



Newbury Dolphin Motor Club

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Welcome to the November 2016 Newsletter

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Editor's Report

Many thanks for all the excellent reports this month.

Friday saw Kevin Belcher and I compete on Glynn Hayward's CMSG 12 Car (Round 5). Full results will be in next month's Newsletter, but in summary 4 crews suffered punctures on the roads South of Newbury into Hampshire, including ourselves. A well-rehearsed tyre change (not quite the 2 seconds in Formula 1), but 4 minutes was quick enough not to drop us any time between controls. The same was true for Haydn and Brian when they suffered a puncture later in the event.

The result was maximum points in the Cotswold Championship from clean times for both Cars 1 & 2 – Kev Belcher/Paul Hardy & Haydn Marks/Brian Cammack. Many thanks to Glynn and Chris Pratt for putting on the event and to all their marshals.

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Please note that the deadline for the December magazine is
27th November.

Articles received after this date will not be included until 2017.

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What's On

November

- Thurs 3rd NDMC, Club Meeting The Bowler's Arms
- Fri 4th DMC/OMC 12 Car Bob Muttram
- Sun 6th London to Brighton Veteran Car Run, Hyde Park
- Thurs 17th NDMC, Club Meeting The Two Water Mills
- Fri 18th CMSG Roadsport 12 car Round 6
Map165 Brian Cammack/Haydn Marks

December

- Thurs 1st NDMC, Club Meeting The Bowler's Arms
- Fri 4th OMC/DMC 12 Car TBA
- Sat 3rd Christmas Meal – Hare & Hounds Chris Hopkins
- Fri 9th CMSG Roadsport 12 car Round 7
Map 162 Richard Austen/Zenya Heap
- Thurs 15th NDMC, Club Meeting The Two Water Mills
- Dolphin MC associated events

Dates for your diary

12 Car dates - 2016

[NDMC/OMC](#) (Newbury Dolphin/Oxford 12 Car Series)

4th Nov Bob Muttram (NDMC), Map 174

2nd Dec OMC, Map 164

[Cotswold Motor Sport Group](#) (CMSG) 12 Car Series

18th Nov Brian Cammack/Haydn Marks, Map 175

9th Dec Richard Austen/Zenya Heap, Map 162

12 Car dates - 2017

[NDMC/OMC](#) (Newbury Dolphin/Oxford 12 Car Series)

13th Jan Dolphin, Map 174

10th Feb Oxford, Map 164

10th Mar Dolphin, Map 174

14th Apr Oxford, Map 164

15th Sept Dolphin, Map 174

6th Oct Oxford, Map 164

10th Nov Dolphin, Map 174

8th Dec Oxford, Map 164

[Cotswold Motor Sport Group](#) (CMSG) 12 Car Series

24th Feb Dave Cooper, Maps 150/162/163

24th Mar Matt Langford/Rourke Mclean, Maps 151/163

28th Apr Ian Harrison, Map 174

29th Sept Kevin Belcher/Paul Hardy, Maps 163/164

27th Oct Glynn Hayward, Maps 174/185

24th Nov Brian Cammack/Haydn Marks, Map 175

15th Dec Richard Austen/Zenya Heap, Maps 162/163

MSA Rule Changes for Autosolo

Next year the MSA are allowing organisers to let passengers be carried on Autosolo's. It will be down to the clubs and championships how they write this into their regulations, but it is seen as a positive move which may encourage new people to have a taste of and get introduced into Motorsport.

Tip of the Week

Bird Mess

Be careful when washing dried-on bird droppings off your car, as it's easy to scratch the top layer of paint. To avoid this, soak a tissue in water, lay it onto the droppings for an hour or so and then simply wipe away.

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Newbury Dolphin Club Christmas Meal

Hare & Hounds (Speen) – 3 December 2016

STARTERS

Beetroot Cured Salmon

dressed leaves and horseradish crème fraiche.

Chicken Liver and Cognac Terrine

warm toast, red onion and clementine chutney.

