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Dear Member,

Happy New Year to you all. Trust you all had an enjoyable festive season. This looks like being a bumper edition of the Newsletter, with plenty of items for your attention. So, if you can find time to down tools during your pre-season preparations and give the Newsletter your full attention, there are a number of pleas for help in one form or another. More than anything, it's about supporting your Club and the activities we do. Whether it be marshalling on any of several forthcoming rallies, attending the Annual Dinner Dance or getting involved in the running of this year's Prom Stages Rally, we do need your help!

To those of you out there competing, marshalling, officiating or just plain spectating please keep your articles (with or without accompanying photos) coming in as we'd love to hear about your experiences – good, bad or downright bizarre!

Cheers,

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WMC ANNUAL AWARDS DINNER & DANCE - 28TH FEBRUARY AT HOLLINS HEY HOTEL, NEW BRIGHTON

The date has been set for this year's Dinner Dance, which will take place at the Hollins Hey Hotel in New Brighton. Tickets will be available at a cost of £22.50 from Alan Smith, with the option of weekly payments up to the event date, although you need to have paid in full prior to the night or you ain't comin in! Our guest speaker this year will be two-time British Touring Car Championship race-winner Paul O'Neill, back in the driving seat in a Honda Integra-R with Tech-Speed Motorsport for this season after pulling out in 2004 having contracted diabetes.

Also, we need your nominations for the annual Wally of the Year Award! These should be sent through to Andy MacDonald – andy@andy-m.fsnet.co.uk – as soon as possible.

PLEASE RETURN YOUR TROPHIES!

Andy MacDonald and Alan Smith are gathering trophies and require them by **the end of January**, please. These will be trophies awarded for 1st, 2nd, 3rd overall in the Championships - Nav Scatter, Stage Rally & Speed, Best Novice's for Rally - (Driver & Navigator), and Speed Championships, the McGivern Trophy, Marshal Trophy, Howie Campbell Trophy and Boozers Trophy.

We know who you are, so please surrender gracefully and we can save on the court costs!

UPDATE ON 2008/9 AUTOGLYM MOTOR CLUB QUIZ

Monday 1st December saw Club members take part in the online section of the Autoglym Quiz. Unfortunately we didn't make it through to the final stage this year. The four clubs who competed in the final at Gaydon on January 17th were Bristol Pegasus Motor Club, Stockton and District Motor Club, Oxford Motor Club, Telford Auto Club. It's also worth noting that the first three were also finalists in last year's quiz!

It is that time of year again when we need to kick start the organisation for the Promenade Stages Rally. Unfortunately, this year we are losing 3 key people from the Organising Committee.

1. *Pat Marchbank - Clerk of Course*

Pat only agreed to fill this role short term, following the sad loss of Richie Pearl, and has spent a lot of hours honing and fine tuning the event paperwork so that the event runs as smoothly as it does both for competitors and officials/organisers. More specifically, Pat did make it clear that 2008 would be her last year as, due to increased work commitments, she cannot dedicate the time required to the event.

2. *Anna Marchbank - Entries Secretary*

Anna has done a sterling job over previous years, both as Entries Secretary and also helping Pat as the workload has increased, but now she has finished university (and achieved fantastic results - WELL DONE) she is applying for jobs and may not be around when required

3. *Marco Toni - Press/PR/Website*

Again, Marco has been involved for more years than I think he would like to mention. Competitors and spectators alike look at the event with high esteem, and Marco has been instrumental in achieving this. The website, which he has been responsible for over several years, is still commented on for its quality of layout and information available. However, his work commitments have expanded greatly, and he has also been forced to admit that he will not be able to dedicate the time required.

May I take this opportunity on behalf of Wallasey Motor Club to thank Pat, Anna and Marco for their hours of dedicated work over the years to ensure the Promenade Stages Rally has run to the high standard it has become accustomed to.

With the above in mind, the remaining Organising Committee will be holding its first organisation meeting on **Wednesday 28th January at our usual meeting place, The Queens Royal, New Brighton**. Existing Prom Committee members will be meeting from 8pm prompt to discuss their roles for 2009, and we would welcome any members who are interested in filling the above vacant roles to attend from 9pm onwards. It is essential to get new members into the team as without a team there will be no event.

Pat, Anna and Marco have stated that they will pass on whatever information, documents and knowledge they have gathered and give help and assistance wherever they can to anyone taking over these positions.

