

The Romer

newsletter of East Elloe Motor Club

SEPT/OCT 2005

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

October

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
31					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

Monday 03 Oct
Committee meeting Whaplode Manor

Wednesday 19 Oct
12 car rally: championship rd 5
 Organised by Dave Pollard. This event will feature an opportunity for regular novice and expert entrants to compete in new combinations, randomly drawn from the hat. This is being done to offer novices the chance of competing alongside an expert to help develop their rallying ability. Starts at Whaplode Manor, Saracens Head. Map 131C1 or 131D. Entries and marshals required - please call Dave on 01366 383860.

Monday 05 Dec
Annual General Meeting — a date for all your diaries. More details to follow in next month's *Romer*.

Wednesday 07 Dec
12 car rally: championship rd 6
 organised by King's Lynn & DMC. Again, more information next month.

8th Annual Classic Car Run

47 not out!!

The Club's eighth **Classic Car Run** was run in superb sunshine on 4th September, with organiser Alan Lyon excelling himself in all departments!



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Not only did he choose a very comfortable and spacious start venue (*The Wishing Well* at Dyke), but the lunch halt at Marston offered everything that was required from eating-in facilities and plenty of leafy shade from the sun for picnickers. The finish at Doddington Hall, west of Lincoln, even attracted a "stately-homephobe" out of his Moggy van for a preamble round the orchards and avenues!

Alan was quite concerned, pre-event, that the route was not up to standard. Those concerns were definitely quashed well before the lunch halt by the various scenic villages we passed through. Some gradients and sudden sharp bends challenged the van's elderly brake shoes,

but I must confess I have been meaning to look at those for some time now...

And the weather - absolutely perfect! Mr Lyon must have contacts in the right places. A new idea was incorporated this year, in that competitors voted which vehicle on the run they would most like to take home with them.



It was a difficult choice from the bevy of beautiful machinery amongst a record 47 entries. From a 1949 Mk6 Bentley through to Adrian's Alpine GTA, including a Ferrari 308 GT4; a 911 Carrera 3.2 of '89 vintage (Porsche's best in my opinion!); Chris Wadsley's BMW CSL; two Team Pollard Lotuses; a throng of TR4s and 6s, works replica MG B amongst others. Oh and a Moggy van!

In the end, the winner of the "I'd Like to Take it Home" award was a beautiful 1952 Lagonda 2.6DHC, owned and restored by Robert Watts from Sleaford (*seen above receiving his award from Nigel and Alan Lyon*), who cruised round the route resplendent in his straw titfer. Superb!!

So, Alan, will 2006 see you topping the half century? Hope so!!

Nigel Mann

Gymkhana: August 17th

This was a co-promoted event between Kings Lynn and East Elloe Motor Clubs. It was also the final round in the EEMC gymkhana championship. As well as fighting for individual honours there was also a team challenge with the Mini Owners Club also invited, with teams of three from each Club.

The evening's entertainment was held at Terrington St Clement, courtesy of Greg Bates. There were six short tests with each pair of tests having the same cone layout and event organiser Dave Pollard had managed to set up all three cones layouts on the field.

Test one was a straight four to the bar and back. Mike Baker, Paul Pollard and Adrian Cunnington all did it in 20 seconds, but I managed 19 on my second run.

For **test two** we had to turn round in a taped off box exiting forwards before zig-zagging back to the finish. I hit the box on my first run (10 second penalty), but managed 25 seconds on my other run. Paul clocked 27 and 29s; Adrian 28 on both.

The third test was simply forward around 3 cones before reversing back on the same route and changing direction to finish. Tony Duckhouse and Mike both clocked 26 s but my fastest run was 24.

Test four was back to the box at the end. Forward round a cone before reversing into the box to turn round and reverse out. Then change direction, round the first cone and into the finish. Times varied quite a bit, Paul Collison had two 33 s, I got a 35 and 31.

Test five was 'M'-shaped starting on the left, down to the end for a 180° round the bottom cone. Another 180° round a middle cone, 180° at the bottom right hand corner and into the finish. The top five were all within 3 seconds of each other, fastest being Paul Collison on 34, then Mike Baker on 35.

The last of six tests went straight out of the start, between a pair of cones, then change direction twice before slaloming back to the finish. Mike Baker was fastest with 30 seconds; Paul Collison was next on 31.

Overall, from the four teams, the Mini Club came third on 1228 seconds with Kings Lynn A second on 1214. But winners on the night were East Elloe Motor Club with a clear margin of victory on 1131.

Many thanks to Dave Pollard for organising a very enjoyable event, June Pollard and Nick Daubney for time keeping and a big thank you to Greg for the use of his field.

