## WAYFARER

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#### From the Editor's Chair

Ho ho. Michael shows his true colours. Not for the first time does our Mr. Schumacher let slip that he's a Johnny foreigner who, when he thinks he can get away with it, will perpetrate all sorts of nasty underhand sneaky tricks. This time however, with the whole school watching, the headmaster caught him at it and sent him to the back of the class. Serve him jolly well right, I say.

This guy is a supreme driver, whose car control is exceptional. In a straight fight in equal cars he can probably beat or equal the whole grid, so why does he need to do something like that? It's no use saying that he's a racer and always has the need to win. Can you imagine Fangio or Moss, or any of their contemporaries, doing anything as crass? And I think they could race a bit. Had they done so it's my belief they would have been ostracised by their peers, and with good reason. Mr Schumacher is chief honcho of the GPDA for goodness sake (or he was a the time of writing), doesn't he have any in-built sense of fair play? Sadly, exactly the same affliction was present in the otherwise great Ayrton Senna - the need to get one over on the other guy, inside or outside the rules.

The notion of fair play, as I have bemoaned in the past, seems to be rapidly disappearing. When we see cheating and ungentlemanly conduct in snooker and golf, that will signal the end of all sport as we know it, and virtually everything will descend into a dog eat dog scenario. (I know scenario is buzz-speak, but I can't think of a better word). This is not a world I like or want to live in. If you are a public figure it is almost without question that you are receiving a pretty

fair lump of cash to compensate you for the lack of personal privacy which goes with the territory. Along with that there must surely also be some obligation to set a good example. As far as I can tell the adherence to sets of rules of fair play, honour etc. has existed in most societies for thousands of years, if for nothing else than enlightened self interest. So, Michael, own up and say you were wrong. this would do you more good than anything.

After our frantic activity in May with two major events, there is a bit of a lull until our next competition event, the IPB Motors Autocross, a double header on 8th and 9th July. As ill luck would have it I shall be away at the Le Mans Classic to see some proper cars and take in a bit of la belle France, so I won't be able to compete, as I had intended. However, if you get fed up sitting in front of the telly and your car is in a reasonable state (unlike mine) you could always bring it along to our free concours at the Two Brewers on 28th June, a Wednesday evening.

A couple of keen-eyed readers spotted the lack of the "official" MSA newsletter in the last issue. For whatever reason, I didn't get it, and it wasn't on the MSA web site, so not much I could do. I'm please to say that it has arrived this month: it's always worth a read. One of these days I shall be able to answer at least one of the quiz questions!

No photos this month. Anyhitng interesting, send me a copy. Ta.

More ramblings anon.

Geoff Foot

#### **Club Nights**

Club Members meet informally each Wedneday at The Two Brewers, Northaw, Herts. from 9.30 p.m.

#### **Upcoming Events**

Wed 28th June - Concours d'Elegance - Two Brewers 2030 sharp.

Sat/Sun 8/9 July - IPB Motors Autocross - Oakington

Sun 16ht July - Celnik Scatter Trewasure Hunt - 1.30pm



#### Fire extinguishers.

Richard Warne still has a few 5kg extinguishers, mainly dry powder, out of certification date but still OK. **Give-away price of £5.** Ideal for the garage. If you don't have any form of fire extinguisher then buy one of these. It might be the best £5 you ever spend...

#### **Competition Calendar June 2006**

DATE	EVENT	CLUB	AREA	TYPE
07.05.06	Oakington Stages	GBMC/ WAC	Oakington	Tarmac Rally
29.05.06	Millbrook Stages	West Essex CC	Millbrook Beds	Tarmac
11.06.06	Carnival Stages	Sutton & Cheam	Abingdon	Tarmac
17.06.06	Dukeries Rally	Dukeries MC	Nottingham	Forest
17/18.06.06	Midsummer Enduro	Chelmsford MC	East Anglia	Mixed
02.07.06	Essex Charity Stages	Wickford AC	Bradwell	Tarmac/Grave
8/9.07.06	IPB Motors Summer Auto- cross	GBMC	Oakington	Autocross

## Concours d'Elegance

Wednesday 28th June 8.30pm in the Two Brewers' car park.

classes: cars up to 3 years old cars over 3 years old competition cars
Entry fee: nothing, it's free.
Come along and enter on the night.

## **Competition Chat**

#### **Oakington 2006**

Our Hillbilly Oakington Stages went off without a hitch, before I go reminiscing of the days events, a big thanks to the Club members who turned up and helped with the event, it was great to see you there. For those of you who had prior engagements on the 6th/7th May we would welcome the support in October. These events don't just happen.

Richard Todd our Chief Marshal did a tremendous job in getting the number of marshals, they came out of the woodwork. It was good to see Richard & Fran McCarty all the way from deepest Essex, well Mayland, who kept the competitors up to date with their results.

As always Chris Deal had all the paperwork in tip top order. Steering this year's event as Clerk of the Course was Malcolm Wise, unable to secure a course car, went round the course with Gerry Thurlow in Malcolm's Subaru Forester.

