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Class 6	1 st Driver	Len Giles	CoDriver	Derrick Walters	15 points
	2 nd Driver	Mike Pugsley	CoDriver	Adrian Williams	12 points
	3 rd Driver	Sean Crowley			
Class 7	1 st Driver	Ian Kenvin	CoDriver	Tim Murphy	15 points
	2 nd Driver	Nathan Jones			12 points
			1 st Best Under 24	Dale Clatworthy	
			1 st Ladies Award	Kath Curzon	

6. Forest Championship Clubman (Jimmy Jones)

This year saw the highest number of pre first round registrations since 2004. We believe this is down to the championship being restricted to 2 Wheel Drive cars. There were 21 registrations before the first round out of which over 50% are new contenders to the Championship.

The first round of the In Car Services Welsh Clubman's 2 Wheel Drive Forest Rally Championship was the Mid Wales Stages hosted by Newtown & District Automobile Club on Sunday 3rd March.

With registrations taken at the event, total registrations now stand at 42 after the first round.

There are 21 drivers, 21 Co Drivers, 3 under 25 Drivers, 2 under 25 Co drivers, 9 over 50 Drivers, 6 Over 50 Co Drivers.

Signing on, Scrutineering etc. was all done on the Sunday morning for the Clubman's section of the event which crews appreciate as it keeps costs down.

The event started late morning from the centre of Newtown which was very well received all round by competitors, service crews and spectators.

There then followed a long road section before the competitors started 4 stages in close proximity to each other with a central service at Sweet Lamb before returning to Newtown late afternoon.

The Championship looks to be a very close battle this year as Jimmy Nicholas / Tim Hobbs in a Vauxhall Corsa 1400cc are 3rd overall in the championship and setting a strong challenge early in the Championship.

Current Championship Positions

Overall	Dylan Davies	Llion "Tractor" Williams	Ford Escort
Front Wheel Drive Category	Jimmy Nicholas	Tim Hobbs	Vauxhall Corsa
Rear Wheel Drive Category	Dylan Davies	Llion "Tractor" Williams	Ford Escort
Class 1	Jimmy Nicholas	Tim Hobbs	Vauxhall Corsa
Class 2	Ian Jones		
Class 3	Dylan Davies	Llion "Tractor" Williams	Ford Escort
Class 4	Colin Webb	Matt Rogers	B M W 325
Class 6	David Lloyd Roberts	Dei Jones	Ford Escort
Under 25 Driver	Dylan Davies		
Under 25 Co Driver	Chris Davies		
Senior Driver	Terry Brown		
Senior Co Driver	Tim Hobbs		

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Remaining rounds in the Championship

18 th May	Plains Rally	Knutsford & District M.C.
15 th June	Severn Valley National Rally	Midland Manor M C
21 st July	Coracle Stages	Carmarthen M C / Epynt M. C.
31 st August	Woodpecker Stages	Sixty & Worcester M. C.
19 th October	Cambrian Rally	North Wales C C

The best 4 scores to count

7. Forest Championship National (Dave Evison)

No report

8. Historic Rally Championship (Rob Baldwin)

We now have 41 registered contenders with 14 crews out on the Wydean and 15 on the Mid-Wales. Following the Mid-Wales positions are as follows:

Top 5 overall –

Rikki Proffitt/Phil Harrison	62 points
David Lloyd Roberts/Dei Jones	60 points
Ken Davies/Alan Jones	46 points
Gareth James/Steffan Evans	32 points
Roger Matthews/Paul Morris	32 points
David Stokes/Guy Weaver	31 points

Next round will be the Rally of North Wales on 6/7 April

9. King of Epynt (Andy Lewis)

No report

10.0 Junior Challenge (Dorian Evans)

I have applied for the permit, but as yet not received anything back from Ian Davies. I have received around 7 requests for regs so far, but no application forms, which is perhaps not surprising due to the information I've sent out so far being drafts.

I have been in conversation with both Ryland James and Howard Davies on behalf of both Ralio and Go Motorsport. They are going to be pushing the Challenge when Ralio resumes shortly, and have an idea of a competition for viewers where the winner(s) will be able to try at least the hillclimb rounds of the challenge in a car sourced by Ralio or Go Motorsport. The only cost to the winner will be the MSA licence required.

Fiona Balchin of Lampeter and District Motor Club is also taking a big interest in the challenge, as she runs a motorsport course at the Penweddyg School where she works in Aberystwyth, so I hope to tie this up with the challenge somehow as well. It is through Fiona that some of the enquiries have come so far. I am also going to be making a big effort during the next month to contact as many potential competitors to try and get them to at least register this year, and attend a few rounds.

11. Club Championship (Jimmy Jones)

H. R. C. R.	65
Ludlow Castle M. C.	43
North Wales C. C.	38
Ammanford M. C.	32
Forest Of Dean M. C.	29
Forresters C. C.	26
Lampeter & Dist.M. C.	25

Rallystageteam M C	11
Carmarthen M. C.	10
Aberystwyth & Dist M. C.	9
Pembrokeshire M. C.	8
Port Talbot M. C.	8
Telford A. C.	8
Dovey Valley M. C.	7

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Welsh Border C. C.	25	Brecon M. C.	6
Bala & District M. C.	24	Gwendraeth Valley M. C.	6
Ross & District M. C.	21	Swansea M. C.	6
Herefordshire M. C.	20	Sixty & Worcs. M. C.	5
Llanelli & District M. C.	18	Three Counties Car Club	5
W. & S. S. C. C.	18	Ystrad Mynach M. C.	5
Teify Valley M. C.	16	Amman & Dist. M. C.	4
Maesteg M. C.	14	Potteries & Newcastle M. C.	4
Rhyl & District M. C.	12	Kidwelly M C	3
Tavern M. C.	12	Llandysul M. C.	2

12. Sprint & Hillclimb Championship (Wyn Edwards)

No report

13. Cross Country (Jerry Herbert)

Quiet at the moment. People are preparing their vehicles now.

