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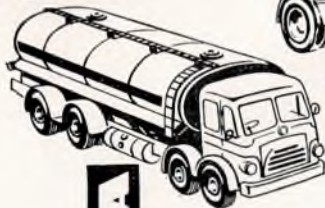
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## COVER PICTURE

Harry Mason, who is featured in this month's 'Circular', seen here bouncing for Peter Scott on a Club Night two years ago.

Photo Bob Soper.

## Club Nights and such like things

Towards the end of last year the blood rushed to your editor's head and he rashly offered to look after this year's Club Night programme. What he did not intend was to actually organise every single one himself, the idea was to try to help new organisers to put on events with fresh ideas. An appeal was put out in the 'Circular' for volunteers from which three people finally agreed to arrange one evening each. A fourth event will be organised by the editor assisted by Tony Riall but this still leaves two months without an organiser. More important, one of the months is April (the other is August) and so far no one has come forward with an offer. Whilst it would be preferred that we have someone from the general membership to come forward, as a last resort our nineteen strong committee was approached. Unfortunately none of them can stir themselves to help out and as your editor will be away on holiday that week, at the time of writing there will be no club night in April.

It is really a deplorable state of affairs that a club having a membership of well over a thousand and a committee of twelve with seven officers has to plead for people to put on the simplest of events. Not many years ago, it was one of the highest honours in motor sport in Yorkshire to be a member of the B.A.R.C. and you had really arrived if you managed to be elected to the committee. Nowadays this, on many occasions, is not the case. There is a growing attitude of not what can be put into the sport, but what can be milked out of it. Too often do we see people coming along and making a big splash for a couple of seasons and then resigning to take up something else. During their two seasons they want to know why they and their sponsors are not always pictured in the 'Circular' and why rules cannot be altered to suit them. They never ask whether they can help on an event or send in a letter or article for publication. Instead it is left to the willing few to soldier on largely unthanked.

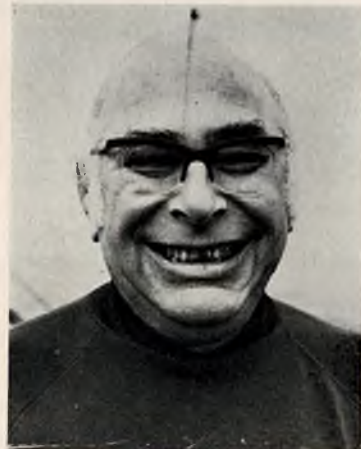
Fortunately there is still a willing few left but one shudders to think who would fill the colossal vacuum that would be left if one or two of them were to step under the proverbial bus. Whilst the Centre would not fold up, there would be considerable chaos for a long time and this is far from satisfactory.

It has never been the policy of this magazine to have a general moan in public but with the A.G.M. coming along this should give a few of you some food for thought. Whilst what has been said may not be very popular, those who may feel offended should remember that if the cap fits, then they should wear it.

## B.A.R.C. Rescue Caravan

For some time now our medical officers at speed events have been very worried about the amount of medical equipment that is at their disposal. The very simple fact is that if anyone had an accident and was badly hurt so that they may not survive the journey to Harrogate, then the medical officers on the spot would be unable to do much to help them. With cars now getting very much faster, the chances of this happening increases every year and so your committee has decided that suitable facilities are a top priority for this season.

Ideally we need a fully equipped caravan with oxygen equipment and a full range of surgical equipment but of course all this costs a lot of money. The basic equipment needed will cost in the region of £200 and the fully equipped caravan about £1,000. The main instigator of the scheme on the committee has been Chippy Stross and to set the ball rolling he has donated enough money to buy all the basic equipment. Your committee feel that this is an extremely generous gesture and, whilst they will use the money so that the equipment will be ready at Harewood for the Spring National



*Chippy  
Stross*

Meeting, they prefer to consider Chippy's donation more as a guarantee so that he will be re-imbursed as soon as there is enough money to meet our needs. This, however, is not Chippy's idea.

In order to raise the necessary finance for this essential project your committee has launched an appeal amongst competitors since it is they who will be the ones to benefit most from the scheme. As we go to press the fund stands at £210 from donations already received and we hope that it will reach its target of £1,000 very quickly. TONY BANCROFT is acting as the main money raiser for this and he will make no apology for twisting arms to get the full amount. We feel quite sure that this will not be necessary as it is in the interests of



every competitor at both Harewood and Croft to see that this service is ready as soon as possible. Sooner or later one of them is going to need it. Please give generously and send your donations to Tony Bancroft, Royd House, Oxenhope, Keighley.

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## **Forthcoming Events**

### **Castrol Motor Club Quiz 1st March and 8th March**

Following our victories in the February rounds of this year's Castrol Quiz, our team is now in the Area Semi Finals which will be held at the De Lacy Clubhouse on Thursday, 1st March starting at 8 p.m. Assuming that they are successful they will go forward to the Area Finals the following week also at De Lacy Clubhouse.

In the previous rounds our team, David Scatchard, Roger Ellis and Paul Hargreaves beat the North Humberside Motor Club by 585 points to 295 and then went on to beat the York Motor Club by 825 to 290. In the Semi-Final we play N. Midland M.C. and we hope that a large number of members will turn out to give them as much encouragement as possible.

### **Sleuth's Mug — 4th March**

That hardy annual, the Sleuth's Mug is our first competitive event in March and is organised this year by David Naylor and George Asquith. It is no coincidence that they were last year's winners for it is one of the joys of winning that one has the opportunity, right and duty to organise a similar event the following year.

