

# Backfire

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BRISTOL PEGASUS



MOTOR CLUB

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**Bristol Pegasus  
Motor Club**

Alan Spencer throws the Mini around the cones at the  
2004 MGCC/Pegasus MC Autotest Photo : Chris Goodchild

# Events for October 2004

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## Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> October - Pegasus Sprint

The regs have been out for a while now with a closing date for entries of 30<sup>th</sup> September. The Entries Secretary is Kieron and the entry fee is £84. A copy can be downloaded from our website or you can contact John Corfield. Don't forget, as usual, that if you're not entering you will be very welcome as a marshal.

## Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October - Navigation Scatter

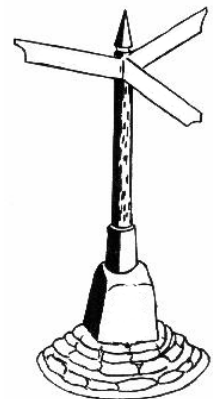
This event is run jointly with the Bristol Motor Club. The start will be in the car park of the Severn View services, close to the first Severn Crossing. (Map Ref: 573 894). The event will take place entirely on OS map 172. The finish point will be included in the route information to be handed to each competitor. Crews must have submitted their answer sheet by 22:30 Signing on and scrutineering will be from 19.45. Route information will be handed out at 20.15. It should be possible to visit approximately 75% of the points without covering more than 60 miles.

## Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November - Club Night

Wheatsheaf from 8:30pm

## Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November - Navigation Exercise

This event has been rescued by our very own Mr Bob Hart selflessly volunteering just in time - much appreciated Bob! So shame on any of you Navigation competitors who enjoy taking part but have not taken a turn to organise. John Corfield says this a little tongue in cheek but, on a serious note, as he points out, sooner or later each of us needs to put back some of what we take out. Anyway, make a note in your diary and come along and enjoy the challenge.

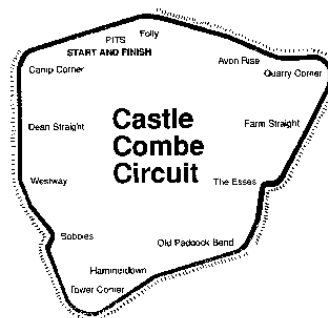


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**Pegasus Sprint 2004  
Castle Combe Circuit  
Saturday 16th October**



**Urgent request for Marshals**

Ian Hall has the difficult job of organising enough marshals for this years Pegasus Sprint.

If you fancy a day at Combe please contact Ian ASAP on 01225 892278  
As usual there will be a prize draw for those who help, as well as an entertaining day out. No experience is necessary - new marshals will be teamed up with experienced crews

**Local Events / Invitations**

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> October - Kimber Production Car Trial**

We've had our usual invitation from the MGCC(SW) to enter their PCT at Beaconsfield Farm, Western Lane, West Harptree (map ref 182/554553). Entries close at 9:30am on the day and the entry fee is £10. The Secretary is Mr B M Weston, tel 01963 440941 or 01747 823232. John Corfield has some copies of the regs.

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November - Bristol MC Fedden Sporting Trial**

Bristol MC's Sporting trial - an interesting event to watch or marshal.

**Cotswold Motor Sport Group October Events**

We are invited to the following events through our membership of the Cotswold Motor Sport Group. Alan Spencer represents the club at CMSG meetings and is happy to provide more information on the CMSG activities. If you would like more details on these events call Andy Moss on 0117 904181 or visit the web site at <http://www.cmsg.co.uk>

10th	Gymkhana	Cirencester Car Club Ltd
10th	The South Warwickshire PCT CMSG PCT Championship	Coventry & Warwickshire Motor Club
14th	Navex	Ross and District Motor Sports Club Ltd
15th	12-Car Navigational	Cheltenham Motor Club
17th	Winter Series - Windrush	Cirencester Car Club Ltd
22nd	CMSGCC Roadsport Event Round 5 - Note Date Change	CMSGCC
24th	The Autumn Mist PCT CMSG PCT Championship Round 9	Ross and District Motor Sports Club Ltd
26th	CMSG Meeting - Cheltenham	Cotswold Motor Sport Group
29th	CMSGCC Roadsport Event Round 5 New Date	CMSGCC
30th	Autumn Scatter	Forest of Dean Motor Club

## Manoir de l'automobile - Loheac, Brittany by Martin Emsley

Whilst recently on holiday in Brittany we visited a car museum in a small town called Loheac. It is situated more or less in the centre of Brittany, we stumbled across the literature for it somewhat by accident, glad we did because it is an excellent place. The whole of the very beautiful village revolves around the automobile, naturally many motoring events take it in on runs and many special events are run there. In addition to the museum there is an autocross circuit, earth – tarmac circuit, tarmac track, go-kart track, restoration business and sports car building business, naturally accommodation, shops, bars etc.



