

The

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newsletter of the East Elloe Motor Club of south Lincolnshire



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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 23 January

Novice rally

KLMC event starting at The Gate PH, Fair Green, Middleton, nr Kings Lynn. Map ref: 132/659169. Map 132D required. Marshals and entries please contact Dale Glover: dale.glover@btinternet.com

Wednesday 6 February

12 car rally

KLMC expert/semi-expert event starting at Anmer. Map 132. Contact Tony Duckhouse: tony@ajdautorepairs.net

Wednesday 20 February

EEMC novice rally

starts & finishes at Shouldham, nr Kings Lynn. Map 143D required. 7.30 for 8.01 first car. £8/car including food at the finish. Beginners will have marked maps.

Novices: straightforward navigation with end of section references. Route will be between 30-40 miles on tarmac roads. KLMC invited.

Contact dave-junepollard@tiscali.co.uk or phone Dave and June Pollard 01366 383860 / Simon Pollard 07899 872111

Friday 29 February

East Anglian Inter-Club Quiz

KLMC hosting. See www.kingslynndmc.co.uk

Wednesday 5 March

12 car rally

EEMC expert/semi-expert event on Map 131. For further information, contact Adrian Cunnington – see panel below.

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- There were no changes to the Officers & Committee at last month's AGM. However, Dave Pollard has taken over responsibility for the Club championships.
- Following a proposal by Adrian Cunnington at the AGM, the membership and Committee have agreed to back a plan to set up a sister Club to EEMC which will focus on Classic Cars, dubbed **Spalding & East Elloe Classic Car Club**. To put the idea into action we are planning a launch night for the new Club on **Tuesday 13th May**. Everyone is welcome and classic car owners will be encouraged to bring along their cherished vehicles.

Open Invitation

BOSTON JAGUAR DRIVERS' CLUB

invite you to attend a talk by

STUART TURNER

former head of BMC & Ford motorsport

on Tuesday 8th April

at Whaplode Manor Hotel, Saracens Head at 8pm

Further information from Ivan Cunnington on 01406 363350

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December rally results

KLMC Short Shift Rally, December 5th

	Class	RC	RC	RC	TC. 2	RC	RC	RC	TC. 3	RC	RC	RC	RC	RC	TC. 4	RC	TC. 5	RCE	RCE	Sub Total					
1 Tony Duckhouse / Mike Baker	E	F													1					1 F, 1 m					
2 Nigel Mann / Adrian Cunnington	E	F																		1 F					
3 Mark Banham / Paul Haylock	E				3				5						3					11 m					
4 June Pollard / Ian Pollard	E				2	F			3						5					1F, 10 m					
5 Gary White / David Bell	E				1				12						5					18 m					
8 Jim Wallace / Nick Way	SE	F	F	F	2	F	F	11		F	F			F	9		2			8 F, 24 m					
9 Hugh Garnish / Molly McKay	SE	F			4	F	F	F							23		2			4F, 29 m					
10 Craig Blackshield / Dave Pollard	SE	F			2	F	F	7						F	F	11		6		5F, 26 m					
11 Nick Daubney / Richard Dickson	SE	F	F	F	6	F	F	F	7	F		F	F	F	6					10 F, 19 m					
		RCE	TC.6E	RCE	RCE	RC	TC. 7	PC	RC	RC	TC. 8	RC	TC. 9	RC	RC	TC. 10	RC	PC	TC. 11	Sub Total	TOTAL	Overall	Class		
		335250	334264	325267	315252	308216	324219	325207	351210	367188	377205	385199	391191	403203	410192	404188	416174	433195	453196	443197					
1 Tony Duckhouse / Mike Baker		3						F			10		3							2	1 F, 24 m	2 F, 25 m	2nd	2nd	
2 Nigel Mann / Adrian Cunnington		3						F			3		8							3	1 F, 15 m	2 F, 15 m	1st	1st	
3 Mark Banham / Paul Haylock		11				6	F				1	F	F								3 F, 18 m	3 F, 29 m	3rd	3rd	
4 June Pollard / Ian Pollard		7				10				F			2	F	F		F	F			5 F, 19 m	6 F, 29 m	4th	4th	
5 Gary White / David Bell		11	F	F	F	F	F			F		2	F						F	1	8 F, 18 m	8 F, 36 m	5th	5th	
8 Jim Wallace / Nick Way						F	2		F	F			1	F	F	F	1				3	6 F, 7 m	14 F, 31 m	8th	3rd
9 Hugh Garnish / Molly McKay						1	F	F	F				F	F	F		F	F	F	5	9 F, 6 m	13 F, 35 m	6th	1st	
10 Craig Blackshield / Dave Pollard								F			F		F	F	F	F	F	F	F		9 F	14 F, 26 m	7th	2nd	
11 Nick Daubney / Richard Dickson						2	F			F	2	F	F	F				F	F		7 F, 4 m	17 F, 23 m	9th	4th	

