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Sunday 12th. July saw one of the very best ever days of hillclimbing at Stockton Farm for the annual rounds of the R.A.C. British Hill Climb Championship. James Thomson twice shattered the existing hill record and then on the very last runs of the afternoon Chris Cramer rocketed up the hill in 36.73, a good 0.6 second quicker than Thomson and the first ever sub 37 second time. All eyes were on James who was obviously very quick indeed and when the clocks stopped had topped Chris's time, but only by 0.01 second - 36.72. By the rules, one had to be first and one second, but at the prizegiving we called them forward together - the two fastest men ever at Harewood!

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CHAIRMAN'S LETTER

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To all Yorkshire Centre Members,

Firstly, a big thank you to all our members for the wonderful response which we asked for to the revival of competitive Club Nights. The May Club Night organised by Andrew Page and Simon Clark produced 28 entries with over 60 people attending the finish at the Harewood Arms.

This rather shattered the Pub, particularly as it coincided with the Annual Dinner of the cast of Emmerdale Farm, the only difference being that they get paid to plough up fields whilst we pay for the privilege.

The June Club Night was a repeat of David and Glen Garnett's very successful Gymkhana, which on a rather cold night had an entry of 26 and again approximately 60 people turned up at the finish at the Scotts Arms, Sicklinghall.

These entry figures incidentally compare very favourably with the figures we used to get years ago when the Club's membership was approaching 1500.

We also had approximately 14 applications for membership as a result of the Club Nights, so if these enthusiasts do join the Club this is a very hopeful sign. Incidentally, one prospective member of the Club, who should perhaps remain nameless, heard about the Club Night on C. B. Radio which is one form of advertising we had not thought about using as yet.

Further details and results of these Club Nights and information concerning future Club Nights will be found later in this Circular.

The June Harewood was a two day meeting and again was a financial success and we are hoping that the July Championship Meeting will be a fine day and well attended. Incidentally, we still need Marshalls, so if you are interested please volunteer.

Yours sincerely,

Derek Clark, Chairman Yorkshire Centre.

Ramblings



Well, three of the 1981 Harewood week-ends have now gone by and the signs are that the Yorkshire Centre is on it's way back to prosperity once again. Mind you we are by no means out of the wood as yet, the loan from H.Q. which we received to tide us through the disastrous end to last season will not be repaid in a single year, but so long as the economy does not collapse completely the end on the 1981 financial year should see us well on our way.

One of the factors which has contributed to this has been the splendid response to the "Sponsor the Yorkshire Centre" scheme which, as anyone who has seen a Harewood programme this year will appreciate, has given us a solid block of support for each event. Then we have to thank Shell U.K. Oil for their magnificent support of the Shell Super Oil Harewood Hill Climb Championship which has not only brought us full entries at all meetings, but has also swelled the membership lists, replacing our racing members who have been defecting as their renewals came along. Shell help us in lots of other ways as well. Then we have our individual sponsors for events, and we are happy to be able to announce a late addition to the list. Roger Philpot's Aberdeen based "Five Steps" organisation are to become the main sponsors of the August 23rd. Harewood which will now be known as "THE FIVE STEPS SPEEDCLIMB FOR THE MONTAGUE BURTON TROPHY."

Off the road, a start has been made in getting a programme of Club Nights off the ground again. In earlier days our Club Night events were the envy of clubs around and free from the cares of race organisation we are hoping to recapture something of those days.

You can't have everything and we would like a few more voluntary helpers, but then what organisation would not in these days, but even here things do look a little better as the year progresses. The main lack now is willing volunteers who will come forward and do a little physical work at Stockton Farm from time to time.

WORKING PARTY

In that connection, we would announce that on Thursday 30th. July we are organising a working party at Stockton Farm when we hope to tidy up the grass verges, remove a few bumps from the Paddock Slip road, mend an underground cable and tidy up some spare timber, wire, etc. Everyone will be more than welcome from approx 6.30p.m. on until dusk. Check in at the Control Kabin to see what you can do. If possible bring a Flymo, a scythe, a sharp spade or similar and do not wear anything too posh. Afterwards we will adjourn to the Travellers Rest to recover. We hope to see you there.

HAREWOOD IN AUGUST

Sunday 23rd. August sees the "Five Steps Speedclimb for the Montague Burton Trophy" at Stockton Farm. This event is closed to B.A.R.C. Members and counts for both the Shell Super Oil Harewood Hill Climb Championship and for the Guyson/B.A.R.C. Hill Climb Championship. It is a one day meeting with practice from 9.30a.m. and the event starts at 2.15p.m.

Regulations were sent out to all members some time ago. If you have lost yours, or if you have joined recently and not had any, you can get them by ringing Tim Smith on Bradford 581333 during the evenings. Don't leave it too long as entries are filling up.

One day meetings like this are always a bit of a trial for the marshals as, with the best will in the world, if you don't start until 2.15p.m., you are bound to run late. We could do with a few more marshals to spread the load. If you are interested, please get in touch with David Dalrymple who's address is on page 2.

