

Newsletter issue 1

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Welcome to the first issue of the 2300 Club newsletter

It is our aim to use this quarterly newsletter to keep you updated with 2300club activities. Such as the Andy Mort Tour and our John Easson Award.

We are also involved with the Legend Fires North West Stages Rally.

We can update you on upcoming events our members and friends are taking part in. There will be many interesting stories unfolding throughout the year, and we can share them with you here.

Dates for your diary

The Andy Mort Tour Saturday the 22nd of October 2022

A gentle run around the lanes of Lancashire, Yorkshire and sometimes venturing into Cumbria. Navigation is by tulip road book or an option of map references.

Run in memory of former club member Andy Mort, who sadly died in an accident on the 2015 Mull Rally.

This event is classed a Touring Assembly, and is open to road cars. A great reason to give your classic car a run out.



Bridge House Tea Rooms Classic Car Night



The 2300 club were made very welcome here for the lunch halt on the 2021 Andy Mort Tour. We would like to support the classic car night - you might see us there.

Bridge House Tea Rooms also hold classic bike nights

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The Tour of the Peaks

The 2300 club has two crews taking part in the Tour of the Peaks on Saturday the 18th of June.

Clive Molyneux and John Hargreaves in their Mini Cooper S are the experienced crew here. They are joined by Neil Johnson and Graham Ryding in Neil's targa rally spec Seat Arosa. Given their lack of experience, they will have their mettle tested during this event!

"We will treat it as a fun day out, if we go wrong, we go wrong" said Neil

This touring assembly is a similar format to our own Andy Mort Tour. The roadbook navigates 150 miles of scenic driving roads taking in the dark and white peaks that make up the Peak District National Park.

Starting at the Oil Can cafe in Holmfirth, the route includes an extended lunch halt at Chatsworth House and exclusive use of the Luncheon Room, finishing with an evening soiree at the Barrel Inn at Bretton.

Run by the Two Peaks Motor Club we wish them all the best with their event.

The 2300 club also wishes both our crews the best of luck. I'm sure we will hear all about it in the next issue.

John Easson Award

Our 2021 winner is Ioan Lloyd who will be competing in the British Rally Championship with a new car for 2022.

He will have his entries paid up to £5000 by the JEA Scheme. We look forward to keeping you up to date with his progress through the year.

You can keep up to date with our full reports on our website and social media, but we will also keep you informed here in the newsletter.

We wish loan the best of luck this year, and if he wins his class in the championship he will win a £1000 bonus.

The Andy Mort Tour

The plans for this year's AMT are going very well. The event will be held on Saturday, October 22 and will once again start and finish at West Bradford Village Hall. We have a great route in store.

There will be details in the next issue of when entries open. Or keep an eye on our website and social media for more details.

The Legend Fires North West Stages

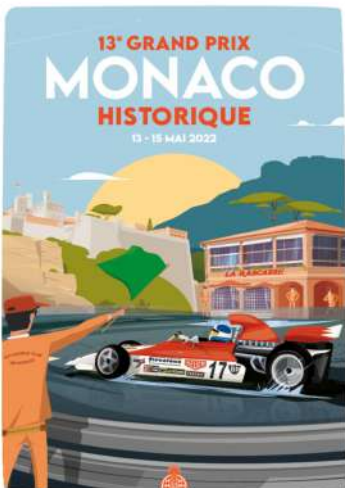
Saturday the 19th of March was a day to remember. A sunny day with a bitter cold breeze set the scene for another fabulous closed road rally. Many members of the 2300 Club were involved, as marshals or in the 3 safety cars 0, 00, 000. We all had a long and busy day. It was worth it though, to see such a great entry for this event. The field of cars was amazing from car 1 a Skoda Rally2 evo to a Hillman Imp lower down the running order and many other interesting cars in between

Well done to the organisers and the army of volunteers that put this event on. It was a truly superb day.

To see our articles on our involvement in LFNWS please visit the news section of our website.