Button Mushrooms

in a roasted garlic & Cheddar cream sauce toasted croute.

Vine Tomato & Mozzarella Bruschetta

rocket & balsamic salad.

Butternut Squash Soup,

toasted cumin and chive cream, Tiger bread

MAINS

Roast Breast of Berkshire Turkey

redcurrant & thyme stuffing, bacon, chipolata, roast potatoes,
pan gravy.

Slow Roasted Shoulder of Pork

grain mustard mash, crackling & rich cider gravy.

Salmon Fillet

baked with lemon and garlic, crushed new potatoes.

Watercress and spinach cream

Honey Glazed Duck Breast, parsnip puree,

goose fat sautéed potatoes, red wine jus.

Caramelised Goats Cheese and Red Onion Tart,

buttered new potatoes.

All served with a selection of fresh vegetables

DESSERTS

Traditional Christmas Pudding, brandy sauce.

White & Dark Chocolate Mousse, crushed honeycomb.

Winter Berry Cheesecake, fresh cream.

Caramelised Satsuma & Cranberry Mess,

crushed meringue, flocked cream.

Platter of English Cheeses, savoury biscuits, blush grapes

£27.50 three courses & coffee with mince pie

Please contact Chris Hopkins asap to book your place.

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4th / 5th February
2017

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Competition Secretary's Report.

Oxford MC - Autosolo at Finmere - (2 October 2016)

On the same weekend as the FDMC Sprint, Nigel Lack and Peter Cox were both competing on the Boanerges Autosolo, this event run by Oxford Motor Club, was the penultimate round of the CMSG Solo Championship and had 45 entries, giving Nigel and Peter a fair bit of competition to face. Nigel's spirited drive in his Renault Clio Sport earned him 3rd in Class and a good 25th overall. Peter in his Honda S2000 mixing it with the other National B contenders claimed 4th in his class and was just a few places down on Nigel to finish in 33rd place.

FDMC - Sprint Royale - (2 October 2016)

The last Farnborough Motor Club Sprint held at Rushmoor Arena saw four Dolphin members competing. Chris Hopkins was out in his lovely Lancia Montecarlo giving it its first run at a sprint.

Being in put in the same class as the modified sports cars, did mean Chris was somewhat out gunned by the rest in his class. Not daunted by this he still put in a spirited drive and had smoking tyres every time he slammed the brakes on at the first ninety right.

Not to be out done Derek Looker and Stuart Harrison were also showing that they could be late on the breaks and with a tap of the right foot on the middle pedal, scorched around the first two corners.



Ian Harrison found his fluffed gear changes on the approach to the bends gave him a slower entrance to the corners, but a heavy right foot on the way out saw he was not left out of the smoking tyre brigade.



The weather for the event could not have been better

and with a full entry there was close competition all day.

Stuart though was on top form and with an excellent drive he was able to beat many cars that had bigger engines and better tyres and really should have been way ahead of his car. But thanks to nimble handling of the GBS Zero and daring do from the driver, Stuart was able to take his first class win and finish an excellent 7th overall.



See also Chris' report [here](#).

Throckmorton Autosolo - (23 October 2016)

60 & Worcestershire ran the last round of the Cotswolds Autosolo Championship on 23rd Oct at Throckmorton. The entry at 25 cars though down on numbers from last year was nonetheless a competitive field with 14 of the entries coming from the Nat B section.

Stuart Harrison was once again battling to stay ahead of his dad, but close to home competition was not all

he had to worry about as, the other Father and Son pairing of Richard and Jamie Yapp in very quick 300bhp 4 wheel drive VW Golf was also hot on his tail. Remaining calm, almost laid back, about the pressure Stuart showed measured control and drove the GBS Zero as though he had his life depending on it, keeping ahead of all and winning all but a couple of the runs. But we are only talking about being ahead by the smallest margins on some tests.