This year the event will start at the Old White Bear Inn, Norwood Green, near Halifax (96/140269) from midday, last time for signing on being 1-30 p.m. The route will then be indicated by tulip arrows, rhyming riddles and simple directions through some of the pleasant Pennine countryside north and west of Halifax to finish at the Brown Cow, Clifton, near Brighouse (96/158233). There will be nothing complicated about the event and simple clues seen from the car have to be found. No maps are necessary but the keener types may like to follow the event on sheets 96 and 102.

At the finish an extension has been arranged from 4 p.m. and a good high tea will be available priced around 60p. There is no need to enter the event in advance, just turn up at the start with a car, driver and crew of egg heads.

### **Club Night — 6th March**

For the Club Night this month we venture south again for a pint and natter at the Spencers Arms,

Cawthorne, Nr. Barnsley. We expect to see the usual South Riding members in their droves as well as a fair selection of North of the River types now that the days are getting a little longer. Things generally get under way about 9-00 p.m.

### **Spring Race Meeting Croft — 25th March**

Our speed season gets away this month with a race meeting at Croft for which regulations are enclosed. There will be three Championship races and three non-championship ones with practice starting at noon and the first race at 3-00 p.m.

The races are as follows. A special saloon car race for the Wendy Wools Championship, a Formula Ford race for the B.A.R.C. and Tate Championships, The Northern Sports Cars Mod Sports Championship race and supporting races for Sports/GT, Clubmans and Formulé Libre.

For those who have not been before, Croft Autodrome is just off the A.1 near Catterick. You should leave the A.1 at the start of the Catterick By-Pass and continue past the racecourse following the signposts through Scorton.

### **Annual General Meeting — 27th March**

On another page is the formal announcement for this year's Annual General Meeting which is a most important one as there are several vacancies on the committee this time. It is in the interests of all members to make a special effort to attend this time as we want to be sure that the new committee is fully representative of the Centre as a whole. There are five vacancies on the committee this year — and we invite nominations from members for people whom they think would be suitable.

It is only fair to point out just what is involved in being a committee member for it is rather more than just walking round the beer tent at Harewood with a blue arm band on. All committee members are expected to take a major part in the organisation of at least one of our events. This can be, for newer members, assisting on the Scarborough or Greenwood, the dances and social events or organising a club night. The main thing being that we are not looking for anyone in an advisory capacity, we want those who are prepared to help the existing overstretched team who have got a very ambitious programme to get through this year. By the number who turn up now to help we know that there are more than enough of you, so if you feel like a challenge and are prepared to shoulder responsibility, stand next month at the A.G.M.

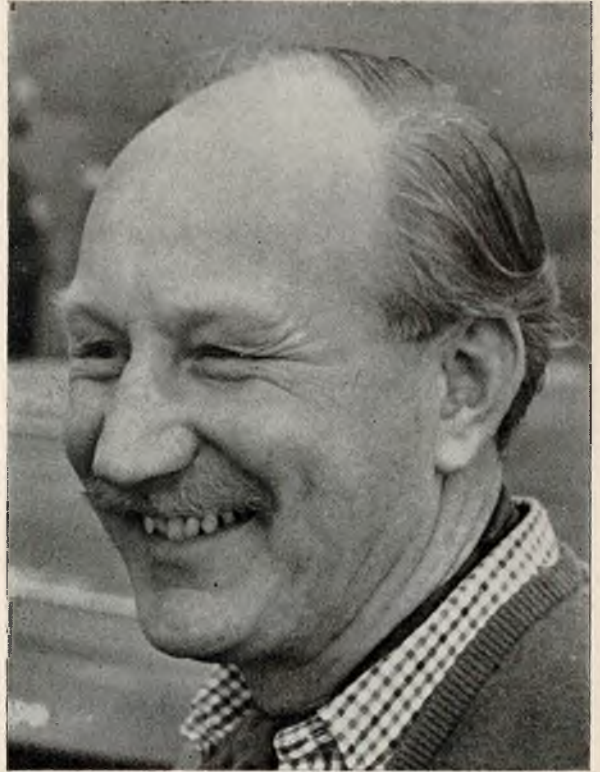
# HARRY MASON

This month the Yorkshire Centre sees the end of an era when one of our most popular and loyal members steps down from the office that he has held since 1956. The job of Hon. Secretary of any organisation is probably the least glamorous and most arduous, but Harry Mason has served us in this capacity for far longer than most of us have been members of the club. Now that Jubilee Year is behind us he has stood down to make way for someone else, but happily has agreed to remain an officer of the club as Vice-Chairman.

As have so many of our best members in the past, Harry followed his father Teddy on to the committee in 1947 soon after being demobbed from the R.A.F. and helped rebuild the Centre through the difficult post war years. That we still have on our committee people who saw us through those times makes the task of the present committee who must carry on the traditions, all the more important for we must build on the firm foundation given to us.

Born 52 years ago in Leeds, Harry attended Roundhay School where he excelled in various sports including rugby, tennis and badminton. His chief claim to fame at school was that he joined the "Blue Aces Band" playing an accordion. Unfortunately there were two other accordion players in the band and so he started to play the trumpet and was then known as "Hot Lips Mason". Many years later at a party at Morris Whaley's house he was persuaded to give a tune on a suitable wind instrument, at which the Whaley pet dog sat up on its haunches and howled until the music stopped. After leaving school he joined one of the big insurance companies to learn the insurance business and, with the prospect of imminent hostilities, the R.A.F. Reserve. It was during the summer camp in 1939 that war was declared and so he was whisked off into the R.A.F. proper where he hoped to achieve his life's ambition and become a pilot. He was bitterly disappointed to fail his medical the first time on his eye test but, in the true spirit of the period, thinking that he had not read far enough down the eye chart, he broke into the medical room the night before the next test and memorised the whole chart down to the last line. Slight colour blindness was the trouble and as the R.A.F. had more pilots than planes, Harry had to settle down to being a fitter working on planes for people like Johnson and Bader.

