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EDITORIAL

Feelings are running high about the poor standard of arrowing on stage events. Arrowing is never constant on every stage in the event and indeed there are sometimes variations on each separate stage. The RAC have at times issued directives on positioning of arrows etc. but these directives can be interpreted different ways by different clubs. I think it is about time the positioning of arrows was clearly laid down by the RAC or alternatively organizers should state in the regs how stages are to be arrowed i.e. every bend, every bend with a warning arrow a set distance from bend etc. What are your views on this subject?

Ed.

BITS FROM HON. SEC.

The Annual General Meeting.

This important event will be held on Tuesday 24th April, 1973 at the Darleys Hotel, Boothferry Road, Hessle, commencing at 8 p.m. PROMPT.

The Committee.

Each year one third of the committee (4) are required to stand down.

This year the retiring members are:-

Roger Stanford and Dennis Webster.

We had some changes in committee last year due to resignations for various reasons of

Don Pizzey, Mike Lund, Graham Gough

the following members were co-opted during the year to bring the committee up to strength.

Dennis Haynes, Alan Haynes, Ian Maxey

At the AGM there will be five members to be elected to the committee.

The committee have unanimously decided to recommend a proposal to the AGM to amend the club rules in connection with the election of vice presidents. The committee proposes that vice presidents be elected for a three year term, instead of annually. The position of vice president is of a complimentary nature, in recognition of past services to the club etc.

Your committee have for some considerable time been discussing the merits or otherwise of forming the club into a limited company. Many motor clubs have recently taken this step. We have sought a great deal of advice on this very important proposition and have unanimously agreed that subject to your approval at the AGM it would be an advantage to become a limited company.

One of the reasons which promoted the committee to look

into the 'Limited Company' question was:-

Quote

R.A.C. Regulations for the Insurance of Motor Competitions

"The legal yard stick by which responsibility is judged, is whether the organisers did anything which a prudent person would not have done, or omitted to do something which a prudent person would have done.

Unless the organising club is a limited company the persons liable to be sued for any negligence would be the individual members of the club committee and each member of that committee would personally be responsible up to the limits of his own private funds and assets, to any damages which might be awarded."

Each event has its own insurance through the R.A.C., also the club has its own private insurances, but in the event of an insurance being considered void for any reason, it would appear the committee could possibly be held liable, not very pleasant if you are a committee member.

'THE LAST MAGAZINE'

I regret to inform you that this will be the last magazine you will receive if you have not already paid your subscriptions for 1973.

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 Beverley Road,
 Hull, HU5 2NR.

AT THE LAST COMMITTEE MEETING:-

It was agreed that we accept the invitation from Auto 66 to co-promote a series of Autotests, subject to an NVMC

representative being on the organising team, herewith the relevant dates for your diary:-

March 11th	)	On Cotton
April 23rd (Easter Monday)	)	
November 4th	)	Old Airfield
December 16th	)	

July 5th on grass at Burton Constable.

The Hull Show

N.H.M.C. Have already booked a bigger stand than ever for this year, 250 feet x 250 feet, last year this event was very succesful, both for prestige and financially. Alec Henderson would be pleased to hear from you with offers of help or suggestions.

Magazine Editor

Dennis Haynes has informed me that from the AGM he will have to be relieved of this function, due to increased business commitments.

Bob Simpson has volunteered? (been pushed) into taking over the editorship, Bob is very enthusiastic about tackling this very important job, (he will soon lose his enthusiasm if you don't contribute something). If you are entering any event please let him know also any results as to how WHMC members fared, would be appreciated.

I thought Joan Reed's article in the last magazine was very interesting, thanks Joan.

How about a few more members 'having a bash', its your magazine.

I would like to extend a welcome to the following new members on the behalf of the club:-

Nos.161 & 161A

Hans E Christine Abere, Albermarle, 7 Garths End,
Pocklington.

- 160 - Richard A. Davies, R.A.F. Leconfield.
 159 - Paul S. Ritchie, 3 Haworth Street, Hull.
 158 - Paul Hardy, 20 St. Michaels Close, Skidby.
 154 - Philip W. Tomlinson, 149 Finkle St., Cottingham.
 165 - John Bruton, 4 Desmond Ave., Beverley High Road, Hull.
 167 - Ian W. Gardner, 139 Westlands Road, Hull.
 175 - Ian S. Livesey, 63A Church Street, Sutton.
 173 - David Atkinson, 13 Holpton Grove, Preston Rd. Hull.
 179 - Gavin P. Giles, 99 Hermes Close, Bilton Grange Est.,
 Hull.
 180 - Martin Goodman, 43 Woodland Drive, Anlaby, Hull.

