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Bernard Progress!

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Your Editor Speaking...

Blimey, February went quick...

The mill now works - there were no flames, bangs or dramas of any kind when powering it up for the first time. It just worked. Phew!

So, flushed with that success I have made some (very) minor progress with almost all

my many projects! I have re-welded the other Westfield engine mount, corrected a small issue with the stationary engine and fabricated one of the two smokebox door locking bar brackets for Bernard. Small steps, but at least they were all in the right direction!

Jez Boakes (Editor)

A Note from your Chairman

The year is going apace and after a quiet start in January, we had a good(ish) turnout for Feb Clubnight and AG's slot car evening. As ever, thanks are due to Dave Wiles and Simon Mummery for the invaluable assistance in setting up and 'marshalling' the stages / circuits.

I believe next clubnight is down to me and is (if memory serves) 'Paper Racecars'! This is not an obscure exercise in paper folding (as an aside, AG told me that he has received a letter from the Origami Society but he doesn't know what to make of it)! It is possible to make excellent models of Formula One cars or replica crash hel-

pets out of the aforementioned paper. Honest. Come along and have a go – materials, scissors, glue etc.. will be supplied (if like me, you aren't allowed to play with anything sharp Matron will have to do the cutting for you). You just need to bring yourself, a keen eye and possibly a little patience. If you want a preview try

Metmania.com (it helps if you speak Japanese) or see the accompanying pics.



If you can't make clubnight, see you at the Annual Dinner.

As ever, keep your foot in it.....

Derrick Holden (Chairman)



Secretary's Scribblings

What a month, a good evening with everyone at the Noggin sampling the Jolly Woodman's food, a very competitive karting evening at Woodley (watch the video at www.csmakarting.co.uk), plus a good thrash at the Scalextric evening (my team didn't come last, but I won't mention who won overall through being cautious, very out of character). This same person also provided a lot of verbage for the Karting article from Camberley in the the CSMA magazine.

Personally, we're all packed and ready to hit Sweden for a week of driving on a frozen lake (shame we had to miss the NWL 12 car), plus some tuition - will I be able to learn to left foot brake or will I stick to my traditional handbrake steering method, it was good enough to win a few stage championships. It's cold here, minus 30 on the lake, I'll be staying in the car ! We're back then off to Weston-Super-Mare for the first round of the BTRDA Newcomer's Autosolo Championship, then off to the motor-

way services a week later for the next round. The gearbox is fixed after spinning the crown wheel on the diff on the NWL Autotest. We also took the opportunity to put the right ratios and final drive in the box, full details at http://timotorsport.typepad.com/ti_motorsport/workshop/ and scroll down. My cylinder head is also featured further on down. So that should be the car almost bulletproof, but don't talk to me about Peugeot electrics ! The Oracle acquisition of Sun Microsystems is also going well so fingers crossed in all areas for the future.

What's on the horizon on the CSMA front – the infamous Annual Dinner on 6th March (which I can't make), club night on 11th with Derek building cars, out of paper, Motorcycle rideout on 24th, plus the NEL 12 car and the first round of the outdoor Karting Championship looming. Don't forget the all important AGM, followed by an evening of Magic, on 8th April. It's looking good.

Alan Wakeman (Secretary)

Simon Millington

It is with extreme sadness I have to record the passing of our friend and West Middlesex group member Simon Millington who succumbed to Limes disease in mid-February.

Simon joined CSMA in 1986 and I'm sure many will remember him as an active Member of the West Middlesex Group committee in the late 80's & early 90's, and also as the regular Navigator for Richard Whitehouse over many years. Some time ago Simon moved to Fareham and changed competitive seats to become a competent Driver in motorsport. Always a regular and enthusiastic participant at our Barton Stacey Rally practise days, he also enjoyed Karting with CSMA and was very keen & enthusiastic skier, a hobby he avidly pursued over three or four weeks each and every year.

Tragically, Simon was lost to us at just 47 years old. To his family, and his many friends, I offer our sympathies, and very sincere condolences, from all of us in the CSMA West Middlesex Group.

Allan Goddard

*An invitation to
April clubnight at North East London Group
Tuesday 13 April 7.45 pm*

North East London Group is pleased to confirm that they will have a former World Champion coming to speak at their April clubnight.

Barry Lee is the same age as NEL's chairman but there the likeness ends. Barry was a hero of his generation who raced hot rods and was seen as a dare devil, having tremendous battles with his arch rival George Polley. Barry went on to become the World Hot Rod Champion four times and win many championships.

Other achievements; European rally champion, truck racing champion, V6 Euro Touring Car champion and survived the Paris –Dakar Rally three times (in the days before sat-nav!)