He was offered a commission as an engineer but this would have ruled out flying altogether and so he remained on the ground staff until the end of the war. His war years were all spent in England



except at the very end when he was sent out to the Far East. He got as far as South Africa when the Americans dropped the Atom Bomb and so he returned home to civilian life.

Soon after leaving the forces he joined the family firm of insurance brokers where he is now a partner with his two brothers, Richard and Denis. As with most others he began to pick up the threads of pre-war life and that meant motoring.

His first car was a Series 1 Morris 8 tourer that he shared with his brother whilst still at school but this was soon replaced by a supercharged M.G. P.A. The announcement of the T type M.G. meant that a new TA was bought and this lasted until the war. In the immediate post war years new cars were at a premium and virtually impossible to obtain, but nevertheless, Harry soon got hold of a T.C. which started him off on a highly successful motor sporting career. This was replaced by an H.R.G. which was raced at Croft and then a T.D. which he kept during the early fifties. As a member of the Centre team that included Mike Wilson and Dick Haley, he had a tremendous run of success which included the manufacturers team award on the Morecambe Rally

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in 1952. Since then Harry has been a regular competitor on most events and has had outright wins on many club nights as well as the Sleuth's Mug. He won the Pearce Trophy in 1953 and was runner-up in 1955, 57 and 65. Amongst the stack of awards at home are ones on such diverse events as the All Fools Rally, the Scarborough Rally, the Denny Trial, the Inter Centre Trial, Harewood Hill Climb, the Golf Competition and the Morecambe Rally. Amongst the treasured pictures are those taken on the 1954 Alpine Rally when he came fourth as co-driver with Alan Stross in an Austin Healey.

Apart from his reputation as a motorist, Harry is also well known for the twinkling eye and bristling moustache whenever he sees a pretty face. It was back in 1951 that he was driving along in the rain when he saw a certain Barbara Stockdale standing at a bus stop getting very wet. Gallant as ever he offered her a lift and in October 1953 they were married. In 1955 the old urge to go flying came back and when an aptitude competition was announced at Yeadon, Harry entered and won. His first lesson was on 3rd June and he went solo on the 24th. He has kept his licence ever since and flies regularly despite, as he keeps telling nervous passengers, the fact that he still hasn't quite got the hang of landing.

Good at most sports, Harry has tried most things that others just think about. He goes skiing every year as well as water skiing and sailing. One of his big ambitions in life was to jump from an

aeroplane with a parachute and this he did a few years ago although the other Centre Committee member who went with him chickened out at the last minute. He still has three other unfulfilled ambitions and they are to go up in a balloon, to go down the Cresta Run and to go down in a submarine. As Barbara says "Let's hope he can do them all quickly so that we can settle down to a peaceful middle age". The trouble is that he will find something else that he wants to do.

Being Hon. Sec. for so long there are bound to be a few incidents that stand out, one such occasion being during last season's Castrol Quiz. Our team was in devastating form and had scored well into the four figures whilst the opposition from one of the rougher areas of Yorkshire had barely managed to get into three figures. In his usual courteous manner Harry went to thank the opposing captain for a sporting contest, but the well beaten gentleman merely glowered at our team and said "I hope their bollocks fester".

Some of our members go through periods when they keep having unusual things happen to their cars. Harry is no exception for he went through a period of getting his spragged on solid objects. On one occasion he was attending a wedding in an obscure West Riding town, Everyone else was parked on the grass verge near the church but when he took his GT6 just that bit further into the long grass, he found himself well and truly stuck on top of a large grave so that much manhandling

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*Harry and Barbara competing on a Gymkhana in the early fifties.*



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# ANNUAL COMPETITIONS

## RULES FOR THE 1973 SEASONS ANNUAL COMPETITIONS AND AWARDS OF ANNUAL TROPHIES

The Committee have decided to make no basic changes to the rules for the 1973 Annual Competitions. Last season there was no problems with the marking and so they have been left the same for another year.

Throughout the Season current positions in the various competitions will be published in the Centre Circular and any queries should be directed to Jan Walker, B.A.R.C., Yorkshire Office, 6 Sidney Street, Vicar Lane, Leeds 2.

### GENERAL — ALL COMPETITIONS

The events for which marks in the Annual Competitions. Last season there were no problems Centre programme in "Dates for Your Diary". With the exception of the Chippy-lola Vase, marks will not be gained for any additional event which may be added to the calendar as the season proceeds.

In order to obtain marks in a National or Restricted event promoted by the Centre, entry must have been made in the name of the B.A.R.C. and marks will be awarded in the scale printed below to B.A.R.C. members according to their placings relative to all entrants.

Where an event is promoted jointly with other clubs, marks will be awarded only to those members who have stated on the entry form that they are members of the B.A.R.C. although they may also enter in the name of another club in addition.

Where regulations permit a member to enter more than one class in an event, only the highest mark scored will be awarded, i.e. one member, one event, one marking.

Should any of the dates of events be altered for any reason, marks will be only awarded for the event if 21 days notice is given in the "Yorkshire Centre Circular".

