

Backfire

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BRISTOL PEGASUS



MOTOR CLUB

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**Bristol Pegasus
Motor Club**

Cover Photo : March Club Night Speaker
Colin Rawlinson in his Smith Buckler 500

Monday 10th May - Club Night - Wheatsheaf Inn - 8:30pm

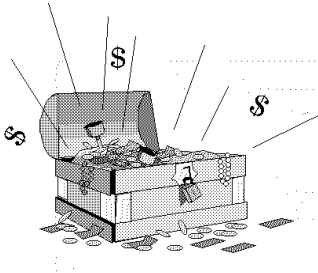
A break from the many speakers we have had over the last few months, this months club night will feature the chance to spend an informal night out talking motorsport, Come along for a beer and a chat from 8.30pm.

Saturday 15th May – Frenchay Museum Display - 2pm to 4.30pm

National Museums week is in May with a theme of transport, so Alan Freke from the Museum has invited us to have a display of competition/classic cars for a few hours in the afternoon. We will be joined by the Bristol Vintage Motorcycle, Douglas Owners and MG Owners Clubs, and also the Hillman Imp Club (Tim Fry was involved with the Imp's design). Also expected are a display of historic pedal cycles (penny-farthing, Dursley Pederson, etc.), and several 1950's 500cc Formula 3 cars, with the first public appearances for over 50 years of the MilliUnion (as described by Bob Ford in a recent Backfire) and Jeremy Fry's Parsenn.

There will be plenty to see, so do come along and have a look. If you can spare a couple of hours to put your competition or classic car on display at the club stand please contact Pete Stowe (01453 845318) or John Corfield (0117 9870763), all offers will be most welcome.

Monday 17th May - Treasure Hunt



Martin & Lewis's offering this year starts at 7.30 pm in the lay-by at the junction of the B3116 Wellsway and the A39 (map ref. 172/668 641) and finishes at the Wheatsheaf. Not our Wheatsheaf, but the one in Combe Hay (map ref. 172 736 601). The event will not involve confectionery in **any shape or form!**

Monday 31st May - Llandow Sprint

The regs came out early April and the closing date for entries is Wednesday 19th May. The entry fee is £68 or £78 if you want to try a late entry after 19th and up to 5 days before the event. Regs are available on the BPMC website for downloading. If you need to use 'snail-mail' or JC's Courier Service (in emergencies and within a reasonable radius of Kingswood!) just give me a call.

Monday 14th June - Club Night - Wheatsheaf Inn - 8:30pm

Guest Speaker: James Brown Managing Director of W H Bench Coachworks Ltd will give an illustrated talk, about the trailers they build especially for F1 and rally teams and how they are kited out.

Monday 21st June - Treasure Hunt

Details of Events on these Pages are compiled by Competition Secretary John Corfield.

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As always we are looking for contributions for Backfire - 80 Meadow Way, Bradley Stoke, Bristol, BS32 8BP backfire@bristolpegasus.com Fax (0870)139-2108 - Club Website WWW.BRISTOLPEGASUS.COM

Invitations

9th May - Curborough Sprint

It may not be too late to take up Nottingham Sports Car Club invite to their Sprint at Curborough as they said they'd accept late entries subject to a £5 supplement. See www.nottsscc.co.uk for contacts and possible updates.

15th May - National Museums Week

Don't forget that the display of the Club's history, organised by Pete Stowe, is still going on at Frenchay Village Museum. Don't forget also that a few of us will be lining up our cars for a few hours after lunch to 'fly the BPMC flag'. So far we have Andy Moss, Nick Wood, Bill Farrow, yours truly and possibly Martin Emsley and it's not too late to think about joining us.

16th May - BMC Solo

Looks like this is off since even if BMC find a venue it will surely be too late for May.

5th & 6th June - Wessex rally

Dolphin Motor Club (Newbury) Ltd have sent me a couple of sets of regs for a dual permit Clubman's and National B Navigational Rally starting and finishing at the Falkland Cricket Club, Enbourne Street, Wash Common, Newbury (174 451644). The entry fee is £45 and closing date is 24th May although the entry list tops out at 40 so it may be a case of getting in quick? Their website address is www.dolphinmotorclub.co.uk

6th June - Curborough Sprint

The second of this year's Nottingham Sports Car Club's Sprints to which we have been invited. I have a set of regs and entry form; closing date is 25th May with a £62 entry fee for members and £68 for others. Late entries will be accepted subject to a £5 supplement. See also www.nottsscc.co.uk.