Ian Pollard

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Gymkhana results

KLMC/EEMC, Terrington, August 17th

Team	Driver	Passenger	Test 1	Test 2	Test 3	Test 4	Test 5	Test 6	Total	Position						
EEMC	Ian Pollard	Paul Pollard	21	19	<i>35</i>	<i>25</i>	29	24	35	31	36	36	31	32	354	1st
KLDMC A	Mike Baker	Tony Duckhouse	20	20	32	32	26	26	34	47	36	35	33	30	371	2nd
EEMC	Paul Pollard	Ian Pollard	20	20	27	29	30	27	42	42	36	36	34	33	376	3rd
KL MINI	Paul Collison	Jake Collison	24	32	31	31	30	31	33	33	37	34	32	31	379	4th
EEMC	Adrian Cunnington	Daniel Scully	21	20	28	28	34	31	44	43	37	36	37	42	401	5th
KLDMC A	Tony Duckhouse	Mike Baker	22	21	31	30	27	26	43	60	43	41	35	37	416	6th
KL MINI	Amy	Carl	30	24	35	35	31	29	44	39	38	36	38	38	417	7th
KLDMC A	Hugh Garnish	James Garnish	23	23	53	37	30	28	44	40	40	36	38	35	427	8th
KLDMC B	James Garnish	Hugh Garnish	25	24	41	35	32	29	48	40	42	39	37	37	429	9th
KL MINI	Richard	Brian	<i>34</i>	22	35	32	30	31	44	51	40	37	39	37	432	10th
KLDMC B	Simon Leonard	Will	24	25	34	36	33	31	54	52	37	38	36	35	435	11th
KLDMC B	Simon Pollard	Ian Mallett	27	24	48	35	31	30	51	45	42	42	36	37	448	12th
-	Daniel Scully	Adrian Cunnington	23	23	40	30	55	35	50	50	39	37	36	35	453	13th
-	Ian Mallett	Simon Pollard	28	37	40	45	38	34	60	60	42	43	43	41	511	14th

POSITION	Team	Total
1	EEMC	1131
2	KLDMC A	1214
3	KL MINI CLUB	1228
4	KLDMC B	1388

Bold = Fastest time for test

Italics = Includes 5 or 10 sec penalty for hitting or knocking over cone

FINAL CHAMPIONSHIP STANDINGS

Driver	CR1	CR2	CR3	CR4	Total
Ian Pollard	15	15	15	(15)	45
Paul Collison	10	12	12	(9)	34
Dave Pollard	12	10	(10)	<i>12</i>	32
Adrian Cunnington	-	8	<i>12</i>	8	28
Simon Leonard	-	<i>12</i>	6	6	24
Paul Pollard	5	-	8	10	23
Andy Hattigan	9	9	-	-	18
Nigel Mann	7	-	9	-	16
Jean Everitt	4	4	7	-	15
Alan Woods	8	6	-	-	14
Mike Baker	-	-	-	12	12
Simon Pollard	6	-	-	5	11
Carol Vasey	-	5	5	-	10
Ivan Cunnington	-	7	-	-	7
Tony Duckhouse	-	-	-	7	7
Daniel Scully	-	-	-	4	4

Best 3 scores count from 4 rounds. Organisers' points in *italics*.

■ Regs are available for these forthcoming events. EEMC will also be sending marshalling teams to both. Please contact Dave Pollard (01366 383860) if you can assist:

23 Oct **WECC/CCC/KLMC** Speedy Hire Stages at Rockingham (£185);

6 Nov **King's Lynn MC** Lynn Charity Stages at West Raynham

12-car rally CR4

KLMC 'Under and Over' Rally, 7 September

This was the first 12-car clubnight after the summer break, organised by Adrian Cunnington, Tim Ibbott and Simon Leonard. It was good to see that there was a full entry for the start at the Coach & Horses at Tilney near Kings Lynn.

There was quite a bit of plotting on the final instructions with some interesting points about using roundabouts and dual carriageways more than once.

Section 1 was fairly straight forward giving exit direction of grid squares. I do like it when the first section isn't too difficult just to help get the brain in gear! The route took us north-east to Tilney High End and to Wiggshall St Mary. We then crossed the River Ouse at Wiggshall St Germans and off the edge of map 131 and onto 132.

Section 2 was seven numbered junctions that included using the new roundabout between the A10 and A134 twice and took us through the favourite roads at West Briggs, through Tottenhill and round Watlington before

From the chair

Nigel Mann



After 30 years as an East Elloe Motor Club member, and almost the same as a committee member, I have decided to hang up my directorship hat and position within the club at the AGM in December this year. This decision has been made after considerable thought, mainly to leave the Club under the Chairmanship of a member with more time to devote to developing Club activities.

I have enjoyed many events over the years:

In particular the 12 car rallies; one of the first events I competed on started by Fosdyke Bridge (if I remember correctly a certain Bob Offer was on the organising team) and immediately went along the riverbank to come out via a field in Surfleet. Interesting enough, but doubly so in an MGB GT with minimal ground clearance?!!! Also not forgetting the numerous all night road rallies in Mk1 Escorts, rescued from the grave. The dear old Libra Rallies, all-nighters attracting big entries from far afield. Numerous autotest/gymkhanas at various venues around the region that we managed to persuade/ cajole/con landowners into lending such as Superkey (now Morrison's) car park at Pinchbeck; Geest's on West Marsh Road and Robert Oldershaw's various sites around the Fens.