[Britpart MSA Cross Country Championship timetable 2013.](#)

run by Marches 4x4 Motorsport, the series known as the British Cross Country Championship.

20-21 April – Round 1, Pikes Peak, near Llangurig

11-12 May - Round 2, Penllyn Forest, near Bala

8-9 June – Round 3, Forrest Lodge, Dumfries, Scotland

27-28 July – Round 4, Radnor Forest

14-15 September Round 5, Ceri Forest, near Newtown

19-20 October Round 6, Walters Arena, Glyneath

Entry £1,500 for six two day events, best of five counting towards the championship

14. Pembrey Liaison Officer (Gethin Rees)

Chairman gave the report

Other than the Rally Cwm Gwendraeth things have been quiet at Pembrey Circuit as this is the start of the season. 25th & 26th May will see the Welsh Festival of Motorsport at Pembrey. This will include static displays, a Motorcanam Classic Car show and on track displays throughout the weekend. South Wales Motor clubs are invited to contact Phil Davies the circuit manager direct if you would like a promotional stand.

15.0 Epynt & Caerwent Liaison officer (Phil Jones)

Chairman gave the report

We do have a PR problem on Epynt at the present time, particularly to the east of the Ranges. Work is going on behind the scenes to try and resolve the issues; this matter is being led by the MSA at the present time. The next event on the Ranges is the Tour of Epynt this Sunday. I would like to thank the organisers, who are aware of the situation and have assisted in minimising any impact the event may have on the current situation. It is vital that anybody up on Sunday observes speed limits, drives with consideration for other road users and represents our sport in the best possible light, please pass this on

I have been informed by Ecurie Cymraeg that the Leukaemia and the Twilight rallies will not be using Caerwent in 2013, in part due to the Commander DTE Wales & West decision not to sign off events until 1 month prior to the event date. The next event at Caerwent is the Tour of Caerwent on March 24th 2013.

16.0 forestry Liaison Officer (Neil Henderson/Keith Ashley)

Chairman gave the report

The Wydean Forest Rally took place on 9th February and competitors faced conditions which some considered more slippery than the ice of 2012. Three weeks prior to the event the stages were covered by 12"

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of snow which melted very quickly. The Forestry Commission have been harvesting throughout the winter months in response to the discovery of Phytophthora Ramorum, and have cleared over 100 Hectares of Larch. This area is actually less than first feared after a number of potential sites of infection identified in the initial aerial survey, were found to be the result of Squirrel damage.

The Herefordshire Trial and Kyrle Trial will take place within the next few weeks, and the Forestry Commission have requested that all vehicles travelling to these events are cleaned before entering the county. They have no issue with competitors moving between sections during the event.

17.0 RLO (Andrew Thomson)

The WAMC and MSA have been having a lot of flack over the first couple of months of this year about the introduction of the 2 metre only sound test. Several motor clubs have had sound test nights and the further in to the year we go the more vehicles are complying to the requirement. This only goes to show that it is workable. Last Saturday night only two vehicles failed the test.

Dyfed Powys Police had 11 calls after last Saturdays 1000 Lanes Road Rally, this is one of the highest we have had. Complaints were about driving manner, speed, lack of PR work. Nut noise was not mentioned in any way of the 11 calls.

We have a major PR issue in the Powys area and it seems to be gathering momentum. The MSA and the "complainants" MP are sending correspondence to try and sort things out. The gentleman is adamant that he is going to stop all rallies, and, is looking through the British Rally Forum and Motor Sports News for ammunition. Unfortunately the people that put posts on the forum don't think about what goes on there or the consequences.

Please stress to all your members to think about what they post online or put in any press, it could come back and bite us!

18.0 correspondance

None

19.0 date changes

The Bro Caron 16/17th March

20.0 Club Officials change

None

21.0 MSA Reports (Geoff Field)

Chairman gave the report

There is little to report from either the Rallies Committee meeting or Regional Committee, other than I have a list of dates for Regional Championship events, which I will send out to clubs and Championship Secretaries as soon as it's complete.

The results of the seat testing will be available soon - I believe that John Symes will be presenting them to Council today, before making the results public. Anything that might have a bearing on seat belts, as a result of this, should be known soon too. As always, I will make everyone aware of what is happening as soon as I know.

The noise test for road rallies continues to be a bone of contention but I am trying to get Ian Davis to amend the MSA Yearbook to remove the anomalies and clarify what is the preferred method and exactly how it should be done. I'll email that to all clubs, when the reply comes.

22.0 Road Closure

None

23.0 Go Motorsport (Ryland James)

No report

24.0 AOB

Dave Howells reported that Epynt MC gave £500 to the Llewelly Church fund.
Road Closures important on the agenda due to the Forestry sell off.

Date of next meeting **4th June 2013 at 20.00**