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# Editors' Chat



Now you may well be wondering what a picture of a Lifeboat has to do with M&MKMC activities – well look closer dear readers and on the small boat alongside the big orange one is your dear editor being rescued from a watery grave.

One sailed with a friend across the channel to Graveline for an Old Gaffers Rally, which is for gaff rigged boats with lots of brown rope, wood, brass and no DVD players on board. He was staying over in France for a few days so I got a “lift” back on another boat, big mistake.

We were trapped in Graveline for a couple of extra days due to a big storm going through but left bright and early in glorious sunshine into a big swell left over from the storm. This was a full wa-

terproofs, life jackets, safety harness on job and for 6 hours we were tossed about by some big waves. Not making enough speed to get back to Maldon we decided to head for Ramsgate as the wind dropped and tide changed, so on went the engine.

This was when I discovered my new skipper knew nothing about a)engines and b)diesel bug as we drifted towards the shipping lanes and sand banks. Because fuel in sailing boats sits about so much and is then stirred up by waves all the gloop in the bottom of the tank clogs the filters and stops your engine dead.

A quick call to the coastguard and the lifeboat is on its way. Great thinks I, jump onboard the lifeboat and a nice hot cuppa while the skipper stays aboard to steer the boat home under tow. With some simply amazing boat handing they reverse onto us in such big swells that I’m at the pointy end waiting for the tow rope one minute looking at their bridge, the next the propellers!!

Tow rope on a cheery wave and off we go leaving me with the skipper being towed at high speed towards Ramsgate watching cheery lifeboat men sipping tea and grinning at us.

If any of you have had a ride in a washing machine on spin cycle you will know what it is like to be towed by a lifeboat. You just huddle in the cockpit and hang on for life, looking up is a bad idea as the spray shot blasts a layer of skin off your face.

Anyway we safely arrived in Ramsgate Harbour, faces looking like we had spent three weeks on a Benidorm sun bed, with grateful thanks to the volunteers of the RNLI, very much the 1<sup>st</sup> Emergency service.

GW



## MORE RYANAIRING

Ryanair and Green Motion Car Hire have been used for three consecutive months when I have made brief trips to the UK, two of them to co-drive for Stuart in the Micra.

In July we ventured abroad to Anglesey race circuit for the Enville stage rally. A good venue and plenty of tarmac service area and friendly organization. Shame the club cannot control the scrutineering and a bigger load of nit picking officials it would have been difficult to find, taking up to 10 minutes over many of the cars before declaring they were eligible. Three hours after joining the queue we got the prized sticker and signed on before retiring to the hotel to recover.

To Stuart's disappointment Sunday was dry and sunny and we tackled eight stages of about five miles each. Whilst there were a few tight bits at either the start or end of the stage most of it was circuit racing with the occasional chicane. Whilst the acceleration of the Micra is impressive it is the braking which I cannot believe. Stuart has always been late on the brakes, and on this event with stops from high speed, braking points were critical and we negotiated all the chicanes with no more than the odd brush with the wheel arches. Enthusiasm did overcome available grip at the end of stage three and I'm sure the organizers breathed a sigh of relief as we passed the timing gear backwards with only inches to spare.

On two stages in the afternoon, where we were running on the circuit in the reverse direction the stages were virtually two laps of the circuit with the flow only interrupted by a couple of chicanes. This gave a long straight downhill run with a blind crest followed by a long sweeping right bend. On the first lap Stuart lifted for the crest, but thereafter took it flat, braking as the car became firmly attached to the tarmac again – a truly exhilarating experience. The car ran faultlessly all day, the only problem being my stomach which is now becoming more sensitive to g-forces and a sick bag is an essential part of the co-driver kit. Despite this we finished third in class and eighth overall, a good result considering there were two WRC cars and half a dozen 4wd entries.

The second event was the Promenade Stages at New Brighton and it could have not been more different. Scrutineering was friendly and relaxed with any issues resolved in a civilized way. The stages were all very tight with only one quick section and even that was a long sweeping bend. The open corners were corners on roundabouts and the hairpins were the islands on the approach to the roundabouts. With unforgiving kerbs there was no room for error as a considerable number of competitors found out, retiring with suspension failure.

