

The Sixty Minutes

The news sheet of the
Sixty & Worcestershire Motor Club Ltd.

May 2026 Edition

Auto Solo /PCA
On Sunday 31st. May
At
Morton on Lugg

Chairman's Chat

Now we are into May, another month of motorsport beckons

Probably by the time this goes out , F1 has had Miami race, congratulations to the winner

Dixies challenge 3rd may, I will report back on this as I am out with the radio, with matt, there is a few crews I will be watching, and our own comp sec is out Mike Simpson/Ian Jones ,car19 mk2 escort

We have been milling away in the background trying to find new venues for our off road championships, we have had some luck, we are looking at using a different part of defford, the big news is , we have a brand new venue, just outside Hereford, which we are going to use 31st May, entries are now open, and on the website, there is also a link on facebook

Hope to see you all out on motorsport event somewhere

With an Added Brilliance

In 1991 a history about the Club was published entitled “With an Added Brilliance”. In 2011 it was reprinted and brought up to date, but only 30 copies were printed. Now 15 years later it has been expanded and brought up to date again with 50 extra pictures and more information. Would you like a copy?

It will be an A4 hard back book with 236 pages and 212 illustrations and will cost £35

Have you ever wondered about the foundation of the club, and who some of the personalities were, such as Eric Williams, Dr Steel, Noddy Watkins etc. This is your chance to own a copy of the new book. It will have a one off print run and will have to be paid for up front (because of the cost) and is sure to be a collector's item in a few years time. The last edition is already fetching nearly three times its original cost.

The Club was started in 1920 as the Worcestershire Motor Club but its foundations go back to before World War I. Members have competed at all levels both home and abroad and won many awards from International events down to the humble 12 car.

If you want to order a copy please e-mail doodpearce1@btinternet.com and he will contact you about payment. Orders must be received and paid for by 1st August and the books will be delivered in October.

You might even be mentioned or have your photo in it. (can't promise!), but if you have ever won a Club Championship or a Club Rally you will certainly be in there. This is your chance to own a unique book.

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Marshal Mutterings

We are into May, the year is flying past. Pete Woods classic tour is coming along well with all the venues booked etc. The Woodpecker is very slow! But we can announce a new title sponsor in Britpart, welcome aboard. Thank you to John Caine Phil Price Rally School for their support over the past years. Club member David Tomlin, with Paul Spooner alongside, as normal co driver Keith Ashley was being Clerk of Course, unfortunately had an off and Paul was in Hospital for a time. Not sure about David. Let's hope they are both doing well.

1st May Club Sixty & Worcestershire MC Event Navex Venue Castlemorton Contact Dood Pearce

3rd May Club Forresters Car Club/Forest of Dean MC Event Dixies Challenge Venue Epynt Ranges
Contact TBC

8th/9th May Club Manx Auto Sport Event Manx National Venue Isle of Man Contact TBC

9th/10th May Club Dovey Valley Event Rali Bro Dyfi Venue Machynlleth Contact TBC

16th/17th May Club South Hams MC Event TSH Stages Venue RRH Portreath
North Cornwall Contact TBC

16th/17th May Club Rally Revival MC Event E&H Memorial Venue Mold Area Contact TBC

22nd/25th May Club Jim Clarke Memorial Motor Club Venue Duns Scotland Contact TBC

31st May Club Oxford MC Event Bullnose Kemble Targa Venue Kemble Airfield Nr Cirencester
Contact TBC

5th/6th June Club Roger Albert Clark Rally Motor Club Event Visit Kielder Carlisle Stages Venue
Kielder Forest Contact TBC

6th/7th June Club Craven/Farnborough/Sutton Cheam Event Abingdon CAR-nival Venue Dalton
Barracks Abingdon Contact TBC

6th/7th June Club Welsh Border Car Club Event Classic Lanes Road Rally Venue Welshpool Contact
TBC

13th June Club Knutsford & District MC Event Plains Rally Venue Bala Contact Mike Timmins
07747620009

19th/20th June Club Mull Car Club Event Argyll Rally Venue Dunoon Contact TBC

27th/28th June Club Bala & District MC Event PK Memorial Road Road Rally Venue North Wales
Contact TBC

28th June Club Sixty & Worcestershire MC Event Green Leaves Classic Tour Venue Worcester
Contact Pete Wood 07787188720

We are off to the IoM to do some radio/marshalling etc with our Woody CoC Jon Aston.