Saturday was kind to the Green Belt set up crew, by the time the Wickford crew arrived at Lunch time 90% of the complex tracks were all set up. This year again, Peter Nathan and his team of Marshals took control of the tracks around the complex and did another brilliant job.

Sunday however was a different story: rain. Having just seen the video of the event it was driving in monsoon weather.

Well, how did the Green belt crews perform?

Car 17 was the IPB Motors/ Rapid Car parts Ian Barnard/Martin Gould in Ian's RS2000. Cooling was still a major problem with temperatures going off the scale; the new water system was not working too well. Ian was up to 13th overall up to stage 4 but decided to call it a day and not to destroy the engine, there is always next time.

Car 20 was the Car Spares Escort / Hertford Tyre & Exhaust Zetec powered 1600 Escort of Richard Warne / Steve Tammadge. I managed to get Steve out of retirement and sit next to me for this year's event - our last encounter was probably on the 1982 Mad Hatter Rally.

Tyres were a big problem this year unfortunately we only had slicks, not really suitable for the monsoon weather. After Stage one and a couple of spins the Car Spares Escort was up to 19th overall and 2nd in

class, then it all went down hill. Stage 4 the engine went onto 3 cylinders, wire came off number one injector, soon fixed. Stage 5&6 it was the gearbox turn for both stages the gearbox got stuck in 4th gear around the peri track, not good news, problem no oil, again soon fixed. For Stage 7&8 had to use a pair of road tyres having a puncture with one of the slicks, and lost another mountain of time.

However managed to secure 22nd overall and picked up award for Best Green Belt Member. Finally thanks again to Steve for stepping in at the last minute, I am sure it all came back to you very quickly.

Car 21 was Stuart Simpson in his Escort Cosworth, no real problems encountered and finished 4th in class.

Car 28 in The Ocean Voice & Data Escort RS2000 Simon & Anita Higgs, it is good to see Anita back in the left seat again. After stage 5 Simon was up to 17th overall, then troubles happened - alternator failure and then brake failure, under the conditions still raining just as hard, there was no other option but retirement.

Car 46 Andrew Harris/ Paul Watkins Escort 1300 was having a good day which came to a sudden end on stage 6 when all the electrics went dead, it's not good when you have a burned-out cut-out switch!

The event finished on time at 4.30pm and yes it just stopped raining ready to start the clearing up. Great team effort by the club members, all was packed away by 6.30, another great event.

Finally thanks to Hillbilly Motorsport and our friends from Wickford AC for their support in running this event

#### **GBMC Marshalling Team**

Essex Charity Stages 2nd July, based as usual around the Bradwell on sea area, Green Belt Mc members will be again marshalling this popular event. Interested in seeing the action? - give me a call 01992 302669. Hopefully we will have 5 Green Belt crews out competing on this year's event

#### Millbrook Stages 29th May 2006

We are planning again to marshal on the West Essex Car Club Millbrook Stages on Bank Holiday Monday 29th May. Those of you interested in attending please give me a call. We will of course have our usual spot at the merge. Give me a call on 07715 480228 or see me at club nights

#### Rally School 2006

Our popular Rally School (theory ) is over half way through the sessions at the Two Brewers, it's not too late to join, whether novice, beginner, or you think yourself an expert, or just interested in motorsport, I

am sure you will learn something, give me a ring for details (07715 480228)

#### **IPB Motors Oakington Autocross**

Plans are well in place for this year's 2 Day event at Oakington. Regs should be with this edition of Wayfarer and we look forward to receiving your entry, and if you cannot enter we would love to see you marshalling. Without marshals we have no event.

Big thanks to Ian Barnard and IPB motors for supporting this year's event.

#### **Home Counties Autocross Championship 2006**

We have had a delay in producing this year's championship details, due to a whole raft of problems, moving on we have a championship. Please support the events, Autocross has had a bumpy ride [is there a pun there? - Ed?] a few years back and these type of events were almost extinct. After last year's support on the Two Green Belt events we have turned the corner. We have eight events in this year's championship starting off with the Bournemouth event on 24th June.

I have a supply of registration forms please ask.

This years Calendar consists of::-

Date	Organising Club
24 June	Bournemouth
8 July	Green Belt Motor Club
9 June	Green Belt Motor Club
13 August	Southsea MC
27 August	Witney MC
9/10 Sept	Central Sussex MC
17 Sept	Wickford AC
1 October	Green Belt Motor Club

#### MSA BRITISH RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP

#### 2006 Provisional Calendar of Events

13/14th May - Pirelli International Rally

7/8th July - Jim Clark International Rally

3-5th Aug - Manx International Rally

1/2nd Sept - Ulster International Rally

7th Oct - International Rally Yorkshire

1st-3rd Dec - Wales Rally GB

#### <u>Green Belt Events - 2006 Proposed</u> <u>Dates</u>

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
16th April 2006	North Weald Sprint
7th May 2006	Oakington Stages
21st May 2006	Old Fox Revival T Hunt
28th June	Concours d'Elegance
8th-9th July 2006	Summer Autocross
16th July	Celnik Scatter T Hunt
23rd September	Last Chance Treasure Hunt
1st October 2006	Autumn Autocross
22nd October 2006	Oakington Stages