The event boasted a first in national rallying – running a super special stage under floodlights on the Friday evening. Two cars starting simultaneously and doing two laps with two splits and merges, so in theory they finished together. The cars ran in reverse seeding and it was dark by the time the last 30 cars ran. We ran against a quick modern Escort, but it retired within a few yards of the start, but how Stuart found the route through the mass of highly reflective cones I don't know – perhaps he was putting a lot of trust in the notes I read, but we finished up with a good time. The seeding for Saturday was based on this stage time and threw up a few interesting anomalies where some who had run in daylight put up quicker times than the early seedings running in the dark.

We enjoyed good runs on the first two stages running in the top 15, but on stage three a steel gearwheel on the front of the engine made a bid for freedom and milled its way through various aluminium bits on the front of the engine and that was the end of our rally.



Oh yes, the third visit to the UK was to buy a car which has earned me loads of brownie points with Maggie – it is a Jaguar XK8 convertible, a real beauty to drive, but with nobody down here who understands Jaguars, please don't go wrong!

Trevor Gilks.  
09.11



**The Club Christmas Party will be held at Brogdale Farm again this year, on the Tuesday 4th December, so please put this date in your diary.**

As in previous years we will be asking for a deposit of £5.00 per head when you book. This is always a good evening and chance to mull over the years events with your friends.

**Courtyard Restaurant Cafe, Brogdale Farm, Brogdale,  
Faversham ME138XZ**

**Traditional Christmas Menu**

**Starters**

Home made Parsnip and Thyme Soup with granary roll  
Courtyard pate with apple chutney and toast  
Smoked salmon, prawn crab and shallot timble with lemon and dill dressing  
Deep fried brie with red currant jelly

**Mains**

Free range roast turkey, bread sauce and “trimmings”  
Roast Belly of Pork and “trimmings”  
Baked trout with prawn cream sauce with new potatoes and steamed vegetables  
Stuffed red and green peppers with Provencal sauce

**Desserts**

Christmas pudding with choice of brandy butter, custard or fresh cream  
Lemon Possett with mixed berry sauce  
Chocolate mousse with whipped cream  
Apple crumble with choice of custard or fresh cream

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## AUTUMN AUTOSOLO 9 OCTOBER 2011

Driving rain on the M20 and fog over the North Downs towards Sittingbourne. What a miserable day this is going to be. How wrong was I?

After an admittedly wet signing on and scrutineering and right on cue, the skies cleared the rain stopped and things started drying out, except for my left shoe which has developed a leak!



Even though Clerk of the Course Jim Pullar had issued what can only be described as comprehensive final instructions he also had a drivers briefing so everyone knew what was what. With only a few exceptions most had not done an Autosolo before so

organisers and competitors alike were slightly unsure exactly how things would go.

For the uninitiated Autosolo's were introduced a few years back now as an entry level motorsport primarily aimed at encouraging newcomers in to motorsport. Competitors must use road legal, taxed, insured and MOT'd cars. Simply put they are similar to an "all forwards" autotest on tarmac but without the sharp turns associated with Autotesting therefore reducing tyre wear. Also the competitors must take it in turns to marshal so the entry was split into 3 groups so at any time there was one group driving, one resting and one marshalling. This is great from a club point of view as the organisers don't need to scour the countryside for lots of marshals. So we had a varied entry list including Minis, Micras, MX5's, regular autotest vehicles even a Porsche Boxster and a Brabus Smart sports car just proving anything goes.



Jim had designed four different tests each of

which was attempted three times with the best two counting towards results. So the first group started one at a time initially just to see how things went, although the organisers were sure it was possible to run more than that. There were still large pools of water at various places



so I think the early runners had a slight disadvantage but that's the luck of the draw. Unfortunately early on Stephen Watts impaled his Mini into the central barriers surrounding the astro turf pitch in the centre of the course bringing the event to a standstill for a while. As

with any accident it made a horrendous noise but the central barriers remained intact which is more than can be said of the Mini. More importantly Stephen was only winded and has got a few bruises. Hopefully it will be mainly bodywork damage (the car, not Stephen) Apparently his father is a bit of a whizz with Minis having built a number over the years so we look forward to seeing you again next year.

