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***Practical Performance Car's "Project Car" taking part
in Cirencester Car Club's "Corrinium Run" - it
achieved 9.9 miles per gallon!***

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Your [Temp] Editor Speaking

What is it with me and temporary positions?

WMx has managed to stay afloat committee-wise, but as of right now we don't have a secretary, or (for this edition at the very least) a Sump editor. So for the moment at least, you're stuck with me!

"What am I going to do with all this free time?" I hear you ask. Well, I guess the

Westfield, Bernard and various other projects should take a giant leap forwards! I shall call that plan 'A'...

The other week I went to pick up the new silencer for the Westie - from Simpsons Racing Exhausts. And a thing of beauty it is too.

A small step closer, but a step none the less...

Have fun!

Jeز Boakes (Editor)

A Note from your Chairman

Well! It rather looks like you've gone and done it again.....elected me as chairman for another year. Thank you, I hope to serve you all well but I must confess that it feels like being Headmaster of a new term at school - let's hope that I 'do better'!

Whilst, again, acknowledging the efforts of the outgoing committee I would like to say a sincere WELCOME to the new members - Pauline Jordan, who has taken the treasurers post; Allan Wakeman and Simon Mummery. Thank you for volunteering and if we don't bump into one-another in a bar somewhere, I'll see you at the first committee meeting.

There are still a couple or three places on the committee, so we'll probably be co-opting people if they show willing (the emphasis is on 'willing' - don't worry, you won't be finding 'The Queen's Shilling' at the bottom of your drink at the next Noggin night!).

We do indeed still have the regular 'Noggins', it would be nice to see more of you there - it's a nice Pub in a nice place and, yours truly aside, pretty agreeable company as well - and if memory serves, the next clubnight is a walk around Windsor, I look forward to that.

I hope that you are all looking forward to the Summer and another year with WMx.

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

Derrick Holden (Chairman)

Secretary's Stuff

No secretary yet...

CSMA West Middlesex Group



Walking Treasure Hunt

in Windsor and Eton

Thursday May 14th - Starting from the

Windsor Liberal Club from 8pm

Starting and finishing at the Liberal Club in Windsor we have a treasure hunt that will take you to places you may never have been to before and will show you things you may never have seen before as you stroll through the town.

Each team will be handed route instructions, a list of questions and an answer sheet as they leave the start and the walk will take about an hour and a half, assuming you don't run!

Entry is free, so come along with your friends, enter a team and have fun whilst learning a bit more about Windsor.

For more information please contact Malcolm Grubb

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West Middlesex Group's
JUNE 2009 Ride-Out (27th-30th June)

Bulletin Two ~ April 15th 2009

****Well, the things I endure for our West Middlesex Group!!**

THE GRUMBLY BIT ... optional reading!

A rather eventful day yesterday (Tuesday) when Alan M & I did, what was planned as, a quick reconnaissance of our intended four day visit in June to " la Cote d'Opale " in France. They let us in to the country OK in the early morning, but those un-predictable French fishermen decided to blockade not only Calais but ALL French ports from mid-afternoon onwards. They claimed they had provisions on board each trawler and fishing vessel for five full days! The Port Authorities expected a very long wait before ferries were let in & out of harbour again and, after patiently queuing for an hour or more, we were asked to leave the port as soon as we arrived at the Immigration Control ! As you can imagine, alternative arrangements were next to impossible to plan as there were many, many other Brits (end of Easter break?) all trying to get back to Dover and all seeking to get home without using a boat.

We thought of the Euro-Tunnel of course but were advised that all trains were booked & no 'turn-up-and- buy' tickets were available either. At this point I had the third brainwave of my life – I'll ring Jez ! On-line, via a long & I suspect pricey, mobile phone call, Jez got us a late one-way booking at approximately two & a half times the 'normal' rate (they know how to play the game, these Frenchmen !). Getting to Sangatte was easy but getting into the Euro-Tunnel Check In was something else again ! Not only that, it's now about 10pm, hours since lunch, & the queues for food & drink were of epic proportions – we gave it a miss & managed with one bottle of water & a bag of crisps between us !! Reading through this is doesn't read anywhere near as bad as it seemed at the time - we thought we were never going to get back (...did I hear cheering? Now stop that !!). But eventually we did manage to squeeze on a train and trundle back to Folkstone but I have to say, it wouldn't have happened without the help & patience of Jez – your help was invaluable, sincere thanks from us both matie !

The synopsis : up at 4.30am on Tuesday, a successful Recce with AM in France, Calais at 6pm, but not home 'til the wee small hours of today, Wednesday

Cor, flippin' 'eck!

THE INFORMATION BIT ...