I will be going through the Club's radio licences in May as they come up for renewal end of May.

Yours in Sport Alan Corns 07778599111

May day Navex 1st.may 2026

It was nice to start the Mayday Navex from Hendrik Minderman's Pub, the Plume of Feathers at Castlemorton, after the TV programme about it the week before. The weather was warm and dry and the first half of the event was in the daylight. Some people were in trouble even before the start. Barry Bridgewater broke down on the way to the start and had to go back home to fetch another car, and Richard and Dylan Stallard failed to start at all.

The route was just over 20 miles to the south and west of the start with some tricky pieces of navigation. Instructions were in the form of Spot Heights, tulip diagrams, grid lines, map references and map symbols.

Nobody got full marks although Duncan and Catherine Buck, and Dave Cross and Dave Harris only made one mistake each and had to be separated by the tie decider.

The first section was defined by spot heights and the instruction to take the longest route possible, which meant driving around a grass triangle (shown on the map). To prove they had done it there was a Route Board at the back of the triangle. Two crews missed it.

There were two secret checks manned by Malcolm Limrick and Andy Taylor, and Dave Evans. Everyone found the first one but John and Adam Stallard missed the second one. One control asked "What height are you above sea level?" Most people realised that you could read it off the map as it was at a spot height, but Andy and Jessica Bridgewater, and Barry Bridgewater and Rob Merrett failed to realise this.

Anna and Phil MacDonell managed to drive past two route boards without seeing them. I understand they have both booked an appointment at Specsavers!

Despite the errors, most people enjoyed the event and hopefully will have a go at the next one. Many thanks to Hendrik and the marshals for their assistance.



Duncan & Catherine Buck at secret Check 1

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Dave Cross/Dave Harris booking in at Secret Check 2

Results

1	Duncan Buck/Catherine Buck	MG 5EV	230 +0.56	1 st Expert
2	Dave Cross/Dave Harris	Audi A1	230 +0.64	1 st Novice
3	Andy Bridgewater/Jessica Bridgewater	Twingo	220	
4	Barry Bridgewater/Rob Merrett	Nissan 100X	200 +0.46	
5	Anna MacDonell/Phil MacDonell	Jeep	200 +2.44	
6	John Stallard/Adam Stallard	Mk I RS 2000	160	
7	Richard Stallard/Dylan Stallard	Mini One	Non-starter	

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Salamandre Rallye 2026

After three years competing in Belgium, my driver Jeremy Packer has decided to enter the Flanders International Rally Challenge.

For this year, he has purchased a Fiesta Rally 3 featuring a 1500cc turbocharged engine and 4 wheel drive.

The Salamandre was a new rally for both of us, so an opportunity to make notes from scratch. The Specialised Welding Products back Fiesta was well received in its stunning new livery and we carried 9 on the door.

Fortunately heavy overnight rain and rapidly dried by rally start, although a feature of this event is changing surface conditions especially through village areas.

Following a cautious start, we continued to refine notes and pick up the pace as the day progressed. By the rally finish, we'd managed to place 23rd overall in the combined field, 9th in division (good seeding!) and 2nd in class.

Preparations are now underway for the ORC Canal Rally at the end of May.



Alan Clark Morris

I am sad to report that Former Club Secretary Alan Clarke-Morris has died. Most club members are too young to remember him, but he was a key member in his day. I met Alan whilst doing my apprenticeship at Heenan & Froude in Worcester. He joined the Sixty Motor Club in 1964 and we did our first rally together on 10th October 1964 in his Hillman Minx. It was the club's Autumn Rally where we came 5th overall and 1st in class. It was a very difficult event and I remember having to stop and wedge the distributor carbon brush in place using a match stick, halfway round. Earlier in the year I lent him my Mini Van to do an Autotest. He beat me and won the class!