R.A.C. RALLY

Once again we are involved in helping Peter Griffin to staff the Dalby stage, all 26 miles of it. The stage happens on the evening of Monday 23rd. November and full details of how to volunteer to assist are given on Page 12 in the Marshals' Notes.

SCARBOROUGH WEEK END

Denys Townsend has things in hand for this event. He writes:-

Plans are well advanced for running the event as a one-day meeting on Sunday 18th. October. A 10.30 start is anticipated near Olivers Mount and it is hoped to run tests in the morning and afternoon with a break for refreshments between sessions. Denys Townsend who is acting as Clerk of the Course this year is hoping to give competitors value for money by putting on around 15 tests. Please mark 18th. October in your diaries for a family day out in Scarborough. Your family car will probably be suitable for the event after removing hub-caps, fastening down the seat and, if you are in any doubt, the scrutineers at Harewood will give advice. Those people not competing are asked to come along and help as Marshals whether experienced or not.

All enquiries for Entry Forms and offers to Marshal should be sent to Denys Townsend at 7, Victoria Road, Malton, or telephone him during the day at Malton 3250. We hope that all readers of the magazine will help to make this year's even successful either by compting marshalling or coming for the dayout.

END OF SEASON FROLIC

Warning that on Friday 23rd. October Robert Chesterman, the poor man's Paul Raymond, is laying on one of his very enjoyable evenings of robust entertainment for competitors, marshals, members and friends. The venue will be the same as last year - The Oulton and Woodlesford W.M.C. near Wakefield, the evening will run from 8.00 to Midnight, some young ladies will reveal all, a comedian will link things and a topless D.J. will keep things swinging. Tickets cost £2.00 each from R.F.Chesterman, 7, Barfield Grove, off Wigton Lane, Leeds LS17 8TF. More details in the next issue.

ANNUAL DINNER DANCE

Just a reminder to make sure that you have Saturday 5th. December firmly filled in your Diary for our Social event of the year. Full details in the next Circular.

HAREWOOD TOILETS

Since the beginning of our events at Stockton Farm toilets have been a problem. Big plans are now being made for permanent facilities. At this point of time the Editor would like to hear from anyone who might be able to offer any help, in cash or kind for a project of this nature. The main thing is that we hope you will not have to put up with things much longer.



Many members will remember with affection the period when Linda (SlipperyTights) Thornton was our Staff Secretary. Linda and Philip Knight, with family, were very welcome visitors at Harewood last Sunday

Photo by Doug Marsden

THE CLUBNIGHT

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With the Centre's withdrawal from motor race promotion, a big gap was left in the Programme which is being filled by a return to more socially based local events. Looming large amongst these is the monthly Club Night on the Third Tuesday of each month. Simon Clark has been co-opted on to the main Committee with particular responsibility to co-ordinate these Club Night, and other non-speed events.

JULY CLUB NIGHT

The July Club Night will be held on Tuesday 21st. July and will take the form of a "Beeline Treasure Hunt" organised by David Easthope. This is a slightly unusual event in that for those who wish, there is an opportunity for pre-planning before the start. You can either contact David and get him to send you a set of instructions, or you can pick them up from his business premises, if you happen to be in Central Leeds, but even if you can't do this, there is no handicap if you turn up early at the start and try to unravel his rather warped reasoning there.

Now, the details, The start will be from the Hill Climb paddock at Stockton Farm from 6.30p.m. until 7.45p.m. All you will need is a car, a passenger(s) to help you sort out David's plot and a map which stretches from Harewood to Blubberhouses.

The finish will be at the Nelson Hotel which is on the Harrogate Road on the east side of Blubberhouses. The Noggin & Natter will be enlivened by hand pulled Tetteys.

To get details in advance contact David at Ltravelleads Ltd., 14, New Station Street, Leeds 1. Tel. Leeds 442423 or in the evening at 2, Hawkesthorn Close, Menston in Wharfedale, Telephone Menston 76542.

AUGUST CLUB NIGHT

The August Club Night will not be a competitive event as the Committee feel that so many members will be away on holiday. We are going back to a straight "Noggin & Natter" evening and, as so many recent Club Nights have been North of Leeds, the venue will be the Spencers Arms, Cawthorne, South Yorkshire from approx 8.00p.m. onwards.

Cawthorne is tucked away just off the M.1 about half way between Leeds and Sheffield and quite easy to find. If you are coming from the North you turn off at Junction 38, just after the Woolley Edge services whilst coming from the South you turn off at Junction 39.

The Spencer's Arms is a happy pub and we hope that a lot of you who are not on holiday will be able to join us there.