However, being in front is what counts and so for the third time at Throckmorton he took a well-earned FTD. Ian had a close battle all day with Jamie Yapp and until the test after lunch, it looked like he might make it a 1 & 2 for the top places for the Zero, but Jamie put in some blistering runs and split the Harrisons taking 2nd overall from Ian by just 2.7 seconds.

Gunpowder Plot 12 Car

Coming up on the 4th of November is Bob Muttrams Gunpowder Plot 12 Car Rally. Starting and Finishing at the Craven Arms, Enborne, it has a 58-mile route that will see challenges to keep both the Driver and Navigator busy and working up a thirst for a good drink at the end.

If anyone can help marshal on the night Bob would very much like to hear from them and he still has a couple of places left for a late entry or two.

Dukeries Rally - (23 October 2016)

Bob Muttram navigating for Graig Mclvar on the Dukeries Rally had a very good result: 27th overall and 7th in class. It turned out to be a good day for them, even after a few problems with the fire extinguisher and entry ticket.

See also Bob's report [here](#).

Ian Harrison

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Green Leaves 12 Car – 9 September 2016

			Total	Pos O/A
1	E	Ian Hazleton/Tony Brooks	28	7th
2	E	Ian Harrison Bob Muttram	22	4th
3	E	Martin Davis/Zenya Heap	9	2nd
4	E	Martyn Roberts/Glynn Hayward	2	1st
5	E	Jo Williams/Rhys Williams	33	9th
6	N	Derek Looker/Kieran Belcher	17	3rd
7	N	Mark Nicol/Dick Hall	57	10th
8	N	Tony Mytton/Steve Partridge	24	5th
9	N	Ding Boston/Andy Parsons	DNF	
10	B	Barry Young/Cameron Young	31	8th
11	B	Barry Shurman/Nick Revels	25	6th

Many thanks to the following Marshals

MTC1 & MTC2	Paul Hardy
TC2	Kevin Belcher + Course closer
TC3 & TC8	Andrew Spindlow
TC4 & TC9	David Smith
TC5	Nigel Lack
TC6	Julia Hardy
SC1 & TC7	Simon Marks
TC10	Stuart Harrison

Oxford 12 Car

14 October 2016

Thanks for coming out on Friday to compete or marshal. I hope you all enjoyed it.

Here is confirmation of the results:

1 st	(E) Chris Pratt & Glynn Hayward	20marks
2 nd	(B) Charles Neal & James Sumner	27marks
3 rd	(E) Derek Looker & Paul Hardy	30marks
4 th	(E) an Hazleton & Tony Brooks	34marks
5 th	(N) Mark Nicoll & Dick Hall	41marks
6 th	(E) Ian Harrison & Bob Muttram	43marks
7 th	(N) Andrew Lees & Dave Moisley	133marks
8 th	(B) James Griggs & Chris Temple	174marks

Cheers

Tony & Steve

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Topographia

Sunday 16 October 2016

The Topographia Rally' which is a treasure hunt style car rally taking place in the Reading area has now been running for over 50 years. This like last it runs on Map 175 (Reading & Windsor), but previous years it has run on Maps 186 and 174 (our own!).

Ian Harrison and myself took part again in a hope of excelling our 3rd place finish from last year. The clues for this day-time event are a mixture of description questions which can be followed on the map to the intended location and copies of pictures that need to be deciphered with various degrees of helpful information. There are 9, 10 point questions, 8, 20 point questions, 7, 30 point questions and 4, 40 point questions (these were all photos, with little or no helpful hints).

To stand any chance of coming in the top five, you need to get 3-4 of the maximum point questions, as many of the 30 point questions and top this up with 20 point questions, as from the total of 28 questions only your best 16 answers are counted.

