

Welcome to THE EXHAUST - EDMC News Letter

2018 - 70th Anniversary of the Motor club

Club Calendar

November 2018

Fri 2 nd Sat 3 rd	Motorsport Days Live
Sat 3 rd	Neil Howard Memorial Stages
Sun 4 th	Camel Classic Trials
Sun 4 th	Malton Forest Rally
Tue 6 th	Natter Night - at the Royal Oak, Main Street, Watnall – starts at 20:00hrs. Check the website for more details. TABLE TOP RALLY – free for all – score points in club championships !
Fri 9 th Sat 10 th	Poker Stars Rally IoM (tbc)
Sat 10 th	Wydean Forest Stages Rally
Sun 18 th	Hardy Classic Trials
Sun 18 th	Cadwell Park Stages Rally
Sat 24 th	Hall Trophy Stages Rally
Sun 25 th	Allen Classic Trials and Neil Wescott Classic Trials
Mon 26 th	Committee Night – usual venue

December 2018

Sat 1 st	Grizedale Stages Rally
Sat 1 st Sun 2 nd	Rockingham Stages Rally
Tue 4 th	Natter Night at the Royal Oak, Main Street, Watnall – 20:00hrs – Xmas Party free buffet and motorsport photo quiz
Mon 17 th	Committee Night– usual pub venue details HERE
Sat 29 th	Turkey Run Stages Rally

“links” are set into this calendar – when reading via your PC, Tablet or Mobile Phone, you will be able to click the “links” to enable you to “hyperlink”/jump to more details on a specific website. (Just hover your mouse over the text and see if something “appears” to show it is a hyperlink.)

And if YOU have anything to add in to the Club Diary – please let us know.

FOR FULL CALENDAR / DATES – PLEASE GO TO THE CLUB WEBSITE

<http://www.eastwoodmotorclub.co.uk/calendar.html>

If you know of anything you want to tell us about in the Calendar, just drop an email to secretary@eastwoodmotorclub.co.uk

Secretary Update

Next Club Natter – **Tuesday 6th November 2018 at The Royal Oak, Main Road, Watnall**
see the [website](#) for details

First things first, after the AGM at the October Meeting, we saw a few changes to roles – so an idea time to refresh all on who does what over the next 12 months....

President	Richard Hickman
Chairman	John Hickling
Vice Chairman	Steve Gozzard
Treasurer	Charlie Knifton
Secretary	Mark Wagstaff
Competition Secretary	Lee Sellars
Chief Marshal	Martin Freeman
Newsletter Editors	John & Sandra Hickling
Webmaster	Martin Freeman
PR Officer	Martin Freeman
Awards Secretary	Sandra Hickling
EMAMC Delegates	Geoff Moss & John Hickling
ANEMMC Delegates	John & Sandra Hickling
ANCC Delegates	Steve Gozzard & Ade Drury
ACTC Delegates	Steve Gozzard & Charlie Knifton
Child Protection	Lee Sellars
Auditor	Malcolm Young
Membership Sect	Paul Davis
Directors	Simon Naylor, Ade Drury, Paul Davis, Lee Sellars, Sandra Hickling, Martin Freeman, Steve Gozzard

The 'new' club website launch is only a week or so away and promises to be a great fresh look with online membership/s, Club Clothing section, and much better photo gallery layouts – and importantly, will work 100% with PC, laptop, Tablet or mobile phone screens !

So watch out on the Facebook site for the news!

Last month saw the running of the excellent Harold Palin Memorial Stages – not far off a full entry saw a full 8 stages through the day with minimal hiccups and smiles all round from crews & Marshals alike.

Marshalling was very tight – Martin managed to get the numbers in the end but for future events, we really need to see YOU and YOUR MATES coming too; let's get your mates coming to the Natters where we can walk them through the very easy MSA Marshalling Online learning, get them through it and they will have the very natty MSA tabard, flask, pens, whistle etc. Plus the vital MSA licence. And we can get you and them much more involved and close to the real action in the stages!

The website has the final results to view/download from the event.

Regretfully time has sped by before the Skittles & Ten Pin Bowling evenings could be sorted – but we still have the **TABLE TOP RALLY at the November Natter Night** which will count for points in both the Clubsport and the All-rounders Tables.

To take part in the Table Top Rally, you will need 2-3 persons per “crew” – two maps this time map OS118 and OS119 plus a few pencils, a romer, a rubber and a watch. I supply the time cards and all the instructions.