12th June - CAR-nival Sprint

"This will be the 8th year of the Abingdon Motorsport CAR-nival Sprint and the 2004 event looks likely to be the biggest and the best yet" says the introduction. I'm inclined to believe them as they have an entry list of 150 that is always oversubscribed such that no spaces are being reserved for Championship Contenders - it's all first come first served. The entry fee is £75 (£85 after 2nd June) plus a mandatory Charitable Contribution of £15. The message is pretty obvious here - get in quick or don't get in at all!

12th June - VAG Action Day at Castle Combe

This is the third chance this year to promote the club on a day that will feature VW, Audi, SEAT and Skoda. Despite the article last month I've had no-one come forward to offer their car for display around the club awning. I hope that it's just due to there still being plenty of time before the event and not because we're not getting track passes this year. Please let me know if this is a factor because nothing is fixed in stone. Remember we just need volunteers to bring their car along in order to park up and do nothing more than relax and help us talk about the club for the day.
YOUR CLUB NEEDS YOU!

Interclub Karting Castle Combe 25th April 2004
Or The Return of the Magnificent Seven!
Organised by Paul Draper report by Anne Draper

Sunday 25th April saw the 6th running of the Interclub Karting Endurance Challenge at Castle Combe. The event had been moved from a date earlier in the month due to lack of availability at the circuit. Perhaps this date change prevented more BPMC members attending as of 18 available places we only managed to fill seven! Fortunately Bristol Motor Club (BMC) had no trouble getting their teams together so we lined up against 19 drivers organised into 4 teams.

The BPMC teams to face them were as follows

Team Bird/Draper

Paul Bird
Lewis Bird
Paul Draper
Anne Draper

Team Giles

John Milne
Simon Milne
Dave Cutcliffe

The format was once again a two and a half hour endurance event so on a very hot day it was going to be hard work with so few drivers.

After the drivers briefing, now a video presentation, we took to the track for some practice laps. Our positions on the grid were decided by the fastest lap in each kart during practice so we lined up:

Team Giles

BMC 1
BMC 4
BMC 2

Team Bird/Draper
BMC 3



Right : Paul Bird (kart 5) chasing BMC 1 (kart 1)

After some close early racing Dave Cutcliffe in Team Giles lost 1st place to BMC 1. Meanwhile Team Bird/Draper were making no impression on the leaders despite good driving by Paul Draper. Paul Bird was next out and although taking good lines was not as fast as he would have expected. We were beginning to think that the kart was not performing as well as it might.

John Milne was flying for Team Giles taking full advantage of all the extra practice he has had as he is now a marshal at the track. He regained the lead and heroically decided to drive for an hour without a break.

Surprisingly by the closing stages the karts were still in the order that they had started in. Simon Milne also did an hour stint while Paul Draper out again as last man for Team Bird/Draper had an unscheduled kart change when it appeared one of his rear wheels was working itself loose! In the new kart he was suddenly quicker- perhaps we were right about the original ones performance?

Team Giles took the chequered flag having completed 344 laps four more than the winning team last year. A mighty effort from only three drivers.

The final standings were:

1 Team Giles	344 laps
2 BMC 1	338
3.BMC 4	332
4.BMC 2	331
5.Team Bird/Draper	327
6.BMC 3	313

So BPMC now lead BMC five wins to one in this event.

As usual the organisation at Castle Combe was excellent and the interclub rivalry very friendly. In fact the only penalty of the day went to BMC 3 for nearly running over a marshal. Incident of the day also went to BMC when one of their karts went up on two wheels and nearly flipped over after a heavy collision! Fastest lap of the day went to Adrian Jones in BMC 4

For Sale - One rather special Cossie

Believe it or not, I've decided to sell my 300+bhp 1989 (RWD) Ford Sierra Sapphire RS Cosworth - a car which needs hardly any introduction to most of you. Why? I hear you gasp, well my son (Martin) and I want to start a new Sprint car project and I can't do that and keep the Cossie, so it has to go - simple as that! There's far too much information on the car to do it justice here so if you (are seriously interested and) want all the facts then please e-mail me at john_e_f_corfield@hotmail.com or phone 0117 9870763 and ask.

