

The Romer



newsletter of East Elloe Motor Club

JANUARY 2006

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

February

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Wednesday 01 February

12 car rally: championship round 2

KLMC event organised by Mike Baker & Tony Duckhouse. This event starts at The Three Horseshoes PH, Roydon. Map 132D. Entries/marshals required – please call Tony on 01485 540039.

Thursday 09 February

Committee meeting – WMH, 8pm.

Wednesday 01 March

12 car rally: championship round 3

organised by Dave & Ian Pollard and team. More next month.

Wednesday 22 March

Club visit: Radical Motorsport

Maximum of 15 places available; 7.30pm start in Peterborough. Call Nigel Mann (01775 723856) to book.

EVENT REPORTS

Whitewater Rally

8 December 2005

This Kings Lynn event was the final round of the EEMC rally championship for 2005. It started at the Anvil at Congham, east of King's Lynn, a place even the KLMC regulars hadn't been to for a few years, and was organised by Gary Zoller and Ryan

Williams. There was a full entry which was nice to see; let's hope that continues.

The first section was coloured road junctions, however in Gary and Ryan's style, this was not hard enough, so they changed the letters for each road colour. This led us east from Congham up towards West Newton and Sandringham.

The next handout was a written description of the route that we were to follow, although Gary and Ryan had to make some late alterations as Norfolk Highways had decided to close one of the roads. This instruction was open to interpretation and had June and I driving round some triangles to ensure that we hadn't missed anything, before ending up at New Houghton.

The third section was a list of pairs of numbers. I wasn't looking forward to opening the envelope as there were three cars sitting at the next junction working out which way to go. The first few pairs of numbers did not seem to fit anything however I tried to transpose the series, until I started at the opposite end. 97 then became 79 and there was a spot height 79 about one mile from the last control. So off we went with some of the others following. The next spot height was 46 but without taking a long detour we would have to take a white through Oxford Wood. Fortunately there was a control at the end of this white we knew we were heading in the right direction. We then went through Syderstone and looped round South Creak.

The next section was a grid of 40 boxes with about 20 of them blank the other 20 had tulip junctions in them. This was made more difficult because there was a lot of other information printed on the map so it was unclear exactly what the junctions should look like. We went into Little Walsingham through a

bus park then to Houghton St Giles where we negotiated two fords across the River Stiffkey before passing through West Barsham.

Section 5 was just two tulip junctions which were fairly difficult to find and involved crossing the River Wensum at Sculthorpe Mill. This involved driving across the river bed and then upstream for about 20 metres and back on to terra firma. Unfortunately Ryan, who was on hand with a 4X4, told us to keep hard over to the left hand side. What he meant was cross the river, turn right and then keep to the left hand side. But we took him at his word and turned left downstream - we promptly dropped into a hole and got stuck... Luckily, Ryan was on hand to pull us out with his 4X4 and off we went towards Shereford. We then crossed River Wensum again this time using the more conventional method of a bridge! This took us into Tatterford and then into the next TC.

The final section was a list of map symbols and letters under a ☺ and another list under a ☹. We were to pass through the happy face points and avoid the sad face ones. And we also had to remember to pass through spot height 88, an instruction given to us in the starting paperwork! This took us from Helhoughton through to Little Massingham before finishing just off the A148 back at Harpley Dams.

Many thanks to Gary, Ryan and their team of marshals for an enjoyable evening's watersport and to June for guiding the boat around the buoys!

Leading positions:

1. June Pollard/Ian Pollard 1F 17m
2. Tony Duckhouse/Mike Baker 2F 7m
3. Tim Ibbott/Adrian Cunnington 2F 13m

Full results appeared last month.

Ian Pollard

New Year's Rally: CR1

11 January 2006

The new year's rallying started off with this event organised by Colin Shinkins for Kings Lynn & DMC. Another full entry set out from a new venue, the Swan at Fincham, on the A1122 between Downham Market and Swaffham. This was down on Map 143 which involved a fair trek out from Spalding for us to even get to the start, let alone do the route and come home.

Our long trip meant we arrived late enough to get a relatively low start slot at number 7. Tony & Mike led the way at number one heading north west from the start to find Andy Congreve at TC1 and then Bob Offer plus his merry band of photographers just off the A134 at West Briggs. Then, with road colours as the handout, we crossed over to the A10 going north and south of Tottenhill village on our way to start the next handout near South Runcton.

In and out of grid squares was next to guide us down past the Hare Arms at Stow Bardolph to TC4 near Crimbleham. This section, like the first, struck us as being a bit slack as we had to wait for our minute again.

But the pace started to hot up and we started to see more of cars 2 to 6 other than just in the controls, although Tony & Mike were still well out front on the road as we reached Simon Leonard's control. We moved ahead of the pack on the next section which had 3 references to decode using A=0, B=1 etc. and was swiftly followed by a section with 6 points to pass through - all given as a distance from another reference (eg 1 mile east of 654321). Brain ache or what?!!