In the summer of 1964 we organised the Worcester Carnival Treasure Hunt and the 50 mile walk together. We also organised the Carnival Pram Rally and in order to advertise it we entered his Hillman Minx in the Carnival Procession dressed up as a huge pram. Because he needed the car we could not assemble the float until the evening before. We spent all night tying ladders to the roof rack to support the sides and attaching huge sheets of cardboard to the sides held on with sticky tape, and then quickly painted the pram on the sides. We cut a hole in the side so Alan could climb in to drive it, and a hole in the front so he could, sort of, see where he was going. After a couple of hours sleep we set off for the procession with me sat on the roof shouting instruction to help him steer. Hilarious !!! (Health and Safety does not come into it). The Carnival went well but it started to rain when we arrived back on Pitchcroft. We set off for home without realising that the rain was dissolving the glue and tape holding the float together. As we approached Ronkswood Maternity Hospital the sides flew outwards and the top went up and the whole thing ended up in a soggy heap all over the road !!!!!



The 1965 Motor Club Dinner at the Abbey Hotel in Malvern.
L to R + Alan Clarke-Morris, Barbara Turbutt, Dood Pearce, Terry Hart

In 1965 we did the Headlight Rally coming 6th overall and winning the 1st Rootes Car award. The following month we did the very first Tour of Epynt, our first Stage Rally. You can tell how inexperienced we were as we turned up at the start without any crash helmets. We didn't realise they were necessary. We borrowed some off an early number and took it in

turns to use them. Despite driving the car on the limit we came last equal and we realised it was not as quick as we thought. We even removed the back bumper on one bank!

In November we went marshalling in Wales, on the RAC Rally, in his father's Dormobile, which we slept in. I remember it being very cold and frosty.

In December we entered Cheltenham Motor Club's Thunderball Rally and came 2nd overall. Part way round the event we had to use a steep muddy hill east of Presteigne and the car ground to a halt in the mud. I got out and balanced on the back bumper and began bouncing the car. Alan gradually got it moving and drove off to the top of the hill. Unfortunately I fell off and began running after him. He stopped at the top and yelled for me to get back in. When I didn't reply he switched on the reversing light to see where I was. This blinded me and I fell flat out in the mud!!!!

Alan became Secretary of the Motor Club in 1967 and 68.

On February 2nd 1967 he had a head on collision in his Hillman Minx with his fiancée Pam in the passenger seat. They both ended up in hospital and the car was a write off. This caused the postponement of their wedding. In the summer we entered the Carnival Pram Rally together on a trolley that I had built, coming second overall. Alan was quite fit and he entered the St Johns Cycling Club Roller Mounted Bicycle competition and came 1st overall.

They eventually got married on 20th May 1967 and I was his best man and Pauline was a brides Maid. The wedding was in Aberdovey where Pam's parents lived

After the Hillman Minx was written off Alan bought a Singer Gazelle, a posher version of the Minx and did one Autotest in it coming 2nd in class. He decided this wasn't quick enough and quickly sold it and bought a VW Beetle (Reg No AD 6363).

We did four local 12 car rallies in the beetle (1969-71) winning one and coming second on two. The last one we retired on with a broken fan belt. The engines are air cooled and the fan is a most important piece of equipment.

Family life took over and Alan gave up motorsport, although he did buy a Classic car in later life and took it to some Classic car meetings. He was an excellent driver and organiser and helped to lay down the foundations of the club we have today.

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Trophy Points

The problems with calculating the club Championship points are numerous and the Committee struggles to do things as fairly as possible. No matter what decisions are made by organisers someone will benefit and someone will lose out.

A case in point is the last Navex where we only had six competitors. The rules say that if there are less than 3 people in a class then that class only scores half points. This rule was brought in to prevent competitors entering a class with only one or two entries in order to score more points (which has happened in other championships).

The regs for the Navex stated that you should enter as an expert if you have been in the top five of any rally or Navex in any capacity. The event only had two novice starters which meant they would only score half points, so a decision was made to move one of the experts who normally drives but had entered as a navigator into the novice class. This seemed a fair decision, bearing in mind their lack of experience in this role.

