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November already. We've missed the worst of the floods, and the Fun goes On !

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*There's always a chance to expand you literary career  
and submit some words of wisdom.*

*A page could be reserved just for YOU!*

**See you at The Flower Pot WF14 8NN**  
**Map 110: 203191 every Monday at 9.00pm.**

## **Monday Night Events**

11<sup>th</sup> Nov. F1 Sims Halifax Results to follow; Karting Night (Tba GC); Golf Simulator to be investigated (T&PC); 9<sup>th</sup> Dec Quiz Night (AH).

## **Hillclimb News**

### **Harewood**

2020 - 22<sup>nd</sup> Mar. Practice Day; 12<sup>th</sup> April; 9&10<sup>th</sup> May (Nationals); 6<sup>th</sup> Vint. & 7<sup>th</sup> June; 4&5<sup>th</sup> July (Nats on Sun); 1&2<sup>nd</sup> Aug; 30<sup>th</sup> Aug; 19&20<sup>th</sup> Sept.

### **Scammonden**

2020 - Dates to follow.

Marshals are always needed – contact Stuart Holland.

### **Huddersfield Autojumbles**

24<sup>th</sup> Nov; 29<sup>th</sup> Dec, Xmas Do.

### **Blyton 2020**

All Mondays - 27<sup>th</sup> April, 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 27<sup>th</sup> July, 16<sup>th</sup> Sept.

### **Blyton KPMS Nat. B Sprint.**

Planning has begun for 2020, the New, new date for your diaries, make a note

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2020**

#### **Holme Moss 100**

MsUK have given Provisional Approval for the Centenary Hillclimb event on the eastern side of the A6024 Woodhead Road up Holme Moss.

Sat/Sun 8/9<sup>th</sup> August will see a Hillclimb commemorating the event of 7<sup>th</sup> Aug 1920 when Cpt. Malcolm Campbell's Talbot 'Blue Bird' took FTD on the then 1.25 mile Gravel Road.

## **Rally Marshals Column**

Want to help on a motor rally ?? Easy ! Anyone can become involved, and without prior training, but the MSA does provide local-ish training for those who wish to become more proficient in the sport. Motor sport will not continue without the help and support of ordinary club members throughout the country, who have the time and interest to personally assist in running motor sport in the UK. If you would like to be involved, all you have to do is drop me an email, and I will take you through it.

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Any further info on any of the following events can be obtained from either me, the rally web site, or the stage commander requesting the assistance. The following may not be in date order. If anyone needs any further info, please email me **at tedandpat@tedandpat2.plus.com** or ring 07778 241170.

### **2019 Listings will follow below:**

Please remember that I have taken these from various other fixture lists, and that it is possible that some dates may alter, so please check for alterations before booking time off etc.

7-11/11 Rally of the Tests.

21-25/11 Roger Albert.

7-10/12 LeJog

**Ted.**

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### **\*New Motorsport UK RS Clubman licence from 2020\***

**For 2020 Motorsport UK is introducing the requirement for all competitors to hold a new RS Clubman licence as a minimum, which will be free of charge. If you compete, but don't currently hold a licence you will need to apply for this. These changes will affect Autotests, Trials, Cross Country, Road Rallying, 12 Cars and Scatters.**

**Passengers will also now be required to hold an RS Clubman licence.**

**The RS Clubman licence can be applied for online from 18 November and aims to encourage more grass roots participation, as well ensuring all Motorsport UK event competitors are covered by comprehensive insurance. Additionally, licence holders will have access to Motorsport UK's Member Benefits Programme that includes the new upgraded personal accident cover.**

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## **Chris Leeming Autotest '19**

This year's Chris Leeming Autotest was again co-organised by HMC and York at the previously used Acaster venue. I am quite a fan of this venue it is spacious and can easily accommodate 4 test sites, most of the surface is solid and so long as your car isn't sat in the weeds it should be non damaging. The last test site is loose and reminds me of our old readymix venue.

The original plan was that myself and Stuart would collate the results on the day but after Andrew Woods generous offer to share the infamous shortened Nova saloon. Yes saloon the boot was liberated some years ago as it was seen as unnecessary weight, I suppose this car should be classed as a hybrid as the back panel which covers the hole left by the lack of boot is actually a bonnet from one of my past Rover Metros.

I could not refuse this arrive and drive offer so Rhian and Pat kindly covered my results duties. The Nova is very agile and has the best standard handbrake I have used in any Vauxhall, the car may not look pretty but it certainly does the job and I felt comfortable very quickly.

York also run a club day autotest along side this event in the morning and we all completed 12 tests before lunch. To my surprise the lunchtime results showed me leading the main event and also in front of Andrew (embarrassing for me).

After lunch we were down to the 16 hardcore full day competitors and maybe I shouldn't have looked at the lunch results as it went down hill for me in the afternoon, gaining 2 washouts and 1 penalty. Luckily for me I wasn't the only one making mistakes in the afternoon so I didn't fall as far down the results as I could have. The final result after 24 tests was Joe Gamble from York in a Mini winning FTD, myself 1st in class and 2nd overall, only 2 seconds to 2nd in class and third overall for Andrew Wood.

HMC managed to dominate the rear wheel drive class with entries from James Crossland 1st in class, Harry Mathews and Graham Mathews in MX5's, it was also nice to see Lorraine out in Cubby again but unfortunately had to retire due to brake problems.

Many thanks to YMC organisers and marshals and competitors from both clubs and especially Andrew for loan of the Nova. I hope to have a Ford Street Ka ready for competition next year so Andrew you're welcome to share if you should run out of cars.....

**Ricard Davis.**

**A couple of pics from 2019 CL A/T.**



*The Nova 'Saloon'*



*Mazda MX5*

**Chris Pattison on this years belated Jim Clark Rally**

Absolutely mega weekend. Great result to finish up against some serious competition. We might have come into the event with ideas about a top 3 but being realistic looking at the people in our class we would be relying on their mistakes for that. A solid 5th in class with a solid run through each stage getting quicker each stage was a good result for us. Delighted to get to the end

on such an iconic rally and be able to say we've done it. Some troublesome issues with time controls through out the day and a few "strong" discussions with the marshalls but all good in the end. Already considering coming back next year. Thanks John Marshall for letting me sit alongside you as always in what is genuinely my favourite car on the whole event, always awesome, always hilarious with loads of great banter along the way. Great driving, reactive to the lack of grip all day and getting us through in one piece. Thanks also to the boys who are great at servicing but even better at the beer drinking and social.... Ben Younger Richard Marks Jake Simpson David Coatsworth. Great weekend. — with John Marshall



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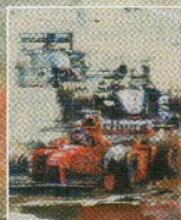
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