After all that excitement things settled down and the timekeepers started running more than one car at a time, which kept everything on time. The morning tests were around the 60 second mark. After the morning runs it was clear to see Matt Helm in his Triumph Spitfire has been competing on a lot of these events this year as he was very smooth and fast with no mistakes. He was leading by 5 seconds from Chelmsford competitor Peter Zykiewicz in a Fi-



esta. It was good to see Mike Jordan in his Mexico and Dave Cook in the RS100E battling it out as well. It was like going back in time, how long I won't say! Seasoned campaigner Lyle Cathcart was also putting in some very decent times in his Volvo Amazon a car not ideally suited to this type of event. Grant Shepherd was the man to beat in the small car class.

In the afternoon the tests had fewer pylons but somehow seemed a bit tighter and were around the 45 second mark. It was clear Dave was getting to grips with the 100E having not driven it for about 2 years, managing to claw back the deficit from the morning runs.

My personal highlights of the day (the views expressed are of the writer and not necessarily those of anyone else or the club!) were the battle between Mike's Mexico and Dave's 100E – it's just good to see rear wheel drive cars, we don't see enough these days. I also enjoyed Richard "don't lift off, just keep your foot in" Olsens brush with the scenery obviously readying himself for the Trials season.

There was also some serious showboating from Ben Dawson in his MX5 earning him a round of applause. Not sure it was quick, but who cares!

It was good to see so many club members having a go, some moving up from the Grass autotests and none more so than Philip Dalton. Philip has graduated from the Junior Autotesters this year and brought along his absolutely standard (Mums shopping car) 998cc Micra to claim an excellent 3<sup>rd</sup> in the small car class. At the end of the day Matt Helm (Spitfire) was FTD. Class winners: Grant Shepherd (Mini), Peter Zykiewicz (Fiesta), Tim Gourmand (Boxster), Des Crocker (Westfield), Dave Cook (100E)



After the awards presentation I have to say I have never heard so many compliments about an event of any type. Everyone seemed to enjoy it (with one obvious exception) with a number asking can we come back again soon? Here's to the next event and for anyone still not sure whether to have a go just speak to one of those who did.

Finally thanks to Dave Cook for getting the venue and providing paperwork for the "authorities" and well done to Jim and the team for an excellent event. A lot of effort went into getting this event off the ground and it was well worth it.

**A GREAT DAY WAS HAD BY ALL !**

Andy Jenner

## 2011 Autotest Season Continued.....

In the last edition of the Kent Driver we report on the first six events of the season. Headcorn does seem to have its own microclimate and this has worked in our favour as usually during the year we lose at least one event due to inclement weather. This year due to the exceptionally dry summer which has prevented the grass from growing, we have been able to run all of our nine scheduled evening events.

For the 22<sup>nd</sup> June event Richard Olsen was the Clerk of the Course and attracted a large entry of 37 competitors. Chris Browne gave the usual results team a rest and took over this task for the evening. FTD one again went to Kevin Lower this time in his Mini, with Class A going to Grant Shepherd in his Mini. Class B honours went to Brian Sharpe with Steve Groves taking 2<sup>nd</sup> as he had taken a rest from instructing Millie and Toby. Class C was won by Ian Bonner in his Escort and Gavin Lane, on one of his rare outings this year, took Class D. The massive entry of thirteen in the Juniors Class was headed by Zach Lower, with Toby Cook a creditable second.

James Muir clerked the 6<sup>th</sup> July event. Class A honours again went to Kevin Lower with Daren Hall taking second. Class B had a good entry of eleven competitors with Barny Lower winning the Class with Brian Sharpe taking second. Alan Steadman was the only entrant in Class C with his diminutive Suzuki Cappuccino and David Hand won Class E with his Subaru Impreza. In the Junior Class Zach Lower once again took first place from Toby Cook. FTD this time went to Dave Cook in his Nissan Micra.

On the 20<sup>th</sup> July we had a new Clerk of the Course in the form of Ben Dawson. Ben had not been a Clerk of the Course before and was a little nervous of his new role. Despite being relegated to the small field, Ben assisted by Father Mike did an excellent job of getting all 36 competitors finished early without having to impose a curfew. Kevin Lower was the eventual winner from the thirteen entrants in Class A. Daren Hall was again second in his long suffering Nova, which was beginning to give him reliability troubles. Class B was once again dominated by Brian Sharpe, with Paul Thornton taking second. Class C honours went to Steve Stringer on one of his rare outings and Class D to Gavin Lane.