The museum is in some beautiful landscaped buildings, on two stories, absolutely superb. They have a nice varied collection of many (400) vehicles. My personal favourites being a set of Alpine Renaults and the Group B rally cars. Now what constitutes a full set? They have: Quattro S1, Citroen 4x4 BX, 205 T 16 E2, 037, Delta S4, Metro 6R4, RS200 and best of the lot an ex Carlos Sainz R5 Turbo Maxi, whilst



upstairs is a Rothmans RS1800 MK 2 Escort. In another hall, it is nicely divided up, a 'grid' of mostly French F1 cars, which made a change from the 'regulars', some I had forgotten, with many parts displayed in cabinets around the walls. They have a tremendous collection of 'model' cars, some of which have been crafted in scenarios especially for the museum, real works of art and very imaginative, tracing the history of the automobile.

There was a hall of Lamborghini's, another of Ferrari's with a massive collection of models, just of this one marque. There are many Citroen's but no AX, could have sold them a competition used one. I thought I was pretty aware of many cars, naturally they have a splendid lot of French cars, though I admit there are some I had never heard of let alone seen before. I could go on about the 3 R8 Gordini's, the Simca Rallye 1, 11 & 111, the rally cross specials, Matra & Jaguar Le Mans cars and so on.

Well worth a visit, it takes at least a day, in the museum there are two excellent bars that do food as well, sensibly situated at opposite ends of the long building. The shop is good and if you can read French there is a rather excellent guidebook. I just look at the pictures, some say I do that with English books too!



**Racing on Ice?  
You can not be serious  
OH YES WE ARE!**

**Ice Karting Thursday 9th December**

This is your opportunity to demonstrate your superb car control skills honed over many years to rival the likes of Clark, Senna and Schumacher. This is also one motorsport event where weight is an advantage to help the studded tyres to dig in to the ice for better grip and traction. A good excuse to ignore the promised diet and exercise regime until next year.



This will be a team endurance event with 2 teams of 7 drivers and 2 teams of 8 drivers. The event is well run and marshalled by the organisers with any infringements being rewarded by a trip to the sin bin and a whole lap being lost – you have been warned! The details are as follows: -

**Thursday 9th December** at Bristol Ice Rink, Frogmore Street, Bristol, BS1 5NA

7.00pm Party Arrive  
7.15pm Karting briefing at rink side (you must be on time to drive)  
7.30pm Karting Commences  
9.00pm Pit Stop & Buffet  
9.30pm Karting Continues  
11.00pm Chequered Flag and Awards

**Buffet**

Assorted Pate, Chicken Fillets with Dip, Vegetable Samosas, Pork Pie, Quiche, Selection of Cheeses, Rolls and Butter, Crisps and Nuts, Selection of Soft Drinks



**Attire**

You must have all skin covered so long sleeves, trousers, gloves and of course a crash helmet. Trainers are the best form of footwear and waterproof leggings are highly recommended as the ice cuts up and turns slushy after an hour – you will get wet ! Helmets are provided but if you have your own please bring it along.

**Price**

£35 per driver including everything stated above.  
£1.50 per spectator or £6.00 including the buffet.

**To Book**

Spaces are strictly limited to 30 people which will be initially split as 15 for both the MRC and BPMC. To reserve your place send a cheque for the full amount to: -

Ken Robson, 201 Juniper Way, Bradley Stoke, Bristol, BS32 0DP

## **Clubmans Championship 2004 to the 2 Club Sprint Results prepared by John Corfield**

TOTAL POINTS SCORED	ENTRANT	'POINTS SCORED' POSITIONS	NUMBER OF EVENTS	ORGANISED OR MARSHALLED ?
38.15	Paul Bird	1	10	Yes
25.48	Andy Moss	2	7	Yes
24.33	Martin Emsley	3	5	Yes
24.32	Martin Baker	4	6	Yes
24.05	Dave Cutcliffe	5	5	
19.18	John Corfield	6	5	Yes
17.87	Chris Goodchild	7	5	Yes
15.63	Matt Marples	8	5	
15.02	Kevin Jones	9	3	
14.86	Judith Bird	10	4	
12.96	Nick Wood	11	4	Yes
12.96	Paul Rowbottom	12	3	
12.17	Pete Crudgington	13	3	
11.58	Alan Spencer	14	4	Yes
11.29	Lewis Bird	15	3	Yes
10.79	Mark Roberts	16	2	
10.66	Tony Thorp	17	2	
10.57	Kieron Winter	18	3	Yes
10.22	John Mearns	19	3	
9.95	Paul Perkin	20	2	