All intending competitors must enter for the various Annual Competitions — for which purpose a form will be available — by not later than 31st March, 1973. New members joining after that date may enter up to 31st July, 1973.

An entry in the annual competitions does not guarantee or imply acceptance of any entry in individual events.

### THE "PEARCE TROPHY"

In each year there will be a competition for the "Pearce Trophy", presented to the club in 1952 by A. S. Pearce. Marks will be gained by Yorkshire Centre members on the scale given below for marshalling, competing or organising; and the member scoring the highest number of marks in

each year will be awarded the "Pearce Trophy", which will be held for one year. There will also be a Runners-up award for the member placed highest in this competition who has not won any other award during the year in any of the events listed.

The maximum number of events for which any member can obtain marks shall be four events less than the total number of events listed and which actually take place, and at least two events of which must be Hill Climbs.

1. B.A.R.C. members who enter events divided into classes will be marked as follows:-

	Marks
First 5% in Class .....	7
Second 5% in Class .....	6
Third 5% in Class .....	5
Fourth 5% in Class .....	4

In all events the minimum figure for any 5% shall be one member, provided there are at least five entrants in the class. If there are less than five entrants, the first in class will receive 2 marks plus the number of entrants in that class; other placings will receive marks pro-rata.

2. If an event does not contain classes, marks will be awarded on a General Classification basis as follows:-

	Marks
First Overall .....	7
Second Overall .....	6
Next Best 5% .....	5
Second Best 5% .....	4

3. A competitor will only count the highest mark gained in any class, in any event. A race meeting is **one** event.

4. The following marks will be credited automatically for participation or assisting on events providing that the name and initials of each member participating are entered clearly and legibly on the appropriate signing-on sheet:

	Marks
(i) Finishers on event .....	3
(ii) Starters who do not finish .....	1
(iii) Passenger/Navigator in an event where the carrying of passengers is compulsory . . . The same marks as for the entrant.	

Where more than one passenger is carried in one car any marks in excess of 3 will be divided equally among the passengers.

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# BRISTOL BOATS

AMSTERDAM 3 hrs.	—	2nd Overall
LEIGE 6 hrs.	—	2nd O.N. Class
PARIS 6 hrs.	—	1st O.I. Class
		S.B.B.N.F. TROPHY
GENEVA INTERNATIONAL	—	1st Overall
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1971	EXPENDITURE	£	£	1971	INCOME	£	£
	<b>Yorkshire Centre Circular</b>				<b>Revenue from Centre Events:</b>		
	Cost of production including postages ...	2,651.47			Competitors Entrance Fees ...	5,601.75	
800	Less Advertising Revenue ...	1,271.53			Sponsorship ...	1,881.75	
			1,379.94	17,229	Gate money, programme sales, etc. ...	9,611.74	
176	Office Rent, Rates, Lighting and Heating ...		177.35				17,095.24
848	Clerical Assistance ...		919.02		Contributions from Headquarters towards		
127	Insurances ...		84.41	783	expenses for the year ...		800.00
826	Postages, Telephone, Printing and Stationery		954.47		Contributions from Headquarters towards		
118	Sundry Expenses ...		267.78	—	towards clerical assistance ...		500.00
	<b>Centre Events:</b>			65	Profit on sale of Insignia ...		
	Expenses ...	10,799.78		—	Bad debts recovered ...		79.64
12,684	Prizes and Awards ...	3,331.35		—	<b>Excess of Expenditure over Income</b>		
			14,131.13		for the year ...		1,091.31
	<b>Insignia:</b>						
	Reduction on Opening Stock ...		95.26				
	Loss on sale ...		122.84				
212	Club Property — Amount written off the						
	value during the year ...		424.35				
	<b>Harewood Hill Climb Course:</b>						
1,668	Amount written off the value of the course		604.19				
	for the year ...						
350	Contribution towards initial cost of road		350.00				
42	Loss on Dinner Dance ...		55.45				
	<b>Bad debts written off:</b>						
175	Advertising, etc. ...		—				
51	<b>Excess of Income over Expenditure</b>						
	for the year ...		—				
<u>£18,077</u>		<u>£19,566.19</u>		<u>£18,077</u>		<u>£19,566.19</u>	

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st OCTOBER, 1972**

1971	CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES	£	£	1971	ASSETS	£	£
	<b>Capital Account</b>				<b>Club Property:</b>		
	As at 1st November, 1971 ...	2,368.57			As at 1st November, 1971 ...	714.00	
	Less Excess of Expenditure over Income				Additions during the year ...	434.35	
2,369	for the year per Income and					1,148.35	
	Expenditure Account ...	1,091.31			Less Amount written off the value during		
			1,277.26	714	the year ...	424.35	
	<b>Sundry Creditors:</b>						724.00
2,214	Sundry Expenses ...	2,695.10			<b>Work at Harewood Hill Climb Course:</b>		
1,319	Awards and Prizes ...	1,383.92			As at 1st November, 1971 ...	650.00	
	Due to Bankers — Barclays Bank Limited	1,210.08			Additions during the year ...	836.19	
			5,289.10			1,486.19	
				650	Less Amount written off the value of the		
					course for the year ...	604.19	
							882.00
				493	<b>Stock of Club Badges, Transfers, Ties,</b>		
					<b>Awards, etc. ...</b>		394.77
					<b>Sundry Debtors:</b>		
					For advertising in —		
					Yorkshire Centre Circular ...	658.69	
					Programmes, etc. ...	1,006.96	
				750		1,665.65	
					Less Bad debts reserve ...	148.12	
							1,517.53
				628	Headquarters for balance of contributions etc.		617.45
				1,109	For Centre Events, etc. ...		1,453.10
				—	For Sponsorship and Awards at Centre Events		977.00
					<b>Cash at Bank — Barclays Bank Limited</b>		
				1,554	Current Account ...		—
				4	<b>Cash in Hand ...</b>		51
<u>£5,902</u>		<u>£6,566.36</u>		<u>£5,902</u>		<u>£6,566.36</u>	

We have audited the above Balance Sheet with the books and vouchers of the Centre, and certify the same to be in accordance therewith and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Dated this 6th day of February, 1973.

