



* EDMC Newsletter *

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Happy New Year!

Hello everyone, & welcome to the first newsletter of 2008! I would like to say a Happy New Year to everyone & hope you all had a good Christmas.

2007 was a great year for us, we won 3 awards over the year, yes I said 3, which was down to the hard work of the people who helped out in the thinking; for the bottle of bubbly, signed by John "smoky" Rhodes, the pit crew for their expertise of handling nuts for the 2007 L2B 'Pit Stop Challenge' trophy, & the dodgy cowboys of the western camp site for the "best club stand" gold mini & framed certificate at Southern Mini Days.

Now, in 2008, we have a lot to live up to, with the usual shows taking place & a couple of new ones for us to try out. Another brilliant show season awaits us!

But it couldn't happen without you guys; **the members!** As we enter our 4th year I look forward to spending it all with you. Whether it will be at our monthly meet, or at a drunken barbecue down Cornwall.

So I will take this opportunity to raise my glass (dandelion & burdock, as it's what I'm drinking as I write this!) to you all & again thank you for the past 3 seasons of joy!

As I am on a roll, I would like to welcome Roger back to Sussex after his long time away for repair. In addition, I would also like to welcome our youngest member, **Hollie Faye Brown**, who was born on 26th Dec 07 at 18.00! Though maybe I should have put Hollie first... LOL! Anyway, to 2008!

Regards,

Darren Brown, Chairman

AGM meeting minutes

Held on Monday, 10th December at Langney Sports and Social Club:

The new committee was voted for & a list of committee members with their role titles can be found on the main website under 'Contact Us' (as well as shown below)

Financial report - Due to Rob B leaving the club, the financial report will be made at the January meeting when Rob H has received all the details he needs.

Merchandise - Club merchandise will now be organised by Shirley. The range will be reduced

to standard basics which will be ordered using club funds & then reimbursed. If you would like to make a purchase please speak to Shirley.

Pilgrimage - A meeting has been arranged for Monday, 21st for anyone wishing to help with the organising of the Pilgrimage 2008. (see details below). The charity has been confirmed as the Lee Spark NF Foundation.

Club Fees - Club fees will remain unchanged at £5 per member per year & associate membership at 50p per person per year. Under 16's will still be free. Membership fees need to be paid by the February meeting if you wish to keep your current membership number.

Magnificent Motors - Steve Medhurst has volunteered to be point of contact for Magnificent Motors which is to be held in Eastbourne on 3rd & 4th May 2008.

London to Brighton - (Details shown on pages below). Will take place on Sunday, 18th May. There will be 6 club stand places & 20 run places allocated on a first come first served basis.

Steve Medhurst is making enquiries to Eastbourne Council to see if it would be possible for us to hold our own show on the Western Lawns, Eastbourne for a date hopefully in July, yet to be confirmed.

Membership re-newal

For those who need renewing, please either download & complete a new membership form from the main EDMC website, or collect one at the club meeting from our new Membership Secretary, Alexandra. We ask for you to fill out new forms in order to ensure our database has the correct details & to amend any changes if necessary. If you have any questions or need help with the form, please see Alexandra or any other committee member. Thank you.

Pilgrimage Plans

A meeting will be held on **Monday 21st January**, at the **Red Lion** pub in Willingdon. (This will also coincide with the committee meeting). Anyone who has some ideas, &/or wishes to be involved



in this year's Pilgrimage run planning, please come along at **7.30pm**. All are welcome. If you cannot make it, please pass your ideas to a committee member, who will discuss them on your behalf.

Xmas Party! Account by Rachel

Saturday, 24th November saw members gather at the Community Centre, Polegate for the annual Christmas/End of season "do"! Tony and Dale provided the disco & karaoke with members bringing enough food & drink to feed an army let alone a mini club! Once everyone had had enough to eat & drink, Josie started the main attraction of the evening; our very own Awards Ceremony of 2007! This was in the form for a very professional slideshow, along with commentary showing all the nominations for each category along with the winners.

The prize for each category was a certificate & a chocolate snowman "Oscar".

The categories & winners were:-

Best Male Fancy Dress –

Carl Frizzell [SMD cowboy]

Best Female Fancy Dress –

(Gypsy) Jim Mayatt [L2B]

Best Group Fancy Dress –

Alan, Sarah & Tom [SMD, the 3 Mexicans]

Best Dressed Mini (Rebuild) –

Matt Dawson [Austin City modified]

Best Bodge Job of the Year –

Simon Bell [with 'The Ugly Duckling']

Best Developed Mechanic – Rachel Cornell

The 'Sods Law Award': most unlucky with Minis –

Dave Ward [with the Sidewalk & Mk1]

Most Memorable Phrase –

Alexandra Bowley

Best Club Pose – Marc Brown

Most Entertaining Spectacle –

The EDMC Club!

The 'Jumping Right in it Award' – Lisa & Matt

Best Food contribution – Shirley Mayatt

Memorable highlights included Daz & Dave receiving their "bodge kit", which comprised of a candle, matches, gaffer tape, hammer, screws, no more nails, blue tack & of course a can of lager (amongst other things). Also, Alexandra with her prize lettuce for all her famous quotes & phrases!

Once the awards had been handed out, the karaoke began with some very unique renditions of classic songs.

All too soon it was time to pack away & divide up the mountain of left over food.

I hope everyone enjoyed themselves as much as I did, & I look forward to doing it all again next Christmas!



