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NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

Here we are again – the last magazine of the year, and this year it's a bit of a Christmas edition!

It's great to be able to comment that by the latter part of the season the facilities and arrangements at Harewood events were getting back to normal, and for me the most welcome change was the return of Steve Wilkinson to the commentary box. Though his efforts to provide event reports for this magazine are much appreciated, I think the way in which he complements the on-track action is hugely important to our events.

On behalf of all those lucky enough to attend this year's events, I'd like to thank the marshals, the organising team, the Wattle and Daub team (see elsewhere in this magazine) and indeed the competitors for all their efforts to make the events successful. It struck me as I wandered the paddock that it's very easy to focus on the glamorous vehicles that sometimes grace the hill, but it's the regular Yorkshire Centre competitors who are the bedrock of our events.

Final thanks go to the aforementioned Steve Wilkinson, Peter Herbert, Jim Johnstone and John English for their contributions to the magazines during the year. As an aside, in Peter's article in this issue he mentions the present-day hazards presented by Sutton Bank; we experienced these first-

hand recently as we made our way towards a meeting with friends and (excellent) lunch at the Yorkshire Gliding Club which is situated at the top of the hill, as I'm sure most readers will be aware. Approaching the foot of the climb we espied a stationary articulated lorry on the hill and we became the first vehicle to be stopped by the police until they were able to help the driver reverse his rig down the hill and perform a many-point turn at the bottom, thanks to a handy farm entrance.

As a footnote to the above, another of Peter's 'Forgotten Hillclimbs' is that at Rosedale Abbey, and on 8th December that village came to the national consciousness when it was the starting point of celebrity chef Monica Galetti's televised walk.

Recently, for no very good reason, the image of Vauxhall's Lotus Carlton muscled its way into my idle thoughts. Were any used competitively? Does anyone have first-hand Lotus Carlton stories they'd like to share with us? Or indeed **any** stories that you feel would interest our readers!

I began writing the above some weeks ago, and when I read the words again I'm struck by the impact the wretched virus has had on our world AGAIN. We're back to living from one day to the next, and who knows what the coming year will bring?

But still...

A Merry Christmas and a Happy and Personal-Best-beating New Year to you all!

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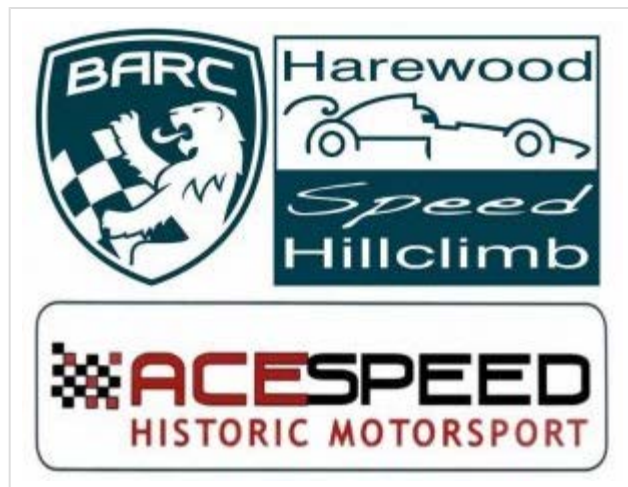
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LATEST NEWS

The BARC Yorkshire Centre are pleased to announce that Acespeed are continuing with their sponsorship of the BARC Harewood Speed Hillclimb Championship.



