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As previewed in MARSHALS POST No 70, the Club occupied a stand at the annual Motorsport Show held at Marco's Forum in Livingston, over the weekend of 16-17 January 1993. The Mitsubishi Unit was used as the centrepiece to display and promote all aspects of the Club. As can be seen, it both gave a striking backdrop and was able to carry the new Club display panel, made up for showing our name at all occasions indoors or outdoors such as training or events. Thanks to all Members who gave time over the weekend to promote the Club.

CLUB CALENDAR 1993

The full season's calendar was mailed to Members in February but for convenience is reprinted here by category of event. Note that this is the current information on all applicable meetings and includes locations for which there might only be Rescue Unit or Radio Group attendance. A full breakdown by event was given in the original list.

RACE MEETINGS

April 4	KNOCKHILL
April 25	KNOCKHILL
May 9	INGLISTON
May 30	KNOCKHILL
June 5/6	KNOCKHILL (BRSCC)
June 27	KNOCKHILL
July 9/11	SILVERSTONE (British GP)
July 24/25	KNOCKHILL (BRSCC)
	[BTCC Meeting]
August 8	INGLISTON

August 22	KNOCKHILL
September 12	INGLISTON
September 26	KNOCKHILL
October 10	INGLISTON

HILL CLIMBS

April 24/25	DOUNE
May 9	DOUNE
May 16	HIGH AULDGIRTH
May 30	RUMSTER
June 13	DURRIS
June 19/20	DOUNE (National)
June 27	FINTRAY
July 4	FORESTBURN
August 1	FINTRAY
August 22	RUMSTER
September 4	DURRIS
September 18/19	DOUNE (National)
October 2	KNOCKHILL

RACE TEST DAYS

April 3	KNOCKHILL
May 29	KNOCKHILL
June 26	KNOCKHILL
August 7	INGLISTON
August 21	KNOCKHILL
September 11	INGLISTON
September 25	KNOCKHILL
October 9	INGLISTON

RALLIES

March 6	SCOTPHONE STAGES
March 13	MALCOLM WILSON
	LAKELAND STAGES
March 27	GRANITE CITY
April 17/18	PIRELLI INTERNATIONAL (CUMBRIA)
May 16	STOBS SV
June 4/6	PERTH SCOTTISH
July 4	LION STAGES
July 10	JIM CLARK MEMORIAL
August 21	BORDER
September 15/17	MANX
October 17	CHEVIOT STAGES
October 30	FLEMING TOYOTA STAGES
November 21/25	RAC
December 5	GALLOWAY HILLS

SPRINTS

April 11	INGLISTON
May 8	INGLISTON (National)
August 14	KNOCKHILL

Winter Training

The winter months saw many hours spent on training by the SMMC Rescue Crew members, with the time split between medical and rescue work.

The purpose of this training was to sharpen up skills after the close season lay-off and to practise new techniques both in casualty care and in the use of the rescue equipment.

The ultimate goal was the biennial Assessment Day at the end of March at which all Rescue Units and Crews are assessed by the RAC Motor Sports Association, this year represented by John Felix and Chris Ruddlesdin. Thirteen fully licensed crew members were forward for re-assessment and four trainees were going for upgrading. Because of this number, four crew teams had been formed and worked together during the practice sessions, with emphasis being given to casualty care while ensuring competent extraction from the vehicle. The Assessment itself was held at Ingliston, where a number of wrecked saloons had been prepared for the 'runs'. Casualties were skilled at simulating injuries and as usual created reality in the vehicles.

All crews performed well and licensed members passed the assessment as did the trainees who were upgraded — congratulations to Tam Williamson, Alistair Gray, Nigel Stevens and Bruce Craig. Unfortunately our fifth trainee, Donald Reid, was under Doctor's orders (or so he'll have us believe) and was not able to participate.

Many thanks are due to those who helped with the training including Bernie Hunter and his staff for the use of his yard and wrecked cars, The Motor Club for the use of the premises at Nelson Street for the medical lecture sessions and to Dr Linda MacCallum for the medical tuition.

Richard B. Allen

PHOTO QUIZ



What car?

Whose car?

Where?

When?

(and who's the groupie leaning on it?!)

Answers to the Editor; the subject of the shot might be persuaded to part with a suitable reward for the correct information.

LETTERS

Chelmsford
Essex.

Dear Mike,

Many thanks for your recent letter regarding the change in SMMC subscription arrangements. For many years now (15 in fact) I have been marooned here South of the border and have faithfully retained my membership of SMMC in the hope that one day I would be returning to Scotland and would pick up where I had left off. More and more I realise that this is unlikely and it is probably inertia in the past that has led to me continuing to be a member of SMMC.

However, now that I have to make a definite move regarding my membership I regret that I will not be renewing my subscription when it expires this year.

It was always a source of some pride to me that I had a low membership number (029) and that I was there when it all began, and I have taken great interest in the growth of the Club into one of the foremost of its kind in Britain today. I don't suppose there are too many members today who remember Andrew Main's white Austin 1300 (?) and I am sure he probably doesn't wish to be reminded of it either!

I still retain my love of motorsport and am currently initiating my 2 sons, aged 6 and 3, into the differences between Formula Ford and Formula Four and trying to explain why Nigel Mansell managed to be World Champion! Brands Hatch is now my local circuit and my main regrets are that the RAC Rally comes nowhere near Essex and there are no hills worthy of the name for miles around!!

I sincerely hope that the Club will continue to be at the forefront of the marshall-

ing field and please pass on my best wishes to all the Club members who may still remember me especially David Swinton, Mike How Frazer (who I met at Gurston Down a few years ago), Andrew and anybody else of that era.

With all best wishes for the future. — Yours sincerely,

John M. L. Brown.

Dear Mike,

It is a long time since I attended any meetings etc. associated with the Club. However, I enjoy the Newsletter and it is great to know that the Club is so well run and respected in the motorsport world.

Having recently accepted an offer I couldn't refuse, I may have time to assist somewhere.

Give my regards to the Club members, especially the Ancient Ones.

Keep up the excellent work. — Yours sincerely,
Peter Paterson.

Welcome to new members

The Club welcomes the following people who have joined since December 1992. We wish you an enjoyable time in marshalling and at Club social events.

IAN D. MILLAR,
Penicuik, Midlothian.

ALAN St CLAIR,
Peebles.

G. F. BEAUMAN,
South Queensferry,
West Lothian.

IAIN C. TAYLOR,
Edinburgh.

DEREK ALLISON,
Alva, Clackmannanshire.

DAVID CUNNINGHAM,
Bathgate, West Lothian.

GERRY POTTER,
Aberdeen.

AITKEN COUPER,
Stirling.

NEIL ROSS,
Giffnock, Glasgow.

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