



CROYDON AND DISTRICT MOTOR CLUB

valve chatter

May/June 2020*



* Note: April issue of Valve Chatter was cancelled

CHAIR CHATTER

The continuing global pandemic affects us all greatly and currently there does not appear to any end date despite the recent Government partial easing of the lockdown. As a result it is almost impossible to plan ahead with future events and activities with Motorsport UK not issuing any future permits until 30th June 2020..

It has been decided to hold a virtual Annual General Meeting of the club on the planned date of Wednesday, 24th June 2020. Accordingly you will find attached copies of the relevant documentation together with a set of the accounts and my Report. Should you wish to raise any issues on or before this date then please contact Chris Powis.

I am pleased to report that the present Committee have confirmed their willingness to stand for a further year so unless we hear to the contrary they will be re-elected en-bloc. May I take this opportunity of personally thanking all those members of the Committee for all their involvement and support over the past year. As always applications to serve on the Committee in the future will be gratefully received.

The provisional Calendar for the 2020/2021 Rod Wray 12 Car Rally series is included in Valve Chatter and as you will note there are two additional organising clubs namely Maidstone & Mid-Kent Motor Club and the returning Guildford Motor Club resulting in potentially a nine round competition. The Regulations will be available soon and we hope that the first round of the series will be run on the evening of Friday, 25th September 2020 which is being organised by our friends at Southern Car Club.

We also hope that Wales Rally GB will take place later on in the year between the 29th October and the 1st November 2020. The route has now been finalised and submitted for approval and will be, we understand, very similar to last year with the Service Park now returning to the Toyota plant at Deeside. All being well we will again be assisting in running the Finish Controls on the classic Myherin Special Stage.

Just a reminder that membership renewals are now due so if you have not applied already then please do so soon as possible and send your form to Chris Powis.

Finally we were sad to learn of the passing of Terry Cockle whose brother Mike, a former member, was part of a very successful road rally partnership with Geoff Austin over many years. Terry, who ran the Sunningvale Garage in Biggin Hill succumbed to caronavirus and we send our sympathies to all his family and friends.

Keep safe in these difficult times and look forward to the time we can all meet up together.

John Lloyd

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CLUB CALENDAR

June 2020

24 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Virtual Meeting

Because of the Covid-19 pandemic, there are no more events to list at present until the start of the next Rod Wray/Weald MC 12 Car Series in September – a list of proposed dates for the Series appears on the next page



INCLUDED WITH VALVE CHATTER

Notice of the Club AGM, Chairman's Report and Annual Accounts for the year to 31st March 2020

WEALD NEWS

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Motorsport UK COVID-19 Update 18/05/20

Motorsport is currently suspended throughout the UK until 30th June 2020. Although it is understood there will continue to be levels of government restrictions and social distancing in place for a considerable period, Motorsport UK has been considering how to restart the sport, within the parameters set out by government and healthcare authorities.

It is important that when we do restart motorsport that we do so in a safe and responsible fashion that respects the broader public health agenda and mood of the nation. Motorsport UK have issued Guiding Principles for organisers and competitors to follow as the restrictions are carefully lifted. Please see www.motorsportuk.org for more details

WRC NEWS

Rally Argentina has been postponed, and Portugal (21/05) and Italy (04/06) have been cancelled. The Kenyan Safari Rally will have to wait another year before it makes a return to the World Rally Championship (WRC) calendar after this year's edition was postponed to 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Rally Finland (6 - 9 August) will evaluate its prospects at the beginning of June, with a postponement to September or October an option under consideration. Organisers in New Zealand will assess their 3 - 6 September event at the end of May.

Planning for Rally Turkey (24 - 27 September), where there is a limited lockdown in major cities only, is continuing as normal, along with the final three scheduled rounds at Rallye Deutschland (15 - 18 October), Rally GB (29 October - 1 November) and Rally Japan (19 - 22 November).

FORTHCOMING CLUB EVENTS

ROD WRAY CHAMPIONSHIP 2019/20

Drivers:	
1 st Wug Utting	141 points
2 nd Andrea Howatson	114 points
3 rd Mark Stokoe	27 points
4 th Rick Smith	09 points

Navigators:	
1 st Bob Stokoe	141 points
2 nd Si Kellow	114 points
3 rd Megan Stokoe	27 points

WEALD M.C.12 CAR CHAMPIONSHIP 2019/20

Top five positions:

Drivers:	
1 st Daniel Beckham	58 points
2 nd Wug Utting	47 points
3 rd Robert Newman	46 points
4 th Sterling Ernstzen	43 points
5 th Andrea Howatson	38 points

Navigators:	
1 st Matthew Clark	58 points
2 nd Bob Stokoe	47 points
3 rd Nigel Newman	46 points
4 th Si Kellow	38 points
5 th Richard Pashley	35 points

For a full list of Championship results please go to www.croydonanddistrictmotorclub.co.uk/results

ROD WRAY 12 CAR CHAMPIONSHIP 2020/21

We now have the proposed dates for the next series of 12 Car Rallies, and would like to welcome Maidstone and Mid Kent Motor Club and Guildford Motor Club to the Series.

25 September 2020	Southern CC
16 October 2020	Borough 18 MC
13 November 2020	Sevenoaks DMC
04 December 2020	Blackpalfrey MCK
15 January 2021	Maidstone MKMC
05 February 2021	Guildford MC
05 March 2021	Eastbourne RMC
26 March 2021	Bexley LCC
23 April 2021	Croydon DMC