For more than twenty years Barry has worked for Granada TV World of Sport, Anglia TV and Sky Sports as a TV sports commentator. He has also worked with Noel Edmonds on The Late Late Breakfast Show carrying out all of their car stunts. He also took part in "Driving Force", a TV driving competition between champion winning race drivers and celebrities, and won partnering Anneka Rice!

Barry was heavily involved in the development of the Ford Escort MK1 & MK2 for Rally Driving leading to the vehicle dominating the rallying scene during this 70's & 80's and is still involved in testing and in rally school driving instruction.

With many tales to tell, this promises to be a most entertaining evening. It won't matter if you are not into motor racing as Barry's tales are for all. NEL is hoping for a good turn out to welcome Barry and extends this welcome to its neighbouring groups, Southend on Sea, North West London and West Middlesex, as he is definitely a crowd puller.

North East London Group meet at Bishop's College, the Broxbourne Civic Offices, located on Churchgate, Cheshunt EN8 9XQ, at its junction with College Road, about 300m west of the A10 junction with College Road (traffic lights and pedestrian footbridge). Parking is possible up close to the Beaufort Suite, which looks like an old chapel, by accessing through the main entrance to the Offices. Overspill further east, off a mini roundabout, to the east of the New River.

Free entry

Any queries contact Bernard Ward 07768 556 369

CSMA WMx Group *Motorcycling News*

Forthcoming West Middlesex Group's motorcycling delights for March & April

As usual, throughout the months of March 'til October, our regular Mid-Week Ride-Outs will be on the last Tuesday of each month, each ending at our Noggin & Natter venue, the Jolly Woodman at Littleworth Common near Burnham, Bucks. The first of these for 2010 is planned for :

Tuesday 30th March.

This time we'll meet at **Jenner's Café** almost opposite Boulters Lock alongside the Thames in Maidenhead. Gather for breakfast from 9.30 so we're in good time to leave by 10.30am. There will follow a route across the Chilterns to a Lunch halt at Dunstable Downs before returning via a different route back to Littleworth Common for 6.30 or so.

No need to 'book' but a call or e-mail to advise me of your planned attendance will make it easier for me to get out of bed without wondering who (or if anybody!) will turn up for the first Ride Out of this new season!

Sun. / Mon. 4/5th April

British SuperBikes ~ Brands Hatch

I have a planon Sunday 4th April we could

- Meet Jacks Café, Bagshot at 08.00hrs.(?)
- Ride-out via country route to Brands : ETA at the Circuit 11.30am / noon :
- Spectate for the afternoon from the exclusive CSMA hospitality suite / marquee
- I'm staying at the Brands Hatch Thistle hotel overnight on the Sunday so I can watch the big race on the Monday. So we could **EITHER** return independently ... **OR** stay over somewhere near Brands Hatch to return on Monday for the BSB GP.
- Then ride home together on Monday evening
- Finish at Wheatsheaf, Virginia Water...

Let me know if that sounds like a plan you might be interested in and I'll arrange some tickets – but don't be too long, please!!! I have four interested parties at time of writing(22nd Feb.)

Tuesday 27th April.

Our second **Ride-Out** of the new year will be on **Tuesday 27th April** and we're going to the National Motorcycle Museum at Solihull; more detail next month.

I hope all our 'Regulars' can join us, and, as always, new faces and 'pillions, are ESPECIALLY welcome !

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Contact AG asap for more details

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The deadline for articles for the

April

Sump is March 21st!

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March 2010

Motor Sport Coordinators' Bulletin

Date	Day	Event (Status)	Type of Event	Club	Champ
Mar	Fri 12	* 12 Car Rally (C)	Navigational rally	CSMA NEL	Centre
	Sun 21	* AutoSolo (C)	Cross between autotest/sprint	Harrow CC	
	Sun 21	* AutoSolo (C)	Cross between autotest/sprint	Farnborough DMC	
Apr	Sun 11	* Concorde AutoSolo (C)	Cross between autotest/sprint	CSMA NEL	Centre
May	8/9	* Miglia Quadrato ()	City of London treasure hunt	UH&ULMC	
	Sun 9	AutoSolo (C)	Cross between autotest/sprint	Oxford MC	
	Sun 16	AutoSolo (C)	Cross between autotest/sprint	Farnborough DMC	
Jun	Sun 6	Juniper Autotest (Nat B)	Tarmac autotest	CSMA NEL	BTRDA

Licence required: (I/Nat A/Nat B/Cm) = MSA Licence, (C) = Club Card, () = Nothing, * = Regs available

Previous Events

NWL 12 Car Rally The event went ahead as scheduled and the weather kept itself at bay, although it was very cold for the marshals. Unfortunately we lost two crews on the day but we did manage to make a scratch team up from the ones who didn't have the flu. Marshals however were in very short supply and we only managed to get three crews (four people) but it wasn't from a lack of trying. We had to leave one control unmanned but it didn't seem to cause a problem. Well done to James for finally managing to win one of our 12 Cars at last.

