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**DAC Dinner Dance and Awards Ceremony**

DURHAM AUTOMOBILE CLUB

# **INVITATION TO**

## **SOCIAL EVENT Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> MARCH 2018**

**At Honest Lawyer. 8pm**

### **‘VETERANS’ RETURN and MEET**

**A social night with Free buffet hosted by FRED HENDERSON.**

**The Club would like to invite PAST, PRESENT and FUTURE Members to come along and enjoy a social gathering.**

The aim of the evening being to encourage previous members of Durham Automobile Club to come along to the Club and meet up with each other and also current members of the club. Last year 2017 saw the club celebrate 160 members, the first time since the heyday of Club Rallying and Events that DAC has had such a high membership count.

Those previous members even though they might not be still active in the sport have a wealth of knowledge that can be shared with current members. What was it like doing Club Events in the ‘old days’? Who got ‘big breaks’? What were the cars and the people like? Most people involved in Club motorsport now will agree that it was the events in the 70’s that got them interested in the sport.

We do have a ‘Veterans’ Register, previous members who have a club membership at a reduced rate, that are welcome to club nights and social events and receive the TORQUE TALK Magazine each month but we would like to see this side of the Club increase. There are many previous members we have not been able to contact so I would urge anyone who knows of the whereabouts to pass on the invitation and encourage them along to the Club.

**VETERANS are not necessarily ‘OLD’!!!! just those who are no longer members for whatever reason!**

I think most will agree DURHAM AUTOMOBILE CLUB is a friendly club and we have quite a good social scene with a good turnout most Wednesday Club Nights and at special events.

LET'S SEE HOW MANY ‘OLD FACES’ WE CAN GET TO POP ALONG AND RENEW ACQUAINTANCES. SPREAD THE WORD AND PUT THE DATE IN YOUR DIARY.

**ALL ARE WELCOME.**

Any questions give me a call on 07733 243 842 or email [pam.broom@btinternet.com](mailto:pam.broom@btinternet.com).

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING EVERYONE**  
**SPREAD THE WORD, forward this to anyone you think might be interested.**

# Club nights February to May

Durham Auto Club now meet every Wednesday at 8:00pm at the Honest Lawyer Hotel (see address and web link below).

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Durham Auto club Website

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## Forthcoming Events

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| <b>February 21<sup>st</sup></b> | Karting night organised by Whickam<br>Facebook for more information                                  | See article in magazine, on website and       |
| <b>March 14<sup>th</sup></b>    | Committee Meeting – Honest Lawyer  |   |
| <b>March 21<sup>st</sup></b>    | 'OLD' COMERS NIGHT!!<br>EX members!!) Social get together and buffet night. **Come along! Its FREE** | ( <b>ALL welcome</b> , members, non-members & |
| <b>March 28<sup>th</sup></b>    | Club Navigational Series Briefing and Help night<br>details ALL WELCOME                              | See Social Sec report in magazine for more    |
| <b>April 11<sup>th</sup></b>    | Nog and natter   |   |
|                                 | <b>18<sup>th</sup></b> Navigational SCATTER (Peter Masters)  | More details to follow                        |
| <b>May 2<sup>nd</sup></b>       | TREASURE HUNT (Nikki Halliwell or Pam Broom)   | More details to follow                        |
|                                 | <b>9<sup>th</sup></b> Committee Meeting – Honest Lawyer  |   |
|                                 | <b>30<sup>th</sup></b> Navigational SCATTER (Gordon Dundee)  | More Details to follow                        |

## Editorial

Well we are well and truly into the start of the motorsport season! New car unveils, testing, finalising of team drivers, it's all very interesting. Of course we have had a few events such as the Jack Frost rally and our Durham crews once again did us proud. As part of the end of last season and the beginning of this one, we had our AGM at the Honest Lawyer. My apologies for not being able to attend this as I had every intention of doing so until I received an email regarding another AGM that had to take precedence! However I understand that most things went well though there are a few issues that need to be worked through. It will be interesting to see how holding the committee meetings on a bi monthly basis will work out. I think it should be fine, and it is a trial for this year. There is always the option of holding an extraordinary meeting should the need arise so I think things are well covered.

There have been a few announcements that have caught my eye as we move towards the start of the season proper. Most notably for me is that Gordon Shedden has gone to the new World Touring Car series with Toyota. After so many years and three championship victories it will be sad to see him leave the series, but like a lot of drivers, sometimes you need a new challenge to keep the interest and passion alive. I hope that he does well, especially as his debut went so well

Williams Grand Prix opted for Sergei Sirotkin over Robert Kubica for their second race seat. It would have been a fairy tale to have Kubica back in an F1 car, and would have made a lot of headlines for Williams. However F1 has no place in it for sentiment. They may have been very close in testing, but overall for the team they had no real option but to take Sirotkin. It will be interesting to see how things go.

