

# Toutes Directions

Competitions news from Competitions Secretary *Dale Barker*

## Competitions Committee

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Hello and welcome again to Toutes Directions, the Competitions Secretary's bi-monthly ramblings.

I would like to start by detailing some changes to the Competitions Committee. Firstly I would like to welcome Doug Foreman, a man whom many of you will already know by reputation if not by sight, though I think it's fair to say that 'once met, never forgotten' might be appropriate here.

Doug has won the Drivers' Championship for the last two years running and came second to his daughter Katie in last year's Co-drivers' Championship too – I don't know how he finds the time.

In order, you may perhaps think, to limit that available time, he has been 'harpooned' and hauled aboard the Comps Committee as a valued member of the team and will be specialising in autotests and autosolos.

Most of you will know what an autotest is, but for those who don't know what an autosolo is, it is an event like an autotest but with no reversing involved. This makes it a bit of a cross between an autotest, a sprint and a slalom – in short. good fun!

After having served on the Comps Committee for a fair while now and having been deeply involved in route planning on successive 10CRs, Andy Flexney has decided to stand down due to increased commitments at work and at home. I'm sure that you will all join with me in thanking him for all his efforts and wishing him well in the future. I'm sure he will still be around and taking part in events and may still have a valuable input to our events at a later date.

At the time of writing there are 15 confirmed entries for this year's HCR –

Multi-County Challenge with hopefully many more still to come.

If you wish to see who's already signed up there is an entry list, which is updated regularly, on the Competitions website off the main Club Triumph website, under HCR, where you can also view and download an explanation of the event, the Regs and an entry form.

The general idea in organising this year's HCR was to design an event which had a basic 'core' run which anyone, even people not looking for a taxing night's driving, would be able to complete within a reasonable margin of the time available, whilst driving some interesting roads, having a bit of fun with the route planning and navigational aspects of the exercise and also giving the opportunity to meet other members along the way and have a chat.

In addition to the basic core run, there is a competitive element by means of additional optional counties which the more adventurous amongst you can visit to score bonus points and also a few specific points or places to visit where by getting out of the car and walking around, answers to certain questions may be found in order to gain extra bonus points.

It is by means of calculating how long it is likely to take and how far you have to drive to the various optional counties or places from wherever you intend to be just before that, that a route should emerge which will optimise the time you have to best effect and allow the maximum points to be scored.

This assumes that you are going for the win, not merely enjoying the drive, and that things don't go wrong for you. If they

do then you will have to cut part of your intended route to catch up, or perhaps add in a bit more here or there if the original route you plotted turns out to have been more conservative than needed and you fancy a few more points.

As such, it is hoped that this event can provide something for everyone and that a good time will be had by all.

The first mini-rally of the year, co-promoted with Bedford Car Club, which was scheduled for 17 February was unfortunately cancelled. The next one is due on 16 March, just about when this magazine hits your doormat and I hope to see as many of you there as took part in the December 'Santa Special'. Please keep your eyes peeled on the forum for further developments, dates and details.

The proposed TR Register track day is unfortunately also off, but Fred is now taking bookings for the Cadwell Park track day on 6 May with our main track partners MGs on Track. These are going fast, so don't delay, book today! (Sounds like an advert for a low cost airline doesn't it?)

There is to be a further track day at Castle Combe in July and a possible track evening at Brands Hatch later in the year. We are still awaiting details of these, but will post them on the forum and e-mail them to all those people on Fred's database of 'likely suspects' as they arrive. If you are interested in track action, please contact Fred and she will add your details to the database, that way you will be notified as soon as details are available and won't have to worry about missing out.

This year's autotesting season starts in



**CLUB TRIUMPH DRIVERS' CHALLENGE EVENTS**

Date	Event	Type of event	Comments
April	Autosolo	Autosolo	Event TBA but probably Bristol/Swindon area
3-4 May	Historic Counties	Navigational scatter rally	Club Triumph event based at Canley Classics, Coventry
6 May	Cadwell Park track day	Track day	Cadwell Park is in Lincolnshire and is a 'mini-Nürburgring'!
May/June/July	BCC autotest	Grass Production Car Autotest	Actual event TBA but organised by a partner
June	La Carrera Caledonia	Two day Touring Assembly in Scotland	Co-promoted by CT and a super event.
July	Track day 2	Track day	Event TBA as yet but looking like Castle Combe
10 August	Little Devils Test	Multi-venue autotest	A NESCREO event run by Kirkby Lonsdale Motor Club
October	Round Britain Reliability Run	Touring Assembly	The Club's premier event
November/December	BCC Mini-rally	Road rally	TBA, probably the Santa Special

April too and with an autosolo currently being sought and the last mini-rally of the spring season also scheduled for that month, it looks like April could be a busy one.

The Club Triumph Holland Nachtrit will also be taking place around the time you read this and we hope to have a report or two on that in the next issue of *Club Torque*.

With further rallies such as La Carrera Caledonia, The Little Devils and of course the winter season of mini-rallies, there should be plenty to keep those interested in that branch of motorsport busy this year. If you want to know more, contact our Rallies Co-ordinator, Martin Randle.