Numerous stage rallies; two single-venue events on Peterborough Showground and at least one multi-, using farm tracks and roadways. A very enjoyable weekend supporting the Spalding Motorshow(!) with a club stand. This must have been in the early days of the video recorder, as I recall we had a TV linked up to this huge new fangled machine that played Beta tapes showing really bad quality rally/racing films!!

Also: Club organised marshalling on the RAC Rally, when it was a proper event; hugely successful dinner dance/ prize-givings with guest speakers from the motoring world; quizzes; film shows and visits to car manufacturers.

Having already mentioned the dinner-dances, I think the club has enjoyed considerable success on the social side and I'm sure will continue to do so. Meeting lots of members over those three decades, many of whom I now consider friends (although they may not agree!) means it has not been purely motoring-related.

Presently the Club's strengths seem to be in the world of classic cars and enjoying increased support for the gymkhana events. Perhaps these are areas that need developing and your thoughts would be very much appreciated by the committee for the future.

Of course, I intend to continue as an EEMC member and enjoy all the privileges that offers.

12 car CR4, from page 3

returning to map 131 at TC4. Next we were given a list of map symbols and letters that dissected the roads to travel along. We crossed back over the River Ouse to St John's Fen End and into TC5 at St John's Highway within two miles of the start.

The next handout had us scratching our heads for a while with two bridges to go over, two to go under and eight sets of transmission lines to cross. There were also three spot heights with entry and exit directions on them. The first spot height meant we had to go down one side of a dual carriageway through a gap in the central reservation and back up the other side. We then got onto the A47 and crossed under the route we took at the start, through Tilney All Saints and over the A17 at Terrington.

Section 5 was a list of numbers from 2 to 13, with a clock face on the page, also with numbers 2 to 13. I was struggling for a short time trying to get one set of numbers to relate to the other until I spotted the 'PTO' in the bottom right hand corner of the handout. Over the page it told us to 'use the circle of numbers to decode the next section - not this one'. This made the

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handout a lot easier! It was just the numbers of the gridlines added together and took us to Sutton Bridge then along the East bank of the River Nene to TC9.

Section 6 was quite straightforward having already been given the clock face on the

previous handout. We just had to convert 13 hour clock times into 12 hours to take us into Walpole St Peter and south to West Walton.

The final handout from TC10 was section 7; this had road junction colours and took us round a couple of tiny loops along the A47 to finish within half a mile of the start.

Many thanks to Adrian, Tim and Simon and their team of willing marshals, for arranging a very enjoyable event and well done to June for spotting all the code boards.

Ian Pollard

KLDMC Under & Over Rally 7 Sep 2005 Results

Driver	Navigator	Class	TC1	PC A	TC2	CB TD	PC B	CB PR	CB RC	TC3	CB BM	CB SL	TC4	CB UF	TC5	CB YZ	TC6	CB GW	TC7	CB CJ	TC8	CB LT	TC9	CB DP	CB ZX	TC10	CB RS	CB JG	CB ACTC	PC C	TC11	Total		Pos		
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T Duckhouse	M Baker	E									F						11				3												1	14	2	2
M Banham	P Haylock	E								1							26		2	F otl													1	29	3	3
J Pollard	I Pollard	E								2		2					4				1											0	9	1	1	
G Bates	S Lloyd	E								3	F					F	14	F			3		1								2	3	23	5	5	
D Leckie	D Bell	E	2							11							13				F otl	F	F otl			F otl						4	26	6	6	
I Cunnington	D Scully	E	1							4	F				3	F	8	F		F	F					1			F		4	6	21	7	7	
R Williams	G Zoller	E								5			F		F		8				7					5					4	2	29	4	4	
R Glover	D Glover	N	1																		1										0	2	1	8		
N Daubney	G Hewitt	N			7					7				4		2					F otl			F	F	F	F	F	F	F	7	20	4	11		
H Garnish	J Garnish	N	5							F				10		F					2			F		F	F	F	F		7	17	3	10		
S Pollard	I Mallett	N	5							4				3		5					1	F	1	F							2	19	2	9		
C Vasey	J Everitt	N	2		1					10		6		F		F					Retired													-	-	

- Marshals:
- N Mann/J Ellis
 - R James
 - C Shinkins
 - P Mears
 - A Congreve
 - P Pollard
 - A Congreve
 - P Pollard
 - D Sooley
 - N Mann/J Ellis (E5 marshals' draw winner)
 - A Cunnington/T Ibbott
 - S & J Leonard
 - R & C Offer
 - D Pollard
- >EEMC in bold

8th Annual Classic Car Run



Classic Car Run (clockwise from top left): Brian Gilham (MG B) gets the OK to start from Tim Ibbott; Chris Wadsley (BMW CSL) also leaves the start; David Fisher's pristine E-type; Club members' cars aplenty — Dave & June Pollard (Lotus Elite); Adrian Cunnington (Renault Alpine); Ian Pollard (Lotus Elan); Chris Shallice (Austin Healey) alongside Bryan Cunnington's Triumph TR5; Phil Thorpe's Bentley, the oldest car on the Run, out in the country; Lunch at the Olde Barn, Marston; Three other oldies chew the cud. Photos: Clare McBride & the Editor.