

Chairman's Chat July 2006

The Club has recent passed a big milestone, in achieving the 100 members mark. This is great news for the Club as most of this number take an active part at some time during the year in our Club events. There are not many clubs in the Cotswolds that can boast this number of active members, and reiterates the Committee's commitment to running small club events.

The Summer Series has now reached its halfway point and is at this time one of the most open Championships we have had, with any number of the front runners being able to win, each event so far has produced a different winner.

I am currently investigating several new venues for Summer and Winter Series events, this is important to the Club as without venues we cannot promote events. We are one of the most active clubs in the area in seeking new venues for motor sport, and this is a credit to our Club.

Planning is now underway for the forthcoming 12 Car Series with many organisers names already put forward, there will be a navigation training session early in September, to assist those of you who have not competed on our events before.

What has happened to the World Rally Championship coverage on television? The usual early evening slot has been shifted quite often to the early hours of Monday morning, this is not a good sign for rallying in the UK and has been reflected in many Club events by a decline in the number of entries. This makes it very difficult for local clubs to organise rallies and reach break even points. Perhaps this downturn is reflected by the lack of works teams and money being put into motor sport.

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Club Chairman
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