Talking of F1 (I know – again!) what do you make of the banning of Grid Girls not only in F1 but in a lot of other series too. For me, a bit of glamour on the grid is all part of the show. I have met a few Grid Girls over the years, and they were proud and happy to do the job. One in particular was a complete petrol head who was extremely well informed about the sport, and travelled to events quite often at expense to herself. I just think that once again F1 and racing has changed something that doesn't need changing. As for children being used in place of the Grid Girls, God forbid that anything happens to put them at risk. The grid is a dangerous place, I'm not comfortable at all with children being there in any capacity.

Plans are forging ahead for the veterans night on the 21<sup>st</sup> March, however I need your help! We are hoping to have as many ex members attend as possible, and I am moving heaven and earth to find as many as I can, however if you know of any ex members, could you please invite them to the evening. There will be a free buffet, and some other bits and pieces to keep everyone entertained. Please help if you can.

Later in the magazine are photos of the Dinner Dance held at the Park Head Hotel. It was great to catch up with people, and Peter Sewell made my evening with a momento of the Dinner Dance held at the Red Lion Hotel in Chester le Street in 1976. What a great night that was! As for this year's event, well I have to congratulate everyone for the effort put in to staging this event. However I think the Park Head has seen better days, and they managed to achieve a culinary first in that I had a totally underdone potato that tasted burnt! I'm all for holding a Dinner Dance and Awards night for the club, but I would hope we could find a better venue. On a happier note, talk about coincidences! In the excellent raffle, Trace won a driveway clean by Draco Cleaning Services. Having just had some work done in the house, and a few drips of paint from when I

painted the Merc on the drive, the prize couldn't have been more fortuitous! Just maybe got a get out of jail free card with that one!

Things are moving apace with regard to obtaining a racing and private pilot's licence! First hurdle was a full eye test and I am pleased to report that despite evidence to the contrary I have very acute eyesight. With corrective lenses (read glasses!) I only just fail to read the very bottom line of the test and the smallest newsprint. All the other techie bits were fine too, so that's a pass! Next step is the stress ECG in early March and to complete a written ARDS (Association of Racing Drivers Schools) test. Whilst I'm pleased up to now, it only takes one issue for it all to fall apart, so not getting too excited yet!

At the last AGM, a long standing member stood down from his position after more years than I would care to mention! Peter Sewell has given great service to the club as Chief Marshall and also supporting the club through thick and thin. It was great that he was given an award as part of the ceremonies at the Dinner Dance, however I would like through the pages of Torque Talk to pass on my and the club's grateful thanks for all his efforts. Thanks Peter!

Plans are progressing well with regard to Classics at the Castle and if everything comes to fruition, this year's event will be bigger, better, and with more exhibits and activities. Let's hope that the weather is kind to us again, and we have another successful event on our hands.

On a techie note, for those that are competing, can I flag up the changes to the fire extinguisher rules for this season. Essentially, Homologated systems and hand held's need to be in date and servicing should be carried out by the manufacturer (at least this is my understanding!). Non Homologated units can continue to be serviced outside of the Manufacturers service schemes, however don't take my word for all this! There seems to have been quite a few comments regarding all this, and the advice seems to be that if in doubt, contact the MSA. This rule change may seem a bit over prescriptive, however when I had the 924, the plumbed in system was serviced every year by Lifeline. It is great from a peace of mind point of view, and let's be honest, Lifeline know their stuff! I know that there is a bit of a reluctance to spend money on safety related items, but it's no use wishing that you had spent the money when the car is full of flames and pulling the handle does nothing! However, you do have to wonder at how many more rules there will be to protect the motorsport industry, which to be quite frank, won't have a future unless there are competitors prepared to avail themselves of their services and the costs incurred!

Up to now, I haven't had any contact from anyone who would like to take over the production of the magazine in 2019. If you are interested, please get in touch. Ten editions to go and counting!

That's it for this month, good luck if competing!

Marty

## **Chairman's report**

We are now three weeks into the new DAC club year and we have already kicked off our 2018 club activities.

We held the end of year Dinner dance at the Park Head hotel near Coundon and around 70 club members and friends attended. I'll not go into detail about the night as Martin has already mentioned the night in his editorial earlier. But apart from the main course of "just cooked veg" and burnt gravy the meal was Ok. A couple of Club members stayed over at the Park Head and the rooms and breakfast were good as well. The raffle went down very well with some amazing prizes to win. Well done to Pam, Stuart, Chris and their team of helpers for a great Dinner Dance. Ed Todd and Mick Farmer looked extremely dapper in their Suits and Dickie Bows, definitely the Smart Team. I however let the side down by forgetting my tie and joining the Casual Team.