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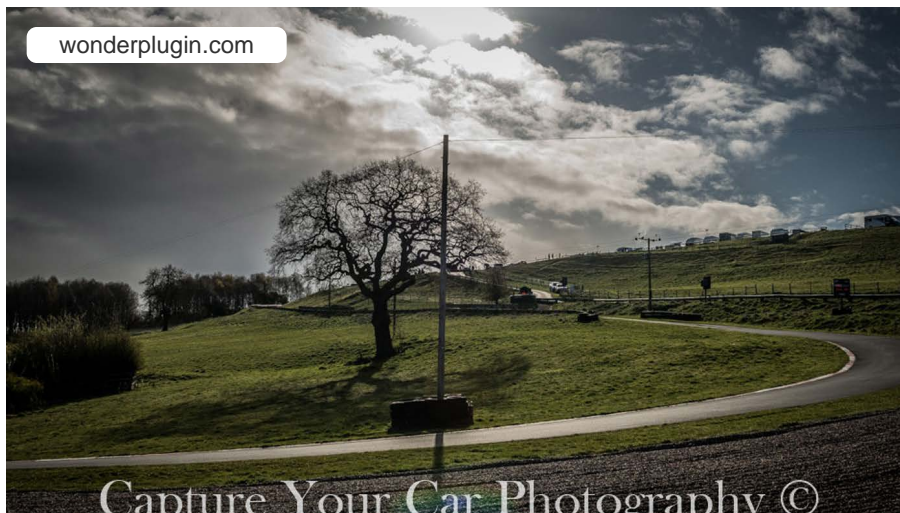
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SEASONAL ROUND-UP 2021 – A YEAR IN PICTURES

Please note – we hope to feature Steve Wilkinson’s seasonal round-up in our next issue.

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BARC Harewood Speed Hillclimb Championship 2021 – Sponsored by Acespeed; Final Results

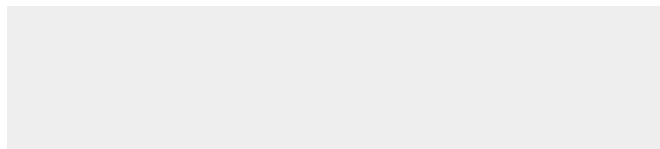
Main Championship



— Adam Riley – Honda S2000

1st place Adam Riley in the Honda S2000 with 140.46 points

2nd place Tracey Wise in her Lotus Elise S1 with 127.77 points





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— Tracey Wise – Lotus Elise S1

3rd place Bob Bellerby in his Sylva Riot



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— Bob Bellerby Sylva Riot

with 127.26 points

Impreza with 127.01 points



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— Chris Berrisford – Subaru Impreza

4th place Chris Berrisford in his Subaru

FTD Award Series

1st place Richard Spedding in his GWR



— Richard Spedding GWR Raptor2

Raptor 2 on 56 points

2nd place John Prickett in his Radical PR6 on 46 points



— John Prickett – Radical PR6

3rd place David Tatham in his OMS

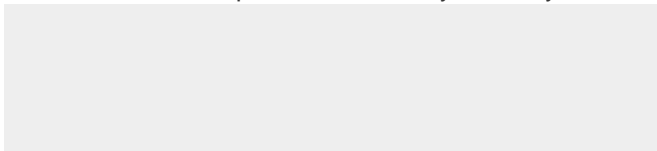


— David Tatham – OMS Hornet

Hornet on 36 points

on 30 points

4th place Bob Bellerby in his Sylva Riot





— Bob Bellerby – Sylva Riot

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AWARDS DINNER/DANCE 2021

On the 27th November the Yorkshire Centre was able to hold the Annual Awards Dinner Dance at the Holiday Inn, Brighouse, after 2020 was cancelled due to the pandemic. 82 members and guests were able to attend and an excellent evening was had by all. In the absence of Andy Harrison of Acespeed who was unable to attend, Andrew Jeffrey presented the awards. Following the raffle the Centre is pleased to make a donation of £550.00 to The Yorkshire Air Ambulance. Many thanks to all involved in putting on this event.