ITEMS FOR SALE – all in new condition

NEV ASTBURY

2 pairs of Snickers trousers, sizes 34" waist

Boiler suit, 42" chest, has had company logo cut out of the pocket.

Bib and brace with jacket, 34" waist and 40" chest, again with logo cut out

If you are interested in any of the above items, contact Nev Astbury by emailing nev@astbury1.co.uk or by calling 07973 367056

FORTHCOMING ANWCC-QUALIFYING EVENTS

When	What	Organising Club
14 th February	Winter Stages & Historic Stages Rally	Telford AC
14 th February	Riponian Rally	Ripon MSC
20 th /21 st February	North West Stages Rally	Motor Sport NW
22 nd February	Tour of Epynt	Port Talbot MC

MARSHALS REQUIRED:

NORTH WEST STAGES RALLY, 20TH & 21ST FEBRUARY, BLACKPOOL

The Club is running the Lytham Stage on Saturday 21st February. Marshals are required primarily for Arrival, Start, Flying Finish and Finish positions. If more than enough turn out there are a number of interesting vantage points within the stage.

For those who don't know where it is, the stage start is from the junction of Ballam Road and Green Drive - postcode FY8. Green Drive is a private road with some very nice large properties at the start area, leading into the farmyard complex - check out on Google Maps to program your Sat Nav!

We will be setting out most of the stage on Friday afternoon, so any additional help is very welcome. The Rally starts Friday evening, with stages on the Promenade at 18:47 and at Weeton Camp from 19:27. The first Lytham stage is 14:52 on Saturday, so latest arrival say 12:00 noon - after you've watched elsewhere in the morning! The 2nd run through is due for 17:34, so it will be dark for the clear-away. PLEASE stay for the clear-up, as the road and parkland must be clear and tidy ready for the "snowdrops walk" at 10:00am Sunday morning!

The Saturday evening will be the normal detailed analysis, celebrations and commiserations over a beer or three!! Please contact mark@stockport061.co.uk if you require accommodation in Pontin's for Friday or Saturday evening. Please contact Graham Williams - 07746-245421 - or Alan Smith - 07818-057909 - for further details and to tell us you will be there!

AGBO STAGES, 8TH MARCH, WESTON PARK

Owen Motoring Club usually send a team of marshals to the Prom Stages, and we reciprocate for their event. Confirmed Wallasey crews competing on this year's event include Steve Noble/Stephen Turner, Keith Dowthwaite/Tony King and Nev Astbury/Andy Elliot.

Details for marshalling on the event can be obtained from Andy MacDonald by emailing andy@andy-m.fsnet.co.uk or by calling him on 07980 224294.

MALCOLM WILSON RALLY, 7TH MARCH, CUMBRIA

Marshals are required by the organisers of the Malcolm Wilson Rally, specifically for the Grizedale North stage. Signing-on will be 10-11am(ish). Every marshal registered on the event will receive the customary mug, as well as various other "goodies". Contact Ian Briggs for further details by emailing ian@pengwyn.fsnet.co.uk.

2009 BRITISH GRAND PRIX

ALAN SMITH

I have 3 tickets available for this year's, maybe the last for a while, British Grand Prix at Silverstone - 19th-21st June 2009

They are 3 day tickets for Luffield B Terrace - an open grandstand overlooking the infield before the start/finish straight. There is usually a "big screen" within view so you see what the telly viewers see too! 3 days mean you can be there for practice too, so you need to arrange accommodation to suit. There will be a group of 8 of us all together - some of us looking to go camping for the 3 days, but you'll have to book that yourself. See the Silverstone web-site for local accommodation.

The cost is £146 each - which is about £20 odd below retail - if they are still available!! First come, first served I'm afraid - and I will take weekly/monthly instalments which must be paid by June.

Send me a text on - 07818-057909. Happy bidding and Good Luck!!