Three DAC members attended the Hadrian Motor Club Quiz night and finished a great 2<sup>nd</sup> overall. Well done to John Ward, Mick Stead and Ben Marsh. Stephen Beattie also attended but joined another team. Sorry Stephen I don't know where your team finished but thanks for supporting the Hadrian quiz.

We have a DAC Club social night planned for 21 March at the Honest Lawyer. Please come along and if you know any DAC members who have slipped away from the club, why not try to drag them back, as we want to increase the veteran's register and membership. This year we will be launching a veteran membership class and we will announce more details very soon.

The Club membership renewal is open for you to get your 2018 club card and as always the club can only run with the support of the members. I know I keep saying this but where are you all on a Wednesday night? We have a small band of regulars who pop along to the Honest Lawyer but it would be great if more attended. The club calendar has been loaded onto the DAC website, and announcements placed on the Facebook page and through club emails. If you are not receiving any emails from the club let me know on [durhamautomobileclub@gmail.com](mailto:durhamautomobileclub@gmail.com).

The Targa, Road/Navigation/Stage rally season have already started and in full swing.

The John Robson Historic Navigational Rally, Knockhill stages, Malcolm Wilson stages, Saltire Classic rally, Hexham's March Melee to name but a few are taking place in the next few weeks. There will be a few Durham crews taking part in these events. Our club navigational championship, will also start soon, so keep your eyes and ears open for these events.

If you have any reports or information you would like to be added to the Magazine please forward to Martin Hall ([martinhall49@gmail.com](mailto:martinhall49@gmail.com)) or to the Facebook & Website page please contact our new Facebook and Website Editor Simon Jennings [simon@directcarparts.co.uk](mailto:simon@directcarparts.co.uk)

Andy Brown

Chairman of Durham Automobile Club

## **SOCIAL Secretary's Report**

Gosh, where is the year going! We are already approaching the end of February and because of the nature of my 'proper' job by the time Torque Talk hits your in box I will be mentally into April! Scary.

Well since the last magazine the AGM has been and gone and I am sure there is more information on that elsewhere in the magazine. Except for a few tweaks to the committee then it is pretty much business as usual but I would just like to pass my own thanks to Peter Sewell for more than 7 years as Chief Marshal, he did a sterling job fortunately he is staying on the committee as a general member so we can still benefit from his knowledge and help. John Ward has stepped forward and his enthusiasm for the role and for DAC is great to see. For those of you who do not know John I am sure you will get to know him soon. Thanks John.

Gordon Dundee and I attended an MSA seminar near Northallerton at the end of January, the first I have attended for a long time. I found it very interesting and I actually learnt a few things! Much of the focus was on the organising of events, the roles of officials, health and safety and incident management. (There was also in the afternoon, a separate session for SAFEGUARDING- formerly child protection, which Lindsay attended on behalf of our club.) I have to say I was quite impressed with the MSA officials that ran the seminar and the content, they explained some of the thinking behind the MSA rules and how they developed and I ended the day with a far better opinion of the MSA than I had when I arrived!

Some DAC members went to a club quiz in Gosforth quite recently and acquitted themselves well, I won't repeat information here that is elsewhere in the magazine, but thanks to those that represented the club.

Our club Dinner and Awards night has been and gone, again a success and I have included a separate piece on that.

On Friday 16<sup>th</sup> of February 6 of us represented the club at a quiz organised by Northallerton Club but held at Stocktons, bowling club, at Half way our Durham Duffers were leading, but two bad rounds in the second half dropped us down to third...again I think there is a report coming on that from Ben.

PHEW already we are busy.

I am now well on with the preparations for Classics at the Castle and more will follow on this next month. For now the key things to divulge is that we were given a grant from the MSA Club Development fund for equipment that will benefit this event and others.....£335.

We already have a number of sponsors in place for the Main Sponsor title and Class sponsors. I soon hope to get entry forms and regs out. Posters and leaflets are available now if anyone wants any let me know.

The NEXT club 'event' is an open night with free buffet at Honest Lawyer on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March. Hosted by Fred Henderson the aim of the night is to encourage previous club members to come along and meet current members..it would be great to increase membership of our 'Veterans Register, past members even if they are not involved much in motorsport can still enjoy the social side of DAC and can contribute a wealth of knowledge...More elsewhere in the mag.

Looking ahead some dates for your Diary!

Wed 28<sup>th</sup> March A navigational Night at The honest Lawyer, come along and hear about the different club navigational event we will run this summer...Scatters, Treasure Hunts, Regularities. What are the differences, what you need to know for each discipline. These are FUN events and no prior experience is needed. You can bring along family and friends to see, join in and enjoy.

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> April – Darlington & District Motor Club Quiz at Stockton Bowling Club

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> April Peters SCATTER – start and finish info to follow.