PAST CLUB NIGHTS

The May Club Night was an autotest evening at Stockton Farm organised by Simon Clark and Andrew Page. There were 28 entries who were split into three classes. The results were

Front Wheel Drive 1st. H.C.Mason 215.00, 2nd. R.F.Chesterman 224.20, 3rd. J.R.North 242.00, 4th. R.Fretwell 261.80,

Rear Wheel Drive 1st. P.S.Adelman 171.60, 2nd. R.Moore 181.50, 3rd. J.Burnham 196.80, 4th. Mrs.J.Adelman 210.80, 5th. D.M.Garnett 211.10, 6th. N.White 220.70, 7th. K.Jenkinson 224.50, 8th. R.Nunn 242.80, 9th. R.Coulsey 263.30, 10th. D.Gooch 271.80 and 11th. Mrs.G.Coulsey 357.20

Special Cars 1st. R.A.Riall 191.50, M.Kempley 210.10, E.D.Clark 213.20, M.H.Whaley 229.80, T.C.D.Smith 231.20, P.Bennett 236.80, P.W.Watson 245.80, M.Pawson 272.50

On Tuesday 16th. June David Garnett organised another of his very popular Gymkhanas at Patrick Snowden's Hawthorne House Farm, Dunkswick. and was rewarded with 23 entries.

The event was won by Patrick himself which should prove something about local knowledge, even on a Gymkhana. Full list: Patrick Snowden 333, David Cole 396, Marcus Hewlitt 408, Morris Whaley 416, Sly Go 419, Derek Clark 427, Michael Parson 428, Nicola Kennedy 444, Chris Tipping 450, Sharon Caress, Simon Clark 461, Boris Hardcastle 471, Richard Fretwell 474, David Snowden 495, Glen Garnett 519, Alan Frei 553, Kathy Cole 568, David Dunwell 568.2, Nicola Clark 611, Denys Townsend 634, Johnathan North 668, Roger Coulsey 675, Sue Johnstone 884



HILLCLIMB NOTES

Since our last edition, there have been two week-ends, covering three events at Harewood. The first was the experimental Shell Super Oil Week End with the Novices and One-Make speedclimb on the Saturday and the combined Shell Super Oil Harewood Hill Climb Championship/Dutton-Forshaw/Longton Championship meeting on the Sunday. Then we had the R.A.C. Championship meeting last week end.

We did wonder if the two in one week-end would be a success, but results have shown it was and we will be repeating the dose, with slight modifications, next year. With 90 plus competitors on Saturday and 125 on Sunday lots of drivers got a chance to see how they went at Stockton Farm and whilst the only record to be shattered was that for the Gilbern class, a very competitive couple of meetings resulted.

Saturday's event saw 13 classes of "Novices" plus 9 more for "One Make" Clubs. The latter category including four for M.G.s, two for Morgans and one each for Triumph 6, A.C. and Gilbern. Overall F.T.D. winner was Paul Tankard with his T.V.R. Tuscan with Derek Goodall in a sick Ensign second and Redvers Arnold third. Fourth f.t.d. came from the "One Make" section in the shape of Mike Hall in his morgan plus 8. The individual class winners were: 1&2 Richard Wood, 3 Mike Kerr, 4 Andy Williams, 5a Allen Craven, 7 John Lowe, 8&9 Tim Smith (in John Foran's Davrian), 10 Paul Tankard, 11 Redvers Arnold, 13&14 Max Brown, 15 Colin Thompson, 16 Derek Goodall, MG Midgets Nigel Middlehurst, MG A & B Peter Chowme, MG T Types Alastair Naylor, MG Modified Cars Eddie Falkous, Triumph 6 John Griffiths, A.C. David Hescroff, Gilberns Nigel Ellis, Morgans up to 1800cc Martin Wyatt and Morgans over 1800cc Mike Hall.

On Sunday the field was much more typical of Harewood with strong support for all classes except 9 and 12. In Class 1 Tony Baines kept on his winning way from John Gill and Dave Allen. A 15 car Class 2 was very keenly fought but John Casey triumphed from Geoff Sykes and William Pearson. Class 3 was another biggy 14 starters of whom Kevin Tate was a convincing winner by 1.2 seconds from Richard Jackson with George Swinbourne in hot pursuit.

As usual the Bridge family took the honours with Tony first and Derek next whilst the greatly improved Don Bewick was a convincing winner of Class 5a by almost 3 seconds. Class 6 has become a Gornall benefit at Dutton-Forshaw rounds and this was no exception. John was well in front of David with Dave Pickstone third. Class 7 was another strong one 12 entries of whom Des Richardson's elan came out on top ahead of the Europa of Graham Oates. Class 8 entries were down, perhaps due to the surfeit of Morgans the day before and Mike Robson made it his own. With only John Foran to represent Class 9 it was merged with 10 and the battle at the top was between Josh Sadler, Tony Bancroft and Paul Tankard who finished in that order, despite some valiant efforts by the aforesaid Mr. Bancroft to nobble Josh the night before. As ever the Clubmans class was strong and Martin Curtis kept up the family name by pipping Mervyn Bartram with a delighted David Kennedy third.

Jim Robinson, paying his first visit to Harewood this season romped away from Bill Wood in Class 13 whilst David Garnett had an easy run in Class 14. In the racing classes, John Corbyn took the 1100c.c. section from Keith Gowers little Monopin whilst Jim Campbell had a terrific tussle with Andy Smith for the 17 strong 1600c.c. class. Jim won by 0.03 of a second with Brian Frazer third. In the big racing cars Alastair Douglas Osborn for once found things going right at Harewood and lead the Class on 38.25 from James Thomson 38.56 and Roy Lane 38.99. In the Shell Super Oil Harewood F.T.D. Run Off "Big Al" slipped back a little with 38.91 then 38.90 whilst your master James put in an 38.12 followed by 37.65 to snatch f.t.d. for the second time this year. Roy Lane, looking good again took third place on 38.99 and a storming run by David Garnett in 39.10 took his Sports Pilbeam into fourth ahead of a lot of more fancied runners.

