

**SELBY AND DISTRICT MOTOR CLUB
NEWSLETTER
1999**



Photo is of Charlie Gabb and Jon Riley copeting in Dalby forest last year in their Sierra Cosworth.

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CLUBHOUSE LOCATION The Clubhouse, Sands Lane, Brighton near Bubwith, York YO8 7DJ. Map ref. 105 or 106/717345 and a map appears in the newsletter. Club nights are from 20.30 hrs. every Friday **unless** notified otherwise in this newsletter.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FOR ANYONE UNABLE TO GET TO THE CLUBHOUSE

If you would like to join our club the rates are: £10.00 for full membership and £12.00 for joint membership (one newsletter to one address). However after the 1st June membership rates until the year end on the 30th September are halved.

If you are interested or if you are rejoining then fill in the Membership application form below and send it to Clive Smith the Treasurer whose address is as above. The name and address entered will be used for sending you your club information and may be stored in computer held records, in accordance with the Data Protection Act. You may object to this method of storage, please indicate below if you object).

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Please also sign this declaration.

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If joining at the clubhouse, insert name of proposer here.....

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NEWSLETTER JULY 1999

Welcome to new members

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

MOST OF THESE DATES ARE TAKEN FROM THE ANCC AND THE ANEMMC YEARBOOKS AND MAY BE SPECULATIVE.

- 18th June** Meeting to organise the Three Swans Road Rally. This event will not run without **YOUR** assistance. Please bear in mind that if you get some pleasure from spectating on events then please make sure they continue to run by helping out in some way to organise our own event.
- 19th June** Workparty at the clubhouse including a Pie and Peas lunch to **YOU** good people that give us a hand.
- 19th June Dukeries Stage Rally and they have asked us to provide a band of marshals.
19/20th June Garstang/Preston Gordon Musgrove Road Rally.
19/20th June Stockport Multi Use SMC Stages.
20th June Autotest by Huddersfield MC in the Larkspeed League.
- 25th June** Remote Control Autotest by Eric Lawrenson.
- 25-27th June Marshalling on the Belgian Ypres Rally, full details inside.
26/27th June Seven Dales Road Rally, EMAMC Road Rally Championship.
26/27th June South Bank Multi Use Stage Rally at Cadwell Park.
26th June Clitheroe Silva Multi Use Stage Rally.
1st July BEVERLEY & DMC Treasure Hunt by Ian Gibbins. Ring him on 01482 864092 for further details.
- 2nd July** Treasure Hunt by Jon Riley. Committee meeting also? In which case this has to be the deadline for articles to be included in the newsletter for it to be sent out promptly.
- 3rd July Delacy's Binbrook Stages Rally (113/184956^{1/2}). Marshals required.
3rd July Harewood Hillclimb MSA Championship.
2nd /5th July Seat Jim Clark Memorial Rally running on closed roads in the Duns area. Marshals required. Contact andy.nicholls@jcmr.u-net.com (01665 578409).
4th July Harewood Hillclimb MSA Championship.
- 9th July** Noggin and Natter.
- 11th July** Armstrong Massey Rally by Beverley DMC in the Larkspeed League offering 62 stage miles for £175. The regulations for this event are out and if you cannot get hold of a paper copy they are available on the internet at <http://www.geocities.com/MotorCity/Garage/1864> It is possible to enter the event via the internet and Beverley are claiming they are the first event to offer this facility.
- 17/18th July Drystone Road Rally, EMAMC Road Rally Championship.
25th July PCT organised by Ilkley MC in the Larkspeed League.
24th July Slaithwaite Opposite Lock Multi Use Stage Rally at Manby.
24th July Knutsford Plains Stage Rally.
24/25th July Eden Valley Westmoreland Road Rally in Cumbria.

29th July Beverley & DMC Treasure Hunt organised by Graeme Potter. Ring him on 01482 708790 for further details.

6th August Committee Meeting. This has to be the deadline for articles to be included in the newsletter for it to be sent out promptly.

7th August North Humberside Multi Use Stages.

7/8th August Ripon's St. Wilfreds Road Rally, starting and finishing at the Motorlodge, Ripon. EMAMC Road Rally Championship. **Marshals required.**

8th August Horsfall Trophy Autotest by YSCC in the **Larkspeed League.**

8th August Harewood Hillclimb Montague Burton Trophy.

13th August Possible AGM date. Lets discuss family memberships/junior members.

14/15th August Knowldale Ty Croes Stage Rally

21st August Carlton & District Multi User Stages on Manby

3rd August Committee Meeting. This has to be the deadline for articles to be included in the newsletter for it to be sent out promptly.

30th Aug Malton Motor Club Summer Social. Further details TBA.