E=expert class only

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JP/IP



GW/DB



NM/AC



MB/PH



TD/MB



CB/DP

Short Shift Rally

Brian Cammack and Bob Baker returned to the organisers' roster after several years' absence when they agreed to put on this event from their bases in Aylesbury and Northampton respectively.

A new venue, the Riverside Bar in Sutton Bridge, made us very welcome and 10 crews turned out for what Brian had described along the lines of "an event across the flat, fast Lincolnshire fen roads, but without the straight bits"! He did not disappoint.

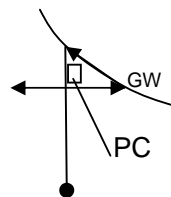
Tim [Ibbott] had encountered some difficulties in making the date due to work commitments in the far North West, so club VP, Nigel Mann, stepped into the breach as my pilot for the evening. We started at car 2 and, from the first TC at Long Sutton, took off after Tony Duckhouse & Mike Baker on the first section of road colours. On our first loop across the A1101, Nigel commented on the absence of a codeboard but it is always difficult to judge at the very outset just how intensive the boards will be. We took the same route as the Fiesta in front and soon encountered Bob & Carole Offer doing a PC on a long way round triangle (with free photo-shoot as usual, see page 2)

We made TC2 on our minute, where Ken White was concerned about a local farmer who was 'waiting for the police', although this turned out to be nothing to do with us. We were now running first on the road as car 1 pulled over to plot, but then we overshot a board amongst some roadworks near Lutton and had to wait for Tony to manoeuvre round both us and the cones to be able to reverse. Another mile or so on and it was 'as you were'; this time they overshot and we came into Andy Congreve's TC with seconds to spare.

A bunch of references greeted us next at the start of a succession of sections where we seemed to have the Fiesta tied to our boot lid! We managed to stay on time until TC6; in one case by just 5 seconds at TC4 manned by Richard James and Nigel's brother, Ian, but this meant Tony and Mike lost a minute behind us. Brian was bombarding the left hand seats with all kinds of 'brain strain' including roman numerals, circular herringbones and referring us back to a coded sheet of instructions he had issued at the start...

It was all getting a bit heavy and, despite not stopping to plot, we eventually started to drop time. 3 minutes went west at TC6 but by now we were close to my old village of Whaplode and Nigel's former home at Moulton. This helped us to cover the miles slightly faster but we - and several others - unwittingly fell foul of an over-zealous Give Way marshal on a merry-go-round PC close to the B-road at Whaplode Fen. We approached the control from

the 'wrong way' but then had to turn right at the crossroads onto a triangle across the front of the



marshal's car; give way onto the B-road (we are sure we did but he said we didn't!); turn left and left again round the triangle to approach the PC; get a signature and leave the crossroads to the right. All good fun, eh?

After this, things started to go a bit pear-shaped. I plotted the next section wrongly and we had to do an about turn and re-trace our step en route to Simon Leonard at TC8. We lost 10 minutes here and I was starting to think we must be near the end as we'd been going for over an hour and a half. But there were still 3 TC's to go!

From Simon's control, we got an interesting handout (reproduced here for your Christmas entertainment), which after a further wrong slot, lost us more time and we continued to lose time as

Handout 8: from 131/378205

Proceed to TC10 at the bottom reference via:

3	?	5	2	0	1	=19
3	9	?	1	9	1	=24
?	?	3	2	0	1	=10
4	?	?	?	9	?	=26
4	?	?	1	9	0	=14
?	1	7	1	?	?	=24
=22	=18	=24	=8	=34	=11	

Eventually, we emerged from another Bob & Carole PC to see the final control in the distance but with the Golf making a loud scraping noise as we'd dislodged the cover beneath the engine bay (thanks to Tony for his help in removing this afterwards). By now it was past Nigel's bedtime and not far off mine (we were over 20 minutes late into TC11) but there were still several cars toiling away behind us who were running the gamut of OTL, Mark Banham/Paul Haylock and June/Ian Pollard included.