Toby Cook relegating Zach Lower to second place this time won the large Junior Class. Overall honours of FTD once again went to Cook senior.

Due to our normal "Donkey Field" being used for the setting up of the impending IMPS event, Steve Groves was forced to use the "Car Pak" field for his event on the 3<sup>rd</sup> August. This field is getting a bit tired and due to the lack of rain proved to be very dusty. Despite being in the middle of the holiday season the evening still attracted 32 entries. This time Daren Hall won the large Class A from Kevin Lower. Class B went to Brian Sharpe with Jim Pullar second. Kevin Haselden in his beautifully prepared bright red A35 won class C. Pity he didn't have any opposition. It finally came together for Alan Steadman as he won Class D in his Suzuki Cappuccino. The Junior Class was once again a battle between Zach Lower and Toby Cook with Toby coming out on top. Toby Grove was rewarded for his efforts by taking third.

For the last evening autotest of the season held on the 17<sup>th</sup> August, Andy Jenner swapped his role compiling the results for one of Clerk of the Course. With the evenings drawing in the pressure was on Andy to keep the 30 competitors moving before the light ran out. This he did very successfully with entry of eleven in Class A this time Richard Olsen headed off Kevin Lower for the win. Dave Cook and Brian Sharpe, with Paul Thornton putting up a creditable performance for third again led the ten competitors in Class B home. Alan Steadman had obviously got his eye in by the end of the season, as he again won Class C. Toby Cook won what was one of the lowest Junior entries of the season from Toby Groves. For the final time in 2011 Daren Hall took FTD.

Autotesting has remained popular through the season with strong entries in the Junior class. Entries have been around the 30 mark all season, which we hope continues in 2012. A big thank you must go to Hilary and Andy Jenner for all the behind the scenes work as well as all of the Clerks of the Course who all gave up at least half a day of their time to organise each event. We must also not forget the landowner Jamie Freeman who allows us to use what must be the best autotest venue in the Southeast. Autotester's therefore must not forget that we pay for the marvellous venue by helping with the parking at the IMPS event, so please put it in your diaries for 2012.

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# **MMKMC CHAMPIONSHIPS 2011**

## **UPDATE NO: 8 – 24 OCTOBER 2011**

Following are all the MMKMC Championships up to date as at 24 October 2011 compiled from MMKMC event results and any others supplied to me by members.

In the “Club Driver, Senior Driver and Lady Driver” categories I have only included those who currently qualify having competed in “more than one discipline” as stated in the championship rules. If other members fulfil this requirement later in the year they will be added in and the tables updated accordingly.

Also all the tables are produced without taking into account the marshalling requirement (Championship General Regulation No.2) Anyone who has not marshalled on a MMKMC event by the end of the year will not be eligible for awards.

Don't forget the tables are always available via the club website.

Thank you to those who have sent in results this year.  
Good luck for the remainder of the year.