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May – Nikki Halliwell presents her 1<sup>st</sup> TREASURE HUNT – details to follow

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> May – Gordon Dundee SCATTER... again more to follow

There are more TREASURE HUNTS, Scatters and a couple of Regularities from June through to September.

POINTS will be awarded at all of these events through the year and will count towards the Club Navigational Championship...Everyone has a chance at winning an award for the 2018 Championship! The more events you enter the more points you get!

Usually entry into these events is £5 per car which covers the cost of the MSA permit and small prizes for 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places. Finishes are usually at a pub where food is available if required!

There will also be some fun nights such as another outing to FURY EVENTS, a gymkhana or two BBQ's etc, so look out for more information in the Club Mag or via email.

Enjoy your motoring and motorsport in 2018.

Pam.



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## **Jack Frost 2018**

After the slippery conditions of the Christmas stages, Rob and I hoped for better weather for the Jack Frost stages. We arrived at Croft for Saturday scrutineering to thick ice and a few inches of snow. We were seeded at number 11 but already 4 out of the top 10 had packed up and gone home not wishing to risk their 4 wheel drive WRC cars.

We eventually started 7<sup>th</sup> on the road for the first stage on the Sunday morning. We quickly realised we had the wrong tyres on when we had to be pushed into stage 1 arrival control. With very little grip we dropped like a stone to 58<sup>th</sup> overall after the first stage. Was this déjà vu, as we dropped to 59<sup>th</sup> on the first stage of the Christmas stages, three weeks earlier?

During service we swap to snow tyres and Rob said if these tyres didn't work we'd be heading home after stage 2. But the tyres gave us that extra grip and we set about clawing our way back up the result table by setting top ten times over the next 5 stages.

Due to the conditions the organisers had already shortened the stages from 3 laps to 2 laps and then cancelled stages 7 & 8. So we had to make every stage count to try to recover from our poor first stage.

We pushed on and finally finished 18<sup>th</sup> overall and 2<sup>nd</sup> in class. Thanks to Rob for missing everything on the stages and to Frank and Dan for servicing.

The story of the rally was the win of Barry Lindsay and Caroline Lodge. They had been given the SG Petch championship prize drive in the Ford Fiesta of our very own Vice President, Steve Petch.

Barry used Steve's Fiesta to great effect beating Kevin Proctor into 2<sup>nd</sup> overall. The heroes of the day were the marshals. They had to stand out in the cold, battered by freezing wind, sleet and snow throughout the day.

Andy.

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**CLUB DINNER & AWARDS NIGHT Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> February.**

WHAT A GOOD NIGHT we had! Those club members that missed it really did miss out.

The Park Head pulled out all the stops for 'dressing' the room and setting the tables, it looked lovely.

The table loaded with Raffle Prizes was magnificent and those that donated prizes get a special thank you at the end of this as they more than contributed to the success of the night. The trophies to be awarded looked resplendent displayed on the old mantelpiece below a silver stags head!

Once everyone was sat down Chris Thirling said a few words to welcome everyone and go over the order of proceedings. A three course meal was served followed by coffee and the sale of raffle tickets. The time was flying by but shortly before 10pm Chris & I took to the floor for the presentation of trophies. The majority of trophy winners had made it on the night but Robert Wilkinson collected on behalf of Stephen Petch and Michael Wilkinson.

This part of the evening concluded with a presentation to PETER SEWELL for 7 steadfast years as Chief Marshall. Peter has been chief marshal for all 7 events at Nissan as well as other numerous club events. His enthusiasm and support of the club has been magnificent and we felt he deserved recognition for this from the whole of DAC. He was quite overcome, as was vice chairman Chris Thirling who's first forays into the world of navigation had been sat beside Peter in a mini...

We then held the raffle and some very happy people walked away with some very grand prizes.

Not so many people chose to avail themselves of the disco! Though I did manage to generate quite a lot of 'inner heat' myself throwing a few shapes with Helena & Wayne!

Most people took the opportunity instead to enjoy some great socialising, catching up and reminiscing with other club members that they don't see that often. As you know when you see people regularly at events there is not time for chit chat except for finding out how everyone is doing!

BY midnight most were drifting off home, or for the ones that had opted to stay the night to avoid the expense of taxis, then it was off to bed.

The general feeling seems to be the Dinner and Awards night needs to become a regular ANNUAL event in the DAC Calendar as it used to be.

The Park Head was a great venue and I can see us using its facilities more often in the future.

Thanks to everyone who helped me organise the night, particularly Stuart Anderson, Chris Thirling and Simon Jennings.