However it was a useful trip in planning terms – we visited several Hotels, some good, some so-so, and some good but not quite in the right location. But finally we've settled on a cracker! In the walled-town of Montreuil-sur-Mer, the Hotel enjoys an central location, in the heart of everything, and is far too nice a place for AM and I to stay at ordinarily! But I'm sure the rest of you will all deserve a bit of comfort for putting up with both he and I on an extended basis in June, and I'm confident our choice will delight you all. I'm going to try to keep the exact venue a surprise (well you know what I'm like), but you will not be disappointed. We'll be in residence all three nights so no packing the bags each morning. There are a plethora of eating places in easy walking distance from the Hotel and the lovely Receptionist, Martine, has already recommended several to us the roads in the area are excellent too – not one of them anywhere near as bad as the average Berkshire example!

NOW, AT LAST, THE IMPORTANT BIT !!!!

I appreciate this is ultra short-notice, and I apologise, but, having now firmed up on MY Credit Card and booked all 10 rooms that are available in the Hotel, I need a commitment from you. It's first come first served and I have the following booked and / or available:

Double x 1 [Michael & Katie](#)
 Twins x 2 [Alan & Alison](#) / [Frank & Pat](#)
 Singles x 7 [AG](#), [Nick](#), [Angie](#), [Jeff](#), [Malcolm](#), [Les](#), [Dave R](#).

'Reserves' list include : 3 doubles & 3 singles and are NOT shown above.

[Green](#) indicates I have your Booking Form back & you are CONFIRMED!

Black means I think you're coming but I haven't have your form back, & after 12 noon on Friday 17th April, those places are up for grabs!!!!

As I said in Bulletin one, I have several of the 'regulars' signed up already who all 'booked' following the idle chatter when I first floated the idea, and, in most cases, have followed this up swiftly with their Booking Forms.

Please Note ! - The Euro/Sterling exchange rate today (Wednesday 14th April 2009) is : 1.14 Euros to £1 (One point One Four Euros = One Pound). Calculations have been made on that basis. Any significant swings will be addressed, either way, nearer the time of the Event.

The cost of Bed & Breakfast in the Hotel, including secure parking for our motorcycles for the four days/three nights, plus a few little 'event' extras will be:

- A total of £346 for a Double or Twin room for two people for all three nights...

OR

- A total of £250 for a Single room for one person for all three nights ...

The Sump May 2009

csma West Middlesex Group

This represents a significant 32% discount on the Hotel's 'regular' prices, and is a very good deal for the quality we can expect. Please see above for who has requested what ...

You will need to book and pay for your own return ferry crossing, and of course, any food & fuel that you may use or require while we're away. I'm very sorry it's a little more pricey than last year but the Euro just ain't what it used to be. *And if it's some small consolation, I'm paying exactly the same as all of you, so you can bet it's the best I can do!!*

Now it's pretty much all planned from my side, I need you to do three things please:

- For those of you that have yet to send me your Booking Forms, please do so ASAP.
- Enclose or send me a cheque for the appropriate amount (see above), made payable to CSMA West Middlesex Group.

· You also need to book your return **Ferry Crossing** (AND CONFIRM TO ME THAT YOU HAVE PLEASE ! ... an e-mail will do ...) :
Please book

Outbound - **P & O Ferries** from **Dover to Calais**, Saturday 27th June on the **09.15hrs sailing** – latest booking-in time 08.30hrs.,

Return - **P & O Ferries** from **Calais to Dover** on Tuesday 30th June on the **15.25hrs sailing**.

Both journeys are scheduled to be on the Pride of Burgundy, I booked today and got a return fare of £42 including Credit Card fee

·It's pretty important that you do this last job 'pronto' as it's likely to be a busy boat on a June Saturday, with day trippers, holiday makers, et al, all making the most of the sunshine (oh, yes – that's booked!) & it would be rather difficult if we don't all travel on the same ferry, preferably at the same time!!!

Any questions ? As usual my numbers are :

allan.goddard@csmclub.org: or : (M) 07785 903 000 - (H) 0118 934 5726

OK, time to get excited!!

Best Regards,

AG

Exclusive CSMA Track Day at CASTLE COMBE Circuit

Tuesday 19th May 2009

Just £100 per Car or Motorcycle and **LOADS**
of Track time

Maximum entry : 36 Cars & 24 Motorcycles.

Contact AG **asap** for more details....

May 2009**Motor Sport Coordinators' Bulletin**

Date	Event (Status)	Type of Event	Club	Champ
May 9/10	* Miglia Quadrato ()	City of London treasure hunt	UH&ULMC	
Sun 17	* AutoSolo (C)	Cross between autotest/sprint	Farnborough DMC	
Tue 19	* Castle Combe Track Day ()	Thrash round a race circuit	CSMA NL	
Sun 31	* Juniper (Nat B)	Tarmac autotest	CSMA NEL	BTRDA
Sun 7	Treasure Hunt ()	Driving treasure hunt invite	Green Belt MC	
July Sun 5	Greenacres ()	Grass autotest	CSMA NWL	Centre
Sun 12	AutoSolo (C)	Cross between autotest/sprint	Farnborough DMC	
Sat 25	Quadruplex	Intergroup Quiz	CSMA WMx	Centre
Sun 26	Grasshopper ()	Grass autotest	CSMA NEL	Centre
Aug 8/9	Welsh Enduro (Nat B)	Enduro road event	Amman & DMC	

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

Previous Events

EACS Enduro Jamie Turner finally broke the stranglehold brother Owen has had on this event for the last few years. Owen could only manage a third place after getting a wrong test. Dave Smith / Mike Turner got round for a sixth place finish whilst Derek & James Newbould were in 24th place. The event moved away from its usual format to use the Woodbridge and Bentwaters airfields for selectifs during the day and some of the nearby forests during the night section.