## **Marshals Championship 2004 to the 2 Club Sprint Results prepared by John Corfield**

TOTAL POINTS SCORED	ENTRANT	'POINTS SCORED' POSITIONS	NUMBER OF EVENTS
12	Kieron Winter	1	7
8	Dick Craddy	2	3
6	Bob Hart	3	2
6	Lewis Bird	3	5
6	Martin Baker	3	3
5	John Corfield	6	3
4	Alan Spencer	7	3
3	Bill Farrow	8	2
3	Ian Hall	8	1
3	Martin Emsley	8	2
3	Tim Murray	8	2

Please note that points have been added for those who organised and helped to set up the 2 Club Sprint but points have not yet been added for those who marshalled (awaiting list).



## Positions after Italian GP Results Prepared By Tim Murray

Pos	Entrant	Driver 1	Driver 2	Team 1	Team 2	Total
1	Martyn Davies	Alonso	Button	Renault	BAR	975
2	Simon Tidmus	Barrichello	Alonso	Renault	Sauber	973
3	Martin Baker	Massa	da Matta	Ferrari	BAR	967
4	Donny Allen	Heidfeld	Baumgartner	Ferrari	Renault	966
5	Paul Wiese	Panis	Pantano	Ferrari	BAR	920
6	Tim Murray	Alonso	da Matta	Ferrari	Minardi	856
7	Chris Lewis	Raikkonen	Trulli	Renault	BAR	854
8	Andy Moss	Barrichello	Baumgartner	Williams	BAR	844
9	Caroline Meaden	Barrichello	da Matta	McLaren	BAR	830
10	Tom King	Barrichello	Raikkonen	BAR	Jaguar	828
11	Elisabeth Lewis	Coulthard	Alonso	Renault	BAR	823
12	Mal Allen	Pantano	Bruni	Ferrari	McLaren	810
13	Dick Craddy	Barrichello	Pantano	Williams	BAR	806
14	Rex Meaden	Button	da Matta	McLaren	Renault	724
15	Liz Moss	da Matta	Panis	Ferrari	Jordan	715
16	Martin Emsley	Montoya	da Matta	Renault	BAR	711
17	Mark Elvin	Button	da Matta	Williams	BAR	710
18	Mary Craddy	Alonso	Button	McLaren	Jaguar	687
19	Alison Emsley	Alonso	Heidfeld	Williams	BAR	673
20=	Anne Draper	Trulli	Webber	Williams	BAR	669
20=	Kieron Winter	Trulli	Webber	Williams	BAR	669
22	John Page	Raikkonen	Alonso	BAR	Jaguar	659
23	Jonathan Prestidge	Trulli	Button	Williams	Jordan	655
24	Chris Goodchild	Raikkonen	da Matta	McLaren	BAR	608
25	Paul Draper	Fisichella	da Matta	Williams	BAR	594
26	Arthur Tankins	Raikkonen	Trulli	McLaren	Jordan	553
27	Alison, Josh, Dominic	Montoya	Panis	Renault	Jordan	516
28	Louella Holsman	Coulthard	Trulli	Williams	Jordan	503
29	Andy Laurence	Montoya	Raikkonen	Sauber	Minardi	500
30	Helen Davies	Raikkonen	Sato	McLaren	Jaguar	463
31	Chris & Sam Bennett	Massa	Pantano	Williams	McLaren	443
32	Mark Williams	Montoya	Heidfeld	McLaren	Jordan	438
33	Pete Stowe	Klien	da Matta	Williams	McLaren	408
34	Alan Spencer	Montoya	Webber	Jaguar	Toyota	322





## **Bristol Two Club Sprint "Wiltshire's Winning Ways" Colerne 30th August 2004 by Steve Wilkinson**

On a blustery but sunny Bank Holiday Monday the capacity field gathered at Colerne RAF base for the latest round of the British Sprint Championship. There were several absentees but the main talking point was Tony Eyles switch to the Road Going classes. Tony had been on holiday in Spain where he had suffered severe leg injuries in a motorcycle accident. The Somerset driver was hobbling round the paddock and had been unable to get into the Lola so switched to his Mercedes 500CL to ensure he at least garnered the Loyalty Points. The class runs saw Tony Eyles rumble round on just one run before he took to the open road.

