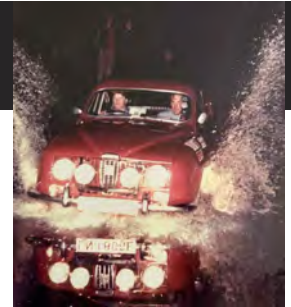
This year there have been 23 enquiries forwarded to the club via the StreetCar initiative from Motorsport UK. All of these are followed up with an introductory email from the club including a list of events directly relating to the subject of enquiry.

We hope that all new members that have joined or taken advantage of the suggestions made to them have enjoyed their first experience with motorsport and hope that this evolves into a more regular and fulfilling participation.

## OBITUARY

### Les Cottam

It is our sad duty to report the passing of Les Cottam. Les was formerly Club Secretary for a number of years, he produced the club newsletter during that period and acted as Club Steward on some events. Some may remember Les and his wife Molly rallying a SAAB96 on most of the London Counties road rallies. In his working life, Les achieved the rank of Chief Superintendent with the Met Police. Les passed away on Sunday 4th June aged 96. RIP Les.



*Les Cottam and wife Molly competing in their Saab 96*

## CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS & MEMBERSHIP

### Claim your points after your event!

It's very important that your points are claimed after an event and the process is simple to follow from the MCAC website. Our new Championship Secretary, Max Maxwell, is ready and waiting to log your claim and get you up the leaderboard! The points system is under review to make it even simpler and more relevant so watch this space for any future announcements. See where you are at [mcac.co.uk/championships](http://mcac.co.uk/championships)

#### Current category leaders are:

Off Road Driver: **Peter Cox (10)**

Road Rally Driver: **vacant**

Road Rally Co-Driver: **vacant**

Stage Rally Driver: **Chris Hedges (32)**

Stage Rally Co-Driver: **Phillip Russ (32)**

Night Trial Driver: **vacant**

Night Trial Navigator: **vacant**

Marshal: **Max Maxwell/Pheebe Fletcher (20)**

Service: **Steve Hedges (4)**

Organiser: **Mike Hurst/Paul Jeeves (10)**

Junior: **vacant**

Most Active: **Pheebe Fletcher (20)**

Most Competing: **Richard Wise (4)**

Best MCAC: **Martin Lush/Dave Taylor (Corbeau)**

**Remember to log your points within 30 days of the completion of an event. There's a sumptuous array of historic cups and trophies just waiting to adorn your sideboard or trophy cabinet!**

Good luck for 2023 and all the Championship rules can be found at [mcac.co.uk/championships](http://mcac.co.uk/championships)



Recent new members are:

Kim Gray

Steven Davey

Surya Prakash Kurva

Claire Lawrence

A very warm welcome to our new members and a big thank you to those who have renewed.



# CLUB CALENDAR... FOR COMPETITORS AND MARSHALS



2023	Day	Date	Event	Location
July	Thursday	6	MCAC Social Evening	The Boot, Sarratt WD3 6BL
	Saturday	8	Nicky Grist Stages Rally BTRDA	Builth Wells, Powys
	Sunday	9	CSMA Boundless Grasshopper Autotest	Whaddon, Milton Keynes, Bucks MK17 0NA
	Sunday	16	TAMS Packaging Summer Sprint	North Weald Airfield, Essex CM16 6HR
	Sunday	16	Summer Solo AutoSOLO	Martinique Square, Bordon, Hants
	Sunday	23	WSMC/MCAC AutoSOLO, AutoTest & PCA	Carver Barracks, Debden, Essex CB10 2YA
	Sunday	23	Twyford Stages Stage Rally	Grantham NG33 5JW
	Thursday	27	7Oaks Autotest	Brands Hatch Circuit, Kent DA3 8NG
August	Sat/Sun	19/20	Bovington Stages	Bovington Camp, Dorset BH20 6JG
	Sunday	20	Autotest, Car Trial	Sywell Hall Farm, Sywell, Northants NN6 0BN
	Sunday	20	John Ashwell All Day Autotest	Headcorn Aerodrome, Kent TN27 9HX
	Sunday	20	AutoSOLO	Woodbridge Airfield, Ipswich, Suffolk
	Sunday	28	Debden Targa Rally	Debden Airfield, Saffron Walden, Essex
September	Saturday	9	Woodpecker Stages Rally BTRDA	Ludlow, Shropshire
	Sunday	10	CSMA Boundless Chiltern Autotest	Whaddon, Milton Keynes, Bucks MK17 0NA
	Sunday	10	September AutoSOLO	Martinique Square, Bordon, Hants
	Saturday	16	Kent Forestry Targa Rally	The Moat Inn, Sevenoaks, Kent TN15 7RR
	Sunday	17	North Weald Sprint	North Weald Airfield, Essex CM16 6HR
	Sunday	17	3 Shires Stages Closed Road Rally	Gloucestershire, Herefordshire & Worcestershire
	Saturday	23	7Oaks Autotest Final	Brands Hatch Circuit, Kent DA3 8NG
	Saturday	23	Trackrod Forest Stages BTRDA	Filey, Yorkshire
	Saturday	30	Goodwood Sprint	Goodwood, Sussex PO18 0PH
	Saturday	30-1/10	Historic Rally Festival	Weston Park, Shifnal, Shropshire
October	Sunday	1	Debden Autotest, AutoSOLO & Sprint	Carver Barracks, Debden, Essex CB10 2YA
	Sunday	1	Sprint Royale Sprint	Eelmoor DTA, Fleet Road, Aldershot, Hants
	Sunday	1	Brian Lewis Trial Car Trial	Stoneacre Farm, Otham, Kent ME15 8RS
	Sunday	1	Tour of Kent Touring Assembly	Maidstone area, Kent
	Friday	6	Ben & Steve's 12 Car	Sudbury, Suffolk CO10 2XG
	Sunday	8	Autumn Leaves Targa Rally	TBC Essex
	Sunday	8	CSMA Boundless Autumn Autotest	Whaddon, Milton Keynes, Bucks MK17 0NA
	Sunday	8	Autumn Motorsport Day	Brooklands, Weybridge, Surrey KT13 0QN
	Sunday	15	David Maitland Memorial Car Trial	Ivinghoe, Bucks