CSMA Concorde AutoSolo Once again we returned to the Hatfield venue, but this time for the last time. Entries were slightly down on last year but the course was a lot better this time, although it did give me a headache working out how to do the timing with different start and finish locations (not in site of each other). Owen Turner didn't have the Lotus this time but he certainly made the 1400cc Rover fly and finished a fantastic second overall. The winner was Paul Prescott in a 1380cc Mini and Owen prevented a 1,2,3 finish for the Mini's. The next AutoSolo we run will be at a different venue without any kerbs, maybe in September.



Great Bustard Punctures were the order of the day and it was quite rough with the dry weather conditions. Owen came out top of the CSMA crews with third place and Jamie and Dave / Mike came home sixth and tenth respectively. Derek / James had a better run to 17th place this time. *P.S. All the three pictures here are of different cars (Jamie, Owen, Dave), it's just that they all wanted to have white ones!*



Bocardo AutoSolo A full entry of 51 cars should make an interesting event at Silverstone. Results next month.

Future Events

Miglia Quadrato Regs are now out for the 50th running of this event and will run on the night of 9/10 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 £13. Contact me if you want some regs.

Farnborough AutoSolo Regs for this event are out, so if interested best get your skates on to get an entry. It is running again at Borden in Hampshire and the entry fee will be £30.

Castle Combe Track Day Maximum of 60 places for motorcycles and cars at this event, so book early. At just £100 per Driver this is, once again, a less than a half price event at Castle Combe and it's sure to be another great day. One passenger will be allowed in participating cars. Experienced racing instructors available for one-to-one tuition at no extra cost but, these cannot be booked in advance, only on the day. The event is for road legal cars only and all vehicles must pass a sound check of 100dB(A). Entry forms and regs are available from me.

Juniper Autotest This is one of the best venues on the championship calendar, so come along and watch the best drivers in the country doing their handbrake turns and using superb car control to get round the courses. Offers to marshal either to Graham McLean or myself, as we will need a lot to make this event happen. To help you, each marshal will get a voucher for a free burger and a hot drink (very nice they are too) and guidance on what is required.



There is nothing tricky or difficult, but you do get time to see the action at close quarters. No spectators allowed, so watch from the marshalling point of view.

Treasure Hunt This is an invite to a Green Belt MC organised treasure hunt on the 7th June and they are well worth having a go at. The event starts at 2pm and the entry fees are £7.50 per car (two person crew) plus £2.50 per extra person.

Greenacres Autotest The event will be on the 5th July and will run at the usual Dunstable venue. This will be a passenger carrying event and is held on a smooth grass field. Nice easy all-forward tests are on offer and is suitable for your standard car. More details next month.

Farnborough AutoSolo Another invite, this time on the 12th July. Back to Aldershot for this one and the entry fee will be the usual £30.

Quadruplex Inter-Group The revised date for this event is now the 25th July and will be held on a Saturday to give you more chance of attending. The venue is the Liberal Club in Windsor, postcode SL4 1EN, with 5:30pm for a 6 o'clock start (anticipated finish 9:30pm). The format is most likely a quiz, so no special knowledge or kit required. Supper will be provided part way through. Please let your Group Secretary know if you are going, so they can let the organisers know for catering purposes.

Grasshopper Autotest The second of the grass autotests will be held at the usual Studd Farm site over near Dunstable. Bernard Ward will be organising again and more details will appear next month.

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Marshalling and Motorsport Matters

CSMA North London Marshalling Team

For further information on our wide range of events please contact Graham on 020 8553 4700 (evenings and weekends) or e-mail him on graham.mclean@bt.com Do it today and get involved with club motorsport action.



Craven MC Longcross Stages - Sunday 10 May Longcross, Chertsey, Surrey.

A great day's action at a great venue, signing-on by 8am.



CSMA NE London BTRDA JUNIPER Autotest

Sunday 31 May

New Barnfield Library, Hatfield, Herts.

Report 8.30am for 10am

Come along and help marshal on this national championship tarmac event and get close to the action. We need your support to make this happen. No previous experience needed and there is nothing tricky or difficult, so just contact Graham on 020 8553 4700 (evenings and weekends), Email: graham.mclean@bt.com or call Mike on 01525 720299.

There are Minis, saloons, sports cars and specials, all competing in the BTRDA championship and the car manoeuvres are sometimes amazing. Hot food and drink is available all day, with marshals getting a free drink and burger, with the possibility of winning a prize in the marshals' draw. So make the most of your weekend and come and join the fun.



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The deadline for articles for the

June

Sump is May 20th!

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