## The BK Competition Tyres, Ward Construction AEMC Stage Rally Championship

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Date	Event	Club	Venue	Surface									
02.01.06	Longmoor Loco	Sutton & Cheam	Longmoor camp	Tarmac									
05.02.06	Oakington Stages	Middx Cty	Oakington	Tarmac									
04.03.06	Robin Hood	Lindholm MC	Mansfield	Forest									
12.03.06	The Kent Rally	Bexley Light CC	Ashford	Forest									
26.03.06	Mini Tem- pest	Sutton & Cheam	Longcross	Tarmac									
09.04.06	S p r i n g Stages	SCCON	Sculthorp	Tarmac									
16.04.06	Twyford Wood	Mid Derbyshire	Twyford Wood	Gravel/T armac									
07.05.06	Oakington Stages	GBMC/ WAC	Oakington	Tarmac/ Gravel									
29.05.06	Millbrook Stages	West Essex CC	Millbrook Beds	Tarmac									
11.06.06	Carnival Stages	Sutton & Cheam	Abingdon	Tarmac									
17.06.06	Dukeries Stages	Dukeries MC	Mansfield	Forest									
02.07.06	Essex Charity Stages	Wickford AC	Bradwell	Tarmac/ Gravel									
13.08.05	T e m p e s t Rally Sprint	Sutton & Cheam MC	Bramley Forest	Gravel									
03.09.06	S p o t t e d Dick Stages	7 Oaks	Longcross	Tarmac									
10.09.06	B o m b Along	Middx County	Oakington	Tarmac									
15.10.06	Longeross Stages	Bexley Light CC	Longcross	Tarmac									
22.10.06	A u t u m n Stages	GBMC/ WAC	Oakington	Tarmac									
29.10.06	Premier Stages	Dukeries Stages	Sherwood Forest	Forest									
05.11.06	Lynn Charity Stages	Kings Lynn	West Raynham	Tarmac									
10.11.06	T e m p e s t Stages	Middx County & Sutton & Cheam	Bramshill	Forest									
9/10.12.0 6	Rocking- ham Stages	Middx Stages	Rockingham	Tarmac									

#### **BTRDA Stage Rally Championship**

In last month Wayfayer I may have indicated that the BTRDA Stage Rally Championship was no more. This was not correct please see details below, in my mind the best stage rally championship in the country.

2006 will be the 53rd year of the Gold Star Rally Championship, the most prestigious title in UK Club Rallying. The Gold Star® Championship is open to all registered drivers / co-drivers and all vehicles with engines above 1400cc capacity. It includes the 7 vehicle classes shown below.

#### **FIA Homologated Vehicles**

Class N3: Group N over 1400cc up to and including 2000cc:

Class N4: Group N over 2000cc

Class A6: Group A over 1400cc up to and including 1600cc

#### All other vehicles that comply with the 2006 MSA Technical Regulations

Class B10: Over 1400cc up to and including 1600cc Class B11: Over 1600cc up to and including 2000cc

Class B12: Over 2000cc two wheel drive Class B13: Over 2000cc four wheel drive

11 Feb 2006	<u>Wyedean</u>
11 Mar 2006	Malcolm Wilson
25 Mar 2006	North Humberside
22 Apr 2006	Somerset Stages
20 May 2006	Red Dragon
17 Jun 2006	<u>Dukeries</u>
8 Jul 2006	Quinton
2 Sep 2006	Woodpecker
23 Sep 2006	<u>Plains</u>
4 Nov 2006	<u>Cambrian</u>

The Championship web site <a href="www.btrdarally.com">www.btrdarally.com</a> will be a source of news, live event results and information about the MSA English Rally Championship throughout the year.

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1	Malcolm Wise	251	320	50	350	251	50										1272
2	Paul Bowden	350	350	296													996
3	lan Barnard	299	200	50	101	251	50										951
4	Gerry Moroney	50	350	350													750
=4	Charles McEnery	50	350	350													750
6	Martin Gould	299	131	149	50												629
7	Chris Carter	275	314														589
8	Simon Higgs	89	200	50	200												539
9	Andrew Harris	179	251	50													480
10	Richard Warne	215	242														457
11	Frank Trueman	149	221														370
12	Stuart Parrish	350															350
13	Paul Watkins	92	149	50													291
14	Chris Taylor	251															251
=14	Geoff Jackson	251															251
16	Steve Tammadge	242															242
17	Stuart Simpson	221															221
18	Neil Burgess	218															218
19	Dave Males	215															215
=19	Alex Markham	215															215
=19	Paul Markham	215															215
22	Arun Dhanapala	200															200
23	Dave Wild	50	149														199
24	Philip Haydon	179															179
25	Richard Kirby	173															173
26	Keith Perry	158															158
27	Clark Devey	149															149
=27	Brian Wood	149															149
29	Melanie Stiles	137															137
=29	Shaun Lytollis	137															137
31	Ed Britton	131															131
=31	Chris Meanwell	131															131
33	Anita Higgs	50															50