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**B.A.R.C. YORKSHIRE CENTRE**  
**TREASURER'S REPORT ON YEAR ENDED**  
**31st OCTOBER 1972**

I have just re-read my last year's report and breathed a sigh of relief when I saw that I had not made any guesses about the future except to comment that the committee (with my approval) had decided to make Jubilee Year a special one with, quote "Big promotions which will need big income to support".

Unfortunately, the big income did not materialise, the result being that our expenditure exceeded our income by £1,091.

This loss would, in fact, have been larger if we had written off the whole of the balance of £650 for resurfacing the Hill in 1968 as I had hoped we would be able to, but we decided to leave half of this to write off next year, which was our original target date.

If you look at the income and expenditure account first, you will note that although the revenue from Centre events was £130 less than last year, the cost of running these events increased by £1,447 and although this still looks as if we have a profit from events of nearly £3,000, many of the other club expenses would not arise if we didn't run a large number of major events.

Specific expenses of Harewood only are £954 and the major portion of the £954 for postage, telephone, printing and stationery is incurred because of speed events at Croft and Harewood.

The very substantial increase of £580 in the nett cost of the Circular is due mainly to the Jubilee Circular which, at a cost of £678, was £500 more than our normal monthly Circular. Some of the additional cost should have been charged to "Centre Events" because this Circular was sold with the programme at the Jubilee Hill Climb but, as it is difficult to give an accurate guess of how much, I decided to leave it in the Circular costs.

The only other substantial increases in costs are £130 extra on postage, etc. and £250 increase in sundry expenses and if you want the details of these and an explanation of the £122 loss on sale of insignia, you will have to come to the A.G.M.

You may notice that we have received a contribution of £500 towards clerical expenses from H.Q. for the first time this year and this will continue in future years.

The balance sheet shows in more detail the figures for amounts written off Club Property and Harewood. The only permanent addition to Club property was a new Duplicator costing £90. All the other items such as fire extinguishers, etc. costing

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# ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Nominations are required for Committee members. In accordance with Rule 12 of the "Rules for The Conduct of Centres" drawn up by the Club Council under Article 39 of the Articles of Association of the British Automobile Racing Club Ltd. the Yorkshire Centre Committee makes the nomination for Officers.

In accordance with the rules for The Conduct of Centres, the Committee have made the following nominations for Officers for 1973-74:

Chairman : M. S. Wilson  
 Vice-Chairman : H. C. Mason  
 Hon. Secretary : D. Easthope  
 Hon. Treasurer : M. H. Whaley  
 Hon. Competitions Secretary : A. J. Hodgetts  
 Hon. Social Secretary : L. S. Stross

Nominations for vacancies to the Committee must be made in writing with the knowledge and consent of the nominee and be duly proposed and seconded by two members of the Centre. Nominations must be sent to reach the Hon. Secretary, H. C. Mason, B.A.R.C. Yorkshire Office, 6 Sidney Street, Vicar Lane, Leeds 2, by Tuesday, 20th March, 1973.

Under Item 4 of the Agenda time is allowed for discussion of other business members may wish to raise. It is helpful, especially where explanations or answers requiring research into records, etc. are required, if advance notice is given of such questions.

## TREASURER'S REPORT—Cont.

in total £344.35 were written off in full plus 10% of the other "permanent" items of Club Property.

As mentioned earlier, we decided to write off £325 of the £650 in the Harewood capital account at the beginning of the year but, in addition, we spent £836.19 on improvements to safety at the insistence of the R.A.C. and other items such as new entrances to the Paddock and the road past Quarry Corner and decided that one third of this should be written off this year, leaving us with £882 to earn in the next two years to achieve our aim and reduce this account to nil.

The committee will obviously have to do some deep thinking (and unfortunately guessing) to decide what to do this year, but we would also like to know what members of the club want and would appreciate questions, criticisms and constructive suggestions, preferably before the A.G.M. so that answers can be prepared and suggestions investigated and considered proposals put to the A.G.M.

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Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the B.A.R.C. (Yorkshire Centre) will be held at the Queens Hotel, Leeds at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, 27th March, 1973.

By Order of the Committee.

H. C. MASON,  
 Hon. Secretary.

## AGENDA

1. Minutes of Annual General Meeting held on Tuesday, 28th March, 1972.
2. To receive the reports of :-
  - (a) Chairman
  - (b) Hon. Treasurer
  - (c) Hon. Secretary
  - (d) Hon. Competitions Secretary
  - (e) Hon. Social Secretary
3. To elect the Officers and Committee for 1973-74
  - (a) Chairman
  - (b) Vice-Chairman
  - (c) Hon. Treasurer
  - (d) Hon. Secretary
  - (e) Hon. Competition Secretary
  - (f) Hon. Social Secretary
  - (g) The requisite number of Committee members.
4. To transact any other business which may properly be dealt with at an Annual General Meeting of the Centre.