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And so to the most prestigious event of the season at Harewood, the annual round of the R.A.C. British Hill Climb Championship where a truly magnificent field assembled on what fortunately remained a dry week-end to provide a splendid week-end of sport. It was very obvious from the way people went in practice that the visiting stars were determined to see that local lad James Thomson did not get away with a third f.t.d. for the season at his home hill. For his part James was equally determined and here hung the main part of the pre-event excitement.

In the classes John Meredith, the old man of the hills walked away with the small special saloons whilst the much travelled Barrogill Angus just equalled James Thomson's record of 42.50 to take the large saloons from Brian Walker. John Foran kept Yorkshire flags flying in the small Modsports section whilst Tony Bancroft beat Josh Sadler in the over 1300c.c. part of this class. Mind you that statement does require a little clarification, Tony & Josh had exchanged cars for the week-end and Tony had some new Demon tyres - which Josh tried out on Saturday with devastating effect, nearly off at Orchard, nearly sideways at Farmhouse and over the gravel at Quarry!! For once we were allowed a Clubmans class at the RAC event and this was a local affair with Simon Curtis heading brother Martin in the 11 car field. For the first time this year we welcomed Charles Wardle to Harewood, but in Paul Bason's Myers as Jim Robinson did a pretty fair baling job on the Mallock a couple of weeks before. In the event Charles had to give first place in Class 13 to Bill Wood who is quietly creeping up all the marking tables. David Garnett won Class 14 from Mark Williams and Peter Blankstone and Colin Myles, now firmly settled in an 1100c.c. racing car just defeated John Corbyn.

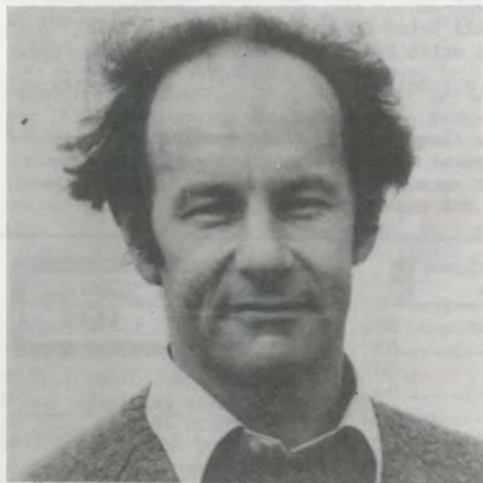
Martyn Bolsover was in a class of his own setting a new record in the 1600c.c. class from David Gould, but it was in the 20 strong big racing car class where we looked for the real fireworks. In fact things ran to form with James Thomson fastest on both runs and only 1.6 seconds split all the "Top Ten" qualifiers. On the first runs James kept out in front from Chris Cramer and A.D.O., all in the 37 second bracket but it was on the second runs when things came alight when Chris shot up the course in 36.73. What could "Big Al" do? 37.05 so it all rested on the last run of the day. Away went James Thomson, it looked quick, but was it quick enough. Yes he recorded 36.72 to make it 3 in a row and 10 more for the Championship.



He always said that he would be quick as soon as he got the car sorted, but not everyone took "Boss Hog" seriously. Brian Frazer looks delighted at having proved his point.



Shell Super Oil Harewood Hillclimb Championship



Josh Sadler is leading the Championship



James Thomson heads the F.T.D. Awards

With three rounds gone, and two to come, the Shell Super Oil Harewood Hill Climb Championship is really hotting up. James Thomson has a commanding lead in the F.T.D. awards series, but he is not yet a clear winner. In the main section of the Championship Josh Sadler has slipped back a little by his benevolence in giving spotty the Autofam "works drive" on July 13th. and with a few more records James Thomson could be on his heels.

Current Positions

1	Josh Sadler.....	22.07	11	Paul Tankard....	17.56	21	Alex Graham.....	14.11
2	James Thomson.....	20.87	12	Mervyn Bartram..	17.46	22	Simon Curtis.....	14.01
3	Tony Bridge.....	20.30	13	Jim Campbell....	17.40	=	Kevin Tate.....	14.01
4	John Casey.....	20.23	14	Pete Nicholson..	17.18	24	John Foran.....	13.85
5	Tony Bancroft.....	19.82	15	Malcolm Dungworth	16.85	25	Neil Turner.....	13.45
6	Richard Jackson....	19.28	16	Richard Wood....	15.69	26	Martin Curtis....	13.25
7	David Garnett.....	18.91	17	Chris Seaman....	15.15	27	Brian Frazer.....	12.99
8	Derek Bridge.....	18.88	18	Alister D.Osborn	15.00	28	Mike Kerr.....	12.95
9	Roy T.Lane.....	18.45	19	Joe Ward.....	14.90	29	Bob Prest.....	12.91
10	Bill Wood.....	17.83	20	David Kennedy...	14.77	30	Redvers Arnold....	12.76