*Pam Broom*

RAFFLE prize contributors were:

# **DINNER DANCE & AWARDS**

## **RAFFLE PRIZES**

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Four Ball golf at Bishop Auckland Golf Club	Newton Press, Design & Print N/A
Driveway cleaning voucher	Draco Cleaning Services Binchester
Bottle of Port & Keg of beer (5ltr)	Mitchells Grievson - Accountants - B/A
A Rug	Franks the Flooring Store , Bishop Auckland
Hamper	Tomlinson & Longstaff - Electrical Contractors
Bottle of liqueur & Miniature Jack Daniels with glass	Stephen Nicholson Decorators B/A
Wine, Gin & Proseco	Plumbase - Plumbers Merchants, Sunderland
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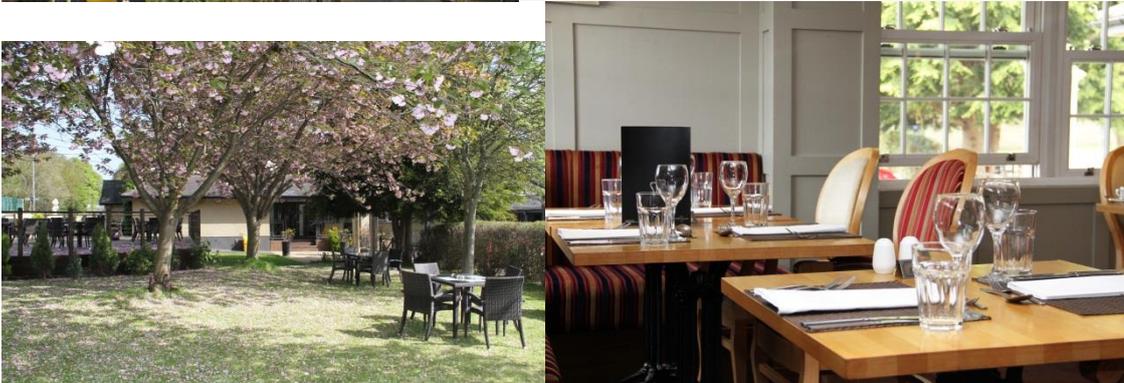
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We look forward to seeing you!



# CLASSICS at The CASTLE 2018

I am pleased to announce that ENTRIES OPEN on 1<sup>st</sup> of February for this Year's CLASSICS at the CASTLE.

**ENTRIES CLOSE SATURDAY 30<sup>th</sup> JUNE NO LATE ENTRIES  
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FINAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. START NUMBER

Thank you for your entry. Your start number is 60 and your due start time is 10.30. An entry list is enclosed.

2. SCRUTINEERING ETC.

Enclosed is a map of Darlington showing the location of the noise test, scrutineering, Rally HQ and start area. All trailers are to be unloaded in the noise test area where they may be left for the duration of the event. A documentation sheet is enclosed. Please report to the noise test in Chesnut Str. Lorry Park at 07.00 plus your start number in minutes. Reserves should report at 07.00. After successful completion of noise test proceed to scrutineering in Sherwoods of Darlington Ltd., Chesnut Street. After scrutineering proceed to the start area and park as directed by marshals. Return on foot to Rally HQ in the Kings Head Hotel, Priestgate. As there is limited space available in the start area service vehicles will not be permitted to enter - there is plenty of on street parking available in the area. Please observe statutory parking restrictions.

3. DOCUMENTATION

Documentation will take place in the Residents Lounge on the second floor of the Kings Head Hotel. The hotel will be serving coffee and hot snacks in the Grill Room which is accessible from both first and second floors. At documentation you will be required to produce valid competition licences, including entrants licence where appropriate; proof of insurance; valid club membership cards; proof of scrutineering etc. and payment of any outstanding fees. Also enclosed is a service vehicle registration form - this must be completed in advance and handed in at documentation.

4. AMENDMENTS TO REGULATIONS

- 2. PERMIT - RAC MSA Permit Number - RAL 2712/1.  
DOE Authorisation - 18795 DE 27.
- 5. ROUTE - The event will consist of 18 special stages - the stage mileage remains the same. Total mileage on public roads is approximately 110 miles.
- 8. AWARDS - Additional award:-  
First Mixed Crew - The Swallow Kings Head Hotel Formula One Trophy.
- 10. OFFICIALS - Scrutineers - Don Tarbet and Peter Bruce.
- 12. IDENTIFICATION - Competition numbers etc. will be on sale in the start car park - courtesy of Motoscope. Limited supplies of maps will be available but all competitors are responsible for their own supplies.
- 18. SAFETY - A Red Cross Card and a Green OK Card will be supplied with the Road Book at documentation.

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5. TYRES, LIGHTS ETC.

Stages are a mixture of loose and Tarmac/concrete surfaces. Competitors will have the opportunity to change tyres between stages of different surfaces. There are two stages before the first service and these are mainly tarmac/concrete with a smaller proportion of gravel and loose surfaces. All competitors will be completing the later stages in the hours of darkness and may wish to fit auxiliary lights. Petrol will be available at scrutineering and at two of the service halts - refreshments will also be available at this venue,

6. WITHDRAWAL OF ENTRIES & RESERVES

Any competitor wishing to withdraw an entry is asked to notify the Entries Secretary as soon as possible in order that we may allocate their place to a reserve. Reserve entries being offered a place will be notified by telephone as soon as possible - any reserve who has not been contacted prior to Christmas should get in touch with the Entries Secretary.