ANDY JENNER  
Championship Secretary



MMKMC GRASS AUTOTEST CHAMPIONSHIP 2011

Event No:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	Sub Total
TOBY COOK	8	10	10		6	15	8	12		15	12	8	12	12	8	10	12	158
DAVE COOK	12	15	15	12	12			15			15	12	12	15			10	145
BRIAN SHARPE	10			10	10	15*	10	12	15	12			8				8	110
RICHARD OLSEN	12			5		8		6		15*			6			15	6	73
BRIDGE CAREY	10			15		12	10			12			5					64
ROBERT SHARPE	6	10		15*	12	6	8											57
JIM PULLAR	8			8		8		15*		10								49
TOBY GROVES				12		10				10			8				8	48
PAUL THORNTON	5			5		5		8		8			5				6	42
LIAM CARFRAE				8		6		5		6			10				5	40
EMMA OLSEN	6			2		3		3					4			10	5	33
HANNAH MUNNINGS	3			6		5		8		5							4	31
DES CROCKER				8		6				10							5	29
ANN COOK	6			6				5		6			2				4	29
ALAN STEADMAN										8			6			10	4	28
GAVIN LANE	15*							6									6	27
IAN BONNER				8		8		8									3	27
PETER ASHWELL	6					8		4		8								26
STEVE STRINGER	15*																8	23
CHARLOTTE JENNER	1			3		1		1		1			1				15*	23
STEPHEN WATTS				1		1				15*			3				2	22
ADAM RATCLIFFE	5			10				6										21
STEVE GROVES						10		10										20
RAY LANE	15*							5										20
PHILIP DALTON				4		1		6		4			3				2	20
LIAM HANNIGAN	4					4		3					6				3	20
JAMES MUIR						4							15*					19
DENNIS USMAR				4		2				6							4	16
MILLIE GROVES										4			4				6	14
TRACEY MUNNINGS	1			3		2		3		2			1					12
CHRIS ATKINSON														12				12
TIM MEWETT						6											5	11
MATT HELM	5	6																11
GRANT SHEPHERD								10										10
MARK NEWMAN	1					4		4					1					10
KATY NEWMAN	1			2		1		2					3					9
THOMAS GRANT	4									5								9
DAVID HAND													8					8
BRIAN GRANT	3							2		3								8
EMMA BUBB	1			1		1		1		2			1					7
RACHEL HANNIGAN	2							1					2				2	7
CHRIS MUNNINGS													6					6
JOSH SMITHERMAN	6																	6
CLIFF RATCLIFFE	2							4										6
RON DAVIS						3											3	6
JACK THORNTON				4		1												5
CALLUM GIBSON						2				3								5

**CLUB DRIVER OF THE YEAR**

	Grass A/test	Tarmac A/test	Trials	Stage/Road Rally	Scatter Rally	Race/Sprint	TOTAL
TOBY COOK	236					115	351
DAVE COOK	226	23					249
BRIAN SHARPE	142	80			18		240
RICHARD OLSEN	110	28	20		6		164
EMMA OLSEN	57	25	18		5		105
ROBERT SHARPE	57				18		75
DES CROCKER	43	23			8		74
ANN COOK	43	20					63
ALAN STEADMAN	50	3					53
DICK SLAUGHTER	1			47			48
GAVIN LANE	35				13		48
RAY LANE	26		8		13		47
DENNIS USMAR	21	4	22				47
STEPHEN WATTS	29	11					40
GRANT SHEPHERD	10	30					40
PHILIP DALTON	29					10	39
ADAM RATCLIFFE	23	4					27
LYLE CATHCART		20		7			27
BRIAN GRANT	12	6	8				26
CHRIS ATKINSON	12	14					26
THOMAS GRANT	14	4	6				24
MATT HELM	11	10					21
TIM MEWETT	11			1			12
CLIFF RATCLIFFE	6	5					11

**LADY DRIVER OF THE YEAR**

	Grass A/Test	Tarmac A/Test	Trials	Scatters	TOTAL
EMMA OLSEN	57	10	18	5	90
ANN COOK	43	20			63

**YOUNG DRIVER OF THE YEAR**

	Grass A/test	Tarmac A/test	Trials	Race/Sprint	TOTAL
TOBY COOK	236			115	351
TOBY GROVES	70				70
BRIDGE CAREY	64				64
LIAM CARFRAE	57				57
HANNAH MUNNINGS	39				39
PETER ASHWELL	28				28

ADAM RATCLIFFE	23	4				27
MILLIE GROVES	24					24
CHARLOTTE JENNER	23					23
LIAM HANNIGAN	23					23
RACHEL HANNIGAN	9					9
KATY NEWMAN	9					9
EMMA BUBB	8					8
JACK THORNTON	5					5
CALLUM GIBSON	5					5
JACOB BARROW	2					2

#### SENIOR DRIVER OF THE YEAR

	Grass A/test	Tarmac A/Test	Trials	Stage Rally	Scatter	Road Rally	TOTAL
ROBERT SHARPE	57				18		75
DICK SLAUGHTER	1			47			48
DENNIS USMAR	21	4	22				47
LYLE CATHCART		20				7	27

#### ROAD RALLY DRIVER

Event No:	1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL
LYLE CATHCART			6	1		7
MIKE JORDAN			2	4		6
TREVOR GILKS	1	1				2