Shell Super Oil HAREWOOD F.T.D. AWARDS

1	James Thomson(Pilbeam MP40K Hart)...	31	11	Tom McMillan(Modus M4 Hart BDA).....	5
2	Malcolm Dungworth(Pilbeam MP22-03G)..	20	12	Simon Curtis(Mallock U.2 20C Nelson)..	4
3	Alister D.Osborn(Pilbeam MP47 DFV)..	19	=	Godfrey Crompton(March 802 Hart).....	4
4	Roy T.Lane(March 802/812 Hart).....	18	14	David Gould(Gould Terrapin 803).....	3
5	David Garnett(Pilbeam MP43 Hart)....	15	=	Chris Seaman(Brabham BT30 FVA).....	3
6	Jim Campbell(Modus M4 Hart BDA).....	10	=	Andy Smith(March 722 Austin Turbo)..	3
7	Martin Bolsover(Pilbeam MP51 BDA)...	7	17	John Barratt(Joysel M.N.01 Hart).....	2
8	Martyn Griffiths(Pilbeam MP46G Hart)	6	=	Jimmy Jack(March 782/79B Hart).....	2
=	Norrie Galbraith(Chevron B.48S BMW)..	6	=	Jim Robinson(Mallock U.2 21 BDA).....	2
=	Brian Frazer(Boss Hog Argo Smith)....	6	20	Bill Wood(Mallock U.2 20 BDA).....	1

HILL CLIMB CHAMPIONSHIP NEWS

Well, this issue of the "Circular" has fallen very conveniently in the period directly after Harewood and before the British Grand Prix week-end so the results in the various Championships given below, which incidentally are all taken from the promoters official figures and are bang up to date will remain current until Bouley Bay on Thursday 23rd. July.

As a matter of interest, James Thomson can now not be beaten for the Hill Climb Award of Merit

For those who wonder at the absence of the name Jimmy Jack from the Scottish Championship placings, I understand that this is due to some of his points not being allowed where they were claimed in Chris Cramer's Toleman, but it seems that if he does very well in the final two rounds, he could still be well placed at the end of the season.

GUYSON R.A.C. HILLCLIMB CHAMPIONSHIP

1	Josh Sadler.....	29.90
=	Tom McMillan.....	29.90
3	Jim Campbell.....	29.62
4	Kenny Allen.....	28.80
5	Roy Lane.....	27.59
6	John Meredith.....	27.34
7	Alex Graham.....	25.00
8	Jimmy Jack.....	21.64
9	James Thomson.....	20.96
10	Alister D.Osborn..	20.28

GUYSON R.A.C. F.T.D. AWARDS SERIES

1	Roy Lane.....	40
2	Chris Cramer.....	29
3	James Thomson.....	28
4	Alister D.Osborn....	24
5	Jimmy Jack.....	19
6	Richard Fry.....	16
=	Ted Williams.....	16
8	Tom McMillan.....	15
9	Martyn Griffiths....	14
10	Jim Campbell.....	13

RAC BRITISH HILL CLIMB CHAMPIONSHIP

1	Alister D.Osborn.....	70
2	James Thomson.....	63
3	Chris Cramer.....	52
4	Dave Harris.....	46
=	Roy Lane.....	46
6	Martyn Griffiths.....	42
7	Martyn Bolsover.....	27
8	Ted Williams.....	20
9	David Franklin.....	18
10	Malcolm Dungworth...	14

RAC HILL CLIMB AWARD OF MERIT

1	James Thomson.....	79
2	Martin Bolsover.....	59
3	Max Harvey.....	52
4	James Jack.....	38
5	Ted Williams.....	31
6	David Gould.....	18
7	Richard Fry.....	17
8	Richard Jones.....	16
=	Brian Frazer.....	16
10	Andy Smith.....	12

RAC HAYNES LEADERS CHAMPIONSHIP

1	John Meredith.....	67
2	Barrogill Angus.....	63
3	Charles Wardle.....	45
4	Russ Ward.....	33
=	Josh Sadler.....	33
=	John Corbyn.....	33
7	Jim Thomson.....	29
8	Jim Thomson.....	28
9	Tony Bancroft.....	25
10	Peter Blankstone.....	22

Midland Hill Climb Championship **BRADBURN & WEDGE** MOTOR GROUP Wolverhampton West Midlands

1	Martin Bolsover.....	55
2	Charles Wardle.....	51
3	Richard Jones.....	47
4	Roland Jones.....	46
=	Russ Ward.....	46
6	James Thomson.....	45
=	Nic Mann.....	45
8	Josh Sadler.....	41
9	Alan Cox.....	40
=	John Meredith.....	40

The Birmingham Post TOP TEN HILL CLIMB CHAMPIONSHIP

1	James Thomson.....	36
2	Dave Harris.....	33
3	Martyn Griffiths.....	30
4	Alister D.Osborn.....	27
5	Martin Bolsover.....	18
6	Roy Lane.....	12
7	Richard Fry.....	11
8	Chris Cramer.....	10
=	Ted Williams.....	10
10	David Franklin.....	8