I shan't dwell overly on the Round Britain here as I expect that organiser Tim Bancroft will have it covered elsewhere, but suffice it to say that the incredibly high level of interest which this event has generated absolutely staggers me and is

just reward for all the effort which Tim and his team have put into organising our premier 'Blue Riband' event.

I probably ought to mention that although it is only six months since the last one, Ellis Stokes and his team are already looking at possible route ideas for the 2009 10CR! They will be getting into action properly a bit later on in the year, but it just goes to show how much effort goes into organising these big events and just how long that all takes.

We really do owe quite a debt of gratitude to all those who organise these events for the rest of us to enjoy – keep up the good work guys!

I think that just about wraps things up for this edition. I'm off to get back on with organising other things too, but remember, they were made to be driven, so get out there and drive them: that's why we organise all these things for you to do.



**Drivers' Challenge**

The March Silverstone track day has unfortunately had to be dropped from the list of nominated events, but it has been substituted with a track day at Cadwell on 6 May which is just after the Historic Counties. Combined with possibly a BCC grass autotest (to be confirmed) May could be a real driver's month!

Here's the updated list of events.

When you read this at the end of March we are really at the start of the Drivers' Challenge 'season'. I strongly recommend competitors to keep an eye on the Club forum for details of the autosolo and also check out whether there are any places left on the Historic Counties which is a superb CT event and a good opportunity for RBRR crews to get to know each other.

This should be a great year for Club Triumph drivers – see you out there.



## Club Championship

I thought I would take a look over the results and see what nuggets of interest can be found amongst all this activity.

How many events have CT members taken part in? In 2004 there were only 10, in 2005 there were 33 and in 2006 that had increased to 48. What is really great though is that in 2007 CT members managed to take part in 54 events – a superb achievement.

CO-DRIVERS' CHAMPIONSHIP		
Co-Driver	Place	Pts
Katie Foreman	1	72
Doug Foreman	2	65
Nigel Abdullah	3	45
Keith Compton-Bishop	4	38
Gillian Helm	5	31
John Martin	6	23
Caroline McGrath	7	22
Jason Lane	8	21
Ellis Stokes	9	20
Barry McGrath	10	19
Ivelina Thommason	11=	16
Keith Bennett	11=	16
Joanne McLean	11=	16
Scott Hughes	14	14
James Caruthers	15=	13
Jon Ranwell	15=	13
Dave Kent	17=	12
Rebecca Randle	17=	12
Steph Roach	17=	12
Tim Hunt	17=	12
David Pearson	21=	8
Tim Bancroft	21=	8
Jim McGuinness	21=	8
Thomas Key	21=	8
Jason Chinn	21=	8
Kevin Martin	26=	7
Roger Hoogmans	26=	7
Bob King	26=	7
Paul Darbyshire	26=	7
Andy Cox	26=	7
Russell Banyard	26=	7
Lester French	26=	7
Jony Ellis	26=	7
Kevin Rochfort	26=	7
Brian Maslin	26=	7
Peter Jordan	26=	7
Martin Randle	26=	7
Michael Davis	26=	7
Craig Gingell	26=	7
Andrew Dawson	26=	7
Lesley Connaughton	26=	7
Ashley Mason	26=	7
Jessica Nobbs	26=	7
Jeremy Lupton	26=	7
Colin Wake	45=	6
Julie Aspinall	45=	6
Ben Hutchings	45=	6

Most points amassed were on touring assemblies, which of course included the 10CR, the Nachtrit and La Carrera Caledonia. Next most popular were road rallies and navigational rallies which makes sense as they are really the next step up from the touring assemblies – included in the rallies was our own Historic Counties which is rumoured to be the largest navigational scatter rally ever run.

Track days were also popular with six different ones in the year; again there was a growth in participation over previous years. Lots of other types of event were taken part in too, from production car autotests to autosolos.

The top five events by points were the 10CR, Historic Counties Run, Nachtrit, Pendle & Pennine gymkhana(!) and La Carrera Caledonia. These are the events to enter to really savour the special Club Triumph camaraderie of enthusiasts enjoying our cars – the Club that does!

In summary, 2007 was a great year with outstanding performances from not only the Foremans to win the Drivers' and Co-drivers' championships, but also from everyone who took part in this unprecedented level of activity.