Ends Harry Ahern.

ORDNANCE SURVEY MAP REVISIONS

One Inch Maps

Revised sheet	154	Cardiff	Edition D	Coloured
Reprint with major changes	102	Huddersfield	B	Coloured & Outline

Tourist Series

Revised sheet		New Forest	B	Coloured.
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17th/18th February 7th Mobil Trophy Rally.

This rally was run by the Peak Motor Club mainly on 111 with a few miles on 120. The organisers had a lot of route trouble and ended up with only 150 miles but with 52 T.C.'s and 21 via's at all of which either a signature or letter board had to be recorded.

The start was at Nesmilk Ltd. Ashbourne, Derbyshire where the 51 entries were quickly scrutineered and noise checked before receiving the route 1 hour before the off. The entries included the Haden/Hall Landrover and Bently Bros. Firenze of Beardmore/Bhaff. The former finished 4th and the Firenze retired after a few excursions.

After the off a very short run out to the first competitive section which included very slippery track which was only just on. Photographs were taken between T.C.5 and 6 and the route was not too difficult to follow except for a few tricky via's. We wrong slotted just before T.C. 9 and as the gradient was slightly downhill had to continue and turn round as reversing was impossible on the icy surface. At T.C. 11 we had to wait for our time and had to be careful not to beat the $\frac{1}{2}$ rule.

From T.C. 11 to T.C.16 we were stricken by fog and after a tour of a cafe car park got to a via between 14 and 15 the approach to which we missed, but were accosted by the marshall who had to leave his position and go on to the main road as two cars were stuck in the layby.

Between 16 and 17 there was a valley with a car stuck trying to get up out of it - we had to reverse back and loop around to get back on route - luckily only two cars had caught up so reversing up was not too difficult to organise.

By T.C.20 we had lost 29 mins. so missed two via's to keep in time and as only one was manned only incurred one fail and ended up 29th at halfway.

After the break we started the second half which was reputed to be much more difficult. We were soon in trouble by missing a gateway to a steep snow covered 'white'. When we found it we were 25 yards before stalling and finding ourselves with a flat battery. I could not get out because the stone walls were so close to the car and had to wait until a couple of lads gave us a push back. We then tried to start in reverse but the track was too

Further on we missed another via between 31 and 32 as a queue of cars could be seen stationary and we did not want to stall again. At 37 we cut again as only 3 minutes of lateness were left and a small loop could be conveniently omitted. At 40 there was a note from the C of C cancelling all lateness and we started afresh. Between 40 and 41 it was very rough past a rubbish dump and through a field with flags to mark the way. Further rough stuff followed on both sides of 44 and just before 45 we followed two other cars down a track which was a dead end. Reverse was selected but traction was impossible and I jumped out to push. When the car started to move I had to leap on to the bonnet as Pete obviously was not going to stop again. The actual slot was then found and the value of a Halda became obvious (any cheap offers).

Just after 46 we caught up two cars stuck behind a member of the public who obviously disliked rallies and was determined to spoil them. He wouldn't let anybody past and followed the route past 47 and on to 48 where we were over 30 minutes late. Half an hour had been lost between 40 and 48 so we missed 49 went through the next via to miss a blackspot but were late again at 50 so we had to miss 51 to get to the finish in time.

Breakfast in the Nesmilk canteen was excellent and we left for home having enjoyed it very much indeed.

The results showed us to be 26th with 11 fails, only the first six had no fails and the last finishers was placed 38th and had 29 fails.

'GERONIMO'

N.H.M.C. Championship Events for 1973

The following events will be classed as 1973 Championship events. To claim championship points from these events contact the Keeper of Charts - Dave Langdon as soon as possible after each event.

N.H.M.C. RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP 1973

N.H.M.C. Holderness	R	14/15 April
Whitby & D.M.C.	R	5/6 May
N.H.M.C. SS RALLY (SL) ✓	R	15/16 June
York Motor Club ✓	R	23/24 June
111 Car Club (SL)	R	7/8 July
Airdale & Pennine M.C.C. ✓	R	11/12 or 18/19 Aug.
York Motor Club Moss ✓	N	15/16 September
Shipley & District ✓	R	22/23 September
N.H.M.C (Moonraker)	R	6/7 October
Castleford M.C.	R	24/25 November

BEST SIX TO COUNT ONLY.