DUTTON-FORSNAW/LONGTON Sport and Hillclimb Championship

1	Tony Bridge.....	123.54
2	John Gornall.....	118.70
3	John Foran.....	116.88
4	Geoff Sykes.....	116.80
5	Dave Pickstone.....	115.61
6	Keith Gowers.....	114.13
7	Graham Oates.....	113.02
8	David Gornall.....	108.05
9	Tony Baines.....	106.93
10	Alan Harper.....	106.76

load Car Section

1	Neil Ross.....	40
2	Hugh Denholme.....	39
3	John Still.....	38
4	Allan Kidd.....	37
5	George Ritchie.....	36

ANNUAL COMPETITIONS

We regret that it has only just become possible to publish the rules for the 1981 Annual Competitions. These are open to all Yorkshire Centre members who send a written entry as set out in Para 11. Because of the late publication retrospective marking back to the start of the season will be allowed for all entries received by Friday 31st. July 1981

THE PEARCE TROPHY

Marks are awarded to competitors and marshals on the scale below for all Speed Events, the Scarborough Week-End and competitive motoring Club Nights where at least one month's notice has been given. The final markings to decided the awards will be based upon three events less than the total number organised in the season. The lowest marks being discarded.

Each member may gain 6 marks twice for acting as Principal Organiser. Also each member may gain 5 marks twice for acting as Deputy Clerk of Course, Chief Observer, Chief Marshal or Secretary of Meeting.

THE FIRTH BOWL

Is awarded to the highest placed Lady in the Pearce Trophy competition.

THE PEARCE CONSOLATION AWARD

Is awarded to the person placed highest in the Pearce Trophy competition who has not won any other award during the season.

THE KEN LEE TROPHY

Is for competitors only and marks are awarded on the same scale as in the Pearce Trophy for all competitive events.

THE CHIPPY-IOLA VASE

Is for couples either competing, marshalling or organising together on nominated events on the same scale as the Pearce Trophy. All nominated events count for the award.

THE TRAVELEADS TROPHY

Is awarded at the discretion of the Centre Committee to a competitor or marshal who has scored the most points in the Pearce Trophy without acting as a principal or assistant organiser or gaining extra points through competitive success.

Marks are awarded as under:-

Marshals

- Acting as principal organiser on an event. 6
- Acting as nominated assistant organiser... 5
- Acting as marshal on an event..... 3

On two-day events, marks may be gained by organisers and marshals on both days, but organisers may only gain marks for organising on one day only.

Competitors

- 1st. in class subject to 4 entries..... 6
- 2nd. in class subject to 4 entries..... 5
- 3rd. in class subject to 4 entries..... 4
- All other starters..... 3

If less than 4 entries in class marks will be based on last in class getting 3, next highest 4 and so on.

Members wishing to enter for these annual awards must do so on the entry form below. Marks will only be credited in respect of events after the form has been received with the exception that in 1981 all forms which are received up to 31st. July 1981 will be marked back to the start of the season.

Competitors or marshals will only be eligible to win one of the six awards in the same year (e.g. the winner of the "Pearce Trophy" can not also win the "Chippy-Iola".

ADMINISTRATION

Current positions in the different competitions will be published in subsequent issues of "Yorkshire Centre Circular".

Marking records will be maintained by and any queries should be addressed to:-

Mr. & Mrs J.M.English, 32, Fairfield Avenue, Knaresborough, North Yorkshire HG5 8HB.

To: Mr. & Mrs. J.M.English, 32, Fairfield Avenue, Knaresborough, North Yorkshire HG5 8HB.

I would like to enter for the 1981 Annual Competitions. I am a member of the Yorkshire Centre

Name..... Date

Address..... Membership Number

..... Competitor / Marshal
 (Delete as appropriate)

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MARSHALLING MATTERS



One of the features of every Harewood meeting is the Marshals Draw where the names of every Marshal who signs on to help us go into a hat and then a couple of prizes are drawn out. Last Sunday Harry Tinkler, making a welcome return to Harewood, and Geoff Dickinson were the lucky recipients of a bottle of Whisky and Gin.

Photo by Doug Marsden

First let us say that it is nice to see some of our ex regular Marshals at Croft are finding their way to Harewood. Last Sunday Reg & Doreen Baines were hard at work and a last minute arrival was Harry Tinkler. As you can see from the picture above, Harry's journey down from Saltburn was at least rewarded with something tangible, apart from sharing in a most exciting day's sport.

Looking ahead to November, the Lombard/RAC rally starts from Bath once again and runs to a slightly different pattern. Once again there is a very long stage in Dalby Forest and once again Peter Griffin is looking for Marshals from the Yorkshire Centre.

We have been a little spoil in recent years in having our stage on a Sunday, but this year it starts on Monday tea time on 23rd. November. Peter is looking for people who can be there all day to get on with the marking-out and "brushing" and for others who can arrive in time for the Stage.

The Chief Marshal to whom you should make your offers is: David Dalrymple, "Manora", Manley Road, Ben Rhydding, Ilkley LS29 8QP.