4th Sept Sprint by York MC in the **Larkspeed League.**

4/5th Sept Sheffield & Hallamshire Rally of the Dams, EMAMC Road Rally Championship. Maps 110/9.

5th September Lincs/Louth Mad Video Stages at Swinderby

11th September Bury Torqueback Stage Rally.

11th Sept Harewood Hillclimb September Open.

12th Sept Harewood Hillclimb Championship Finals.

Sept /early Oct Reserve Rally by Trackrod in the **Larkspeed League.**

1st October Committee Meeting. This has to be the deadline for articles to be included in the newsletter for it to be sent out promptly.

2nd October Eastwood MC Multi Use stages on Manby.

3rd October De Lacy Multi Use Stage Rally.

7th October Beverley & DMC 12 Car Rally organised by Mike Petch. Ring him on 01482 446539 for further details.

9/10th Oct The Three Swans Road Rally by Selby and District Motor Club.

Clerk of Course: Ben Lawrenson. ANCCRRC & ANEMMCRRRC.

15-17th Oct. 2300 club Tour of Mull Stage Rally.

17th Oct High Moor 3 Sisters Multi Use Stages.

24th Oct Dukeries Premier Stage Rally.

24th Oct Morecambe Hi Di Hi - Haverigg Multi Use Stages.

28th October Beverley & DMC 12 Car Rally organised by Ian Gibbins. Ring him on 01482 864092 for further details.

30/31st Oct Stockton Teeside Trophy Road Rally.

5th Nov Committee Meeting. This has to be the deadline for articles to be included in the newsletter for it to be sent out promptly.

6/7th November Eastwood Cossack Road Rally.

7th November Wigan & District Pro Tec Multi Use Stage Rally at Flookburgh.

13th November Larkspeed League prize giving and disco at the Parkside Hotel in Pontefract on Saturday.
 18th November Beverley & DMC 12 Car Rally organised by Matthew Atkinson. Ring him on 01482 876400 for further details.
 20th-23rd Dec Network Q Rally.

27th Nov PLEASE COME TO THE SELBY & DISTRICT MOTOR CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY AND ANNUAL PRIZE GIVING TO BE HELD AT THE POACHERS INN IN BRIGHTON. PARTNERS ARE MORE THAN WELCOME AND A COPY OF THE MENU IS PUBLISHED IN THIS NEWSLETTER. A DEPOSIT OF £10 / PERSON WILL BE REQUIRED TO CONFIRM A RESERVATION. PLEASE DO IT NOW BEFORE YOU FORGET AS THERE ARE ONLY A LIMITED NUMBER OF PLACES AVAILABLE.

27/28th Nov Beverley Beaver Road Rally.
 4/5th December South Bank Cadwell Park Multi Use Stage Rally.
 16th December North Humberside Quiz. Ring 01377 270888 for further details.
 27th December Northallerton Christmas Stages.
 27th December Bolton Le Moors Multi Use Neil Howard Rally - Park Hall

MARSHALS REQUIRED

We receive requests for marshalling assistance from various clubs. If you want to get involved and get some experience that may stand you in good stead when you start competing then please get in touch with Alastair Crosby our Chief Marshal. Events that we currently have been asked to help on are:

19th June Dukeries Stage Rally.
 3rd July Delacy's Binbrook Stages Rally.
 2nd /5th July Seat Jim Clark Memorial Rally..
 7/8th August Ripon's St. Wilfreds Road Rally.

REPORTS OF PAST EVENTS

Reports awaited and remember you won't get points for organising if you don't complete a report!!

20/21 st March	Old Mill Autos Pennine Road Rally	Alastair Crosby, Neill Carman.
26 th March	Navigational Scatter organised	Richard Glew.
Easter	Circuit of Ireland Rally	Ben, Clive and all
10/11 th April	Tour of Lincs.	Gavin Smith and Richard Glew.
17/18 th April	GK Derbyshire Road Rally.	Gavin Smith, Mike Ogram, Ben or Alistair.
25 th April	Trackrod Lookout Ridings Melbourne.	Miles Taylor, Jon Riley, Tim Elcock & Neill Carman
14 th May	Treasure Hunt	Ben Lawrenson, Jon and Ann Riley.
21 st May	Picture Quiz	John Roberts or Alastair Crosby.
23 rd May	Bloodhound Stages on Swinderby.	Clive Smith and Neill Carman who finished 12th, Mike Smith, Guy Gladwin who remodelled their Mini, and Gavin who decided to do a redesign of his Lada's Pistons during the event.
28th May	Motorsport Quiz by Alastair Crosby not run.	

A Picture Quiz by Ralph Jackson on the 11th June.