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2021 CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS

THE GLENN GARNETT TROPHY

ADAM RILEY

THE WILSON TROPHY

RICHARD SPEDDING

THE ANDREASON TROPHY

TRACEY WISE

2021 ANNUAL TROPHY WINNERS

YORKSHIRE POST TROPHY

WALLACE MENZIES

JACK FARRAR TROPHY

RICHARD SPEDDING

BABRA TROPHY

AMY JENKINS

BROWNLOW PEABODY TROPHY

ADAM RILEY

RICHARD SUTHERLAND TROPHY

CHRIS BERRISFORD

TOTAL TROPHY

MICHAEL BELLERBY

APPLEYARD GROUP TROPHY

DAVID LEACH

WALLACE ARNOLD TROPHY

TRACEY WISE

WENDY WOOLS TROPHY

ROBERT BELLERBY

ARNOLD BURTON TROPHY

JOHN PRICKETT

FORD WOODHEAD TROPHY

ROB SPEDDING

GUYSON SANDBLAST TROPHY

RICHARD SPEDDING

KEN LEE TROPHY

RICHARD DERRICK

CHIPPY-IOLA VASE

DAVID TAYLOR

SCRUTINEERS AWARD

TERRY DEERE

JOHN BINDLOSS TROPHY

CHRIS BERRISFORD

TIM deDOMBAL TROPHY

SIMON DAVISON

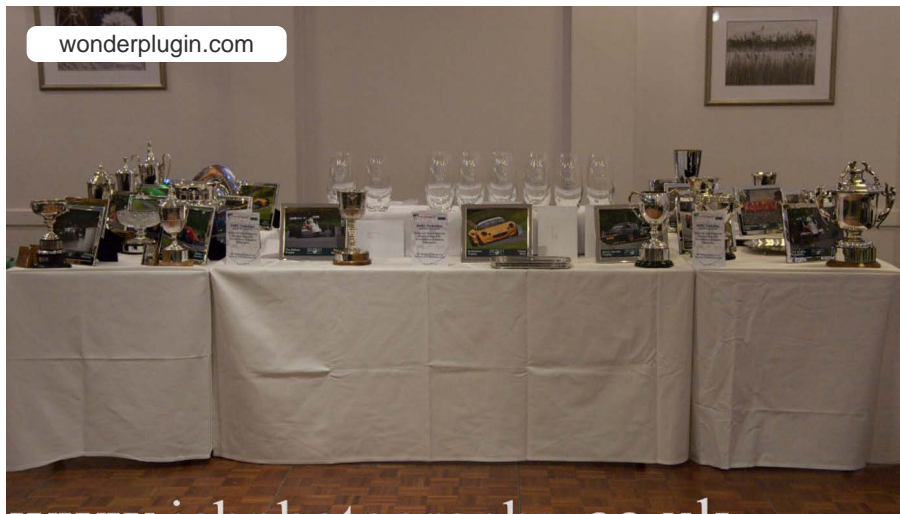
RONALD HUDSON TROPHY

PAULINE MILNES

PHILPOTT TROPHY

JAN JAGGER

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HERO-ERA RAC Rally of the Tests 2021

On the 5th November Harewood Hillclimb hosted 4 special tests on this 4 day rally. It was a glorious but cold day and a selection of photographs can be seen in the gallery below. Thank you to our small band of enthusiastic marshals for ensuring our visitors enjoyed their time at Harewood. It was very nice to see that many of the crews had dressed up in the period of their cars, which was totally in the spirit of the event. The overall results at the end of the Rally :-



— Paul Dyas and Martyn Taylor, Volvo Amazon,
Overall Winner



— Darell Staniforth and Nicky Staniforth, Morris Mini Cooper S, 2nd Overall



— Phil Hindley and Iain Tullie, Porsche 911, 3rd Overall



— Stuart Anderson and Emily Anderson, Derby Bentley, Winners of The Spirit of the Rally Award

More photographs from the Tests at Harewood



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YORKSHIRE'S FORGOTTEN HILLCLIMBS

— Competition improves the breed

Rosedale Abbey Bank

Located deep in a dale within the heart of the North Yorkshire Moors, the village of Rosedale Abbey sits at the foot of reputedly the steepest road in Yorkshire. This 0.8 mile (1.3 km) climb up to Spaunton Moor in the direction of Hutton-le-Hole was the scene of an annual speed hillclimb between 1922 and 1930.