Trophy	Event	Date	Trophy	Event	Date
SV Stages	Oakington Stages	05.02.06	Chalk	North Weald Sprint	19/03/2006
SV Stages	Mini Tempest Longcross	26.03.06	Chalk	Tams Packaging N/Weald Sprint	16,04.06
TPT	Race Mallory Park	24.03.06	TPT	Race Snetterton	09.04.06
SV Stages	Spring Stages	09.04.06	SV	Hillbilly Oakington Stages	07.05.06
SV Stages	Longcross Stages	21.05.06	TPT	Race Pembrey	13.05.06
TPT	Race 2 Pembrey	13.05.06	Chalk	Debden Sprint	14.05.06

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	1 Gerry Moroney	5	100	100			205
	2 Ian Barnard	83	5	5			93
	3 Richard Warne	55	64				119
	=3 Alex Markham	55					55
	5 Ed Britton	27					27
	Stuart Simpson	57					57
	Shaun Lytollis	29					29
	Simon Higgs	5					5
	Andrew Harris	5					5
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	1 Charles McEnery	5	100	100			205
	2 Martin Gould	83	5	5			93
	3 Steve Tammadge	64					64
	4 Neil Burgess	56					56
	5 Dave Males	55					55
	=5 Chris Meanwell	55					55
	7 Paul Markham	27					27
	8 Anita Higgs	5					5
	=8 Paul Watkins	5					5

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Pos	Name	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15 TOTAL
	1 Paul Bowden	100	100	82												282
	2 Chris Carter	75	88													163
	3 Ian Barnard	50	17	67												134
	4 Simon Higgs	13	50	50												113
	5 Andrew Harris	43	67													110
	6 Malcolm Wise	100	5													105
	7 Stuart Parrish	100														100
	8 Frank Trueman	33	57													90
	9 Chris Taylor	67														67
	=9 Geoff Jackson	67														67
	11 Martin Gould	27	33													60
	12 Arun Dhanapala	50														50
	13 Paul Watkins	14	33													47
	14 Philip Haydon	43														43
	15 Richard Kirby	41														41
	16 Dave Wild	33	5													38
	17 Keith Perry	36														36
	18 Clark Devey	33														33
	=18 Brian Wood	33														33
	20 Melanie Stiles	29														29

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Pos	Name	1	2	3	4	
	1 Malcolm Wise	251	320	50	350	
	2 Ian Barnard	299	200	251		

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Pos	Name	1	2	3	4	
	1 Melanie Stiles	29				29

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Pos	Name	1	2	3	4	
	1 David Hughes	100				100
	1 Louise Hughes	100				100
	1 Ian Davis	100				100
	2 Gerry Thurlow	75				75
	2 Geoff Foot	75				75
	2 Brian Aldridge	75				75
	3 Robert Taylor	50				50
	3 Doug Williams	50				50
	4 Donald Berry	25				25
	4 Desmond Meldrum	25				25

#### **Secretary's News**

Firstly as mentioned last month the AGM has come and gone, but the committee remains the same. Well at least it has not got any smaller and there some mutters about possible new members in the future. The discussion about the magazine produced a few ideas and the committee will be investigating them over the coming months and reporting back to you soon. My report to the AGM should be included with this issue along with the minutes and hopefully a set of accounts now that Ed has recovered.

Sunday 7th May saw GBMC and Wickford AC co-promoting the Hillbilly Tarmac Stages at Oakington on what turned out to be a thoroughly wet day, despite everywhere else in the UK having a dry day. Fortunately the previous day was dry for setting up and virtually all was done when I arrived with the paperwork. Preparation is key to success on the day and Richard Warne and team had done a great job in ensuring everything was in place for the day with minimal changes to be made on the Sunday. Everyone was briefed and had their paperwork – we even had 50 entries, although two pulled out before the start giving us a healthy 48 starters. Our only problems were Marcus with electrical problems, but he made it after several fuse changes and the tyre lorry that had steering pump problems and didn't make it, much to some competitors' annoyance no doubt given the weather. With the help of Fran McCarty signing on was over without any problems. The first stage started on time at 09.30 and we ran virtually on time the whole day. Richard Todd did a marvellous job getting enough marshals; Ged Cooper arranged all the safety cover; Peter Nathan managed the complex to perfection and Malcolm Wise and Geoff Foot kept everyone on their toes. As for GBMC competitors it was not such a successful day, but I will let Richard Warne tell that side of the story. At the end everyone seemed to enjoy themselves and the site was cleared up by 18.30.