With the event starting and finishing at The New Inn in Heckfield on the edge of Map 175, the 25 crews were handed their clues at 10am. By 11.30am/noon everyone has plotted and left the start, with the goal of getting to their 16 locations and back to the finish before the deadline of 6pm. The first car back (at just after 4pm) was Matt Fowle and Bob Blows. Bob obviously knows the map well as he's won this event 19 times since his first win in 1982. Needless to say, he scored a maximum score, achieving all 4, 40 pointers, all the 30 pointers and the remaining 20 point questions obtaining a maximum 470 points. With Ian's eagle eyes we too got all the of the hardest clues, but

2 missed 30 point questions, replaced with a 20 pointer and a 10 point answer meant 440 points and a successive 3rd place again this year. On their first time of doing this event Dolphin members Barry Young and Nigel Lack achieved 380 points, being 11th overall and picking up the 1st Novice award.

A typical 40 point clue is shown below.

Where is this on map 175 and “What comes before RA2?”



Paul Hardy

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Deepcut Antics make a splash.

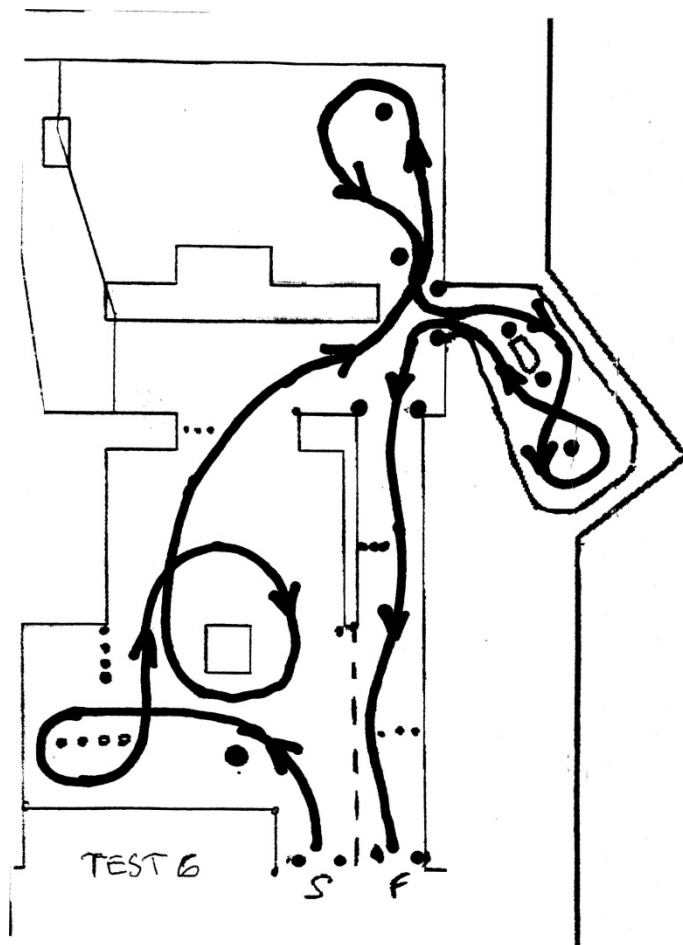
Sunday 16 October 2016

Morning storms hit the site of Farnborough's Autumn Antics loose surface Slalom on Sunday 16 October. That did not deter a full entry of top drivers from across the South who were getting to know that this was a cracking good driver's event. Entries came from as far afield as Weston-Super -Mare in the west, Maidstone and Sevenoaks in the east and Bedford and Chelmsford to the north. They included expert drivers from Stage Rallies, Road Rallies, Autotest, Autocross, Rallycross and even Drifters with half the entry now being rear wheel drive.



As usual three all forwards interestingly varied tests were laid out on hugely differing surfaces. These could change from wet concrete to broken concrete or tarmac with patches of mud and leaves, gravel, grass and water, much water. With the rain easing and a couple of cones moved to avoid the deepest lake the event got under way. There were three runs at each of the three tests in the morning with the best two times

to count and after a short lunch break, the same with three more slightly altered tests. The conditions required careful control of traction and delicate handbrake operation to maintain speed and avoid overdoing it. Rear wheel drivers were steering and doing turns mainly with the back end, in controlled drifts or otherwise. The third test as shown was more like a mini-stage going up through the trees to a gravel and muddy area then back again.