These are selected events; a comprehensive list and more details on these events can be found on the AEMC website, [aemc.org.uk/events/upcoming](https://aemc.org.uk/events/upcoming)



**Thursday 6th July, 19:00 - 23:00**  
**The Boot, Sarratt WD3 6BL**

July's opportunity to meet up, we have now confirmed the rear car park of **The Boot in Sarratt**, a venue that we used successfully in 2018, 2019 and last year. An earlier start is suggested to make the most of the light and an opportunity to grab some food.

**July Social Night –  
Natter & Noggin**  
 Come along – it's good to talk!

Check out the  
 latest news on our  
 Facebook page   
 or visit us at  
[mccac.co.uk](https://mccac.co.uk)



## REGIONAL AFFILIATED EVENTS

MCAC Members are entitled to enter events run by member clubs of the Regional Associations listed below.

Also, MCAC members are able to enter championships run by these Regional Associations.

Visit the websites below to see events lists and for particular events that may interest you.



**ACSMC – Association of Central Southern Motor Clubs**  
[acsmcsite.wordpress.com/](http://acsmcsite.wordpress.com/)



**AMSC – Anglia Motor Sports Club**  
[aemc.org.uk/events/upcoming](http://aemc.org.uk/events/upcoming)



**AEMC – Association of Eastern Motor Clubs**  
[aemc.org.uk/events/upcoming](http://aemc.org.uk/events/upcoming)



**WAMC – Welsh Association of Motor Clubs**  
[wamc.org.uk](http://wamc.org.uk)



**EMAMC – East Midlands Association of Motor Clubs**  
[emamc.org.uk/dates/index\\_dates\\_2022.html](http://emamc.org.uk/dates/index_dates_2022.html)



## NATIONAL EVENTS

National events throughout the United Kingdom and Eire events and other major international events can be found at [itsmymotorsport.com](http://itsmymotorsport.com)

**ITSMY**  
**its my motorsport**

## LICENCES

Competitive (Not Social) Club level MCAC events now require an RS Clubman Licence for Drivers and Passengers from Motorsport UK: [motorsportuk.org/competitors/rs-clubman-licence/](http://motorsportuk.org/competitors/rs-clubman-licence/)

Under MCAC Family membership rules, a separate MCAC membership is not required.

If you wish to compete in any other event, please view the Competition Licences section for more details about how to apply for a Motorsport UK Competition Licence: [motorsportuk.org/competitors/competition-licences/](http://motorsportuk.org/competitors/competition-licences/)

Competitors need individual MCAC Membership Cards, therefore individual MCAC memberships.



# CLOTHING & MERCHANDISE

Order your club clothing at [teamworld.co.uk/mcac](http://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 SAFEGUARDING OFFICER**

Motorsport should be fun. You should feel safe, enjoy the sport and everyone should be treated with respect.

If you have a concern about the safety or wellbeing of a child or an adult at risk of harm you MUST report this to the Club Safeguarding Officer or the Motorsport UK Safeguarding Team.

Motor Club Name/Organisation: **MCC/SCC**

Club Safeguarding Officer Name: **Dr Paul J Duckmanton**

Telephone number: **01753 791914**

Email address: **psd@scscc.co.uk**

If you have a concern that a child or person is at risk of immediate harm, contact:

**The Police via 999 (emergencies)**  
Other organisations offer 24 hour helplines such as:  
**Childline 0800 1111**  
or the NSPCC 0800 800 5000

The Motorsport UK Safeguarding Team can be contacted on:  
01753 795000 or 01632 48672  
[safeguarding@motorsportuk.org](mailto:safeguarding@motorsportuk.org)

## OFFICIALS

President: **Tony Phillips**  
Vice Presidents: **Katie Anderson, Mike Cawthra, Pete Farmer, Andy Greenland, Adrian L'Estrange, Joe Poxon, Tom Ryan, Graham Samuel, John Williams**  
Chairman: **Mike Hurst**  
Club Secretary: **VACANT**  
Championship Secretary: **Max Maxwell**  
Membership Secretary: **Brian Catt**  
Competition Secretary: **Peter Nathan**  
Social Secretaries & Club Calendar: **Chris Comley & Steve Casey**  
Chief Marshal: **Darren Pike**  
Equipment: **Chris & Steve Hedges**  
Safeguarding Officer: **Paul Duckmanton**  
Regional Rep: **Steve Casey**  
Historian & Archivist: **Tony Phillips**  
Social Media: **Brett Murray**  
Website: **Steve Casey & Brett Murray**  
Merchandise & Publishing: **Ray Ripper**

## CLUB NIGHT

Join us at our Club Nights. Check the website calendar for any late alterations.

**NEXT DATE:**  
**Thursday**  
**6th July,**  
**19:00 – 23:00**  
**at The Boot,**  
**Sarratt**  
**WD3 6BL**