Also more information about the LFNWS visit www.northweststages.co.uk

Paul Tattersall Formula 1



Paul has been lucky enough to get his entry accepted for May's Grand Prix de Monaco Historique and he is elated. The Ensign N179 Formula 1 car had a hard season in 2021 with 13 races driven by Paul including Monaco where he finished in eighth place in a very dramatic race.

Paul has been working all hours on the car in preparation for this race. The car has been completely stripped to fit new fuel tanks. The chassis has been inspected for cracks.

“It was only built to do one season!” said Paul who has enjoyed many seasons racing this car. The Cosworth DFV engine was rebuilt late last season, so that shouldn't be a worry. It is taking a massive effort to get this car ready, There will be no testing done, first time out on the track will be straight into the practice session in Monaco.

We are all looking forward to a Sunday afternoon in front of the TV cheering on our esteemed club mate.

Live coverage of Friday practice, Saturday qualifying and Sunday's main race is on the YouTube channel acm media Where Paul will feature in race F on all three days.

We will update you on Paul's results in the next issue and details will be on our website and social media.

Call-sign Mull1

What's 'Mull1' doing these days?

We asked Ron Cowan what he was doing rally-wise in 2022. Here goes!

Katie and I went to the Black Isle, north of Inverness, for radio duties on Stage 3 (Millbuie) of the Snowman Rally. The Comms plan had to be revised several times owing to some radio marshals, and Leanne, the radio coordinator, reporting themselves as Covid Positive. It was a beautiful day with bright sun, blue skies and snow on the hills; just perfect!



The 19th of March saw me running as part of the crew of Car 000 at the Legend Fires North West Stages closed road rally in Lancashire with Cliff Simmons, Graham Ryding and Tony Driver. Clive Molyneux was behind us in Car 00, and John Cope followed him in Car 0. Other 2300 Club members were marshalling on stages and in the Rally HQ area. The weather was great, if somewhat cold, for those out on the stages.

On March 22nd. I attended an off-road 'Land Rover Experience' course in Dunkeld. Although I was there for 4x4 Response, it was a good opportunity to pick up skills for driving on forest tracks.



I was Event Safety Officer at the DCC Stages and the Junior DCC Stages at the Royal Highland Showground at Ingliston, west of Edinburgh, on Saturday 26th. and Sunday 27th. March. Both events ran 8 stages and it was particularly encouraging to have twenty entries from the Junior contingent, (aged 14 to 17) with nineteen of them completing all eight stages. Arwen Graham ran through the first seven stages but she had an engine failure on the start line of Stage 8. The only casualty of the day was a cut finger of a rescue crew member and the necessary MSUK medical form was duly completed and sent on its way to Bicester!



<Lunch break

On the 5th. of April I and two other members of RSAC Motorsport met roads engineers from Forestry and Land Scotland when we went through three different forests looking for good stages for this year's Scottish Rally which will be run in Dumfries & Galloway on Saturday 23rd. July. Because of major storm damage in November, with some possible stages still blocked by fallen trees, we are a bit behind schedule and we haven't yet confirmed the route. Our aim is to again be based in Lockerbie Lorry Park and to have a ceremonial finish in Moffat, just off the A74M. As marshals are always needed for this prestigious event please let me know if you would like to help this year.

I will be attending the MSUK Safety Committee on Wednesday 13th. April. On this occasion it will be a 'Teams' meeting as I need to be in Stirling that evening for an RSAC Motorsport board meeting.

I'm co-driver / observer in the Road Closing Car for the Argyll Rally on Friday 24th. and Saturday 25th. June. John McDermott, well known to Club members for driving Simon Bibby, the Chief Marshal of many Tour of Mull Rallies, will be my driver.

Other planned events are the Grampian Rally on 13th. August, the Mull Rally on 14/16 October, the Andy Mort Tour on 22nd. October and the Scottish 'Borders' Hill Rally in Dumfries & Galloway on Saturday 19th. and Sunday 20th. November.

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