Sunday 14th May was another grey but thankfully dry day for the Herts County Debden Sprint. A full entry of 100 plus reserves managed two practice runs and two timed runs in the time allowed. Whilst there in my capacity of AEMC Sprint championship co-ordinator I did manage to have a word with John Symes, the Risk & Technical Services Manager at the MSA, about the growing problem of obtaining paramedics for our events. For once the MSA do seem aware of the problem but whilst communicating with Clubs the message does not seem to be getting through to the paramedics that they do not need separate insurance whilst acting as a volunteer on a MSA permitted event. Hopefully this can be resolved before we start cancelling events.

Sunday 21st May should have seen me competing on the Old Fox Treasure Hunt with Brian Aldridge, but a stomach bug had laid me low all week and I did not fancy dashing around southern Essex while still recovering. So I hope everyone had a good day and look forward to reading the winners' report next month.

A consequence of the stomach bug did mean that I caught up with my reading and paperwork, but missed AEMC and Oakington meetings, not to mention a Club night.

#### Chris Deal

New members – Shaun Lytollis.

## THE GREEN BELT MOTOR CLUB PRESENTS THE IPB MOTORS SUMMER AUTOCROSS AT

OAKINGTON AIRFIELD, CAMBS SATURDAY/SUNDAY 8/9 JULY 2006

**ENTRIES: ONE DAY £45, TWO DAYS £75** 

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#### THE CELNIK SCATTER TREASURE HUNT

DATE: Sunday 16th July 2006

TIME: 1.30pm for 2.00pm start

**START:** Main Car Park in Trent Park, Cockfosters – MR 282971

FINISH: In a country pub

**MAP REQUIRED:** 166 Suitable for beginners

For further information please contact:-

DESMOND MELDRUM on 020 8441 0256, or DONALD BERRY on 020 8360 3614

Or see them on club nights

### **ROBERT'S RACING ROUND UP**

Malcolm Wise's campaign in the in the Ford Saloon Car Championship has had its up and downs during the last month. The two "double header" race meetings that he has attended resulted in two good results - finishes in third and fourth places - and two not so good results - a retirement and a non start.

The going in Class A (over 2100cc) in this championship this year has been made really tough by the presence of three Scottish competitors. Chris Doherty, Andrew Gallacher and Stewart Whyte all have similar cars to Malcolm's Ford Escort Cosworth but, whilst his car's two litre engine produces about 560 bhp, they are rumoured to have something more like 600 bhp available.

Furthermore the power of Malcolm's car does not come in smoothly when he opens up the throttle. That makes its handling, which is in any case, is somewhat less than satisfactory, even worse.

There is, however, still time left for improvement as there are still another nine races in the season. .

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Malcolm's first race meeting was part of the BRSCC's annual sojourn across the English Channel to Croix en Ternois near Le Touquet in northern France. In the practice session at this little known French club racing circuit four cars were faster than Malcolm's Ford Escort Cosworth. They were the similar cars of the trio of Scottish drivers mentioned above and of Steve Scott - the last of which is has been built to World Rally Championship specification.

The main reason for this was his Escort's continued poor handling which had not been significantly improved by fitting a new set of shock absorbers. The result of its poor handling was that the back of the car seemed to have a mind of its own and continually tried to fly out of line.

Malcolm's time of 1 min 1.8 sec (68.8 mph) - a

full 3.5 sec slower than pole position man Steve Scott - put him on the third row of the starting grid.

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In the race, which was run over 20 minutes, Malcolm had a totally uneventful run in fourth place. This was actually his effective grid position because Chris Doherty, who had qualified for fourth place on the grid, was a non starter due to mechanical problems.

Malcolm did not overtake anyone nor did any other competitor threaten his position. In fact the fifth placed car - the Ford Escort Mk 2 of Craig Rainer - was over 15 sec behind him. He thus completed the race in 21 min 6.5 sec and had the satisfaction of setting a best lap time that was three quarters of a second faster than his practice time.

He also suffered the indignity of being lapped by the first two cars - the Escort Cosworths driven by Stewart Whyte and Steve Scott.

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Malcolm's fan club (Doug Williams and Ian Davies) were once again on hand at this venue but instead of watching him competing in the second race they watched it with him as spectators.

The reason that Malcolm was unable to take part in this event was that his car's clutch would not disengage and so he could not move it out of the paddock area.

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Prior to the next race meeting the car's handling problems were traced to the differentials (there are three of them on this four wheel drive car). The front and centre ones were overhauled and the rear diff was replaced with one of a different and stronger type which should cope better with the huge amount of power that it is expected to

handle.

A test session at Mallory Park established that the car's handling had improved considerably. If that had not been the case Malcolm would not have made the long trek to Pembrey in south Wales where the next meeting (which was another double header) was held.

Malcolm had to familiarise himself with this 1.5 mile long circuit near Llanelli as he had not been there for three years. Once he got back into the groove he clocked a best practice time of 1 min 5.8 sec (79.6 mph) which was just over two seconds slower than pole position man Stewart Whyte.

He was nevertheless fourth fastest and was not too unhappy with this because, although the car's handing was much improved, it was still nowhere near to its maximum potential.