To give an idea of the competition, the ACSMC Stage Rally Champion didn't win an award though his co-driver did get a 2nd in class, The Southern road car Autotest Champion only managed 5th overall. FTD was the only autotest Special there, while the winning 'car' was a BMW 318Ti, 2nd was a Mazda MX5, 3rd Rover Mini, and 4th Nissan Micra, showing that at this event the car is slightly less important than your ability to drive it! Although a class winner in bygone years, faced with the current opposition I could only manage 6th in class and 17th overall this time, but still 'above average' in spite of advancing years. Not helped either

by water splashing over the top of the engine on my Peugeot 205 and causing a misfire. One of the best events of the year in spite of the weather.

Derek Looker

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Dukeries Rally, Donington Park

Sunday 23 October 2016.

I was out for the third time this year co-driving for Craig in the Fiesta, we did the Dukeries Rally at Donington Park on Sunday 23rd October.

At one stage it looked as if we were not going to start the event as the week before Craig's lad Oscar let off the in-car fire extinguishers which flooded the engine bay with very corrosive foam. The extinguishers then had to be refilled and the engine bay had to be cleaned up before scrutineering on Saturday. Craig got the extinguishers refilled and with the help of Russel his service crew replaced them on Saturday morning.

Disaster struck again when Russel was fitting the extinguishers and they went off again. With only a few hours left to sort them out before scrutineering Craig had to drive to Demon Tweeks in Wrexham to get new extinguishers and then drive down to Donington a 5 hour trip.



The car ready to go at Demon Tweeks at Wrexham on Saturday only hours before scrutineering.

At Demon Tweeks Craig had some good news; they could refill his existing extinguishers so he did not have to buy new ones. The extinguishers were refilled and all was good so Craig and Russel set off down to Donington and I left home to meet them at Donington a bit late but in time for scrutineering and singing on. Scrutineering went off OK and we all went to our accommodation for a wash and brush up before having a very pleasant evening meal.

Sunday morning started badly as I had miss laid my ticket into the venue. I had a vehicle pass but no ticket to get me in. I was ready to go in my race suite and had the time cards and stage diagrams with me but the guy on the gate would not let me in with only a vehicle pass. A new ticket was purchased for £10 and we all got in and set up in the service area.

The rally started better with a steady first run but not a quick time. We had a better run on stage two and improved our time by 42 seconds. We also had a better run on stage 3 and again bettered our time on stage 4. We had started the day in 28th place overall and 9th in class but by the lunch break we had dropped to 31st overall and moved up to 8th in the 2 litre class. After the break stage 5 we were bulked by a Sierra Cosworth and struggled to get by him. We reckoned that the Sierra cost us over 20 seconds and on the next stage we again improved by 33 seconds. Stage 5 could have cost us an overall finish a place higher than the 27th place that we finally finished in.

Bob Muttram

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FDMC - Sprint Royale

Sunday 2 October 2016.

The Sprint Royale was held at Rushmoor Arena this year as the usual venue Eelmoor Testing Ground was not available and 4 Newbury Dolphiin Members entered. Ian and Stuart Harrison in their GBS Zero GT, Derek Looker in his Peugeot 205 rally car and me in my latest purchase, a 1982 Lancia Montecarlo.



It started off a little damp in places and under the trees it was likely to stay that way at least for the first morning run. The 2 practice runs went well for all of us, with everyone improving their first time on their second run. I realised I was in the wrong class but it was too late to change, but I was just seeing how the car went, as I did not know if it would be competitive.

The 3 afternoon timed runs were interesting, the Harrisons fighting it out for class honours with a few missed gear changes by both adding to the drama, Derek finding the limit of the 205 and me finding out that everyone who advised me were correct in that the

Montecarlo's brakes are the area which needs a better balance due to the front being so light. Work for the winter months!

Anyway the final best times were:

Stuart - 53.31sec giving him a class win

Ian - 57.95, third in class

Derek - 61.20

Chris - 64.91

Chris Hopkins

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The full committee for 2016/2017 is;

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