

Welcome to THE EXHAUST - EDMC News Letter

2018 - 70th Anniversary of the Motor club

Club Calendar

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May 2018

Tue 1 st	Natter Night at the Royal Oak, Main Street, Watnall – 20:00hrs –
Sat 5 th	061 Targa Rally , 061 MC
Sat 5 th Sun 6 th	Manx Rally , Isle of Man
Sat 13 th	Plains Rally , Welshpool Wales
Sun 14 th	Cetus Stages Rally , Three Sisters, Wigan
19 th to 21 st	Rally Portugal , WRC round
Mon 28 th	Committee Night TBC as Bank Hol – usual pub venue details HERE

June 2018

Sat 2 nd	Nottingham Motor Show – Wollaton Hall & Deer Park
Sun 3 rd	Still TBC – AutoSOLO at Fulbeck – check website for details
Tue 5 th	Natter Night - at the Royal Oak, Main Street, Watnall – starts at 20:00hrs. Check the website for more details.
Fri 8 th Sat 9 th	Carlise Stages Rally
Sun 10 th	Abingdon CAR-nival Stages
Wed 13 th	Grass Autotest at Bluebell Farm, Spondon -website for details
Sun 17 th	Flying Fortress Stages – marshals required – Grafton Underwood, Kettering
Thu 21 st Sat 23 rd	Ypres Stage Rally , Ypres in Belgium – brilliant event!
Sun 24 th	Red Kite Stages Rally – South Wales forests
Mon 25 th	Committee Night – usual pub venue details

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

[Seen at a recent running of the Abingdon CAR-nival Stages Rally ...](#)



Secretary Update

Welcome to the MAY 2018 edition - Next Club Natter is on **Tuesday 1st May 2018 at The Royal Oak, Main Road, Watnall, Get down to see us at a Natter, see the [website](#) for details and a map as to where we are!**

Things starting to take off on the club members competition front which is great – it really is what a motor club is all about, running events and getting club members out on events! Hoping to hear about what happened on these events soon with a couple of event reports. And don't forget that Sandra will give you more points for the tables with a written report!

We talked about getting some more club “events” sorted out, in the last Committee Meeting and after a gentle prod or two, I'm delighted to say that we may well have 5-7 “activities” that we can put on with 5-7 different organisers. Watch this space and website and Facebook page for more details but things were talked about running included a ten pin bowling night, visit to Donington, karting, table top rally and perhaps a run out to look at very close-up some very fancy cars!

At the May Natter Night one of things I shall be raising and having a few minutes time with everyone, is the new GDPR regulations (General Data Protection Requirements) that take force on 25th May 2018. Nothing to worry about at all for us all – just some basic common sense really – but we must put in place a “Privacy Notice” policy and prior to putting it on the website and sending it out with the newsletter, I wanted to spend a few minutes to explain. Again – nothing to worry about at all folks!

April saw EDMC saying good luck ~~and good riddance~~ to a well-known club personality – Nathan Marriott who is off to live and work in the Desert for a couple of years. Wishing to all the best from the Club, Nath – we'll miss you and looking forward to seeing that fine Escort II of yours back out again in the future!

Still no luck in finding a suitable venue for a PCT – any thoughts please come forward and talk to us.

A very recent visit to Fulbeck saw that the venue isn't really suitable for a hoped for AutoSOLO at the start of June; if things improve, John will update later but at the moment not looking good. Again – any thoughts on a suitable venue please let the Committee know and we will go and investigate.

Regretfully work got in the way of going out to marshal on the recent VK Rally Derbyshire – but by all accounts it sounds that it passed off very well which is good news. AS a long standing flag bearer of Road Rallying in the East Mids. its important that we don't lose such events and with a change of area to run in (using less of 119 Derbyshire that usual) its promising that it keeps open minds on what and how to run these important style of events.

AND I WILL be going out to marshal of a few road rallies this year still ! Determined to be part of that dark and narrow lanes fun again!

Finally moves afoot on a potential refresh of our Club Social Media front/s which I personally think is a great idea. But as the boy band McFly sang .. “Its all about you” ... we need YOUR thoughts on how and what we shape the Club both now and in the future. We must attract more, new and younger members in order that we future proof the clubs future. We celebrated 70 years old -lets see if we can (together) keep the Club running successfully for another 70 years!

See you all at the Natter – and let's hear some of YOUR thoughts on what you fancy doing in the Club in 2018.

<http://www.eastwoodmotorclub.co.uk/calendar.html> check this link for the Club Calendar
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Eastwood & DMC Ltd – Club events for 2018 – start to put in your diaries!