There were rumblings afterwards that this was unfair. Sometimes organisers make decisions to try and give everyone an equal chance, and this was such a case. Has anyone got any better ideas? If so I look forward to entering your next event.

Dood

Trophy Points 2026

Road Rally Championship

<u>Drivers</u>	<i>Redd</i>	<i>Stallards</i>	<i>Ross Nav</i>	<i>May Nav</i>	Total	
Dave Harris	85	75	125		285	
Barry Bridgewater		75		58	133	
Duncan Buck				125	125	
Dave Cross				125	125	
Simon Cross		100			100	
Richard Stallard		100			100	
John Stallard				58	58	
Kevin Guest		50			50	
<u>Navigators</u>						
Dood Pearce	85	75	125		285	
Phil MacDonell		50		91	141	
Catherine Buck				125	125	
Dave Harris				125	125	
Lottie Cross		100			100	
Dylan Stallard		100			100	
Adam Stallard				58	58	
Chris Guest		50			50	

Stage Rally Championship

<u>Drivers</u>	<i>Showgrn</i>	<i>Eridings</i>	<i>Yorks D</i>	<i>AGBO</i>	Total	
Jon Griffiths	70				70	
<u>Co-Drivers</u>						
Glyn Thomas		25	105	25	155	
Bob Griffiths	70				70	

Marshals Championships

	Showgrd	Bath Fest	Navex	Walters	Lee Holl	Autosolo	VSCC Here	Builth	AGBO	N Wales	Severn	SMC Angle	MayNavex	Total
Jeremy Hancock	10	10			10			10	10	10	10	10		80
Will Tindall				10		20	15							45
Dood Pearce							15						30	45
Adam Stallard			30											30
John Stallard			30											30
Pete Wood						30								30
Jackie Harris						30								30
Phil MacDonell						30								30
Ethan Harris							30							30
Geoff Wooldridge						30								30
Aaron Stoneman						20								20
Mike Waddoups						20								20
Jeff Jones						20								20
Andy Taylor													20	20
Malcolm Limrick													20	20
Dave Evans													20	20
Alan Corns							15							15
Helen Climpson							15							15
Andy Benjamin									10					10
Di Brookfield										10				10
Hywel Humphries										10				10
James Davies										10				10
Ken Shallam							10							10
Bobby Shallam							10							10

Off-road Championship

	Autosolo				
Tom Johnson	125				
Simon Cross	125				
Matt Pearce	105				
Barry Bridgewater	105				
Daniel Box	85				
Dave Cross	85				
Tony Woodcock	65				
Josh Mounce	65				
Joseph Pearce	45				



SUNDAY 28TH JUNE 2026

GREENLEAVES CLASSIC TOUR

The Greenleaves Classic Tour is a non-competitive classic car event set in the Worcestershire & Warwickshire countryside, guiding participants along a planned route of picturesque lanes, rural landscapes, charming villages, and notable local landmarks. Designed to celebrate heritage motoring, the tour offers a relaxed, sociable experience that brings enthusiasts together to enjoy craftsmanship, nostalgia, and the joy of driving at a gentler pace.

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SCENIC TOURS
DRIVING EVENTS FOR CLASSICS



2026 CLUB EVENTS PROVISIONAL CALENDAR

Event	Date	Venue	External Championships	Organiser
Greenleaves Classic Tour	28 th June	Various	HRCR	Pete Wood
Autotest	July	Much Marcle	AWMMC	TBA
Grass Autotest	August	Alastair Moffat's		TBA
Woodpecker Stages Rally	12 th September	Newtown	TCH Plant Hire Challenge and Micro Challenge; Pirelli Welsh Rally; HRCR Stage Masters; ANWCC Forest Rally	Alan Corns
Corkscrew AutoSOLO/PCA	3 rd October	Defford	CMSG/ASWMC(TBC)	TBA
Navex	16 th October	TBC		Dood Pearce
Revels AutoSOLO/PCT	1 st November	Prescott	ASWMC(TBC)	
Navex	November	TBC		
Tarmac Event	7 th December	TBC		

All Dates Subject to Change

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