#### ROAD RALLY NAVIGATOR

Event No:	1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL
ANDY GIBSON			10			10
JAMES CATHCART			6	1		7
LIZ JORDAN			2	4		6
MAGGIE GILKS	1					1

1=WINTER CLASSIC 2=MONCLAR D'AGENAI 3=POPPY RALLY 4= HUGHES

**TRIALS**

Event no:	1	2	3	4					TOTAL
DENNIS USMAR	1	10	10	1					22
RICHARD OLSEN			5	15					20
EMMA OLSEN			6	12					18
STUART HIGHWOOD			10						10
RAY LANE			8						8
ALEC BENNETT				8					8
BRIAN GRANT				8					8
THOMAS GRANT				6					6
MARTIN BELLINGER				5					5

1=BRICKHILL 13/2 2= 7OAKS 20/3 3=MMK 10/04 4=WARWICKSHIRE

**RACE/SPRINT/HILLCLIMB**

Event no	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	TOTAL
TOBY COOK	4	12	1	1	6	12	3	1	1	15	5	15	1	15	5	3	15		115

1=KART 16/01 2=KART 23/1 3= KART 20/02 4=KART 27/02 5=KART 20/3 6=KART 27/3 7=KART17/4 8=KART 24/4 9=KART 15/05

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17=KART 25/09

**TARMAC AUTOTEST & AUTOSOLO**

Event No:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	TOTAL
BRIAN SHARPE	6	10	4	6	6	6	6	5		6	5		6	2	12	80
LLOYD BASS				8	8	6	12	8								42
RICHARD BASS				6	6	5	8	5		4						34
GRANT SHEPHERD				15*											15	30
RICHARD OLSEN				5		5			10						8	28
EMMA OLSEN				15*					4						6	25
DAVE COOK				15*											8	23
DES CROCKER				15*											8	23
LYLE CATHCART				15*											5	20
ANN COOK				15*											5	20
CHRIS ATKINSON				5	4	5										14

STEPHEN WATTS										3					8							11
MATT HELM																					10	10
PHILIP DALTON																					10	10
BEN DAWSON																					8	8
STEVE REDSELL		8																				8
MIKE JORDAN																					6	6
BRIAN GRANT																						6
LEE BEZUID'HOUT																					6	6
JASON KHURTOO																					5	5
CLIFF RATCLIFFE																						5
LIZ JORDAN																					4	4
ADAM RATCLIFFE																					4	4
THOMAS GRANT																					4	4
DENNIS USMAR																					4	4
ALAN STEADMAN															3							3

1= HAGLEY 2=HARROW 3=FOXLEY 4 = KENT DRIVER 5=WARWICKSHIRE 6 =JUNIPER 7=ANGLESEY 8= TIM SARGEANT

9 = 7OAKS AUTOSOLO 10= ALWOODLEY 11= OWEN 12 =7 OAKS AUTOSOLO 13= STAFFORDSHIRE 14 = WOLVERHAMPTON

15=MMKMC AUTOSOLO

\*Organiser/Marshal Pts

#### EVENT OFFICIALS

Event  No:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	TOTAL
BRUCE JENKINS	10		10	10	10			10	10	10		10	10	10	10	110
HILARY JENNER		10	10	10	10			10	10	10	10		10			100
LYLE CATHCART	10	10	10	10			10		10		10	10				80
ROY NICHOLLS			10	10	10								10			40
ANDY JENNER										10	10		10		10	40
JIM PULLAR						10									10	20
TOM THOMPSON	10														10	20
KAREN CHAMBERS			10			10										20
CHRIS BROWNE	10						10									20
STEVE GROVES						10					10					20
BEN DAWSON										10						10
RICHARD OLSEN														10		10
CAROLINE JENKINS														10		10
STEVE STRINGER		10														10
TOM SOLOMON	10															10

1 = Trial 10/04 2 = A/T Training 3= A/Test 04/05 4=A/Test 11/05 5 = A/Test 25/05 6 = KENT DRIVER 7 = A/Test 08/06 8= A/test 22/06

9 = A/Test 06/07 10 = A/Test 20/07 11= A/Test 03/08 12=IMPS 13+ 14/08 13=A/Test 17/08 14= Wings 04/09 15=Autosolo 09/10