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Our chairman made a good start to the 20 minute race from the second row of the 19 car grid and he overtook Andrew Gallacher at Hatchets Hairpin on the first lap but then had to work hard to keep the Scottish driver behind him.

As a result of this pressure Malcolm's car ran wide at right handed Honda Curve and he then got his racing line wrong at the hairpin. His white Escort went right over the high kerb on the inside of this very tight bend and damaged the exhaust pipe quite badly.

At first Malcolm did not realise the extent of this damage but the power soon dropped off. Then he saw that the race officials had black flagged him and so he came into the pits to retire after six laps.

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As the starting grid positions in the second race were determined by competitors' finishing positions in the first race, Malcolm had to start the former from the seventh row - with only two cars behind him. One of these was one of the very

rapid Scottish drivers, Chris Doherty, who had also retired in the first race.

Malcolm suspected that Doherty would be right on his bumper when they reached the hairpin at the end of the start / finish straight. Although he made a pretty good start himself this did prove to be true and Doherty was soon past him and off into the distance.

Nevertheless quite a good race ensued for Malcolm because, for most of the 20 minutes, he was very close behind Andrew Gallacher as their Escort Cosworths engaged in a close tussle for second place.

Malcolm could not stay right with Gallacher on the fast left hand Dibeni Bend or the equally fast right hand Honda Curve but he managed to get very close indeed at the circuit's two hairpins.

That was the way that the race finished with this dicing duo nearly 17 seconds behind race winner Chris Doherty - but only 0.6 sec apart.

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With six of the fifteen races in this year's Ford Saloon Car Championship now completed Malcolm is in third place in his class with 50 points. Ahead of him are Andrew Gallacher on 67pts and the class leader Stewart Whyte who has 75 points.

As is often the case in this type of multi-class racing, it is now looking quite likely that none of them will become the overall champion. This is because, in the smaller capacity engine classes - where competition is a lot less fierce, there are a couple of competitors who have already scored over 80 points.

**ROBERT TAYLOR** 

#### THE OLD FOX REVIVED

Sunday May 21st saw four crews assembled for another "Old Fox" event starting right by the Marriot Hotel, a stone's throw away from the Waltham Abbey turn-off - junction 26 - on the M25.

Clouds were threatening, most crews couldn't get the right map, and the event was due to finish much earlier than usual at 5.30 p.m. So doom and gloom and much gnashing of teeth was going on.

Handouts didn't lift the gloom as the Old Fox was up to his old tricks and it didn't look as if it was going to be an easy afternoon.

But run-out to junction 30, then west on the A13, and north into the Essex lanes, and it wasn't all bad. Once I'd twigged that the Phillips Atlas that I had managed to get had the pages numbered exactly 200 above the Philips Atlas that Mick Smith had planned the event on, it was not too difficult to put the route together, and although we were not a million miles from Dagenham, Essex actually boasts quite a lot of winding country by-roads flanked by fields of grass with the odd cow or two (four legged variety).

C & Qs (clues and questions), some in order, some random, didn't all come easy, but didn't all come difficult, especially with the Hughes factor. Yes, I was again teamed with the eagle eyes of David and Louise.

Had to make do with a quick orange juice at the tea stop, as there was a wait for tables for teas proper, and I still needed to plot the second half. Talking to other crews the gloom was lifting, the

sun was thinking about putting his hat on, and the event wasn't so bad after all. But how were we doing? Not first, but not hopeless, we thought.

Second half and another Old Fox twist. As well as searching for answers at or around given locations, we had to keep our eyes open all the time for "Aston Martin", "Tarbox" etc. and put them in order. How was he going to mark that? Nobody knew. But some of it was coming together, and we didn't quite have to cut to get to the finish on time. Not quite. David and I dropped Louise at the door of the "Camelot" and went off in search of a slot in the massive car park. By the time we got back, Louise had found the last three clues and handed the sheet in on time.

Relax, couple of pints, (too early to eat) and results quickly emerged from the Fox's computer. And we'd won!! Don't know who was more amazed, but what a fabulous event at the end of the day.

So what next year?? Be nice to be back on proper OS maps and if Mick must work Sunday evenings perhaps we could start at around 11 a.m. and have a lunch stop. But next year? Yes please.

And this year we've got the Celnik Scatter on July 16th, and later the Last Chance, scheduled for September 24th.

Ian Davies

#### OLD FOX REVIVAL TREASURE HUNT 2006 - RESULTS

1st	David Hughes/Louise Hughes/Ian Davies	280 pts
2nd	Gerry Thurlow/Geoff Foot/Brian Aldridge	238 pts
3rd	Robert Taylor/Doug Williams	186 pts
4th	Donald Berry/Desmond Meldrum	84 pts

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Lots of competition parts and most of the products shown in the Ripspeed catalogues. Geoff Foot holds a copy of the catalogues. If anyone wants a look, give him a call.

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27 - 28 The **Service Road Potters Bar** 01707 663090

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Latest copies of the OS Map Finder Publication available free from Richard Warne.