Oh, what about the price I hear you ask (hopefully), well lets just say that I'm open to offers and I am absolutely serious when I say "this car must go". I paid £8500 for it in August 2000 and since then I've spent over £4000 on maintenance including a rebuild of the LSD and rear shocks just after I bought it and a replacement gearbox with new clutch last year (all the work being done as usual by Interpro). I've also just paid £700 to have the (pretty minor) Castle Combe rear wing dent from last season repaired plus a bit of general tidying. No! Of course I'm not looking to get my money back (I am a realist) but it might give you an idea and I won't be offended by any approach.

Break open those piggy banks.....



Letters To The Editor

Dear Sir

Congratulations on the April Backfire!

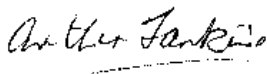
I thoroughly enjoyed Tom Kings Austin Sevens' story, he didn't mention the Clutch on them which was a great feat for a novice like me to operate! I had two A 7s, a 1933 and later a Ruby.

In the Fifties when there were less restrictions and a shortage of cars and money we enjoyed the Club Rallies. I was looking at some entry lists and results, and the striking thing about them is the number of competitors! Something like 60 cars took part from Austin 7s to Hillman Mines! And some of the Drivers names are recognizable including Geoff Brown and Gerry Bath not forgetting Tom and myself ...

I had an Austin 8 with my wife Joan navigating when she wasn't being sick! We had some hard events and some hard weather in those days! My love of Two wheels eventually won and we competed in the Bristol Motor Cycle Clubs events. Other BMCC members at that time were Jack Parker and Ian Macleod. Ian even took part in a Rally on a Moped....and won an award! Jack of course after trying Sidecar racing became an ace navigator for Weston Club member(s). My wife retained her enthusiasm and navigated for me on the Pillion of my Triumph, and also competed herself on a NSU scooter! Happy days...

We visited the Frenchay Village Museum on Bank Holiday Monday and were very impressed with what we saw. Perhaps we were influenced by the Club displays but anyone with an interest in local history could not fail to enjoy this free exhibition. Full marks to Club member(s) responsible for BACMC contributions!

Regards



Arthur Tankins

Castle Combe Test Day - 31st July

Once again the Club will be visiting Castle Combe circuit on Saturday 31st July for the annual test day. This gives you the opportunity to drive your car around the race circuit. Unlike the Action Day's held at Castle Combe, we only have six cars on the track at a time. This allows you plenty of space to go at your own speed with minimal interference from other cars. There are a limited number of spaces available on the day, therefore you are recommended to get your booking in as soon as possible.

For further details of the day and a copy of the booking form, please contact Kieron Winter on telephone 01275 373363 (home) or 0117 9796515 (work) or via email kpwinter@ukgateway.net

Frenchay Museum Display - March to May

A special exhibition of the Club's history since 1945 is on display in the Frenchay Village Museum until the end of May. As Frenchay was home to the Fry family the museum's permanent displays include sections on Bristol's famous Fry chocolate company and the motorsport exploits of Jeremy, David and Joe Fry and the Freikaiserwagen and Fry-Climax racing cars, so is well worth a visit. Admission is free.

The museum is located off the Avon Ring Road, just inside Entrance 'B' of Frenchay Hospital, at the junction of Frenchay Park Road and Begbrook Park Road. Opening times are: Saturday, Sunday & Bank Holiday Monday 2pm to 5pm; Wednesday 12.30 pm to 4pm.

Sunday 18th April 2004 Production Car Trial – By Andy Moss

We returned to Lower Grove Farm near Dundry for the second time for the 2004 Production Car Trial.

The event was a joint effort between ourselves and Bristol Motor Club, with Glyn Hopkins kindly taking on the role of Clerk of the Course and myself picking up the Secretarial duties.

As recent Production Car Trials had not attracted huge entries we were quite happy with the seven entries we had received before the day – we did not dream that we end up with 19 competitors who signed on for a Sunday afternoon's motorsport.

Glyn had spent the morning laying out a number of sections with the assistance of experienced trials competitor Arthur Jones. Unfortunately these did not take account of the heavy rain that started to fall as people were signing on. We had aimed for a fairly gentle introduction to trialing suited to road cars and novice competitors – unfortunately the weather had different ideas.

Despite the horrendous conditions most people seemed to enjoy the event and we hope they will not be put off having another go next year.



Amongst the interesting mix of cars we had everything from a Mini to a Bugatti – to my knowledge no cars were damaged, although they may have needed a good wash at the end of the event.

Thanks to all those who helped to make the event a success by either organising, marshalling or competing. We again owe thanks to Duncan Pitaway who very kindly allowed us to use his excellent field at Lower Grove Farm.