Mention of David brings a reminder that he is, of course, also our Chief Marshal at the Harewood Hills Climbs and if there are any of you out there who have not registered your availability for the remaining meetings (Dates on page 15), you can do so now, please.

At our next Harewood, the Marshal's draw will be reinforced by awards to the value of £20. Jim Thomson very kindly donated this sum being his cash for winning Class 5 at the July Harewood and, as at that time most marshals had already left, it seemed best to hold the award over until August 23rd.

A slightly sad occasion will be the final meeting at Croft on 24/25th. Yes Frank Wright and B.R.S.C.C. are stretching the event out over two days and have asked if, for old times sake, any B.A.R.C. Marshals would like to help out. Quite a lot of us are intending to make the sad pilgrimage for the formal closing of our only local motor racing circuit. If you want to make one in write to The Chief Marshal, BRSCC c/o Frank Wright, 17, Parkstone Grove, Leeds LS16 6EX. and let him know which day(s) you will be able to help.

Correspondence



Letters to the Editor for Publication are invited from Readers. Please try and be brief and, if possible, submit letter typewritten. The fact that a letter is published does not mean that it reflects to official outlook of the Yorkshire Centre or it's Committee

A MATTER OF CONVENIENCE

Sir,

I have just competed in my first Harewood Hill Climb and very much enjoyed the course and the friendliness of all Officials and Competitors.

However, I must put pen to paper and implore you to do something about the toilet facilities. They were primitive!! and they were awful. My family, all female had the same comments concerning their facilities.

Hillclimbing is a family affair for us and we like to spend the weekend at meetings so reasonable facilities are a must.

Can I ask that the Committee of the BARC Yorkshire Centre give consideration to building permanent improved facilities - or hiring portable facilities. I and all the others I spoke to would be only too willing to pay something extra for this essential facility.

Yours etc.,

Sutton Coldfield Richard Homer

Mr. Homer's letter pinpoints a serious deficiency at Harewood but I think that he and others will be delighted to see the news in "Ramblings" - Ed.

CLUB NIGHT THANKS

Sir,

I would just like to write a brief note of thanks to all those who competed and helped at the Club Night Andrew Page and myself ran at Harewood in May.

We thoroughly enjoyed organising the event and would like to point out it took about 2 hours to put the whole thing on. It was interesting that through the evening about 13 people expressed interest in joining, or re-joining the Centre if this sort of thing was to become a habit, which we hope it will.

I should therefore be very grateful to hear from anybody who wishes to organise, take part in or assist at future Club Nights, with a view to rebuilding the social side of the Club of which we were all pleased to be a part.

Yours etc.

Scarcroft. Simon Clark

Mr. Clark's address can be found on Page 2

KENYON ON CLASSES

Sir,

I'm very suprised that there has been no correspondence from Sprint & Hillclimbers concerning Mike's plea for suggestions and changes in the Class structure. To my mind our classes are far more suited to the occasional Sprint & Hillclimb competitor than are the R.A.C. classes and I see little, or no reason for changing same drastically.

An absolutely standard road car class, whilst being most desirable in principle, would bring along far greater problems in scrutineering, for unless one is willing to undertake checking of diff. ratios, gear ratios, cam shaft lifts, etc. it leaves itself wide open to widespread cheating. Please don't try to tell me this thing wouldn't happen - it would unless you had an eligibility scrutineer who is willing and able to strip down cars throughout the season.

The thing I would put forward and be prepared to support to bring the Touring and Marque cars nearer to road going specification would be a restriction on rim width and the compulsory use of road tyres.

Another reason against having an absolutely standard road car class is that B.A.R.C. events already have far too many classes - 19 in total if you care to count - and whilst it is possible to run this many classes at Harewood, it does cause problems for the organisers of small events who have a maximum entry of 80 and quite obviously they have to undertake a policy of widespread class amalgamations, which is most undesirable.

I have decided to grasp the nettle and put forward the following suggestions regarding the reduction in the number of classes and to come more in line with the R.A.C. than at present.

First regarding Touring and Sprots Cars. Class 1 would obviously have to be left alone as it would obviously be unfair to amalgamate them up with larger capacity cars. Class 2 Touring Cars 1151 to 1500cc could be amalgamated with Class 6 Marque sports Cars up to 1300cc and their capacity limit be

reduced to 1300cc + 0.060" overbore size as allowed.

Class 3 Touring Cars 1501cc & over and Classes 7 & 8 Marque Sports Cars 1301 to 2600cc and 2601cc & over could be made in to one class.

If you look at all the above, you will find that the Harewood records for the classes suggested for amalgamation are all very similar, i.e.

Class 2 47.06	Class 3 45.49
Class 6 47.16	Class 7 45.25
	Class 8 44.94

This would make the classes larger so therefore the awards should be extended to, at least a fourth place.

Having suggested all the above, all these classes are well supported as they stand so the suggestion is probably not worth the paper it is written on!

Class 4 Special Saloons up to 1000cc and Class 5a Special Saloons 1001 to 1300cc is another possible amalgamation but their records are:-

Class 4 44.79	Class 5a 43.22
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but this would bring them into line with Class A of the R.A.C. Classes.