Steve Broughton also had a late switch to a Caterham Mod Pro when his OMS suffered terminal damage to the output shaft when yet another chain parted. John Sampson's Quantum was amalgamated with the over 1800 Sports Libres and he came home second behind the Darrian of Ian Hall who should really have registered for the championship!

Ross Browne was the star of the 1100 Racing car class where Tony Ellis on his first trip to Colerne could finish only fifth. Jane Farthing had 'borrowed' a Force from Bill Chaplin and with hillclimb gearing still managed sixth. In the 1600 class Roy Dawson again prevailed whilst Scott Pillinger was a closing second. Another to be considering registration in 2005 was David Mosley who took third in his OMS. It was nice to see Dave Pillinger finishing fourth now that he is fully recovered from his heart problems of last year.

In the two-litre class Dave Cutcliffe, who is restricting his season to South West Championship events due to the cracked block in his BDG, put in two superb runs the second of which earned him FTD. He is promising to be back with us for 2005, which is not good news for the 2 litre runners! Tony Wiltshire was second whilst Simon Ashby was a brilliant third and closing on the 69 second barrier.

Local tyro Kevin Lealan had registered for the Sprint Championship and his fifth in class qualified him for the run-off in his underpowered Formula Vauxhall Lotus. In the final Racing Car class Martin Dowling and John Payne ran out 1-2 in the shared 88D whilst John Forsyth on his British Sprint debut took third but just failed to qualify for the run off due to having a hillclimb diff still fitted from Gurston the previous day.

### **Top Twelve Run Off**

As he was fastest in the class runs Dave Cutcliffe joined the 12 Championship runners to defend his FTD time. Neither of his runs were faster than his best class run and as no one else challenged he retained FTD.

Graham Porrett had looked capable of improving but a dodgy water pump meant the temperature hadn't dropped after his first run so he stood down to give the car time to



cool before Terry Holmes took his second run. John Payne, the last of the dual drives, made inroads in his Q-time but still seemed off the pace. Mike Musson was recovering from a heart stopper in qualifying when he overshot Turn 7 and bypassed the nadgery right-left-right complex. His second run time was an improvement but left him anchored in tenth.

Phil Lynch was another first time visitor to Colerne and a close encounter with a cone on his first run damaged the steering and spelt retirement. John Sampson, who has a pathological dislike for cones, was going well and with both his runs quicker than his Q-time he should have moved up. However he remained fixed in eleventh. Stephen Miles hadn't run at Colerne in a single seater, in fact his last event there had been in a Road Going Kit Car! His qualification was excellent then in the run-off he went even faster to end up in sixth.

Kevin Lealan used his extensive local knowledge to finally drop in the 70s bracket and take seventh on his championship debut. Terry Holmes took fourth although on his second run he spent a lot of time monitoring the temperature gauge. Roy Dawson only took his first run as he was inside his new class record and felt that there was little likelihood of improvement. However fifth place in a 1400cc single seater was an heroic effort.

Simon Ashby had looked quick all day and was even three wheeling through the Turn 7 complex. His run-off times saw him first break into the 69 second band and then a 68.04sec second run was a top drawer performance. Martin Dowling's Top Twelve run-off got off to a bad start as he spun out on his first run. Second time round and he nailed a good start then over caution meant he could only manage third.

Meanwhile Tony Wiltshire had taken the lead on his first run then extended the margin second time round. Although over a second adrift on 'Lofty' Cutcliffe it was mission accomplished as he left with 12 points in the bag.

With Aintree just five days away could Wilt keep up the pressure or would Tony Eyles bounce back?

Only time would tell!

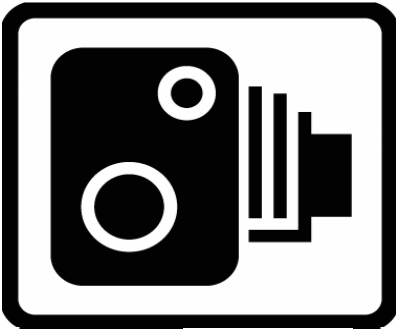
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## **Geoff Brown**

Club members may like to know that long standing member Geoff Brown has recently been unwell and has moved to Fir Grove House in Yate Bristol. Geoff can be contacted at Fir Grove on 01454 310636.