Also known as Rosedale Chimney, so named after a 30 metre high structure demolished in 1972 that served a local ironstone mine, this ladder-like ascent has a maximum gradient of 1 in 3 and was a formidable loose-surfaced challenge for early motorists.

Bradford Motor Cycle and Light Car Club first ran a hillclimb at Rosedale Abbey Bank on 19 April 1922, with both cars and motor cycles taking part. Fastest time was set by Archie Frazer Nash aboard his GM Special 'Kim II'.

The following year some ten thousand spectators are said to have attended the second meeting at the hill, held the day after nearby Sutton Bank Hillclimb, and Frazer Nash triumphed again with a spectacular fish-tailing ascent that thrilled onlookers protected only by flimsy tape. Motorsport continued there until 1930.

In later years the hill was surfaced and became popular, should that be the correct word for such a punishing climb, with the cycling fraternity. In 1987 it formed part of the National Hill Climb Championship, and with a 5.22.8 minute ascent Manchester Wheelers rider Paul Curren narrowly beat a young Chris Boardman to the top by a scant 0.2 seconds. Subsequently both the Tour of Britain and the Tour de Yorkshire has included Rosedale Chimney within one of their stages.



— The summit in sight for Paul Curren

Although no longer a stand-alone motorised speed hillclimb, the road remains part of such historic

vehicle competitions as The Flying Scotsman and Le Jog, it being even now a formidable challenge for an old car.



— A 1913 Chalmers tackles the hill during a Flying Scotsman Rally

On a personal note, I still shudder at the memory of descending Rosedale Chimney in fog with fading brakes at 3 am during a 1976 road rally. Luckily I didn't meet the ghost of Archie coming up.

Sutton Bank

Today it's merely that long climb up the side of the Hambleton Hills between Thirsk and Helmsley on the A170, the one where the old guy in the wheezy Proton underestimates how steep the lower reaches are, changes down too late, then misses a gear and stalls. The same hill where caravans are banned and HGVs discouraged, yet still jack-knife and block the road in winter. So we are all familiar with Sutton Bank from our drives eastwards to the seaside, but may not realise this was once a speed hillclimb of national standing.

Then loose surfaced, the first competition took place on Sutton Bank as early as May 1914 as part of the RAC Light Car Trials. The hill was attacked twice, with Mr S Rollason's 10 hp Singer being fastest on both ahead of S C Westall's AC.

However, the first proper hillclimb was held in August 1920 when York and District Motor Club organised an event run over a 1584 yd (1.45km) course with a maximum gradient of 1 in 4. In a time of 1 min 58.6 sec, the American-built Essex of H F Clay was victorious.

Spring then became the chosen season for racing up Sutton Bank, and in April 1921 Archie Frazer Nash set a 1 min 21.6 sec best time with 'Kim', his GM Special, a win he was to repeat the following day at Rosedale Abbey Bank.

The next year it was the turn of Harry Hodgson from Leeds to scoop the silverware, driving a home-built Anzani engined special. On a wet road he achieved a creditable 1 min 31 sec ascent. It rained again for the 1923 meeting, but that didn't deter an estimated fifteen thousand strong crowd from watching the action, and on a track surface reduced to slime J H Clay triumphed aboard a Vauxhall 30-98 with a time of 1 min 17 sec, another hill record, which was to remain for posterity.

Yet despite its popularity only one further hillclimb was held on this particular Yorkshire hill. The 1924 event was won by Huddersfield driver Eddie Hall, one of those irritating people who was both wealthy and successful in every sport he indulged in. Driving his Aston Martin 'Bunny' with typical flamboyance, Hall managed a creditable 1 min 18.6 sec climb despite appalling conditions, heavy rain once again reducing the course to a mud bath.



— Eddie Hall and 'Bunny' set FTD at the 1924 event

Despite never being used again for competition, this deceptively steep piece of road still echoes on occasion to the sound of rally cars racing over the loose tracks of Boltby and Kilburn Forests which flank the hill, scenes of many a Mintex Seven Dales and RAC Rally special stage of old.