Date	Type of Event	Venue
06 Feb 2018	Table Top Rally	Natter Night, Royal Oak, Watnall 20:00hrs
May 2018	PCT ** still no suitable venue **	Smalley area
03 Jun 2018	AutoSOLO	TBA
13 Jun 2018	Grass Autotest	Bluebell Farm, Spondon
11 Jul 2018	Grass Autotest	Bluebell Farm, Spondon
05 Aug 2018	Phoenix Stages Rally	Fulbeck Airfield
15 Aug 2018	Grass Autotest	Bluebell Farm, Spondon
07 Oct	Harold Palin Memorial Stages Rally	Fulbeck Airfield

Club Clothing ... have YOU got yours yet. Get “in” with the Club spirit and get a new Sweatshirt or Jacket. Practical and good looking – and when we are out and about as a EDMC Club, looks very neat and professional! Great value and still with the 20% discount so get your order form in asap and lets all get kitted out in Club Colours for all your motorsport activities, whatever you are doing! Jackets, Sweatshirts, Polo Shirts !!

Check the website for clothing http://www.eastwoodmotorclub.co.uk/club_clothing.html



Photo Corner a couple from the past of members in action ...from 1992 ! Anyone know



the crews? (both Driver & Navigator/Co-Driver – and event name?)

Competition Secretary

Spring – has it arrived or been and gone ? the Wet weather has called off the PCT the field is to wet.

We are starting to see some events run which is great news; the sad news being that we are also seeing a few events dropping off the radar due to the loss of Melbourne .

We have had Two visits to Fulbeck and its all looking good the bails are going and the venue is looking very tidy, i am putting the regs together and starting to sort everything out ,

You can see the Top Five of each table below – with the full tables on the Club Website as usual.

All Rounders Championship

Clubsport Championship

1	Kevin	Hardwick	1	Kevin	Hardwick
2	David	Bennett	2	David	Bennett
3	Stuart	Bartlett	3	Mark	Wagstaff
4	Kieron	Bartlett	4	Sandra	Hickling
5	Lee	Sellars	5	John	Hickling

Trials Championship – Drivers

– Pasingers

1	Stuart	Bartlett	1	Kieron	Bartlett
2	Charles	Knifton	2	Ian	Phillips

Road Rally – Drivers

– Navigators

1	Kevin	Hardwick	1	David	Bennett
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Stage Rally Multi venu – Drivers

– CoDrivers

1	Adrian	Drury	1		

Stage Rally Multi Use – Drivers**– CoDrivers**

1	Nathan	Marriott	1	Geoff	Moss
2	Lee	Allan	2	Louise	Allan
3	Stephen	Oade	3	Pete	Kettle
4	Lee	Sellars	4	Joe	Oade

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****President's Ponderings**

When reading Mark Wagstaff's article in last month's Newsletter the comments regarding the Club needing more events and more Organisers willing to put them on, my mind went back to 1971 when Irene and I joined Eastwood. Club life was much more socially oriented then than now, and every month, usually on the Sunday before the Natter, there would be some form of social event. It was much more usual then than now for wives, girlfriends, family and friends to take part in those events, even though some of the ladies, such as Ann Adkin could pedal a rally car really well and embarrass the male members with their skill.

All of which led me to have a look through a box of papers and turn up the EDMC Calendar of Events which was published in June 1971 – see below (the June Natter was already past).

A total of 18 different names are listed as Organisers! There were 10 competitive rallies, 2 Autotests, a Gymkhana and 9 other less serious "Social " events – all organised by the Club !

Events in *italics* were organised by other Clubs; road rallies of course because stage rallies had yet to make any great inroads into Club life.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Organiser(s)</u>
JUN 12 / 13	June Rally	John Salisbury
19 / 20	<i>Barnard Trophy Rally</i>	<i>Lincoln MC & CC</i>
23	<i>Motor Club Forum</i>	???
JULY 4	Summer Social	Gerry Gardner / Alan Oxley
7	Natter	Paul Fowkes / John Salisbury
24 / 25	<i>Moss Trophy Rally</i>	<i>Loughborough CC</i>
AUGUST 7 / 8	August Moon Rally	Richard Shelmerdine
11	Natter	Peter Brayne
14 / 15	<i>Sherwood Rally</i>	<i>Co-Promotion</i>
28 / 29	Eastwood Rally	Vernon North, Peter Brayne, Rod Else
SEPTEMBER 1	AGM	
5	Gymkhana	???
8	Natter	???
11 / 12	<i>Rally (Championship)</i>	<i>Mid Derbyshire</i>
18 / 19	<i>Rally (Championship)</i>	<i>Charnwood CC</i>
OCTOBER 3 / 4	President's Rally	George Ware / Paul Fowkes
6	Natter	???