Looking forward to seeing you on the 27th.,

The Organisers.

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ENTRY LIST

<u>NO.</u>	<u>DRIVER/CO-DRIVER</u>	<u>CAR</u>	<u>CLUB</u>	<u>CLASS</u>
1.	Malcolm Davey/Howard Turner	RS2000	Slaithwaite	C
2.	Steve Bannister/Dave Oldfield	Escort	62CC/York	C
3.	Alec Cannon/TBA	Avenger	Whickham	C
4.	ENTRANT - ELLIOTS HOTEL, YORK. Andy Elliott/Mick Dent	RS1800	York	C
5.	Anthony Eaton/Gordon Reid	RS1800	Northallerton	C
6.	Russell Close/Dave Wilford	Manta GTE	Durham/N'allerton	C
7.	Les Graham/Nick Thwaites	Escort	Whickham/Newcastle	C
8.	Steve Shaw/Christine Coward	Escort	Northallerton	C **
9.	Dave Owen/Alistair Mackay	RS1800	Northallerton	C
10.	Chris Blake/Ged Harris	Sunbeam	Northallerton	C
11.	Nicky Porter/Charles Porter	Lancer GSR	Durham/N'allerton	B
12.	Stuart Orrick/Keith Chipchase	RS2000	Whickham	C
13.	Terry Cree/Tony Gelder	Kadett	Northallerton	B
14.	ENTRANT - SKIPSEA SERVICE STATION. Steven Waterall/Stephen Styles	RS2000	Bridlington	C
15.	David Turnbull/Graeme Kellett	Escort	Trackrod	C
16.	Ken Skidmore/George Coates	Sunbeam	KLMC	B
17.	Gordon Welsh/Mick Collier (ENTRANT LAWS FOODSTORE/ST.IVEL/ALAN NUTTALL)	Escort	Whickham	B
18.	Mark Peacock/Sandra Cargill	Escort	Northallerton	C
19.	ENTRANT - GLAMAL ENGINEERING LTD. Alan Hardy/Paul Veitch	Chevette HS	Stockton	C
20.	Jim Burns/Lindsay Brook	Escort	KLMC/Stockton	
21.	Glenn Pearce/Brian Richardson	Escort	Durham	B
22.	ENTRANT - YORKSHIRE TYRES/FERGUSON Mike Watkins/Dave Hallas	HYPERFORMANCE	Slaithwaite	C
23.	Geoff Tunnard/Tom Tunnard	Escort	Boston	C
24.	Steve Plumb/Nick Grundy	Escort	Northallerton	C
25.	Roy Gravestock/Ian Gravestock	Escort	N'allerton/Stockton	C
26.	Col Stainthorpe/Mike Corner	Tarragon	Whitby	B
27.	ENTRANT - ANVIL GARAGE Richard Woodsworth/Rod Brereton	Kadett GTE	Pendle	C
28.	ENTRANT - NORTH EAST INSULATION Lyle Bennett/Paul Forrest	Escort	Ryton	A
29.	George Arey/Dave Beaumont	Escort	Lindholme/De Lacy	B
30.	Ray Cox/Joan Mudd	Cooper S	Sandoz	A **
31.	ENTRANT - RIPON MOTOR SPORT CLUB Bryan Walker/John Adamson	Mexico	Ripon	B
32.	Antony Hanson/Russell Holdsworth	Chevette	TTrackrod	C
33.	Ian Brown/John Meegan	Escort	Blackfyne	B
34.	Dave Slaney/Ian Sharp (ENTRANT - ALWOODLEY MOTOR CLUB)	Escort	Alwoodley/Sandoz	C
35.	T.Durkin/Colin Crowe	Chevette	Bp.Auckland/Durham	C(N)
36.	Alan Coates/TBA	Escort	Northallerton	A
37.	Mike Metcalfe/TBA	Kadett	Northallerton	A
38.	Duncan Wallace/TBA	Chevette	Northallerton	A
39.	David Lawson/John Dennett	RS2000	Slaithwaite	C
40.	Richard Myers/Andy Myers	1275 GT Mini	KLMC	A
41.	John Willis/TBA	Mini Clubman	Wigton	A
42.	Eric Brooke/Alan Boyd	Escort	Stockton	C(N)
43.	David Coates/Keith Sandick	Firenza	Northallerton	C
44.	K.Kettlewell/P.Kettlewell	TR7 V8	Ripon	C
45.	ENTRANT - HOMETUNE Stan Chapman/Gareth Broere	Sunbeam	Stockton	B
46.	Jon Lloyd/Martin Filleul	Mexico	Sheffield St./111MC.	B(N)
47.	David Marshall/Roderick Parkin	Escort Sport	Trackrod	B