On the way back to results and some excellent food, Nigel reckoned we'd clocked over 60 miles which was a long way for a weekday night rally. That said, it rounded the year off with a big event and an extremely enjoyable and, as promised, twisty route. That missing codeboard hunch of Nigel's was right as we (& Mike) had indeed missed a loop at the start; my mistake without doubt. Nevertheless, we had 10 minutes in hand over Tony & Mike at the end. Many thanks to Bob and Brian for such a well organised event - see you at another rally soon?

'Bye for now.

Adrian Cunnington



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Calendar of Events 2008

DATE	EVENT	CHAMPIONSHIP	ORGANISER/CONTACT	CLUB/VENUE
09-Jan	Clubnight Rally	Expert	Colin Shinkins c.shinkins@btinternet.com	KLMC Fincham
23-Jan	Clubnight Rally	Novice	Dale Glover dale.glover@btinternet.com	KLMC Middleton
06-Feb	Clubnight Rally	Expert	Tony Duckhouse/Mike Baker tony@ajdautorepairs.net	KLMC Amner
20-Feb	Clubnight Rally	Novice	Simon Pollard dave-junepollard@tiscali.co.uk	EEMC Shouldham
29-Feb	East Anglian Inter-Club Quiz	Social	KLMC acunnington@potato.org.uk	KLMC William Burt, West Winch
05-Mar	Clubnight Rally	Expert	Adrian Cunnington acunnington@potato.org.uk	EEMC Sutton Bridge
19-Mar	Clubnight Rally	Novice	TBC	
02-Apr	Clubnight Rally	Expert	Stephen Lloyd/Chris Daykin steveml@btinternet.com	KLMC West Norfolk
08-Apr	Talk by Stuart Turner	Social	Ivan Cunnington ivan.cunnington@btinternet.com	Boston branch, Jaguar Drivers' Club Whaplode Manor
16-Apr	Clubnight Rally	Novice	TBC	TBC
13-May	Spalding & EE Classic Car Club Inaugural Meeting	Social	acunnington@potato.org.uk	Whaplode Manor
21-May	Clubnight Gymkhana	Off Road	Simon Leonard leonards17@btinternet.com	EEMC Saracens Head
18-Jun	Clubnight Gymkhana	Off Road	Ian Pollard ian@polymac.freemove.co.uk	EEMC Saracens Head
29-Jun	Vintage & Classic Car Run	Social	Ivan & Adrian Cunnington acunnington@potato.org.uk	KLMC
16-Jul	Clubnight Gymkhana	Off Road	Gary White gary@extremehobbies.co.uk	EEMC Saracens Head
13-Aug	Gymkhana - Co Pro	Off Road	Dave Pollard dave-junepollard@tiscali.co.uk	KLMC & EEMC, Terrington
03-Sep	Clubnight Rally	Expert	Ian/June Pollard ian@polymac.freemove.co.uk	EEMC
14-Sep	Classic Car Run	Social	Alan Lyon lyon8@btinternet.com	EEMC/SEECCC
17-Sep	Clubnight Rally	Novice	Gary White gary@extremehobbies.co.uk	EEMC
01-Oct	Clubnight Rally	Expert	Paul Haylock/Mark Banham paul.haylock@virgin.net	KLMMCMC
15-Oct	Clubnight Rally	Novice	TBC	TBC
02-Nov	Lynn Stages Rally	-	KLMC steveml@btinternet.com	KLMC Sculthorpe
05-Nov	Clubnight Rally	Expert	TBC	TBC
19-Nov	Clubnight Rally	Novice	Dave Pollard dave-junepollard@tiscali.co.uk	EEMC
03-Dec	Clubnight Rally	Expert	TBC	TBC

Please remember that subscriptions are now due:

Rates are £10 single, £15 joint; £5 junior.

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