We all wish Geoff well.

## Newsflash



Speed cameras, love them or loathe them you cannot get away from them these days. There is no doubt they should make the roads safer, hitting someone at 30 mph instead of 40 gives them a slightly better chance of survival, also most drivers do not seem to realise the lower speed equals a shorter stopping distance. It becomes unsafe because brainless morons insist on breaking the limit then recklessly heavily braking to get down to legal limit before passing a camera. Just like an F1 car entering the pit lane, only problem is these cretinous individuals have not even 1% of the skill or ability an F1 driver has in his little toe. If drivers were responsible, and recognised their own shortcomings there would be no need for the infernal yellow things, and it is all ages who are incompetent behind the wheel, male and female.

Some may have seen a small snippet in the local papers warning of the extension of the mobile camera scheme locally. It is a cause of great concern, if roadside and mobile cameras were not enough we are now faced with 'flying' ones. We all know the armed forces are short of money, every government cutting back on spend. The RAF has recently teamed up with the Wiltshire Constabulary in a 'novel' revenue-generating project. The RAF are committed to their transport pilot training programme based just outside Swindon, indeed you may have seen low flying Hercules aircraft whilst travelling down the M4.

The plan is to drive a speed camera mounted on a small tractor unit into the back of the aircraft which will then fly at low level along or near the M4, the special zoom, defractive lens being able to automatically track, time, record and picture offending cars AND drivers. The nature of the optics and software, which is a development of some previously used in space probes, can 'see' through rain, snow and fog, they are automatically filtered out. The resulting fund from fines will be equally split between the Police and RAF. It will give the pilots and navigators an opportunity to practice precision flying

Unfortunately the screw is being further turned as the detection limit will be set at 78mph, perfectly legal taking into account a 10% error. All above this speed will get fixed penalties and points on a sliding scale up to 85mph, above this speed prosecutions will take place, one of the penalties being considered is imprisonment and vehicle confiscation. If the 6 month trial is successful the scheme will be extended to other areas of the UK.

Drivers need to be aware that the pilot scheme will be starting on October 1st so watch out for 'Fat Alberts', as they are known, which have their rear load door open and are flying near the M4 motorway around Swindon. You also of course need to keep you eyes on the road.



Watch your speed, you have been warned.

## Notice of AGM

The Annual General Meeting of the Bristol Pegasus Motor Club will be held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2004 at the Wheatsheaf Inn, High Street, Winterbourne, Bristol. The meeting will commence at 8.00 p.m.

### Agenda

- ◆ Propose Minutes of the 2003 AGM
- ◆ Chairman's Report
- ◆ Treasurer's Report
- ◆ Re-appointment of Auditor
- ◆ Changes to Articles of Association
- ◆ Nominations for Board of Directors
- ◆ AOB

Nominations for the Board of Directors should be submitted on the form below, with the names and signatures of a proposer and seconder. Any proposed changes to the Articles of Association should also be submitted on the form below,

### Nominations for the Board of Directors

Position	Nominee	Signature	Proposer	Signature	Secunder	Signature

### Proposed changes to the Articles of Association

Proposer	Signature	Secunder	Signature

Nominations should be submitted on the forms above (or a photocopy) and sent to the Secretary, Tim Murray, 170 North Road, Stoke Gifford, Bristol, BS34 8PH, no later than 13<sup>th</sup> November 2004.

Following the AGM there will be a presentation to the 2004 Award winners (a full list will appear in Backfire). There will be a free buffet during the evening. Please could those who hold perpetual club trophies ensure that they are returned to Tim by the end of November.



***Club Night Venue  
The Wheatsheaf  
From M32 (Junction 1)***

Take the A4174 ring road towards Downend. 200 metres further on, turn left at traffic lights (signposted to Winterbourne). Follow the B4058 for approximately 2 miles. You will find the Wheatsheaf Inn on the right hand side of the road.

***From M5 junction 16  
(Almondsbury)***

Take the A38 towards Bristol. After 200 metres take the first left at the roundabout. Keeping in the outside lane to go straight ahead at the traffic lights.

Continue straight ahead at three consecutive roundabouts. At the fourth roundabout turn left, continue to the T junction and turn left into Winterbourne High Street. The Wheatsheaf Inn is on the right hand side of the road, approximately 400m from the turning.

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