



# Preston & District MG Enthusiasts Club

December 2015

# NEWSLETTER



Cold turkey Run 2009

## Chairman's Chat

Hi,

A newsletter in December is not necessarily a regular publication but I thought that at least a short version should be sent out.

Can you believe it's almost the end of December, another year and our final club event of the year, the Cold Turkey Run on Sunday the 27<sup>th</sup>. The front cover has a selection of photographs from what was a slightly snowy 2009 Cold Turkey Run. I don't know what the weather has planned for this year but let's hope that it's at least dry.

### Events.

At the beginning of December we had our Annual Dinner and Awards Presentation evening at Ashton and Lea Golf Club. For those who were not lucky enough to attend, I can only say you missed a good night.

For most the evening began with drinks and a chat before sitting down to a very good three course dinner and picture show. After dessert we could then take our coffee to the lounge area and listen and dance to the first set from the two piece band "Nighshift", who did a great job of playing a good selection of music.



This was then followed by the awards presentation, (for which I had been given strict instructions to keep short), so I will also keep this short. As we have a Honorary President I could make the announcements, whilst Bill Ryding made the presentations.

- Ten Pin Bowling Andy Schultz
- Show Your Car Off. "Alan Fowler" Trophy Roy and Sue Clapham
- Auto-test Trevor Mallet
- Treasure Hunt Steve & Trish Gaskell
- Quiz Night

The Axle Grinders  
 Bill Ryding  
 Steve Gaskell  
 Godfrey Dennis  
 Kevin & Rosie Doran



- Enthusiasts Award - The Sam Bennett Trophy

This is an award made to club members who have in some way made that extra effort to show their support of the club and MG marque. This year the committee came up with a couple of suggestions and for different reasons, after some discussion we agreed that we should recognise both members in some way.

For all of his work for the club, serious medical condition, and determination to get back out in his beloved TA it was decided that Bill Ryding (a real MG enthusiast) should receive the Sam Bennett Trophy.

Then for their efforts and enthusiasm to support the club during the year we wanted to recognise Roger & Elizabeth Schofield. As they are planning a tour of Europe next year they were we presented a suitable atlas, just in case the "Sat Nav" has a moment.



After what may be considered the formal presentations the mic was handed over to Kevin Doran who then presented the Christmas Pudding Awards. These could be considered as an alternative recognition for member's contributions or dubious actions during the year.

Bill Ryding. *For trying to establish who had the bowling trophy, and ultimately having to admit defeat when he was unable to remember who had it. He bought a replacement trophy - only to then find that he'd left the original trophy in Lillian's bowling bag.*

Olive Neal. *For advertising her Midget for sale and having the nerve to describe it as reliable and a good runner - when most members regarded it as probably the most unreliable car in the club.*

Paul Heyes. *For highlighting company's who carry out K-series cylinder head replacements on your drive, just after my article on cylinder head gasket replacement which gave me some problems on Karen's TF.*

Andy Schultz. *For having an unlucky year and breaking down on several occasions while on club runs - can anyone recommend a good mechanic?*

This was followed by a second set from "Nightshift" and more dancing from club members.

Based on the very positive feedback from members we are already looking at dates for next year's event.

### Announcements / reminders

- **Membership.** For those who haven't renewed please note, it is now way overdue. Please see included in the newsletter the renewal form and note this will be the last newsletter for those members who have not renewed their membership.
- **December 27<sup>th</sup>.** Cold Turkey Run. Starting at Guy Thatched Hamlet and finishing in Lytham.
- **AGM January 26<sup>th</sup>.** Please see reminder of the agenda on the next page and note that the last day that nominations can be accepted for the 2016 committee. If you know anyone who is willing to volunteer or be nominated (assuming they agree) to stand please pass their names onto a member of the present committee.
- **February 23<sup>rd</sup>.** Tenpin Bowling
- **March 29<sup>th</sup>.** Guest Speaker

Well that's all for now except to say, on behalf of the Committee, Karen and myself I would like to wish you all a very Happy Christmas and best wishes for the New Year.

**Tony**

# **Preston & District MG Enthusiasts Club**

**Agenda for the Annual General Meeting to be held at the Railway at Leyland, on Tuesday the 26<sup>th</sup> January 2016, commencing 8.30pm**

## **Opening remarks by the Chairman**

### **Reading of Minutes of 2015 AGM by Secretary**

*Following agreement that these are a true and accurate record, proposal & second that these be accepted.*

### **Matters arising**

### **Financial Report by Treasurer**

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### **Matters arising**

### **Election of Committee Members**

*The list below shows the 2015 committee. Note the closing date for nominations is 4<sup>th</sup> January*

Below is a provisional list of nominations.

### **Election of Officers**

Chairman – Tony Sharples

Secretary – Godfrey Dennis

Treasurer – Mick Bamber

### **Election of General Committee**

Kevin Doran – Vice Chairman

Gordon Mallett – Membership Secretary

Michael Hart – Webmaster

Paul Heyes - Newsletter Editor

### **Appointment of Honorary Club President**

### **Ratification of addition to the Club Constitution**

### **Membership Renewal Fees**

*The committee would like to suggest that the membership fee should remain at £15 per year, renewable in October. **Note:** Our club fees are based on a family membership, which could include husband & wife, boyfriend & girlfriend or partners.*

### **2016 Events programme**

### **2016 'Lancashire Lanes Run' - nominations for committee.**

*Nominated for Chairman - Tony Sharples*

*Volunteers. (names to be taken during the AGM)*

### **Any Other Business**

To **ALL** club members – it is your club and the AGM is a special chance to have your say.

**PLEASE** support your committee and club by attending and getting involved.



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