N.H.M.C. OFF THE ROAD CHAMPIONSHIP 1973

N.H.M.C.	Autotests	25th March
Y.S.S.C.	Autotests	1st April
N.G.C.C.	Sprint Topcliffe	15th April
Auto 66	Sprint Elvington	5th May
N.H.M.C.	Autotests	6th May
Y.M.C.	Autocross	27th May
Auto 66	Sprint	8th July
N.H.M.C.	Slalom Autotests	15th July
S.S. D.M.C.	Autocross	5th August
Y.S.C.C.	Autotests	19th August
Sheff. & Halmshaw M.C.	Hillclimb	26th August
N.H.M.C.	Grass Autotests	9th September
N. Midland M.C.	Sprint	23rd September
Huddersfield M.C.	Autocross	7th October
Trackrod	Prod. Car Trial	4th November.
Y.S.C.C.	Autotests	11th November.

BEST EIGHT TO COUNT.

THE MOONRAKER RALLY - A DISAPPOINTING ASPECT

All Rallies now take a great deal of organising, and this Moonraker was no exception. One of the problems on an event like this is keeping the route secret to the organisers. It is only fair to competitors that they all start equal in their knowledge of the route. Some may remember roads from previous events, but that is put down to experience, and is quite fair.

Most competitors on the Moonraker will agree that they heard little or nothing of the route, though no doubt not for the want of trying.

However there came a time when the organisers had to impart their knowledge of whites etc. to a large body of members, i.e. at the marshalls' meeting on the Wednesday before the rally. On the following day, Thursday, at least three competitors had in their possession a list of map references of starts and finishes and R.Cs. for a full third of the whole route.

This made a complete mockery of our efforts to keep the route a secret, and it must be disappointing to all organisers to think that some marshalls, far from helping their event, are actually fifth columnists.

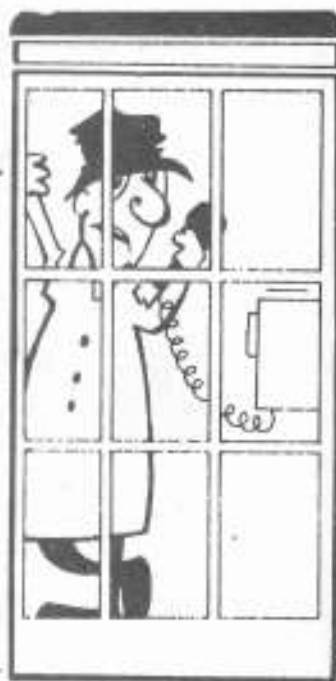
Surely everyone can see the case for not 'leaking' the route to competitors, who cannot be blamed for taking advantage of any information passing their way. The person who leaks the information cannot be doing it for gain, so why do it at all. Let's keep routes secret and ban receding; we have enough trouble with farmers after the event without stirring them up before.

Robin Duffield.

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THE HOLDERNESS RALLY

The Holderness Rally Sponsored by Crystal is, as we are sure that you are well aware, being run on the night of April 14th/15th, 1973.

We have laid on what we believe to be a good competitive rally and expect to be oversubscribed with entries. - Maximum Ninety. (60 experts & 30 novices)

We do not however, expect to be oversubscribed with marshalls. We expect to have to go around twisting Club members arms up their backs, up to the last minute, as per usual. This is a ridiculous state of affairs in a club with around four hundred members. Remember inexperience is no excuse. Any offer of help will not be refused. If you are a complete novice you will probably be sent with an experienced crew and in this way you will gain the necessary experience for the next event.

This is the biggest event on the club calender and without YOUR - yes you sir, or madam - offer of assistance it could be a disaster.

The chief marshalls for the event are Malcolm Roche, 100 Springfield Avenue Brough, Tel.668870 and Harry Ahern, Tel.403203 - Why not ring them now, or any other of the organisers listed below.

The regulations should be available in early March and can be obtained from any of the organisers.

A marshalls meeting will be held at the Broad Highway, Willerby Road, on Wednesday 11th April, 1973 at 8.00 p.m.

Clerk of Course	Dave Langdon	652063
Assist. C. of C.	Ed Waram	42556
Secretary	Brian Auchterlounie	347551
P.R.	Tony Carmichael	71402

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- 9th March Dinner Dance and Award Presentation
Centre Hotel, Hull. Tickets £2.00
from Committee Members.
- 11th March Autotest - Cottam (Conpromotion with
Auto 66)
- 22nd March Tuition Rally. Start 99/022347 at
1901 Maps 98/99 - 70 miles. 75p.
Entries to R. Risebury, Flat 3,
151 Princes Avenue, Hull. Tel 41799.
- 25th March Autotests.
- 29th March Mini Auction
- 14/15 April Holderness Rally
- 24th April AGM - 8.00 p.m. - Darleys Hotel,
Boothferry Road, Hull.
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