This event attracted eight entries including Ben Lawrenson, John Roberts, Bill Steels, Gavin Smith, Richard Glew, Mike Collins and Alistair Crosby. The questions were posed on black and white press photos of the late 1980's. The quiz was won by Richard Glew who showed superior knowledge of that period and no Richard you didn't gain by answering every question with David Metcalfe, you only got one extra point thru it. One of our newest members Mike Collins showed that he has a good knowledge from that time. As for

Alastair Crosby I can only think that his mum must have told him of racing and rallying in the eighties when he was in his cradle. Results were as below:

1 st	Richard Glew	21	4=	Dave Haynes	7
2=	Alastair Crosby	12	6 th	Gavin Smith	2
2=	Mike Collins	12	7=	Ben Lawrenson	1
4=	John Roberts	7	7=	Bill Steels	1

Report by Ralph Jackson.

12th June John Overend Memorial Stage Rally on Manby by North Humberside in the **Larkspeed League**.

13th June Harewood Hillclimb Jim Thomson Trophy.

EDITIONS OF LOCAL ORDNANCE SURVEY MAPS.

Information correct at 8/3/99.

Map Number.	Edition	Last updated.
98	A2	16/2/95
99	C	22/7/98
100	C	19/8/97
101	C	26/9/96
104	C	2/6/98
105	B2	18/2/98
106	B3	18/12/95
107	B1	28/9/95

BREIGHTON

Brighton Airfield isn't that prominent in most peoples minds, in fact most would say 'where's Brighton', however it does occasionally get into the spotlight, sometimes for good reasons, some for bad ones. As I write this article, today's Evening Press reported the theft of a F3 racing car valued at around £100,000 and bringing the racing career of it's owner to a very abrupt and unwanted end. The early evening news also featured an 82 year old lady doing aerobatics from the airfield for the purpose of raising funds for a charity - very brave at any age, let alone 82!

Brighton has been the home of Selby and District Motor Club since 1969 when we rented an ex RAF building. The building, together with a substantial piece of surrounding land was purchased by the club during the early 1980's. Ownership of the clubhouse gave the members the incentive to convert, improve and modernise the building and it's facilities by an ongoing process over the years resulting in the clubhouse we know today.

So what was happening at Brighton before Selby and District Motor Club arrived to take up residence?

Imagine going back to 1939, (horrifying thought, that was my birth year), the war with Germany had broken out and there was an urgent need for airfields to house both fighter and bomber squadrons to protect us from a take over by Hitler.

Many airfields quickly emerged particularly in the Eastern half of Yorkshire, one of these been Brighton which was officially opened in the January of 1942. Brighton was built as a bomber station with 3 runways in star fashion, the remnants of which can still be seen on the ground and also on OS sheet 105. A perimeter track encircled the airfield, passing within a few feet of what was to become our clubhouse.

Within days of the airfield opening, the first squadron of twin engined Wellington Mark VI bombers arrived from Huntindonshire. 460 Squadron's first operation was on the night of 12/13th March 1942 when 5 Wellington's went to bomb Emden. 460 Squadron was to become one of the RAF's premier outfits dropping a greater weight of bombs than any other unit. Unfortunately the cost of this was that they would suffer some of the highest casualties, losing around 100 aircrew over the next few months. The first of the casualties involved an all Australian crew and was on the night of 28/29th April when one of the Wellingtons was shot down during a raid on Kiel.

Later in 1942, 460 Conversion Flight was formed to convert the squadron from Wellingtons to the heavy bombers, namely the much larger Halifax. The Conversion Flight soon moved to the airfield at Holme-on Spalding Moor and quickly found that the then new Lancasters would replace the Halifaxes. So, with 460 squadron now flying Lancasters, they made their first operational flight in November. The squadron lost it's first Lancaster during a raid on Stuttgart, three of it's crew evaded capture, the others becoming POW's.

The next disaster for the squadron came on 4/5th January 1943 when all seven of the Lancaster crew were lost during a raid on Essen. Two weeks later, following a raid on Berlin, one of the Lancasters ran out of fuel and was abandoned over Flamborough. Just two nights later, a night fighter downed one of the squadron Flight Commander's aircraft over Holland after a raid on Dusseldorf.

The situation was to get even worse, in just a few short weeks between 26th March and 5th May, 460 squadron lost 12 Lancasters and all 84 crew members. Interestingly, one Lancaster delivered to 460 squadron on 22nd October 1942 was to survive 90 missions before being donated to the people of Australia where it now resides in the War Museum in Canberra.

The airfield at Brighton belonged to No.1 Group which comprised mainly of Lincolnshire airfields, and on 14th May 1943, 460 squadron moved to the Lincolnshire airfield at Binbrook and Brighton was transferred to No.4 Group.

On 16th June 1943, number 78 squadron moved from Linton on Ouse to Brighton.

Watch this space for more of what was going on at Brighton over 50 years ago and some of the exploits of 78 squadron.