2004 - PCT Results

Name	Class	Car	Total	Class Pos	Index Score	O/A Position	Class Index
Mal Allen	2	Marlin	13	1	63.11	1	20.6
Alan Spencer	1	Mini	54	1	78.45	2	68.83
Steven Spencer	1	Mini	58	2	84.27	3	68.83
Paul Monis	1	Peugeot 205	68	3	98.79	4	68.83
Mark Tooth	4	VW Beetle	50	1	100	5	50
Pete Hart	2	Marlin	21	2	101.94	6	20.6
Matt Marples	1	Peugeot 205	73	4	106.06	7	68.83
G Marples	1	Peugeot 205	79	5	114.78	8	68.83
Paul Draper	1	Ford Ka	81	6	117.68	9	68.83
		Nissan					
Jason Clarke	1	Bluebird Turbo	83	7	120.59	10	68.83
Dave		Nissan					
Greenslade	1	Bluebird Turbo	84	8	122.04	11	68.83
M Burrow	1	Ford Puma	86	9	124.95	12	68.83
Anne Draper	1	Ford Ka	88	10	127.85	13	68.83
Mark Wright	1	Daewoo Nubria	97	11	140.93	14	68.83
James Harris	1	Daewoo Nubria	98	12	142.38	15	68.83
Arthur Jones	2	Liege	43	3	208.74	16	20.6
					Did Not Start	Did Not Start	
Steve Conner	1	Peugeot 205	-	-			N/A
		Triumph					
Martin Cox	3	Dolomite	104	-	Finisher	Finisher	N/A
					Non Finisher	Non Finisher	
Ben Cox	2	Bugatti	92	-	Finisher	Finisher	N/A
					Non Finisher	Non Finisher	
Dan Cox	2	Bugatti	87	-	Finisher	Finisher	N/A



Bristol Pegasus Clubmans and Marshals Championships 2004

Clubmans Championship 2004 to the April PCT Results prepared by John Corfield				
TOTAL POINTS SCORED	ENTRANT	'POINTS SCORED' POSITIONS	NUMBER OF EVENTS	ORGANISED OR MARSHALLED ?
14.51	Andy Moss	1	3	Yes
14.51	Martin Emsley	1	3	Yes
13.04	Paul Bird	3	3	Yes
12.21	Matt Marples	4	3	
9.87	Chris Goodchild	5	3	Yes
9.87	David Adams	5	3	
7.91	Dave Cutcliffe	7	2	
7.91	Martin Baker	7	2	Yes
6.05	Andy Rigler	9	2	Yes
6.05	Dick Craddy	9	2	Yes
5.58	Alan Spencer	11	1	
5.57	Richard Gough	12	2	
5.57	Rob Freelove	12	2	
5.17	Howard Johnston	14	1	
4.33	Mal Allen	15	1	
3.50	Paul Draper	16	1	
3.42	Mark Wright	17	3	
3.00	James Harris	18	3	
2.11	Allen Harris	19	1	
1.83	Anne Draper	20	1	

Marshals Championship 2004 to the April PCT Results prepared by John Corfield			
TOTAL POINTS SCORED	ENTRANT	'POINTS SCORED' POSITIONS	NUMBER OF EVENTS
2	Andy Moss	1	1
2	Andy Rigler	1	1
2	Dick Craddy	1	1
2	Tim Murray	1	1
1	Bill Farrow	5	1
1	Donny Allen	5	1
1	Kieron Winter	5	1
1	Paul Bird	5	1