ANWCC WINNERS

Congratulations to those members below competing in the various ANWCC championships:

Drivers:

Joseph Elizedek - 2nd Class A, 17th Overall Stage Rally
John Wainwright - 2nd Class B, 12th Overall Stage Rally
1st Class B Novice, 6th Overall Novice

Co-Drivers:

Shane Davies - 1st Class B, 8th Overall, 4th Junior
1st Class B Novice, 5th Overall Novice
Richard Cantilon - 1st Class A, 14th Overall
1st Class A Novice, 7th Overall Novice
Tony King - 15th Overall, 15th Class A, 5th Class C
1st Class C Novice, 8th Overall Novice

Others:

Paul Jackson - 17th Overall, 4th Class C
Gary Farrant - 28th Overall, 22nd Class C, 8th Class D

Other positions:

Steve Noble - 38th Overall Driver, 11th Class D
Mark Cowell - 53rd Overall Driver, 7th Class B
Paul Evans - 58th Overall Driver, 16th Class D,
32nd Novice, 6th Class D Novice
Nev Astbury - 60th Overall, 8th Class A,
25th Novice, 3rd Class A Novice
Neil Furlong - 73rd Overall Driver, 20th Class D,
33rd Novice, 7th Class D Novice

UPDATE ON 2008 IAN HARWOOD QUIZ

Wallasey Motor Club entered two teams of four - Mike Harris, Bill Turner, Jerry Lucas & Steve Noble and Alan Smith, Harry Cabot, Graham Williams & Tony King - for this year's Ian Harwood Quiz, hosted by Knutsford & District Motor Club at the Toft Cricket Club, Knutsford on the 10th November.

Teams were also entered from Stockport, Lancs & Cheshire, Warrington and Knutsford Motor Clubs with the Quiz split into two sections separated by an enjoyable pie and peas supper. The first section consisted of five rounds of ten questions covering general knowledge, racing, rallying and motoring. Despite the teams' best efforts, the club finished seventh and fifth from the ten teams entered.

The second section was contested over a further three rounds by the top four teams, before a tie breaker decided the winning team - Stockport A.

Quick quiz ... answers via email to Tony King please: In what year, where & by whom was the number 13 last used in a Formula One race weekend?

FINAL WMC CHAMPIONSHIP POSITIONS FOR THE 2008 SEASON

Stage Rally Drivers	Points Total	Novice	Event 1 Oall/Class	Event 2 Oall/Class	Event 3 Oall/Class	Event 4 Oall/Class	Event 5 Oall/Class	Event 6 Oall/Class
Keith Douthwaite	320		7th / Slater Stages	11th / Lee Holland Mem BW	10th / Procare Stages BW	27th / Weeton Stages	10th / Keith Wood Mem Tr BW	
John Wainwright	260	Y	63rd / North West Stages	22nd / Roskirk Stages	18th / Procare Stages	38th / Prom Stages	17th / Keith Wood Mem Tr	42nd / Glyn Memorial
Steve Noble	117		37th / Lee Holland Mem	16th / Centenary Stages	45th / Prom Stages			
Paul Evans	100	Y	30th / Lee Holland Mem	20th / Prom Stages				
Malcolm Boyd	46		19th / Prom Stages					
Neville Astbury	44	Y	47th / Weeton Stages	49th / Keith Wood Mem Tr				
Joseph Elizedek	43		22nd / Weeton Stages					
Mark Cowell	19		46th / Prom Stages					
			News Letter Articles = +10 points					
			No News Letter Articles - 10 points					

Stage Rally Co-Drivers	Points Total	Novice	Event 1 Oall/Class	Event 2 Oall/Class	Event 3 Oall/Class	Event 4 Oall/Class	Event 5 Oall/Class	Event 6 Oall/Class
Tony King	343	Y	11th / Lee Holland Mem BW	10th / Procare Stages BW	27th / Weeton Stages	22nd / Centenary Stages	37th / Midland Stages	10th / Keith Wood Mem Tr BW
Shane Davies	240	Y	63rd / North West Stages	22nd / Roskirk Stages	18th / Procare Stages	38th / Prom Stages	17th / Keith Wood Mem Tr	
Stephen Turner	117		37th / Lee Holland Mem	16th / Centenary Stages	45th / Prom Stages			
Lol Powell	80		30th / Lee Holland Mem	20th / Prom Stages				
Karl Hughes	61		4th / Prom Stages					
Andy Elliot	44		47th / Weeton Stages	49th / Keith Wood Mem Tr				
Richard Cantilon	43	Y	22nd / Weeton Stages					
Craig Butchart	38	Y	27th / Roskirk Stages					