MARSHALS

EVENT No:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	TOTAL
JOHN ASHWELL			10	10	10		10	10	10	10			10	10		90
ROBERT SHARPE						10	10	10	10	10	10	10			10	90
BRUCE JENKINS		10				10	10				10					40
ANDY JENNER						10						10		10		30
HELEN CROCKER						10						10			10	30
CHARLOTTE JENNER													10	10		20
ALI CORNWELL-BROWNE						10	10									20
ANDY GIBSON												10	10			20
ROY NICHOLLS											10	10				20
DAVE JOHNSON	10											10				20
JIM PULLAR	10												10			20
TIMOTHY CATHCART	10											10				20
TOM THOMPSON			10									10				20
RICHARD OLSEN		10										10				20
MIKE JORDAN					10							10				20
PAUL THORNTON						10						10				20
EMMA OLSEN												10				10
GRANT SHEPHERD	10															10
DES CROCKER												10				10
LIZ JORDAN					10											10
DENNIS USMAR												10				10
TOBY COOK						10										10
HUGH THOMPSON												10				10
TREVOR GILKS			10													10
MIKE DAWSON										10						10
STEPHEN WATTS	10															10
STEVE STRINGER						10										10
JAMES CATHCART	10															10
TOM SOLOMON												10				10
BEN BARDELL				10												10
CHRIS MUNNINGS											10					10
GAVIN LANE						10										10
BRIAN SHARPE												10				10
KEN KIMBER												10				10
CAROLINE JENKINS												10				10
CHRIS PRYOR											10					10
RAY LANE						10										10
TIM MEWETT									10							10
JAMES MUIR						10										10
JOHN DALTON									10							10
GEMMA FULFORD						10										10
CHRIS NEWTON								10								10
GARY WOOD									10							10
STEVE BUBB														10		10



**COMBINED OPS**  
**August 11th -12th 2012**  
Headcorn Airfield, Kent

The Club, at what has now become an annual event, organises and runs the public car parks for the Invicta Military Vehicle Preservation Society Show (IMPS) weekend at Headcorn Aerodrome which this year was on 13th and 14th August 2011.

New Club members may well ask what has this to do with the MMKMC - well it is quite simple in that the Headcorn Aerodrome owner, Jamie Freeman, allows our Club to run its very successful series of Grass Autotests at the Aerodrome and as a "thank you" the Club organises and operates the public car parks for this annual Combined Ops event.

The setting out of the parking areas started this year on the Monday before the event when Bruce Jenkins and Lyle Cathcart met up to commence the marking out of the parking areas in the three adjacent fields. As we have now been involved in this operation for several years we learn a bit more each year and now leave the principle setting out coloured posts permanently around the perimeter of the three fields. This cuts down the amount of accurate setting out needed each year, but it still takes a couple of days of fairly hard work putting in all the intermediate chestnut posts with a weighty post rammer ! Needless to say regular "tea breaks" are taken during the working days. On the Friday immediately before the event we do all the directional signage and finalise the taping of the enclosures. This year we were also assisted by Roy Nicholls who was appointed tractor driver and spent the day mowing the front lines of the parking bays, and a good job he made of it, despite complaining about the tractor !

A skeleton team of members manned the car parks from about 7.00am when the first of those who go parachuting, their followers and those who take part in the many other activities that are held on the aerodrome, arrive. The main party of club member marshals arrived from 9.00am and after a briefing by Bruce were allocated their shifts, show passes and free meal tickets. Once their shifts were complete they were free to visit the Combined Ops event on the main aerodrome. On the Saturday among the other attractions, members were treated to wonderful flying display by the Lancaster of the Memorial Flight as well as a fly past by the Red Arrows. Unfortunately this was not repeated on the Sunday but a display by a Spitfire and other aircraft did take place. It is quite an eye opener (and also alarming) when operating these car parks, to find that many members of the public have absolutely no idea how to park or position the vehicle they are driving.

On Saturday we parked about 900 vehicles with about double this number on the Sun-



day and all appeared to run very smoothly thanks to our member marshals to whom we are extremely indebted and thank them for helping the Club with this event. Of particular note was Royston Carey bedecked in shorts running up and down the lines keeping the public to our lines. A special thank you must also go to Helen and Des Crocker who helped on both days and did a number of double shifts to cover the short fall we had in numbers on the Sunday. We must also thank Emma and Richard Olsen for looking after things on the night shift even if they did complain about being woken too early in the morning.