## OFFICIALS FOR THE YEAR 1972-73

Vice-President : A. J. Burton  
 Life Member of Committee : E. D. Clark

## OFFICERS (who retire)

Chairman :	M. S. Wilson	(11)
Vice-Chairman :	H. C. Mason	(10)
Hon. Treasurer :	M. H. Whaley	(11)
Hon. Secretary :	H. C. Mason	(10)
Hon. Competitions Secretary :	A. J. Hodgetts	(9)
Hon. Social Secretary :	L. S. Stross	(8)

## Retire 27th March, 1973

D. N. Townsend	(9)
R. Soper	(10)
J. R. Hardcastle	(8)
R. A. Riall	(8)

## Retire 1974

D. P. Stead	(4)	J. M. Busfield	(7)
P. J. C. Griffin	(7)	J. Cockayne	(7)
C. Seaman	(10)	J. M. English	(10)
A. Bancroft	(11)	J. Johnstone	(10)

## Retire 1975

(Figures in brackets indicate attendances at Main Committee meetings during year out of possible 11).

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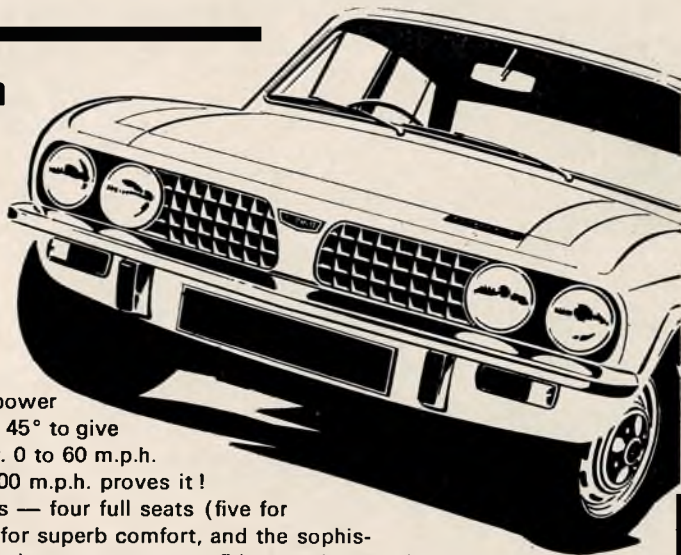
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**ANNUAL COMPETITIONS—cont.**

- (iv) Organising an event ..... 7  
(Limited to two organisers per event and two events per annum each member).
- (v) Assistant organiser ..... 4  
(Organisers in addition to the two mentioned in (iv) or any event and organiser acting for the third or fourth time in the competition year).
- (vi) Marshals on a scheduled event ... 3  
(Subject to offer to marshal being submitted by the day prior to the event).

No member may gain marks over 3 for being an organiser or additional organiser for more than four events per year.

The above marks are credited automatically for participation or assisting on events, provided that the names and initials of all members are written clearly in capitals on the signing-on sheet.

**THE "FIRTH BOWL"**

The Firth Bowl was presented in 1955 by the late Harold Firth and until 1965 was awarded annually to the member gaining the highest number of marks for navigational skill on Centre events.

It is now awarded annually to the lady member gaining most marks in the Pearce Trophy competition, the Bowl taking precedence over the Consolation Award should the situation arise.

**THE "CHIPPY-IOLA VASE"**

The "Chippy-Iola Vase" was presented to the Centre in 1954 by L. S. Stross, and is awarded to the couple gaining the highest number of marks on the scale below. The Vase will be held for one year from presentation.

This competition is no longer restricted to married couples only — any man competing in the qualifying events with the same female passenger throughout the season is now eligible for the "Chippy-Iola Vase".

Marks are gained irrespective of whether the membership is in the name of the man, or woman, or both. Marks can only be gained where couples marshal or compete together in the same car in events where the carrying of passengers is required and are credited automatically so long as the entry has been in the name of the man or woman, i.e. a couple are not eligible for marks for competing in any event unless one of the partners is an entrant.

It will be the responsibility of all couples to ensure that the Organisers of an event are informed that they are competing or marshalling together on an event.

Marks are only awarded for organising or marshalling if the couple concerned volunteer to marshal before the day of the event.

The Stone Trough trial will no longer count as a qualifying event.

ALL qualifying events count towards this trophy.

In events divided into classes, the class results will be expressed on a figure of merit basis and marks will be awarded on the following scale :-

	Marks
Couple with the highest figure of merit ...	8
Couple with second highest figure of merit	7
Couple with third highest figure of merit	6
Couple with fourth highest figure of merit	5
Couple with fifth highest figure of merit	4
All other couples finishing in the event	3
Couples starting but not finishing an event	1
Couples marshalling together for the whole of the duration of an event ...	3

In an event with no classes marks will be awarded on a General Classification basis using the above scale i.e.

	Marks
The highest placed couple in an event ...	8
The second highest placed couple .....	7
	etc.

Except that if one or more persons aged 16 or over are carried in the car in addition to the couple then 2 marks will be deducted from any marks gained in excess of 3 marks except that all finishers will gain at least 3 marks.

Where an event contains no General Classification the class results will be expressed on a figure of merit basis and the above scale of marks applied.

**THE RONALD HUDSON MEMORIAL TROPHY**

This Trophy was presented in 1967 by member friends of the British Motor Racing Marshals Club and the Yorkshire Centre to perpetuate the memory of Ronald Hudson who died earlier in the year. The Trophy will be awarded arbitrarily to the Marshal making the greatest contribution to the running of the Centre's events during the year, and cannot be awarded to the same person more than once in three consecutive years or to a person who has won another major award in one of the annual competitions during the same Season.