Information for this article has been obtained from the book 'Yorkshire Airfields in the Second World War' by Patrick Otter and has the kind permission of the publishers, Countryside Books of Newbury Berkshire.

Colin Barnes

1999 Larkspeed League

All of the dates for this years forthcoming Championship events are published in each newsletter. If you can help us please do. The club wins money for coming as low as forth on a round and it also wins money for finishing in the top ten at the end of the Championship. More importantly for finishing in the top ten your club gets further prize money and the right to organise an event in the League next year and that guarantees a good number of entries which makes any event viable. It certainly is something that we are short of this year.

You can certainly ask what's in it for me? And the answer is a share out of the clubs winnings with the biggest slice allocated to the person who has scored most points for the club, then the next slice to the second etc.

The current league standings are as below:

Club	ROUNDS 1+2	S&H Sprint	A&P PCT	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	TOTAL	Position
Ilkley	575.3	133.3	301.4									1010	1
S&H	215.6	254.5	255									725.1	2
Hudds	195.8	150.8	144.3									490.9	3
A&P	204.2	76.7	197.9									478.8	4
SEOC	240		230									470	5
YSCC	173.8		194.3									368.1	6
NHMC	233.6		52.2									285.8	7
Alwoodley	215.4	69.8										285.2	8
Beverley	157.4		102.2									259.6	9
Malton	219.2											219.2	10
Selby	76.7											76.7	11
David Brown	0		70									70	12
Otley	5											5	13
York	5											5	14

SELBY AND DISTRICT MOTOR CLUB WEBSITE.

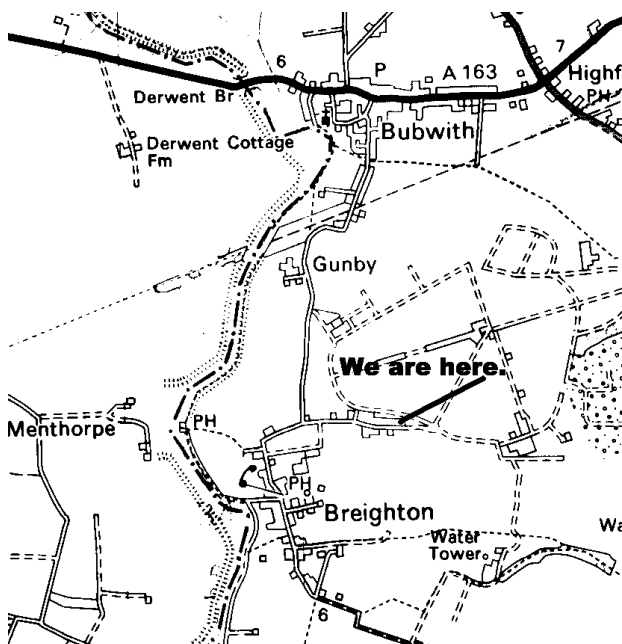
Well it's about time that we caught up with new technology so the other day I got a free site care of Xoom.com, the address is <http://members.xoom.com/selbydmc/> For anyone out there with Internet access it may be an easy way of updating you with what is happening and for people from other clubs or who aren't in a motor club it will be a way to find out about us and get regs. direct. The site is under construction so don't expect to find too much there at the moment but in time it will be perfected.

SELBY AND DISTRICT MOTOR CLUB MERCHANDISE

All of these items are available from behind the bar

COMPETITION NUMBERS EACH DIGIT	50p
PIN BADGE INCLUDING ENAMELLED SELBY & DMC BADGE	£1.55
ENAMELLED SELBY & DMC BADGE ONLY	£1.20

The Motor club doesn't necessarily agree with the content of any of the articles in the newsletter, some of it is put in for fun and some is there to create lively debate.



Clubhouse Location. The Clubhouse is located at map 105 or 106 reference 717345 and has to be approached along a loose track. Go down the track to the premises of Tony Coatesworth which you see on the right hand side and the clubhouse is the next entry on the left.

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1999 SUBS ARE NOW DUE,

If you know of anyone that mentions to you that they don't seem to be receiving a newsletter any more then tell them to get their subs paid as we have from this issue of the newsletter stopped sending newsletters to those members who haven't paid this years subs. If they are certain that they have paid their subs and can't understand why they are not getting their newsletter the explanation is that some subscription monies have been paid into the till and no note was kept of who paid that money in. So when you pay make sure that you fill in a renewal slip. PTO.....

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JUST THINK THIS IS WHERE YOUR SMALL AD (WHICH ARE FREE TO MEMBERS), TRADE AD, OR EVEN ANNOUNCEMENT COULD GO. GIVE THE NEWSLETTER EDITOR A CALL AND MAKE HIS DAY.

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