With the parking duties finished by just after 6.00pm on the Sunday it was an early finish for Bruce & Lyle who decided to leave the final clearing up until the following morning when they were assisted by Roy Nicholls and had all the fields ready for the return of the sheep within a couple of hours - so another successful

day completed.

The members and friends who helped were:-

**Royston & Alison Carey, Tim Cathcart, Des & Helen Crocker, David Feakes, David Fleck, Andy Gibson, Caroline Jenkins, Andy Jenner, Mike Jordan, Dave & Ken Johnson, Ken Kimber, Roy Nicholls, Richard & Emma Olsen, Jim Pullar, Roy Rayner, Brian & Robert Sharpe, Tom Solomon, Hugh & Ann Thompson, Tom Thompson, Paul Thornton & friend, Dennis Usmar & friends.**

Next years event will be held on **11th and 12th August 2012** so please put this date in your diary and come along and help - the more club volunteers the easier it is for all and it is a small amount of time to give up when you consider the superb venue we have for our grass autotests.

**LC & BAJ**  
September 2011



# MAIDSTONE & MID KENT MOTOR CLUB LIMITED



## Fixture List 2012

Event	Date
Scatter	19 <sup>th</sup> January
Awards Dinner	25 <sup>th</sup> February
Scatter	22 <sup>nd</sup> March
Tyrwhitt Drake Car Trial	1st April
Autotest Training Day	29 <sup>th</sup> April
Evening Autotest	2 <sup>nd</sup> May
Evening Autotest	9 <sup>th</sup> May
Annual General Meeting	15 <sup>th</sup> May
Evening Autotest	23 <sup>rd</sup> May
Evening Autotest	6 <sup>th</sup> June
Kent Driver Autotest	16 <sup>th</sup> June (provisional)
Evening Autotest	20 <sup>th</sup> June
Mult Venue Autotest	22 <sup>nd</sup> June
Evening Autotest	4 <sup>th</sup> July
Evening Autotest	18 <sup>th</sup> July
Evening Autotest	8 <sup>th</sup> August
Combined OPS Show (IMPS)	18 <sup>th</sup> & 19 <sup>th</sup> August
Evening Autotest	22 <sup>nd</sup> August
Wings Autotest	2 <sup>nd</sup> September
Autosolo	7 <sup>th</sup> October
Scatter	15 <sup>th</sup> November
Brian Lewis Car Trial	18 <sup>th</sup> November
Christmas Party	4 <sup>th</sup> December

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## MAIDSTONE & MID KENT MOTOR CLUB Ltd.

### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM 2011

I wish to become a Full / Family member of the Maidstone & Mid Kent Motor Club Limited and undertake to abide by the Rules of the Club.

PLEASE COMPLETE IN BLOCK CAPITALS

Class of membership: Full (individual) [1] / Family [2], see below.

Full Name [1] Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms	
Full Name(s) [2] (additional members) Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms	
Full Address, and postcode.	
Occupation	
Age (if under 18)	
Home Tel No	
Work/Mobile	
eMail address	
Competition Vehicles Owned	

Motor Sport Interests / Successes / Activities	
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Would you like to organise or assist with the following – indicate with Organise, Assist, Compete, Spectate, as applicable :

Autotests		Stage Rallies	
Production Car Trials		Club Magazine	
Sporting Trials		Club records/archives	
Speed events		Club equipment	
Road Rallies/Scatters		Social Activities	

Signed:

[1] ..... [2] .....

I enclose £15.00 annual Full Membership fee, and a further £7.00 [each] for Family Membership – for Spouse, Partner, Sons & Daughters resident at Full Members address only – all mailings of Kent Driver, etc, to the Full Member only.

[All memberships are renewable each 1<sup>st</sup> January]  
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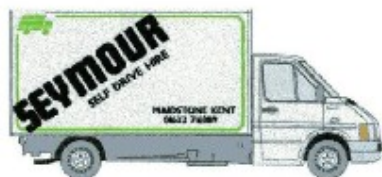
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