Just map references this time - a good old simple plot and thrash !

Starts from 20:00hrs, just turn up, get ready and “book into” the MTC1 control (me) and away you go. Previous ones have shown that if you bring along a torch or head torch it might help if the room lights are not bright enough for your eyes.

The two maps can be a few editions back in time (so no need to be 100% brand new) but brown sepia versions will be too old (Ade!!). I’m sure that everyone in a rally club has a 118 and 119 map. Somewhere !

And of course the usual Xmas Party Buffet and Wagstaff Motorsport Photo Quiz – all free – on the December Natter Night. When we will also have visiting us the MSA Regional Development Officer (RDO) – Ian – who wants to meet us all, have a chat about what he does and what he can help our club with in the future.

See you at the Natter then – remember your Table Top Rally gear and get some vital points in the club tables.

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Club Clothing

Have YOU got yours yet. Get “in” with the Club spirit and get a new Sweatshirt or Polo Shirt or Jacket.

All very practical and good looking – See the club website and catch Rick Hickman asap!

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Result of last month’s photo ..
...taken by me on my last holiday! Who and where (exactly!)

Geoff Moss was exactly correct its Fangio at the Rascasse corner ... that Porsche in the background is about to go into the area where the Pit Lane is for the F1 race.

And -- Just to get you into the Motorsport Photo Quiz mood in readiness for December Natter – have a go at this quiz.

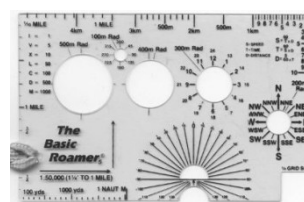
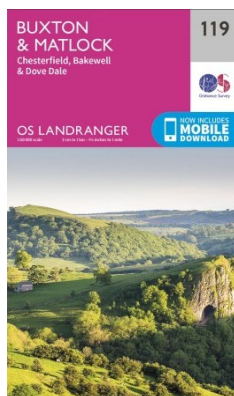
How many famous cars can you spot and name the TV or film they appeared in!



NOVEMBER NATTER NIGHT – TABLE TOP RALLY – Maps 118 and 119 required

Free to enter + a “crew” can consist of 1 to 3 max persons + will score points in the Clubsport

and All Rounders Championships + just map references this time – just need to plot a bit quicker as well as accurately in order to win !



Competition Secretary

October saw a very successful Harold Paling with a good number of Eastwood competitors Pete Kettle, 3rd o/a 3rd in class, Lee / Sean Sellars, 28th o/a 4th in class, Dean Hickling /Geoff Moss first time out in their new Subaru 15th o/a 7th in class ,Des Moody/Ian Haynes first time out in their newly built car they had a little miss hap on ss1 but carried on to finish 41st o/a 12th in class ,Lee/Louise Allan 19th o/a 9th in class, Stephen/Joe Oade retired clutch , Daniel/Charlie Knifton 1st time out as a co driver retired hit something hard, but big thanks to Charlie he jumped into the equipment van and helped turn the stages round ,Mark Coulton /Martin Auskerin retired last stage driveshaft, sorry if I have missed anyone

We have also had members Nathan Marriott on the Trackrod and Adrian Ranbo Drury finished the Cheviot staged well done to everyone , don't forget check the website for those updated points and if there are any queries please get in touch asap the latest you can claim points is on 20th December ,so please keep sending me those claims'

Don't forget that you can improve your points standing by sending in a report of your adventures – a short paragraph or a full story with pictures, get it in and additional points will be allocated .

If you want to claim points I am also happy for you to catch me at natter night and let me have the details.

You can find all these things on our Club Website – www.eastwoodmotorclub.co.uk

EDMC Championships – Rules

EDMC Championships – Points Claimed

Event Information

TROPHIES please start and return them so i can get them sorted for the Awards Presentation



*The **E**astwood & District Motor Club*

68th Annual
Awards Presentation
and Buffet
Saturday 19th January 2019

Membership Secretary

Membership News. First of all, a big thank you to all of those of you who turned out to support the karting evening. It took quite a bit of effort and cajoling to get the event moving, but ultimately it was well attended. In fact I had a rush of late entries giving me a total of 19 potential drivers and as I had only booked for a potential 12, (which was the minimum the circuit would take to guarantee exclusive use) I thought I had better let them know. Turns out that their insurance only covered them for a maximum of 16 karts on the track at any one time so I had to disappoint three people, one of which was myself. Had I had more prior knowledge of the numbers likely to attend, then I could have booked a different type of event which would have given every one the opportunity to drive with a little more track time. The message, as Fred Pontin always used to say, is book early. (How many of you remember the advert?)