8	Dinner Dance & Awards	???
24	<i>Dukeries Rally</i>	<i>Dukeries MC</i>
NOVEMBER 7	Fireworks Rally	Peter Burnett / Geoff Carrick
10	Natter	???
14	Autotest	Vernon North
20 / 24	RAC Rally	
DECEMBER 5	Parnell Trophy Rally	Mick Pownall / Colin Adkin
8	Natter	???
11	<i>Rally</i>	<i>Poachers MC</i>
15	Christmas Party	Maurice Newbold
JANUARY 1972		
2	New Year Map Rally	Mick Pownall / John Salsbury/ John Chadwick
5	Natter	???
29 / 30	<i>Rally (Championship)</i>	<i>Rolls Royce MC</i>
FEBRUARY 5 / 6	Rally	???
6	Production Car Trial	Maurice Newbold / Mike Harkins
9	Natter	???
26 / 27	<i>Rally (Championship)</i>	<i>Nottingham University MC</i>
MARCH 4 / 5	Cossack Rally	Alan Wright
8	Natter	???
26 / 27	<i>Rally (Championship)</i>	<i>Matlock MC</i>
APRIL 1 / 2	<i>Eastwood Rally</i>	???
5	Natter	???
MAY 7	Marshal's Muddly Mix Up	???
10	Natter	???
17	Novice's Night Out	John Denison / John Chadwick
JUNE 3	June Rally	???
7	Natter	???
10	Autotest	???
JULY 2	Summer Social	???

[Chief Marshals Bit,](#)

Hello all,

Well the season is now well and truly underway for us all, seeing both competitors and marshals out representing our club.

I have the following requests for manpower, if any of you want a day out:

5/5/18 061mc Targa Rally
 11-12-13/5/18 Hero Summer Trial
 8-9/6/18 ATL Carlisle Stages.

Looking slightly further ahead, we have our very own Phoenix Stages at Fulbeck on the 5/8/18. We will need plenty of help and I very much look forward to counting on the membership for your help.

It's been a slow start for marshalling this year, both Rick Hickman and I and John and Sandra Hickling were present for the recent Alan Healey Memorial Stages at Cadwell Park. A fine start to the day but the weather eventually came in and we had rain for most of the day. This led to some very interesting driving from the field of dedicated tarmac experts!! A good day out and local for me too, which makes a change.

That's all from me for this month, if you want to claim points or offer your services, please get in touch.

Cheers

Martin Freeman

Membership Secretary

Membership Jottings.

How do we attract new members to the Club, and what does the membership want from the Club are questions asked by the Committee almost on a monthly basis. Unfortunately we do not have the answers and the silence from the membership, that's you, is deafening.

It is a sad fact that over recent years the membership has fallen, in fact I am beginning to get a bit of a complex – is it me? That's a rhetorical question by the way. When I took over the membership secretary's role at the end of 2015, the membership stood at 128, it fell to 114 at the end of 2016, and we finished last year with a membership of 92. Currently we have 61 members, and hopefully that will grow a little when John and Sandra run the two stage events later this year, but clearly we are way short of the numbers we used to see on a few years ago. It is a worrying downward trend which we, collectively, need to address.

The Club is 70 years old this year, it would be a warm feeling to think that it will survive another 70 years and beyond.

I have mentioned last year that I would try and organise a karting evening. Unfortunately various things got in the way, mainly waiting for the NHS to give me a date for a minor op, but all of that has now passed and I have been gently cajoled, (I think that is how you would politely describe it), into having another attempt at making it happen. So early warning, I will be chasing you all to confirm interest or otherwise, probably a mid week evening event in June, Nottingham area, cost I would expect to be around £40 - £50 for an hour's competition with your fellow club members - got to be worth it.

You will see elsewhere in the newsletter that those really useful people in Brussels have been very busy creating rules and regulations that we never knew we needed, but we now need to put in place a process to ensure that we are compliant to those rules. Fortunately, the MSA have taken the initiative and have issued some guidelines to motor clubs on what they need to do to ensure compliance, and the reality is that for a club such as ours, the impact of the legislation is not great, although it might mean that we may need to make a few changes to the membership application form/ club membership card, and I may make the membership renewal process a little more robust by asking you to confirm that data we do hold on you is up to date and accurate.

Finally in the post this week I received a very colourful booklet comprising a number of photos from the GB WRC event last October. It also had a number of statistics in amongst all the glamour images. One that took my interest was that terrestrial TV (channel 5 – not one of the main stream channels) showed only 4.5 hours of the 4 day event and only 300,000 watched the coverage. Don't know how they know these things but I wonder how that compares to F1, you know, that circus where every one goes roundy roundy for 50 laps and the race is won in the pit lane.

Best wishes to you all - Paul

Watch out for more details on the website.

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