Greenhow Hill

First held in August 1907, Greenhow Hill was one of Yorkshire's earliest speed hillclimbs. At just under 2 miles (3.2 kms) in length, it was also one of the longest, climbing westwards from Pateley Bridge to the edge of Greenhow Hill village, with a maximum gradient of 1 in 7.

The Yorkshire Automobile Club organised the inaugural event, won by the 60 hp Napier of Sydney

Smith, and this hillclimb was to become an annual feature until the outbreak of World War 1. During the last of these, in September 1913, the works Talbot team arrived, and Leslie Hands aboard a Talbot 25/50 proved victorious with a new hill record.



— The Talbot team assemble in Pateley Bridge ahead of the competition

Competition returned in July 1922 with the Yorkshire Centre of the Junior Car Club (the forerunner of the BARC) now in charge. Cars had improved immeasurably since the war, and Eddie Hall was quickest with a Bugatti Brescia, decimating the course record. Hall and his Bugatti went quicker still in 1923, but sadly that was to be the final time this challenging hillclimb was to be run.

However, the BARC Yorkshire Centre did not forget its association with Greenhow Hill, and on 22 July 1972, fifty years to the day since its predecessors organised their first competition there, a commemorative run up the course was held, followed by refreshments at the Miners Arms at the summit. Perhaps next year's hundredth anniversary should be celebrated in a similar manner.

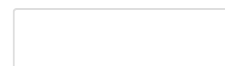
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WATTLE AND DAUB

On virtually every Wednesday from February to October, you will find a gathering of volunteer enthusiasts at Harewood Hillclimb, carrying out a variety of tasks and small projects to keep the venue in a presentable condition, so that the Yorkshire Centre can run its hillclimb events and Driving Academy days. The aim is to keep the venue neat and tidy and looking good with all systems working.

It all started in 2000 when the Practice Day had to be abandoned following heavy rain which left the track covered in thick mud overnight; despite valiant efforts the track could not be cleared. Following this, a group of four or five marshals decided to get together to act as volunteer groundsmen, meeting on Wednesdays to do basic groundwork, grass cutting etc. under the direction of John Green, who came up with the name "Wattle And Daub". After a few years John decided to retire and passed on the leadership to Mike Shorley, who has continued to lead the team since then.

All members of the present team are marshals or officials at the Centre's events and have retired from a variety of professions including: two civil servants, two engineers connected with the automotive industry or car manufacturers, a building/quantity surveyor, a sales director of a wine importers, a senior planning officer and an insurance broker. Each member brings a particular skill to the team,

which covers horticulture, joinery and building, painting, electronics, engineering, together with a good dose of common sense and many years experience of motor sport, some having been associated with the venue since the 1960's. Four are members of the Yorkshire Centre Committee. They enjoy the work, the friendship and camaraderie, a good natter and chatter over lunch, and the occasional social outing. All share a passion for motorsport, hillclimbing and Harewood, and to quote one member "it gets them out of the house".

Works undertaken by this diverse group of retired gentlemen include keeping the grass cut, the Centre having purchased over the years four grass cutting machines, together with a few strimmers, painting works, assorted joinery work, erecting signs, ensuring all the marshals posts have the equipment required by MSUK, servicing and repairs to machinery, maintaining the telecommunications systems and ensuring the venue is neat and tidy and all ready for each event. At the end of the season, all equipment has to be taken in, any maintenance and repairs carried out, signage has to be taken in and the venue made ready for the sheep farming to take over.

All the hours of voluntary work are made worthwhile when a competitor comes up to tell the event organisers how good the venue looks and how well everything is turned out.



— Wattle and Daub 2021 From left to right, Rob Buchan, John Simons, Richard Hardcastle, David Dalrymple, John English, Mike Shorley, Graham Burrell, Martin Drury

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TAILPIECE



— Well folks, that's it for another season! Ho, ho, ho!
(Gary Fothergill & Santa's Little Helper)

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