1st	Car 4	Derek Newbould / James Newbould	Exp	NEL	0 Fails	6 Mins
2nd	Car 5	Owen Turner / Graham Robinson	Exp/Nov	NWL/NEL	0 Fails	19 Mins
3rd	Car 3	Alan Thurbon / Lee Craker	Exp	NWL	0 Fails	28 Mins
4th	Car 2	Pete Gregory / Graeme Presswell	Nov	NWL	1 Fail	20 Mins
5th	Car 1	John Bryant / Peter Pratt	Nov	NWL/HRCR	2 Fails	4 Mins

President's Slot Car Stages The annual Scalextric event, organised by Allan Goddard, this year included the Centre final for all those winners and runners up from the Group heats held last year. The format was the same as usual but the finalists were separated from the normal event, which did affect the ability of some groups to field a team. In the end, NWL were the winning team for the President's Cup and I ended winning the finalists' final from Chris Hutchinson.



Future Events

NEL 12 Car Rally The 12 Car rally season continues with the first NEL event and will be organised by James Newbould. This event was postponed from its planned December/January dates. The start venue will be at the Green Man PH, Brackley Hatch, on the A43 SW of Silverstone, MR 152/648418 and map 152 will be required (current edition is D2). Food will be available at the start. Please contact James on 07752 033122 for entries and offers to marshal.

Farnborough AutoSolo We have an invite to an AutoSolo organised by Farnborough & DMC which will be held at Montgomery Lines Parade Ground, Aldershot. Signing on will start from around 8.00, tests start at 10.00, latest recommended arrival is 9.00. Cars entered in AutoSolo's must be registered, taxed, insured, MOT tested if applicable, and driven to the event. Entry fee is £35 per car and regs are now available.

Harrow CC AutoSolo As an alternative to the Farnborough event, which filled up very quickly, we have an invite to an AutoSolo/Autotest/PCA Autotest organised by Harrow CC which will be held at Bovingdon airfield, near Hemel Hempstead. I'm sure there will be a good number of CSMA entries for this event. Entry fee is £17 for the AutoSolo/PCA Autotest and £20 for the Nat B Autotest. First tests stat at 10:30.

The Sump March 2010

csma West Middlesex Group

Concorde AutoSolo NEL are again running the Concorde AutoSolo event, this year on the 11th April. For this year we will be moving it to Bovingdon Airfield (larger area than the autotest on the 3rd Jan). An AutoSolo consists of all forwards tests on a hard surface. They are not a memory test as numbers and markers help you find your way around. One score is dropped per test layout to allow for those 'little mistakes'. You can also enter if you are only 16, so long as you enter in a saloon car. Entry fee is £22 per driver. The change of venue will make it safer, with no kerbs at all to hit, and should run a bit smoother without the limited route at Hatfield. Contact me for further details. Regs should be out end of Feb, beginning of March.

Miglia Quadrato Regs are now out for the 51st running of this event and will run on the night of 8/9 May. This is a night time motoring event that takes place entirely within the City of London. The challenge is to navigate on a 1:10000 map and to locate points to within a ten metre square. There are no cryptic or catch questions - but that is not to say the task is easy. Crews of up to six but if you prefer the two-crew format there is a separate classification for this. As long as it isn't raining, this is a fantastic event to do and all for the princely sum of £14. Contact me if you want some regs.

Quadruplex This will be organised by NWL in either April or May time.

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WMx Forthcoming Events

March

- 24th April Sump Deadline
- 30th Motorcycle ride-out - see AG for details
- 30th Noggin 'n' Natter, The Jolly Woodman, Littleworth Common

April

- 8th AGM, with Magic
- 23rd-26th Montreuil Meander
- 27th Motorcycle ride-out - see AG for details
- 27th Noggin 'n' Natter, The Jolly Woodman, Littleworth Common

A QUESTION (well, two actually)

For many years we have enjoyed the tranquil delights of Windsor Liberal Club as our Clubnight venue – we have received good treatment and particularly good rental terms, below the ‘going’ commercial rate. Recent management change at the Liberal Club has drought the inevitable ‘new broom’ and we are likely to have to pay much more for the venue (in itself, not insurmountable).

However, we have also been moved out of the large, upstairs, room to a smaller, downstairs, room – and it looks like we will be moved again into a very small room, also downstairs. This smaller room would appear insufficient for our needs. We are looking at several options (including staying as we are) but would also like you to give us your thoughts on the following...

Change of Venue

find somewhere suitable that is centred geographically for WMx Group.

Change of Night

from Thursday to Wednesday?

This will be an agenda item at the AGM. Let us know your thoughts and/or come along to the AGM.

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