#### The Directory

A list of handy places that members have found useful. Any additions to the list will be welcome

inburgh Way, Harlow, is 020 8808 1484 fully equipped with a rolling road for competition cars. 01279 453486

Kalvin Tyres, 259 High Road, Broxbourne 01992 462728

Lee Industrial, Suez Road, Brimsdown. All types of fixings, screws and small tools etc. No min. charge, and open Sat morning. 0208 8053535

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 $\textbf{Harlow Motorsport,} \ Ed- \ \text{steel, min. chg} \ \textbf{£}15.$ 

Thames Stockholders Ltd., Unit 5W Woodhall Wheelbox - Caterham / Road, Redburn Industrial Lotus 7 / Westfield special-Estate, Ponders End. All ists. Chris 01992 470480 non-ferrous metal i.e. al- Vauxhall Performance min. charge. 0208 805 run by Eddy.

Tilgear, Station Road, Cuffley. Wood and metal working tools etc. 01707 873434 At LPG Dual fuel converlast they have their new sions - Les Holden catalogue out.

Upshire Car Breakers, Maxens Yard, Galley Hill Yard, Waltham Abbey.

01992 711305

loy sheets, copper, al. Spares Centre (standard bronze etc. Could be a road going parts only),

01255 670670

Essex Star Gas - for 01255 852777

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#### **Garage Clearout**

#### Most parts are for a Crossflow Ford Escort 1600

Starter Motor LRS102 2 Bolt fixing (as new)	£8	Prop Shaft RS2000 to Atlas one inch shortened	£45
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Gearbox Escort Mexico Type (Dead )	£15	Steel Rocker Shaft, Posts & rockers (as new)	£45
Offers most welcome. See me at club nights or call:-		Various Std Flywheels	£10

Contact Richard Warne for further details :- Home 01992 302669

Mobile 07715 480228

Please someone buy this lot so Richard gets some room! - Ed.

#### **Badminton has moved**

GBMC Badminton division now plays at a smarter venue. Same night, Thursday, but half an hour later, 8.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. at the Hertswood Centre, Potters Lane, Borehamwood (close to the A1). New players welcome.

Please see Ian Davies at the Two Brewers most Wednesdays, or call him on 020 8882 4889

#### **WANTED**

Purple People Eater or similar. 1976 or earlier Flrenza, Capri, or... or... or... for classic motor sport. Any condition considered.

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Set of five 15" x 7" Sapphire Cosworth wheels with Hoosier slick tyres. Suitable for sprints or track days £250 .

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## Club discount on Haynes books and manuals.

Motor club members get 12.5% discount (with free post and packing thrown in as well). I have a complete catalogue of all Haynes books, so contact me (Geoff Foot) for further details. They will send you their free catalogue on request, or you can order through their website (and still get discount)

New books on F1, Ford GT40 and Rubens Barichello, plus re-issue of biog. of Gerry Marshall out now

#### Actual call centre conversations !!!!!

Customer: "I've been ringing 0700 2300 for two days and can't get through to enquiries, can you help?".

Operator: "Where did you get that number from, sir?".

Customer: "It was on the door to the Travel

Operator: "Sir, they are our opening hours".

Samsung Electronics

Caller: "Can you give me the telephone number for Jack?"

Operator: "I'm sorry, sir, I don't understand who you are talking about".

Caller: "On page 1, section 5, of the user guide it clearly states that I need to unplug the fax machine from the AC wall socket and

telephone Jack before cleaning. Now, can you give me the number for Jack?"

Operator: "I think you mean the telephone point on the wall".

**RAC Motoring Services** 

Caller: "Does your European Breakdown Policy cover me when I am travelling in

Australia?"

Operator: "Doesn't the product give you a clue?"

Caller (enquiring about legal requirements while travelling in France):

"If I register my car in France, do I have to change the steering wheel to the other side of the car?"

**Directory Enquiries** 

Caller: "I'd like the number of the Argoed Fish Bar in Cardiff please".

Operator: "I'm sorry, there's no listing. Is the spelling correct?"

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Caller: "Well, it used to be called the Bargoed Fish Bar but the 'B' fell off".

Then there was the caller who asked for a knitwear company in Woven.

Operator: "Woven? Are you sure?"

Caller: "Yes. That's what it says on the label; Woven in Scotland".

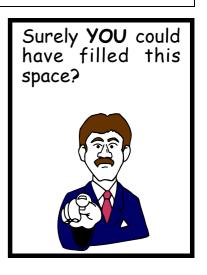
On another occasion, a man making heavy breathing sounds from a phone box told a worried operator:

"I haven't got a pen, so I'm steaming up the window to write the number on".

#### **ARTICLES for PUBLICATION**

Thanks to contributors who have sent in articles for inclusion in the WAYFARER. Please continue to send in those reports and articles to me (Geoff Foot) at my address (on the back page), or to my email. Please note that my fax is now broken!