<u>Circuit Racing</u>	Points Total	Novice	Event 1 Class-Pos	Event 2 Class-Pos	Event 3 Class-Pos	Event 4 Class-Pos	Event 5 Class-Pos	Event 6 Class-Pos	Event 7 Class-Pos	Event 8 Class-Pos	Dropped Scores	
Andy Davies	230		1st FL	1st FL	1st FL	1st FL	1st FL	1st FL	1st FL	1st FL	2nd, 2nd	
Stuart MacMaster	211		2nd	2nd	2 nd	2nd	2 nd FL	3rd	3rd			
Alan Davies	139		1st FL	1st FL	1st FL	1st FL	2nd					
Neil Philpotts	110	Y	1st FL	1st FL	1st FL	1st FL						
John Stant	0											
Dave Hill	0	Y										
Carl Bennett	0	Y										
			News Letter Articles = +10 points									
			No News Letter Articles - 10 points									

<u>Sprint</u>	Points Total	Novice	Event 1 Class-Pos	Event 2 Class-Pos	Event 3 Class-Pos	Event 4 Class-Pos	Event 5 Class-Pos	Event 6 Class-Pos	Event 7 Class-Pos	Event 8 Class-Pos	Dropped Scores
John Newall	196		1st	2nd	1 st	2nd	1st	1st	2nd	2nd	4th
Andy Macdonald	175		4th	4th	3 rd	5th	2nd	4th	5th	5th	5th
Neville Astbury	43		8th	1st							
Mark Skillicorn	40		6th	6th							
Colin Haynes	38	Y	7th	7th							

<u>Nav-run Drivers</u>	Points Total	Novice	Event 1 Oall/Points 3rd March Cheshire	Event 2 Oall/Points 24th Nov Cheshire	Event 3 Oall/Points 15th Dec N / Wales	Event 4 Oall/Points 12th Jan Cheshire	Event 5 Oall/Points 14th Feb N / Wales	Organising Score
Andrew Macdonald	60		1st / 15	1st / 15	ORG	1st / 15		15
Keith Lincoln	55	Y	ORG	2nd / 14	1st / 15	4th / 12		14
Neville Astbury	54	Y	2nd / 14	3rd / 13	2nd / 14	3rd / 13		
Steve Noble	26			4th / 12		2nd / 14		
Jon Chamberlain	13		3rd / 13					
Mike Quinn	12		4th / 12					
Charlotte King	0							
Karl Hughes	0							
Steve Timewell	0							
Non Championship				ORG	2nd / 14	4th / 12		
						5th / 11		
						ORG		

<u>Nav-run Navigators</u>	Points Total	Novice	Event 1 Oall/Points 3rd March Cheshire	Event 2 Oall/Points 24th Nov Cheshire	Event 3 Oall/Points 15th Dec N / Wales	Event 4 Oall/Points 12th Jan Cheshire	Event 5 Oall/Points 14th Feb N / Wales	Organising Score
Stuart MacMaster	60		1st / 15	1st / 15	ORG	1st / 15		15
Tony King	56		2nd / 14	ORG	2nd / 14	2nd / 14		14
Ross Thompson	55	Y	ORG	2nd / 14	1st / 15	4th / 12		14
Nigel Harwood	13		3rd / 13					
Mark Skillicorn	12		4th / 12					
Jo Timewell	0	Y						
Karl Hughes	0							
Niel Peers	0							
Andy Marchbank	0							
Non Championship					2nd / 14	2nd / 14		
						4th / 12		
						5th / 11		
						ORG		

ANWCC MARSHAL'S TRAINING SESSIONS

The ANWCC is promoting a series of MSA Marshals Training Day courses, run by Volunteers in Motorsport, at various locations around the northwest over the next couple of months:

Saturday 21st February in Carlisle (same day as North West Stages!)
 Saturday 28th February in Stafford
 Sunday 1st March in Derby
 Sunday 29th March in Rhyl

To register for these courses, go to www.anwcc.org then click on Marshals Training in the centre of the homepage. Click on the date/location you're interested in, which then opens a new window containing an online application form for you to complete.

SOCIAL EVENTS CALENDAR

When	What	Where
Monday 2 nd February	Noggin & Natter	Queens Royal, New Brighton
Monday 9 th February	Noggin & Natter	Queens Royal, New Brighton
Monday 16 th February	Motorsport DVD night	Queens Royal, New Brighton
Monday 23 rd February	Noggin & Natter	Queens Royal, New Brighton
Saturday 28 th February	Annual Dinner Dance & Awards Presentation Evening	Hollins Hey Hotel, New Brighton

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Wallasey Motor Club currently meet most Monday evenings at The Queens Royal, Marine Parade, New Brighton starting around 9pm. However, please check on the Club website in case of any change.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT CLUB ACTIVITIES, VISIT www.wallaseymc.com