The next classes that come to mind are 12 and 13 - Sports Racing & Clubmans Chassis Cars up to 1300cc and 1301 to 1600cc. There seems to be little support for Class 12 - in fact at the June Harewood there were no entries - this could be amalgamated into class 13 to form an up to 1600cc class which again brings it into line with Class E of the RAC.

The foregoing reduces the number of classes from 19 to 14.

It is high time we brought back the Class Forum and had a Committee, either elected or co-opted under the Chairmanship of Chris Seaman who is at present dealing with matters concerning eligibility, obviously Mike and also representatives from the Lancashire Championships and any other Championships that use our classes.

A forum - if held - MUST be at the end of the present season and MUST have any change or alterations, etc. notified to the competitors at the latest by the end of November to be of any valid use whatsoever.

This Month's Puzzle

R.A.C. Year Book page 143. Modified Sports Cars, paragraph 4 - Bodywork including Aero-foils, section (e).

"Air dams are permitted below the level of the road wheel centres providing they do not protrude beyond the overall perimeter of the original coachwork in plan view including bumpers, grille and the permitted wing exte-

nsion of 5cm (2in)."

Which means to me that all Modsports cars are limited to a 2 inch wing/wheel arch extension but all those I have seen are a bit nearer a foot! Perhaps this is another pearl of wisdom from the R.A.C.

Yours etc.
Sheffield Brian Kenyon.

As ever Brian Kenyon can be relied upon to come forward with some ideas. Now how about hearing from the rest of you out there?

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Brian Kenyon,
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Willing types to assist at working party at Stockton Farm on Thursday 30th. July 81 to apply cosmetic improvements to the track and surroundings.

If you can come, get there as soon after 6.00p.m. as you can and, if possible bring a scythe, a flymo, a sharpshade or something similar to help clear grass from the sides of the track. No need to confirm, just be there on the night. Thank You!

DATES

For Your Diary

B.A.R.C. YORKSHIRE CENTRE EVENTS

HAREWOOD HILL CLIMBS

- Sun 23 Aug FIVE STEPS SPEEDCLIMB For the MONTAGUE BURTON TROPHY
Shell Super Oil Harewood and Guyson/BARC Championships
- Sat 26 Sep THE 100TH. HAREWOOD - Practice Day
- Sun 27 Sep THE 100TH. HAREWOOD - Shell Super Oil Harewood and Guyson/BARC Championships

CLUB NIGHTS

- Tue 21 Jul Beeline Treasure Hunt organised by David Easthope. See Clubnight Page in this issue for details.
- Tue 18 Aug "Noggin and Natter" at The Spencers Arms, Cawthorne, South Yorkshire.
See Clubnight Page for details.
- Tue 15 Sep To be announced in next "Circular"
- Tue 20 Oct To be announced later
- Tue 17 Nov To be announced later
- Tue 15 Dec To be announced later

OTHER EVENTS

- Sun 18 Oct "The Scarborough Week-End" - Autotests in and around Scarborough
See "Ramblings" for preliminary details.
- Mon 23 Nov Lombard/R.A.C. International Rally - Dalby Forest Stage - We are marshalling
See "Marshalling Matters" for details

SOCIAL EVENTS

- Fri 23 Oct "End of Season Frolic" at Oulton and Woodlesford W.M.C.
See "Ramblings" for more details
- Sat 5 Dec Annual Dinner Dance at The Parkway Hotel, Otley Road, Leeds 16
Booking Forms in next "Circular"

WORKING PARTY

- Thu 30 Jul Working Party at Stockton Farm, bring scythes, Flymos, etc.
See "Ramblings" for details

MEETINGS

- Main Committee Meetings - All at the Parkway Hotel, Otley Road, Leeds 16.
Mondays Aug 3rd., Sep 7th., Oct 5th., Nov 2nd. and Dec 7th.
- Harewood Committee - All at Morley R.U.F.C. Clubhouse, Scatcherd Lane, Morley.
Mondays Aug 10th., Sep 14th., Oct 12th., Nov 9th. and Dec 14th.

INVITATION EVENTS

- 25/26 Jul Wakefield & District Motor Sports Club - Calderford Trophy Rally - Details from David Jones, 24, Beechwood Avenue, Flanshaw Park, Wakefield, West Yorks
- 1/2 Aug Ripon Motor Sports Club - St. Wilfrid's Rally - Details from Mrs.P.Rumbold, 59, Hill Shaw Park Way, Ripon, North Yorkshire
- 8/9 Aug Kirkby Lonsdale Motor Club - Devils Own Rally - Details from Mrs. J.Dodds, 90, Owllet Ash Fields, Milnthorpe, Cumbria
- Sun 30 Aug Triumph Sporting Owners Club - Hill Climb at Baitings Dam - Details from P.Burton, 40, Warwick Road, Radcliffe, Manchester M26 0HL.
- Sun 30 Aug Coventry & Warwickshire Motor Club - Sprint at Curborough - Details from P.N.Stephens, 47, New Street, Cubbington, Leamington Spa, Warks CV32 7LA.



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