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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING A better than usual attendance marked this year's AGM at Ottery St Mary when apart from the usual "Free and frank discussion" members were entertained by a masterly presentation of the results of the MCC survey by Ian Davis, the man responsible for this work. How lucky we are as a club to have Ian among our ranks for this survey had the aura of something that was not only professional but sympathetic, something which surely would not have been attained by many.

The other notable event at the AGM was the election of *Ron Butcher as our new president*. A lifelong MCC member competing in all categories and known more latterly as an organiser, Ron has a difficult act to follow with names like Selwyn Edge and Charles Jarrott coming to mind, but knowing Ron as we do can be sure he will leave his stamp on the club during the next three years.

We should also thank Gerry Woolcott who in addition to everything else he does for the club has been an active "Stand in" president for many months.

MEMBERS SURVEY The full results, as presented at the AGM, are now available as a PDF download from the MCC website: <http://www.themotorcyclingclub.org.uk/about/survey.htm>

TESTING TRIAL Wonderful weather ensured the sixty competitors in the Testing Trial enjoyed themselves and whilst the flatness of the site made the event more of a grass autotest than a trial of any sort, organiser Dick Peachey had shown his usual insight in laying out the tests. Many were not so easy as they appeared and few competitors escaped without a penalty or two somewhere along the line. Results, somehow of less importance to competitors in this event than the pleasure derived, were available within minutes of the last man finishing and are to be found on the appropriate web page. Generally it was agreed that despite recent pessimism the event does have a future on the MCC calendar but it badly needs a new and more interesting site and preferably one further west.

EDINBURGH TRIAL Although entries have officially closed a quick call to the entry taker Debs Comber on 01751 475788 might find a vacant spot. 'New and exciting' for this year Ian Bates has prepared a rally style route book using tulips which will be available to those who want it and there are some new sections.

Ian has also stressed that would be CLASS O competitors should be aware that there is NO separate route for them - they will however miss out some of the more challenging sections. This is due to the limited number of marshals which we always experience on this event. May we ask anyone who is not intending to enter but would like the chance of an outing to the scenic Peak District to volunteer by calling the Chief Marshal Les Bowler on 01780 410200

RULE CHANGES We understand that details of some revisions to the specifications for the Melos, Marlin & Liege are now available on the ACTC website. The changes are not major but if you are interested in any of these cars have a look.

POPHAM BIKE SHOW You will recall that last year this enjoyable event was the scene of a great display by the MCC when many members rallied to the cause and supplied interesting machinery and/or came along to spread the gospel. The event is happening again this year on 21st August and once again we will be having a stand organised by Ron Butcher. Do come along and support us.

CRASH BOX OUTINGS Wearing his other hat Roger Ugalde reminds members that the Crash Box Club will be holding its usual Newquay Weekend on 4/6 November and its Exe Valley Trial on 18 September. Full details of both by phoning Roger on 01395 597620

FOR SALE MG Midget 1977, has been used for trials, standard diff, good engine/running

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