Officers of the Centre and full and co-opted members of the Centre Committee are not eligible for this award.

**THE "KEN LEE" TROPHY**

The Ken Lee Trophy presented in 1965 will be awarded to the driver gaining the highest number of marks in four less than the total number of

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## **ANNUAL COMPETITIONS—cont.**

qualifying events in which the skill of the driver is of paramount importance. Marks will be awarded on the same basis as in the Pearce Trophy Competition.

### **THE JOHN BINDLOSS MEMORIAL TROPHY**

This trophy was presented in 1968 by David Hepworth in memory of his friend, John Bindloss who died in 1967. Originally this was awarded to the most successful novice competitor of the year at B.A.R.C. Yorkshire Centre hill climbs at Harewood and Scarborough marked on a points basis. Unfortunately this system has not been successful as it was difficult to decide who, in fact, was eligible. Instead, and with the full approval of David Hepworth, it was decided to award the trophy arbitrarily to the competitor who, in the opinion of the committee, has emerged as the most promising entrant of the year.

When making this decision the committee looks mainly at the spirit with which competitors have approached the sport and do not necessarily take into account a series of wins with an expensive car bought to win one particular class. Someone doing well in an outclassed car in a very tough class but showing the same determination as the donor is more likely to be the winner.

### **QUALIFYING EVENTS**

Details of events which marks may be gained for the Annual Competitions of the Centre will be found in the Centre Programme published monthly in Centre Circulars under "Dates for Your Diary". Marks will be gained for the events so listed, or for any events substituted for those listed, providing a minimum of 21 days notice has been given in the Centre Circular.

All competitive events qualify for the Pearce Trophy and the Ronald Hudson Memorial Trophy. Events qualifying for the Chippy-lola Vase and Ken Lee Trophy are marked "C" and "K" respectively.

Events qualifying for the John Bindloss Memorial Trophy are marked "B".

Events marked "N" must be entered in the name of the B.A.R.C. for marks to be gained in Centre Annual Competitions.

### **ANNUAL TROPHIES**

#### **The Scrutineers Trophy**

Presented in 1962 by Jimmie Fenton, this trophy is awarded at the discretion of the Scrutineers to the member who in their opinion has produced the cleanest and best prepared vehicle at Centre Sprints and Hill Climbs. In the markings they take into consideration the age of the vehicle and whether it is reserved exclusively for competition or used on

the road as well. To qualify a vehicle must be entered in at least three speed events during the season.

The Trophy may not be won more than once in three consecutive years by the same member.

#### **The Woodhead Monte Trophy**

Presented by David Woodhead and awarded each year to the Centre Member who is the highest placed on the Monte Carlo Rally or R.A.C. Rally as a private entry. This applies to entrants and co-drivers equally and the definition of Private Entry is at the full discretion of the Committee.

#### **The Ford Woodhead Cup**

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#### **The Yorkshire Post Trophy**

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#### **The Jack Farrar Trophy**

Presented in 1964 by Jack Farrar and awarded annually to the Yorkshire Centre Member making the fastest time of the Season at the Harewood Hill Climb Meetings.

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## COMPETITION CHATTER

● Of late, a fair amount of discussion has been taking place on the Club's future development, with a view to ensuring that the BARC stays out in front and continues to provide attractive facilities for its members. One aspect in which the Yorkshire Centre is taking the lead is marshal training, and there are plans under way for a number of sessions of practical tuition to ensure that all our marshals and officials are experienced in emergency procedures, and able to use all the facilities that are available to them with speed and efficiency. Thanks to the generous help of a prominent member, we hope to have a comprehensive set of medical equipment before the speed events season starts, and teams of fire marshals who have been involved in extinguishing petrol fires with modern equipment.

In conjunction with other clubs, marshals' training sessions will also be held to give advice and instruction on the principles of race marshalling, to promote a higher standard of flag marshalling and observing, and again to ensure that marshals at all levels have a greater technical expertise, and a greater understanding of why they are required to do various things which are not immediately obvious. At the same time, we are taking various steps to ensure that our circuit and hill climb officials can feel a sense of pride in their position, and achieve a greater comradeship and identity. Several propositions are awaiting approval, which are all designed to dispel the complaint that the marshals are the mugs who stand out in the rain until the bar has closed. If all our plans come to fruition, we hope that the 1973 season will be safer and more enjoyable for all who participate or watch.

● I am pleased to be able to report that we have received a small additional supply of 1972 R.A.C. Rally year bars, which are available on application from members who marshalled on either the Harewood or Dalby stage. There is also a very small number of 1971 bars to hand; applications to me, please.

● Regulations are to hand for various Headquarters race meetings:

March 4th — Brands Hatch.

March 11th — Mallory Park.

March 25th — Thruxton.

April 1st — Silverstone.

April 1st — Snetterton.

● A number of our members assist the Nottingham Sports Car Club at their race meetings when these do not clash with our own events. If any marshal wishes to go on the N.S.C.C. mailing list, I have a supply of forms available.

Tony Hodgetts.

## Correspondence

Dear Sir,

I read with interest R.S.'s experience with a Toyota Corona (Jan. 73 Circular). Perhaps my experience with an 850 Mini de Luxe may add food for thought.

I bought the car new in November 1971 and to date it has completed 16,750 miles.