48.	Charles Hutchinson/Eric Playforth	Escort	York	A(N)	
49.	ENTRANT - MID DERBYSHIRE M.C. Keith Bramley/Stephen Whittingham	Escort	Northallerton	C	
50.	Alistair Rider/TBA	Samba	Darlington	B(N)	
51.	Maurice Lee/Christopher Smith	Escort	Peterlee	C	
52.	John Cook/Derek Black (ENTRANT - LINDRICK GROUP)	Escort RS	Northallerton	C(N)	
53.	Michael Kitchen/Gavin Heseltine	Escort	N.Humberside	C(N)	
54.	Tony Woodliffe/Paul Burton	Escort	Selby	B(N)	
55.	David Wainwright/Nigel Horner	Escort Sport	Ripon	A	
56.	C.A.Maxey/E.M.Popperwell	Escort	Stockton	A	**
57.	Ian Bowers/Peter Bainbridge	Kadett	Northallerton	A(N)	
58.	ENTRANT - BLACKFYNE MOTOR CLUB Ian Mason/Nigel Morley	Mini	Blackfyne	A	
59.	Colin Stewart/Ian Stewart	Chevette	Stockton	C(N)	
60.	Roger Broom/Derrick Packham	Alfa Romeo GT(Junior)TC76		A(N)	
61.	Paul Rose/Stephen Rose	Avenger	Normanby	B(N)	
62.	Robert Ayton/Angela Ayton	Sunbeam	Whitby	A	**
63.	Nick Turley/Maxine Middleton	Lada	Ripon	B(N)	**
64.	ENTRANT - C.S.M.A. C.P.Gomersall/D.Coomber	Escort	York	C(N)	**
65.	Charles Taylor/Malcolm Coulson	Escort	Northallerton	A(N)	
66.	David Gibson/Miriam Firth	Escort	Selby	A	**
67.	Paul Carrington/Brian Gill	Escort	Northallerton	B(N)	
68.	John Knights/Tim Astley	Escort	Ripon	C(N)	
69.	Andy Thompson/Humphrey Burt	Escort	Northallerton	A	
70.	David Gricewith/Sky Pearson	Capri	Ripon	B(N)	**
71.	Paul Bird/John Cook	Magenta	Whitby	A	
72.	M.J.Cottam/R.Stobbs	Mini 1275 GT	Ripon/West Lancs.	A(N)	
73.	Mike Twizell/Howard Fowler	Viva	Stockton/Normanby	C(N)	
74.	Ken Billingham/Petr Sewell	Skoda 120LS	Durham	A(N)	
75.	ENTRANT - LEEDS MOTOR CLUB LTD. Nigel Lingwood/Mike Brownlow	Cooper S	Leeds	A(N)	
76.	Martyn Shaw/J.P.Oakes	RS2000	N.Humberside	C(N)	
77.	Leslie McGuffog/Iain Chadwick	Escort	Leeds/N'allerton	A(N)	
78.	Paul Steels/Dave Horner	Firenza	Selby	C(N)	
79.	Glyn Deacon/Richard Marquand	Sunbeam	Northallerton	B(N)	
80.	Brenda Richardson/Charles Jackson	Escort	Northallerton	B(N)	**
81.	Diane Eaton/Clive Neasham	Escort	Stockton	C(N)	**
82.	Andy Fishburn/Brad Thurrell	Escort	Normanby	B(N)	
83.	Chris Birbeck/Mike Martin	TR7 V8	Northallerton	C(N)	
84.	M.Good/David Galloway	Escort	Stockton	B(N)	
85.	Ian Dixon/James Knox	Marina	Whickham	C(N)	
86.	John Jackson/Keith Fowle	Firenza	Whitby	C(N)	
87.	J.Everett/Ian N.Close	Escort	Durham/N'allerton	C(N)	
88.	Andrew Johnson/June Clarke	Escort RS	Ripon	C	**
89.	David Fletcher/Roger Jefferson	Avenger	Ripon	B(N)	
90.	Thomas Hewick/Ian Young	Escort	Ripon	A(N)	
<u>RESERVES</u>					
R1.	ENTRANT FRED WADDINGTON & SON Andy Waddington/Jim Hare	RS2000	Ripon	C(E)	
R2.	Terry Woods/TBA	Escort RS	Trackrod	C	
R3.	R.W.Francis/Richard Campbell	Sunbeam	York	B	
R4.	Kevin Knox/Keith Knox	Escort	Whickham	C	
R5.	Geoff Chapman/Tony Walker	RS2000	Stockton/Bp.Auck.	C(N)	
R6.	Ken Bell/Shane Smith	Mini Clubman	Ripon	A(N)	
R7.	Tom Riordan/Andrew Scarborough	Sunbeam/Alfa	York	C	
R8.	John Shuffe/Shawn Argent	Sunbeam	Ripon	B	
R9.	Kieron Pearce/Keith Davison	RS2000	Durham/Peterlee	C	
R10.	G.S.French/TBA	Chevette	Bp.Auckland	C(N)	