The event appears to have been well received and there were certainly a lot of smiley faces from those taking part and lots of "ifs and but tales" about how people could have driven much quicker – yeah right – the result tell the story.

Looking to do another event in a few months time so watch this space.

As we are approaching year end an early warning that I will be approaching you to renew your membership. In fact it would be easier and better if you were so keen to approach me direct without having to be prompted. New Club cards for 2019 year are being ordered and should be available for early November.

The karting evening and especially the Fulbeck rally brought in some additional club members and the total membership now stands at 79, but unfortunately, it is well down on the numbers that used to be in the Club when I first joined in the late 80's. How to increase the membership and encourage new members, particularly young members, is a regular discussion point amongst the Club's Directors.

Which leads me nicely into the Club's recent AGM which was attended by approx 20 – 25 members. This is a real opportunity for Club members to have an input into the running of the Club, to provide feed back and ask questions about what the Club does, and provide an opportunity for those that wish to stand for one of the Directors or Officer roles available. Each year the existing Officers have to stand down and be re elected – it is perhaps a little disappointing that in recent years there has been no major changes in the faces of the people attending the monthly Committee meetings – is it because you feel that the existing officers are doing such a good job or that you are happy to just have a membership card and leave the running of the Club to others. Ultimately, the Club is only as strong as the willingness of the members to support it. Several of the Club Directors hold several roles and I am sure that they would be happy to relinquish some of those roles to willing volunteers. I look forward to receiving your nominations next October 😊

Paul Davis

Watch out for more details on the website.

MEMBERS CORNER

Trackrod Marriott mutterings.

Firstly thanks to all the marshals that were on the event so that we could have a play. Andy Smith, Tony Jones, Roy Bell and Richard Ashton for the ones i came across personally. Richard Hickman for the encouraging arm waving at j22 on stage 6. Did you find our back box??

Thanks to Steve Chaney-North, Gregg Langton, James Ackroyd, Nathan Govier, Jake and Dan for the service support and banter that was off the wall again. Thanks to Baz Wheeler and John Pickavance for the constant support through the year and not to forget my pilot. Lee Ashberry ☐

Friday night. Was really looking forward to having a push after the last minute issues we had when preparing the car. While spanner checking and cursory glance over the engine, we noticed that the cam belt had a split in it and Lee was immediately on the phone to the engine builder to see what they could do to help, unfortunately they were too busy to come out but said if we could get the car to them they would change it FOC. So off I was despatched in the transit with the rally car on the trailer to take the car back to Sherwoods in Cambridgeshire, on the night before the rally.....nothing like last minute.

But, I cocked up, big time I got lost on the notes and not a mile into the stage we were well off. Thanks to Dave Hemingway and his mates for the push out, the off knocked the front tyre off the rim and had to stop but further up the road and change it. So dropped so much time. Felt shit for the rest of the evening, But the best interview ever with Matt Cotton was given by Lee had us all in stitches in the pub later.....

Saturday. Stage 2 Cropton, excellent stage. Both on it. Bit too much as an overshoot on a junction but no issues, reversed out and back on it. Great stage time and fast flowing stages but little rough in places. Even turned down cake from Bex Hinton.....I was promised some at the finish but she never showed up lol.

Stage 3 Gale Rigg, not as good as had overshoot on junction but still reasonable time, rough in places. Got into Regroup and could hear a funny noise from the back but it went away and then in service heard it again, transpired the buzz gun had come loose and was whirring round and the socket was rattling against the body. ☐

Stage 4 Dalby South, was bloody rough in places. Not overly keen.

Stage 5, Staningdale, on 6R close to finish we had an excursion into the undergrowth, and we both thought we were going over as the car was well up on 2 wheels but a moss covered fallen tree stopped the slide and helped drop us back onto wheels, thankfully. But picked up another puncture for the next half mile to stage finish made for interesting handling.....

Stage 6, Langdale. On it was understatement. Proper charge, everything felt right then all of a sudden the car note changed. The exhaust was so loud, thought it was blowing until we got to end of stage and we had lost the back box completely....oops. Steady run back to MTC 8. Short shifting to minimise the noise. So that was it rally over, another finish. 32nd overall. Coulda woulda shoulda been a lot higher as looking at the times was setting top 20 Stage times. But hey ho. Shit happens ☐

Unfortunately that will be my last UK event for a while as I have returned back to the Middle East for work and although I have really enjoyed the MSA BHRC this year I can't justify the additional costs to come home, 2 days travel to get back to the UK from where I work and to do it in reverse when I return and pay for the entry fees/pace notes etc to do the events, which is a shame but that's life at times.