Like the Toyota, apart from routine servicing, the Mini has not required attention in a garage. Again, like the Toyota it failed to start one morning due to excessive rain but started immediately after a wipe round. The tyres are still only about two-thirds worn and the exhaust is still intact.

Whilst I cannot, of course, compare its performance with my last cars: Lotus Cortina, TR4, etc., not many cars overtake me.

I think however I should mention that I now live in Mallorca and the Mini was made in Barcelona by B.M.C. Authi!!

Bar 'Jolly Roger',  
Lago Menor,  
Pto de Alcudia,  
Mallorca.

Yours sincerely,  
Roy Sanderson.

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### HARRY MASON—Continued

was necessary before it could move again. On another occasion he had just collected a new Capri from Tates before going to a committee meeting and thought that he would nip down the little road alongside their main entrance. It was very dark and instead of driving down the road part, he drove down the centre and had to leave the car stuck on the remains of some petrol pumps.

However, such is life, and Harry always seems to come up smiling again. He has retired as Hon. Secretary but will continue in the office of Vice-chairman, we hope, for many years to come.

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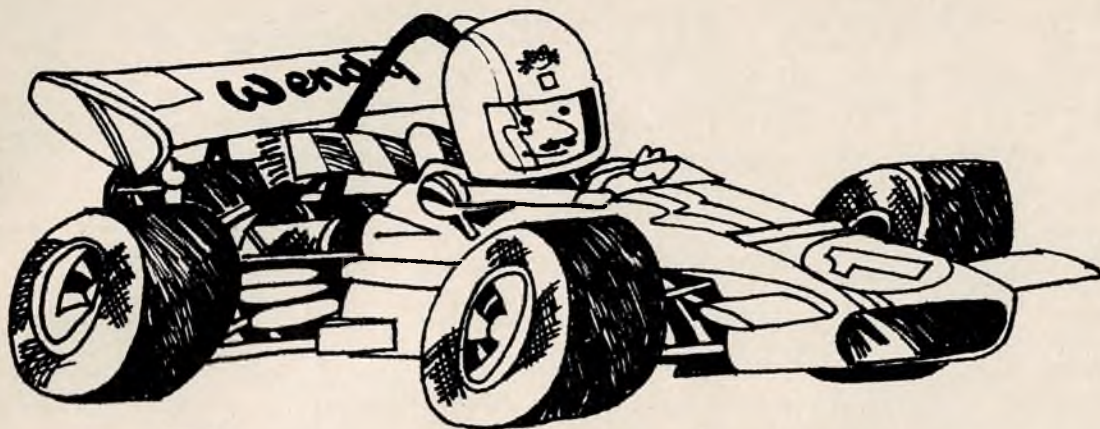
### TREASURER'S REPORT—Continued

One of the main problems is would a reduction in the cost of advertising promotion, etc. at Harewood result in a big drop in spectator attendance and, therefore, less profit?

The other is can we find another source of income to cover the cost of the Circular in its present form or should we reduce the cost of production.

It should be an interesting A.G.M., please come.

M. H. Whaley, Treasurer.



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## YORKSHIRE CENTRE PROGRAMME

Date 1973	Event	Status	Centre Annual Competitions
1 March	Castrol Quiz Semi-Finals, Ferrybridge	_____	_____
4 March	Sleuth's Mug	Closed	CK
6 March	Club Night, Cawthorne	_____	_____
8 March	Castrol Quiz Finals, Ferrybridge	_____	_____
11 March	H.Q. Race Meeting, Mallory Park	International	_____
25 March	Race Meeting, Croft	Restricted	NK
27 March	Annual General Meeting — Queens Hotel	_____	_____
3 April	Club Night	Closed	K
22 April	Spring National Hill Climb, Harewood	National	NK
1 May	Club Night	Closed	K
13 May	E.A. Denny Trial	Closed	CNKA
20 May	Shell Members' Hill Climb, Harewood	Closed	K
28 May	Race Meeting, Croft	Restricted	NK
29 May	Club Night, Harewood Practice	Closed	_____
2/3 June	Scarborough Weekend	Closed	CNKA
5 June	Club Night	Closed	K
24 June	Montague Burton Trophy Hill Climb, Harewood	National	NKA
3 July	Club Night	Closed	K
18 July	Centre Golf Competition, Howley Hall	_____	_____
22 July	Vintage and Novices' Hill Climb, Harewood	Restricted	NK
5 August	H.Q. Race Meeting, Thruxton	International	_____
7 August	Club Night	Closed	K
12 August	Race Meeting, Croft	Restricted	NK
4 September	Club Night	Closed	K
9 September	R.A.C. Championship Hill Climb, Harewood	National	CK
23 September	Race Meeting, Croft	Restricted	NK
30 September	Castrol Trophy Hill Climb	National	NK
7 October	Greenwood Cup Trial	Closed	CNKA
2 October	Club Night	_____	_____
21 October	H.Q. Race Meeting, Brands Hatch	International	_____
6 November	Club Night	_____	_____
16 November	R.A.C. Rally	International	_____
1 December	Annual Ball	_____	_____
4 December	Club Night	_____	_____

### CENTRE ANNUAL COMPETITIONS

Events marked "N" must be entered under B.A.R.C. to qualify for marking.

Events marked "C" qualify for the Chippy-lola Vase competition.

Events marked "K" qualify for the Ken Lee Trophy competition.

Events marked "A" qualify for the Arnold Burton Trophy competition.

All competitive events qualify for the Pearce Trophy/Firth Bowl competition.

Regulations for all events will be automatically distributed to Yorkshire Centre members as published.



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