Rolling Road Results

What a good way to end the season in 2007! A strong turn-out of members & their minis made for a busy day at Gerald Dale's.

Thanks to Simon for organising the day, Paul for manning the BBQ, Daz for marshalling, & all those who turned up & took part!

Gerald & his team worked hard to get all the cars through with minimum fuss & advising owners, where necessary, about performance issues.

Thanks finally to Monty from Miniworld for taking photo's & info for a future edition of the magazine.

Name	Peak BHP	Peak Torque (lb/ft)	Car age	Make/Model	Capacity (cc)
Alexandra B	24.0	25.9	1979	Austin, 850	848
Sarah P	42.3	52.2	1982	Austin, City E	998
Simon Bell	49.3	56.0	1983	Austin, Mayfair	998
Tony C	52.3	63.5	1983	Austin, Mayfair	998
Lisa D	52.3	59.4	1989	Austin, City	998
Viv B	56.8	70.6	1992	Rover, British Open Classic	1275
Alan M	56.9	60.4	1980	Austin, Clubman	1098
Josie C	58.3	70.5	1996	Rover, Equinox Spi	1275
Martin M	60.3	59.2	1969	Austin, Cooper Mk2	998
Simon Blick	63.8	70.7	1993	Rover, Cooper Spi	1275
Carol B	66.7	69.6	1989	Rover, Sky	1275
Jim M	67.8	80.7	1978	Austin, Clubman, 1275 GT	1380
Rachel C	68.7	78.7	1983	Austin, Mayfair	1275
Kelly S	72.2	73.8	1984	Austin, Mayfair	1275
Mick R	73.9	66.0	1989	Rover, Sky	1275
Carl T	74.0	72.5	1994	Rover, 35 th	1275
Gary B	75.6	77.6		Rover, Studio 2	1275
Matt D	78.0	71.9	1982	Austin, City	1275
Simon H	78.2	83.7	1968	Austin, Cooper 'S'	1330
Ricky B	123.2	106.5	1985	Austin, (Big Bastard)	1450
Lynn P	132.8	115.5	2001	BMW, Cooper	1600
Lee G	222.3	221.5	1973	Morris, 1000	1800

Committee Members Contact Details:

Chairman – Darren Brown – edmcboss@fsmail.net

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Committee meetings are held roughly every 3 months. If you have any ideas or input to how **You** would like the Club to be, please contact any Committee member, who will discuss it at meetings. It is **Your** club, so you run it! ☺ Thank you.



L2B – Names for tickets

London to Brighton this year is held on the 18th May. EDMC have managed to bag a club stand again – this year the theme is 'Heroes', so get your thinking caps on! However – this year there are only 12 club stand places, so we will require ticket money **no later than February meeting** (cut off date 29th Feb)

This year all tickets are **£25 per car** (whether run or stand) plus 36p p&p. This includes all the usual t-shirt etc. There will be the usual Soap Box Challenge & Show 'n Shines, but no mention of a Pit Stop Challenge, so we can't defend our title!

We require 6 cars for stand & up to 20 cars for run. At time of printing, we need 2 more cars for the stand. If we don't reach 6 cars, then EDMC will only apply for run tickets as we won't be allowed a stand with less than 6.

These spaces are first come first served. If we reach our limit then others will have to apply through MiniWorld Magazine in March & April issues.

Any questions, further information or to put your name down, please speak to Daz (Chairman). For ideas on this year's theme, please see stand co-ordinator, Paul Mellor.

Magnificent Motors - interests

If you are able to attend this event, please speak to Dave or Steve Medhurst, as Steve will be the point of contact & organiser for the weekend.

Brooklands Mini Day - Places

We have managed to bag ourselves a 10 car club stand, in the same area as last year. Tickets will be first come first served basis, though priority on club stand space will be given to those who couldn't get on last year. Other cars can park in general parking. Please let Dave know ASAP as places are filling. Cost is £7 pre-booked adult & £6 Seniors, £5 Children, under 5s are free, £20 Family ticket - 2 Adults & up to 3 Children. Adult at the gate is £8. Any questions please see Dave.

Club Meeting Dates:

Every 2nd Monday (except May)

Jan 14 th	July 14 th
Feb 11 th	Aug 11 th
March 10 th	Sept 8 th
April 14 th	Oct 13 th
May 19 th	Nov 10 th
June 9 th	Dec 8 th - AGM

2008 Diary Planner – Dates for your Diary!

30th March – Brooklands Mini Day, Surrey,

3rd/4th May – Magnificent Motors, Eastbourne Seafront

2nd-4th May – Riviera Run, Newquay, Cornwall

9th-11th May – International Mini Meeting, Denmark, Holland

18th May – London to Brighton Run

24th-26th May – Cuckoo Fair, Laughton

21st-22nd June – BMC 'Minis on the Wreck'

29th June – EDMC Mini Pilgrimage rally

12th/13th July – Eastbourne Motor Show, Eastbourne Seafront, (Set up on Friday 11th)

1st-3rd August – Southern Mini Days, (Venue TBC)

17th August – Mini in the Park, Santa Pod Raceway

27th September – Mini World Action Day, Castle Combe Race Track

Other events to be aware of:

Roger's 'Welcome home' run – February

Festival of Transport – August

Old Git's Rampage – October

Worthing 'Minis by the Sea' - September

Laughton Country Fair - September