P.S Anyone interested in an AP1 - C20XE, freshly built, done 2 events, comes with all the bits to drop straight in a RWD car and also comes with 5 speed dog box? Plans are afoot for a return to the driving seat but not in this current configuration.....



Marriott mutterings. First time

As most of you know I am now based in Oman with work. Returning to finish the final rounds of the British Historic Rally Championship with Lee Ashberry, but I so wanted a driving fix so started making enquiries at the Oman Automobile Association about competing over here.

Eventually I got someone to talk sense when I returned to Oman and having a day to kill before RAFO flight back to Masirah, after doing the final round of the BHRC, Trackrod Rally. I just rocked up and basically sat in the office of the director for the OAA and got some answers. This lead to me being able to hire a car and get my "fix"

So where do I start with the rally of firsts...

1. first time rallying LHD,
2. first time back driving a front wheel scrapper for 9 years,
3. first time making my own pace notes from scratch
4. first time rallying in Middle East

Can add another first to that, I won my first trophy as a driver ☐☐

The recce was interesting. Got handed a "road book" with approximately 7 pages in it and a not very clear map that was upside down compared to google maps. Not much to go at and then had free reign on the stages. Could do as many passes as want but chose to do 2 as most events allow to get used to the format. Bearing in mind these roads were "public roads" to access small holdings and the odd little farm on the route. So had to be careful of oncoming traffic. And the Omani's are not known for their driving abilities.....read into that as to will.

So the hire car was a Toyota Yaris "cup car" built for the youth championship back in 2013, capable little car which was a surprise, handled really well and had few characteristics of my old 205 GTi. Was well built but very underpowered for its little engine. But made do and used all of the "power band"

Onto the rally:

Stage 1. 16.5 km of a mixture of Wadi hugging tight twisty roads, to massive climb up the side of the mountain with switch backs and steep climbs between each bend (bit like the Pikes Peak hill climb in Colorado) and a Wadi crossing where there were some big rocks, the stage was mixture of surfaces, compact bed rock and loose marbly bits where just being on the wrong line sent you sliding. After 8 4wd (Group A/N - Impreza's and Evo's) and 15 T3 buggies the stage had started to cut up in places and some big rocks had appeared that weren't on the recce, smacked one of these pretty hard at a junction and pitched the car into the air, carried on but made mental note of said rock and to check car at the end of the stage. Really struggled up the side of the mountain, 1st gear was too short and changed to 2nd and it bogged down, few more horses would have helped here. But set the pace for the class, coming out in the lead, 3 seconds up. Back to checking the car, had damaged the sidewall on the front tyre so in the regroup changed it.

Stage 2. 12.9 km. basically a run back the opposite way to stage 1 without the Wadi crossing. And more open and flowing at the start. Good stage, few cars off this stage on the blind crests which slowed you down with the mental aspect. I had a fairly large moment moment, chucked the car in on a roughish 90R downhill, got bit out of shape, pitched the car on 2 wheels and thought she was digging in Thankfully it didn't, back end slid round and dropped back into its wheels. As the car had spun round it stalled. Lost 15/20 seconds while getting restarted and back on track, but that knocked my confidence in myself, remember the steep uphill on stage

1..... had to come down that, so elected to go steady, probably bit too steady. Lost the class lead by a lot....□

Stage 3. Repeat of stage 1, but so much rougher, picking way round rocks and just being cautious to not damage the car. Was really cutting up in places, but ploughed on. Felt a lot faster, to my dismay that we were slower on the clock. How.....?? But missed the big rock.

Stage 4. Repeat of stage 2. Felt happier with the car and how it handled, had few proper big slides which made me chuckle. Especially over flying finish. Found my pace, was 3 seconds down on stage to class leader. Which all in all not a bad time, slower than 2 but only by 3 seconds. Some parts of the stage the ruts were almost big enough to swallow the poor little Yaris up. So had to pick a line and hope she skated over the top of them. A lot like Sherwood Forest did when we used to run that.

Got a finish and to my surprise was 5th overall, 2nd in class. And there were trophies for the first 5, get in. Happy boy me.

Round 2 is on 30/11, where I'm hoping to improve on this event. And push little more.

