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**NEWSLETTERS** *If you are still receiving this and other newsletters by post but have Email facilities please let us know so we can in future communicate that way saving time, hours of work and lots of the club's money. Communication is important but we must all ensure it happens in an economic way.*

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** About 40 members attended a meeting which raised little controversy and in consequence the serious business was completed very speedily.

Under finance, Peter Chantler pointed out that the trading loss of £7,500 was caused by the one-off cost of the Membership Survey, together with the increased costs of running events, whereas the income from membership subscriptions rendered the ordinary business activities of the club profitable.

It was agreed that the payments per competitor that we gather on behalf of the MSA should be shown separately on the entry regs, commencing with the Exeter Trial 07.

In the following general discussion a main item was the roughness or otherwise of sections, with the usual split between those who think they're no worse than years ago, and those whose cars or drivers are becoming fragile. It was agreed overall, that it is a difficult balance for the CoC to get right, and that the weather conditions prior to a Trial can cause all the planning to go awry particularly where sections are used by other clubs and individuals.

Among other points was some discussion about car tyres, and the increasing difficulty of getting suitable tyres which are still legal for use, as many more brands are being marked 'Mud & Snow' a use which the MCC cannot accept.

**TESTING TRIAL** Around 70 competitors enjoyed a day in the very hot Somerset sun. The new site was well received with sections that were interesting, fair and with a smattering of rain to make things a trifle slippery the results might well have been different. As usual the event ended in good time for everyone to enjoy the prize giving before setting off home; several asked for a fifth round to which the answer was YES, but in 12 months time.

It was pleasing to see the success achieved by the small younger element. Class C went to a teenager, Class A to a twenty year old, a veteran of twenty five taking second in Class C and the other twenty something acquitted herself well so only the overall honours fell to age and experience when Duncan Welch did it again. Fully detailed results are available on the MCC website.

**EDINBURGH ENTRIES** Although the official closing date for entries has passed there have been some postal problems so would be entrants should contact the entry taker to ensure theirs has been received. It could also be a chance for those who have not already entered to squeeze one in.

**REGALIA** For the first time for several years we can now offer MCC ties in navy, dark green or maroon, and binders for Triple Magazine. Ties are £14 and Binders £5.50 including p & p from:  
**John Aley, 20 Old Shipyard Centre, West Bay, Bridport DT6 4HG.**

**ARCHIVES** All the club records are now held by **John Aley**, address as above, who has a busy time dealing with enquiries from members, journalists and others sorting who did what and when. Sadly he cannot always answer questions fully as the records are far from complete so would be pleased to hear from members who have old programmes, results, route cards or press cuttings they would care to contribute to the general archive. To avoid duplication please contact John before sending.

**FOR SALE** Trials prepared **Peugeot 205 GRD** late 1992 Phase 2, 3 door, 1760 Diesel Engine 1600 GTi Gearbox. Fitted with Dural sump shield. Upated front springs and torsion bars at rear. 4 as new 175/80/13 tyres. MOT & Taxed - No rust faded paintwork. Used in PCT Trials and Class O Award Winner in Exeter Trial 2006. Cheap start to trials at £375.00 - Ready to go. Contact **John Summerhayes** - phone: 01460 - 221881 or 07976 - 983730

**FOR SALE** 1397cc **Datsun A14 OHV engine**, gearbox and prop shaft. This engine has done about 60,000 miles. Engine in Northamptonshire. Any offers. Tel 01604 863 844 Email [brian@bhall63.fsnet.co.uk](mailto:brian@bhall63.fsnet.co.uk)

**FOR SALE:** 1971 **BSA Bantam**, built by me for MCC events. 175cc D175 engine and frame, 4 speed gearbox, Mikuni carb', trials and standard rear sprockets, D14S forks, 21" f/wheel, ground clearance raised with TL125 rear shocks, chain tensioner, 12v electrics, completely re-wired, new battery, single (Harley Davidson!) saddle, trials tyres. Currently on SORN but can MOT. 1951 **BSA Bantam Trials Replica**. The paintwork is all complete although storage has caused a few chips. Wheels re-built, new saddle and exhaust. Comes with V5C and all parts are there for completion but I have run out of time as the house move beckons. 1966 **Morris Minor** 1098cc, converted to soft-top and fully rebuilt by Charles Ware Morris Minor Centre. Toyota 5 speed gearbox, alternator, brake servo, adjustable front seats, unleaded head, engine immobiliser, just had new clutch and brake master cylinder fitted. Insurance valuation £6700. Lovely runner with new MOT. Offers on any of the above to Roy Warren on 01234 268195.