Fantasy F1 Positions after San Marino GP

Pos	Entrant	Driver 1	Driver 2	Team 1	Team 2	Total
1	Martyn Davies	Alonso	Button	Renault	BAR	324
2	Elisabeth Lewis	Coulthard	Alonso	Renault	BAR	263
3	Paul Wiese	Panis	Pantano	Ferrari	BAR	259
4	Donny Allen	Heidfeld	Baumgartner	Ferrari	Renault	257
5=	Martin Baker	Massa	da Matta	Ferrari	BAR	254
5=	Simon Tidmus	Barrichello	Alonso	Renault	Sauber	254
7	Tim Murray	Alonso	da Matta	Ferrari	Minardi	243
8	Chris Lewis	Raikkonen	Trulli	Renault	BAR	242
9	Mark Elvin	Button	da Matta	Williams	BAR	238
10	Dick Craddy	Barrichello	Pantano	Williams	BAR	235
11=	Alison Emsley	Alonso	Heidfeld	Williams	BAR	233
11=	Andy Moss	Barrichello	Baumgartner	Williams	BAR	233
11=	Martin Emsley	Montoya	da Matta	Renault	BAR	233
14=	Anne Draper	Trulli	Webber	Williams	BAR	222
14=	Kieron Winter	Trulli	Webber	Williams	BAR	222
16	Jonathan Prestidge	Trulli	Button	Williams	Jordan	221
17	Mary Craddy	Alonso	Button	McLaren	Jaguar	208
18=	Mal Allen	Pantano	Bruni	Ferrari	McLaren	204
18=	Rex Meaden	Button	da Matta	McLaren	Renault	204
20	John Page	Raikkonen	Alonso	BAR	Jaguar	191
21	Caroline Meaden	Barrichello	da Matta	McLaren	BAR	190
22	Tom King	Barrichello	Raikkonen	BAR	Jaguar	189
23	Liz Moss	da Matta	Panis	Ferrari	Jordan	182
24	Paul Draper	Fisichella	da Matta	Williams	BAR	172
25	Alison, Josh, Dominic Bennett	Montoya	Panis	Renault	Jordan	168
26	Louella Holsman	Coulthard	Trulli	Williams	Jordan	160
27	Chris Goodchild	Raikkonen	da Matta	McLaren	BAR	133
28	Chris & Sam Bennett	Massa	Pantano	Williams	McLaren	124
29	Pete Stowe	Klien	da Matta	Williams	McLaren	121
30	Arthur Tankins	Raikkonen	Trulli	McLaren	Jordan	116
31	Mark Williams	Montoya	Heidfeld	McLaren	Jordan	108
32	Andy Laurence	Montoya	Raikkonen	Sauber	Minardi	102
33	Alan Spencer	Montoya	Webber	Jaguar	Toyota	99
34	Helen Davies	Raikkonen	Sato	McLaren	Jaguar	86

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ACE Classic Tour

Pegasus Club Members may be interested in the ACE classic vehicle tour which this year supports St Peters Hospice



All Classics Enthusiasts (ACE) Booking Form The 2004 Classic Vehicle Charity Tour – SUNDAY June 27TH

This year we visit the beautiful Forest of Dean. The route differs from that of our previous visit and is designed to take in places of interest that we are sure you will enjoy. We shall once again have a communal picnic stop at a convenient location. As last year, we leave from the **BAWA** pavilion, Southmead Road, Filton, by kind permission of the Management. **(Toilets are available at the start area).** Please assemble at 9.30am. A map of the area local to the start point is attached to this entry form.

It has been determined that the main charity for this year will be St Peter's Hospice and in the view of the committee is deserving of our support.

Please retain the above section for your information.

Return lower section with your entry fee.

Name	Vehicle make
Address	Vehicle model
	Vehicle registration number
Postcode	Contact telephone number

Please sign disclaimer and return with entry fee (minimum £12 .00 per vehicle) to: - Tony Joiner. 17 Badminton, Penn Drive, Frenchay, Bristol. BS16 1NJ. Tel 01179 564954.
(Please make cheques payable to ALL CLASSIC ENTHUSIASTS or A.C.E.)

If a receipt is required, please tick box and enclose a stamped self addressed envelope.

Disclaimer

I declare that I am physically and mentally fit to take part in this event and I am competent to do so.

I understand the nature of the event and can confirm that my vehicle is covered by an insurance policy, such that it will satisfy the relevant laws and statutes in place at the time of the event.

I further confirm that my vehicle is covered by a relevant Ministry of Transport test certificate (MOT).

Authorised Signature _____ Date _____

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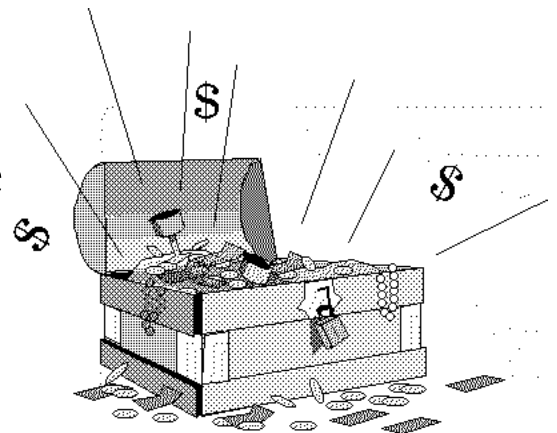
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