This took us to Paul Pollard at Boughton, again just off the A134 where we came to a brief halt. The hand out was another devious one - adding grid lines so 72 became 7+2 = 9, 73 = 10 etc. This meant we really had to push hard to keep on time at Andy Congreve's next TC near Gooderstone.

The roads had been very muddy up to this point and weren't about to improve. The handouts didn't either - a circular herringbone was our final task for the evening. It was on this section we encountered ice for the first time on a notoriously twisty yellow near Beachamwell, the tightest bend of which was to claim Greg Bates/Stephen Lloyd a little later. At Bob Offer's 2nd TC we were greeted not only by much flash photography, but also by an official notice warning us of sheet ice on the next section. We were still on time and keen to keep a clean sheet, so Tim pressed on as much as he dare and with the route on the map I concentrated on giving him as much info as I could.

We turned on to the final straight with only about 20 seconds left on our clock until our due time. But with a clear straight road ahead managed to make the final TC about half way into our minute after an enjoyable evening's sport. This got even better when we found

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COMP SEC event information

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- Regs are available and marshals required for: **Robin Hood Stages** (Lindholme MC, 4/5 March) see www.robinhoodforeststages.co.uk
- EEMC will be running a rally purely for **novice crews** on **Wednesday 19th April**. The event, organised by Adrian Cunnington, will be designed to maximise everyone's chance of completing the route and getting a finish. See next month's *Romer* for more information

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out that Tony & Mike had dropped a minute earlier on to add to the two they lost when they were held up by Joe Public on the last section. Fortunately the latter didn't affect the result.

Thanks to Colin and his team for running the event and we look forward to seeing everyone at the next round on 1st February.

Results:

- 1 Tim Ibbott/Adrian Cunnington 0F 0M**
 - 2 Tony Duckhouse/Mike Baker 0F 3M**
 - 3 June & Ian Pollard 0F 6M**
 - Daniel & Brian Cammack 0F 9M
 - = Mark Banham/**Paul Haylock** 0F 10M
 - = Gary Zoller/Ryan Williams 0F 10M
 - 7* Simon Pollard/Ian Mallett 1F 32M**
 - 8* Dave Pollard/Richard Haslam 4F 39M**
 - 9* Nick Daubney/Gary Hewitt 9F 27M**
 - 10* Carol Vasey/Jean Everitt OTL TC8**
 - 11* Gary White/Davie Gillespie OTL TC7**
- DNF Greg Bates/Stephen Lloyd
*novice; EEMC in bold

Marshals included EEMC members Simon Leonard, Paul Pollard, Peter Mears & Bob Offer. Apologies to anyone I have not remembered - *Ed*

Photos on pages 5 & 6

Adrian Cunnington

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CLUB EVENTS

date	event	organiser
Wed 11 January	12 car rally CR1	KLDMC^
Wed 1 February	12 car rally CR2	T Duckhouse/M Baker^
Wed 1 March	12 car rally CR3	D & I Pollard^
Wed 22 March	Radical visit	N Mann
Wed 05 April	12 car rally CR4	KLDMC^
Wed 19 April	Novice rally	A Cunnington
Wed 17 May	Gymkhana CR1	D Pollard
Wed 14 Jun	Gymkhana CR2	I Pollard
Wed 19 Jul	Gymkhana CR3	A Cunnington
Wed 16 Aug	Gymkhana CR4	S Leonard
Sun 10 Sep	CLASSIC RUN	A Lyon
Wed 20 Sep*	Playstation & Quiz	TBC
Oct/Nov*	12 car rally CR5	TBC^
Nov/Dec*	12 car rally CR6	A Cunnington & team^
Thu 14 Dec*	AGM	—

^KLMC event. *Provisional

East Elloe Motor Club Limited

Application for membership or renewal - 2006

Applicant	Spouse/partner
Surname	
First Names	
Signature	
Address	
Postcode	
Telephone	
E-mail	

Subscription

(tick/complete boxes)

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Club:

Member

No:

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Marshalling	<input type="checkbox"/>	Classic Cars	<input type="checkbox"/>	Karting	<input type="checkbox"/>	Socials	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Send all applications to: IAN POLLARD, 5 ESTELLA WAY, SPALDING, LINCS. PE11 1HS

New Year's Rally (KLMC): 11th January



Anti-clockwise from left:

Tim Ibbott/Adrian Cunnington and Mark Banham/Paul Haylock close in on TC2; Dave Pollard/Richard Haslam head for the penultimate control; Tony Duckhouse and Mike Baker in full flow – but they were then held up by this member of the public for most of the last section.



New Year's Rally (KLMC): 11th January



Vauxhalls galore! EEMC crews June & Ian Pollard (Astra, *top*) and Carol Vasey/Jean Everitt (Corsa, *above*) on the New Year's Rally; Nick Daubney/ Gary Hewitt (Nova) seem to be enjoying their evening's sport but Greg Bates/ Stephen Lloyd didn't – they had a closer visit to the Norfolk scenery than they'd planned in their recently-acquired Corsa (*right*) All photos: Carole Offer & team. Thanks!