A - Up to 1300cc. B -1301 - 1600cc C - 1601 and above (N) - Novice \*\* - Mixed Crew



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## CHRISTMAS STAGES

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### FINAL RESULTS

1st O/A Car 4 A. Elliott/M, Dent  
 2nd O/A Car 5 A. Eaton/G, Reid  
 3rd O/A Car 6 R. Close/D, Wilford  
 4th O/A Car 18 M. Peacock/S, Cargill  
 5th O/A Car 1 M. Davey/H, Turner

1st Class A Car 20 J, Burns/L, Brook 14th O/A  
 up to 1300cc  
 2nd Class A Car 30 R, Cox/J, Mudd 18th O/A  
 3rd Class A Car 41 J, Willis/A, Ralley 19th O/A

1st Class B Car 11 N. Porter/C, Porter 7th O/A  
 2nd Class B Car 16 K, Skidmore/G, Coates 8th O/A  
 3rd Class B Car 31 B. Walker/J, Adamson 11th O/A

1st Class C Car 15 D, Turnbull/G, Kellett 6th O/A  
 2nd Class C Car 12 A, Corbitt/K, Chipchase 9th O/A  
 3rd Class C Car 19 A. Hardy/P, Veitch 10th O/A

1st Novice Car 83 C. Birbeck/M, Martin 22nd O/A  
 2nd Novice Car 46 J. Lloyd/M, Filleul 23rd O/A  
 3rd Novice Car 75 N, Lingwood/M, Brownlow 25th O/A

### TEAM AWARDS

1st Car 4 & Car 6 A. Elliott & R. Close 1st & 3rd O/A  
 2nd Car 1 & Car 15 M. Davey & D. Turnbull 5th & 6th O/A  
 3rd Car 5 & Car 8 A. Eaton & S. Shaw 2nd & 12th O/A

1st G.M. Car Car 32 A, Hanson/R, Holdsworth 16th O/A

1st Lady Car 8 Chris Coward 12th O/A

Clerk of the Course Award :- Diane Eaton

### N.A.C. Challenge

Car 4 A. Elliott/M, Dent 1st O/A Both Events  
 Car 5 A. Eaton/G, Reid 2nd O/A + 4th O/A  
 Car 6 R. Close/D, Wilford 3rd O/A + 8th O/A

90 STARTERS 55 FINISHERS

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# Durham Automobile Club Forthcoming Event Calendar

January 24 <sup>th</sup>	AGM Honest Lawyer 7.30 for 8pm Start	ALL WELCOME followed by Buffet.
February 14 <sup>th</sup>	Committee Meeting – Honest Lawyer (date TBC)	
February 21 <sup>st</sup>	Karting night organised by Whickam	See article in magazine, on website and Facebook for more information
March 14 <sup>th</sup>	Committee Meeting – Honest Lawyer	
March 21 <sup>st</sup>	‘OLD’ COMERS NIGHT!! Social get together and buffet night. **Come along! Its FREE**	(ALL welcome, members, non-members & EX members!!)
March 28 <sup>th</sup>	Club Navigational Series Briefing and Help night	See Social Sec report in magazine for more details ALL WELCOME
April 11 <sup>th</sup>	Nog and Natter	
	18 <sup>th</sup> Navigational SCATTER (Peter Masters)	More details to follow
May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	TREASURE HUNT (Nikki Halliwell or Pam Broom)	More details to follow
	9 <sup>th</sup> Committee Meeting – Honest Lawyer	
	30 <sup>th</sup> Navigational SCATTER (Gordon Dundee)	More Details to follow
June 13 <sup>th</sup>	Nog and Natter	
July 11 <sup>th</sup>	Committee Meeting – Honest Lawyer	
July 15 <sup>th</sup>	CLASSICS at the CASTLE	
August 8 <sup>th</sup>	Nog and Natter	
September 9 <sup>th</sup>	WEARSIDE TARGA at Nissan (more details to follow)	
September 11 <sup>th</sup>	Committee Meeting – Honest Lawyer	

**Between June and September we will be having a few more Navigational Events including Regularities/Jogularities and probably another Scatter and Treasure Hunt. We are also hoping to soon secure dates for a Social Night at Fury Events and a Gymkhana. There will also be dates appearing for Auto Tests so please look out for additional Emails and information appearing in magazines, on the website and our facebook pages.**

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