The <u>final</u> copy date for next month's issue is: **Friday 23rd June 2006** 



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(e-mail Ed Davies for activation of your Name & Password)

#### **VACANT COMMITTEE POSITIONS**

Marshalling co-ordinator, Social Secretary, Ordinary Committee Members

The above positions are currently vacant. Should you wish to help your club and get more involved in its running, please contact Chris Deal (or any other committee member shown above).

#### **GREEN BELT MOTOR CLUB**

#### 2006 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT

Welcome to the 41st AGM of the Green Belt Motor Club. As always to help me compile this report every year I have one single source of data – the Wayfarer magazine. Without it we would have no record of what the Club has organised, nor how well its members have done – so well done to Geoff Foot.

Membership for 2005 was 130, down by 4 on 2004.

February 19th was the date for the Annual Dinner & Awards presentation, which was held at the Ramada Jarvis Hotel, formerly the Comet, in Hatfield as Hatfield Lodge was too expensive after the re-building. The numbers attending were around 40 and an enjoyable evening was had by all. Those attending even had to put up with a speech from yours truly as Gerry Thurlow had a previous engagement to attend

With no stages rally at Snetterton motorsport activity was not due to start until May, but as always we had to defend venues. North Weald was back on the agenda for development as it was included in the East of England Assembly development plan, which despite 26,000 objections is still going through a public consultation!

The Club's Rallyschool returned in April and May with an attendance of around 8. The Club and motorsport needs to thank Richard Warne for the effort put into encouraging new blood.

The AGM on the 20th April was a guiet affair as mentioned elsewhere.

The battle against the politicians and their underlings continued in April when we learnt that motorsport had been banned from farmland. After the election commonsense prevailed and motorsport was back on, but not before some events were lost.

May 1st saw us at North Weald for our annual Sprint. The weather was kind and 51 competitors turned out for a good day's motorsport. GBMC was represented by 16 competitors and around a dozen marshals. The event was won by Darren Bly in his Nissan Skyline GTR.

June 12th saw the first treasure hunt of the year run by Mick Smith, which included a fair amount of walking around Epping Forest and a very compact route. The event was won by David Hughes, Ian Davies and Simon Hudswell.

The following weekend, 18th/19th June saw Green Belt's most prestigious event for a number of years as we hosted the MSA Inter Association Autocross at Oakington Airfield, with around 33 entries from southern and western England attending on what turned out to be one of the hottest days of the year. John White from the AEMC was clerk of the course assisted by Dave Males. A number of Club members marshalled and got very dusty. We even had a visit from Colin Hilton the MSA chief executive on the Saturday afternoon.

Early July saw 7 club members marshalling on the Essex Charity stages and if I remember correctly one corner of one stage accounted for 3 of the 4 GBMC crews taking part.

The club night on the 6th of July saw the return of the Concours d'Elegance with 7 entries. The winners were Robert Taylor, David Hughes and Malcolm Wise.

Sunday 17th July saw a small entry taking part in Des Meldrum and Donald Berry's Warner Celnik Treasure Hunt. The event was won by David & Louise Hughes with Ian Davies.

The Rally of Wales GB, running again in September, saw a small number GBMC members venture into deepest Wales to help marshal the event. Despite being located by one of the main spectator areas they were not troubled much.

September also saw Green Belt co-promoting the Oakington Stages with Wickford AC for another year. A disappointing 31 cars started the day, with the loose sections working well. The venue continues to survive; probably because of what they keep finding everytime they dig a hole.

October saw us running another Autocross, this time near Much Hadham and courtesy of Anthony Ashwell. Geoff Foot was Clerk of the Course and we had a titanic battle for FTD between Stephen French and Martin Liddel, which eventually went to Stephen by 0.9s. Once again we had a last minute panic with the ambulance provision and had to go private.

Sunday 9th October saw 4 GBMC crews taking part in the Last Chance Treasure Hunt, organised by Robert Taylor and Doug Williams. Malcolm Wise and Mick Smith took top spot.

October also saw the AEMC and the Eastern ACU get together to have a go at the man from the ministry about motorsport on farmland and the restriction imposed and then removed as mentioned earlier.

December saw the marshalling team back at Rockingham for another chilly day but with plenty of action.

The final event for the year was the Xmas Meal at the Two Brewers, which saw around 25 members attending for a very pleasant meal.

We were fortunate in 2005 in that we had three events sponsored, two by Club members – Steve Tammadge (Sprint) and Ian Barnard (Autumn Autocross).

The number of competitors in the Club was slightly up on the previous year and we even managed a 1st overall for Simon Gudgeon.

Throughout the year the Club has had its name mentioned in many local newspapers along with numerous Club competitors all thanks to our long serving Press Officer, Robert Taylor. Your other committee members for the year were Malcolm Wise as Chairman, Gerry Thurlow as President, Ed Davies as Treasurer and maintainer of the Web site, Richard Warne as Comp Sec, Geoff Foot as Magazine Editor and myself as Secretary. The committee has basically remained the same for a number of years and unless we get some new blood and enthusiasm we are in danger of grinding to a halt – please help your Club.

Chris Deal, 26th April 2006