DRIVERS' CHAMPIONSHIP		
Driver	Place	Pts
Doug Foreman	1	156
Neil Dowie	2	136
Michael Davis	3	105
Katie Foreman	4	86
Dale Barker	5	66
Tim Bancroft	6	53
Steve Needham	7=	52
Michael Helm	7=	52
Mike Bishop	9	50
Ellis Stokes	10	48
Martin Randle	11	41
Tim Hunt	12	40
Don Cook	13	38
Diane Jackson	14=	36
Jon Jackson	14=	36
Martin Cox	16	33
Theo Boonen	17	26
Keith Dandridge	18	24
Clive Senior	19=	22
Tony Short	19=	22
Jason Chinn	19=	22
Colin Wake	19=	22
Paul Hughes	23=	21
Ruth Nobbs	23=	21
Dave Cox	25=	20
David Pearson	25=	20
Andrew Martin	27	19
Robin Eames	28=	18
Frederique Slezak	28=	18
Christopher Nobbs	30=	17

DRIVERS' CHAMPIONSHIP CONT.		
Driver	Place	Pts
Paul Darbyshire	30=	17
Robert Hall	32=	16
Paul Bodiam	32=	16
Mark McLean	32=	16
Jon Ranwell	35=	15
James Caruthers	35=	15
Michael Bestard	37=	14
Chris Shaw	37=	14
Roy Lacey	39=	13
Roger Hoogmans	39=	13
Andrew Stanton	41=	12
Martin Stone	41=	12
Jim Roach	41=	12
Chris Bird	41=	12
Keith Bennett	41=	12
Richard Brake	41=	12
Caroline McGrath	41=	12
Keith Compton-Bishop	48=	11
John Martin	48=	11
Jonathan Binnington	48=	11
Roel van Es	51=	10
Andy Flexney	51=	10
David Langrick	53	9
Pete Jordon	54=	8
Dave Langrick	54=	8
Dave Marshall	54=	8
Craig Bennett	54=	8
James Shackford	58=	7
Ben Hutchings	58=	7
Matthew Harris	58=	7
Joseph Welling	58=	7
Philip Wright	58=	7
Anthony Pulis	58=	7
Carl Shakespeare	58=	7
Ben Ferguson	58=	7
Simon Ewbank	58=	7
Leighen Ball	58=	7
Malcolm Paris	58=	7
Doug Thompson	58=	7
David Lonsdale	58=	7
Peter Connaughton	58=	7
Nigel Eden	72=	6
Barry McGrath	72=	6
Paul Michelmore	72=	6
Karl Dandridge	72=	6
Francis Moll	72=	6
Russell Banyard	72=	6
Dave Picton	72=	6
David Aspinall	72=	6
Andy Rangecroft	72=	6
Toby Rodgers	81=	3
Michael Barrett	81=	3
Jean-Claude Cigrang	81=	3
Stephen Pratt	81=	3
Stuart Rodgers	81=	3
Marcus Clayton	81=	3
Steve Waddingham	87=	2
Maria Evans	87=	2
Nick Jackson	87=	2
Neil Nasralla	87=	2

**CT COMPETITION CARS**

Car	Model	Place	Pts
OVW 276K	Herald 13/60	1	380
Ouw 177 F	Herald 1200 conv	2	118
UGP 840 R	2500TC	3=	105
TMK 796S	Spitfire 1500	3=	105
FOI 2483	TR6	5	100
YPL 664H	GT6 Mk 2	6	99
BRP 285S	TR7 16V fhc	7	96
NGP 86 D	TR4A	8	87
RFJ 686R	Dolomite Sprint	9	72
WJE 976L	2.5PI Mk 2	10	57
KFK 16H	Herald 13/60	11	52
VYD 60 G	2.5PI Mk 1	12	46
OFW 764V	Spitfire 1500	13	42
FHV 500J	Spitfire Mk IV	14	40
YKN 220J	GT6 Mk 3	15	38
VMO 442H	2000 Mk 1	16=	37
TPE 435M	Spitfire Mk IV	16=	37
TAR 199J	GT6 Mk 2	18=	36
KCG 579Y	Acclaim	18=	36
HFO 250N	Dolomite Sprint	20	35
WRU 588S	Dolomite 1500HL	21	33
CTW 682G	Spitfire Mk 3	22	29
HS-55-HD	TR7 16V fhc	23	26
TLG 729J	GT6 Mk 2	24	24
OTV 834G	Vitesse Mk 1 conv.	25=	23
LWE 893K	Spitfire 1500	25=	23
JVC 840V	TR7 V8 fhc	27	22
ACF 258T	Spitfire 1500	28	17
LCG 367N	Dolomite Sprint	29	16
327 YYA	2.5PI Mk 1	30=	14
XWD 295H	Herald 1200 conv.	30=	14
DTV 834G	Vitesse Mk 2	30=	14
HOF 201L	2.5PI Mk 2 est.	30=	14
SNX 189W	TR7 dhc	30=	14
OCD 662G	Vitesse Mk 2	30=	14
SMK 646F	TR4A	30=	14
RPP 767M	Spitfire Mk IV	30=	14

**CT COMPETITION CARS CONT**

Car	Model	Place	Pts
JL-GX-37	TR7 dhc	30=	14
PYW 260F	Herald 13/60 conv.	30=	14
528 UXV	TR3A	30=	14
AH-92-27	GT6 Mk 3	41	13
ADU 5B	Spitfire Mk 1	42=	12
VBE	Spitfire Mk 2	42=	12
6002 VC	Vitesse 6	42=	12
TPT 146M	Toledo	42=	12
RLD 648E	GT6 Mk 1	42=	12
OAG 598L	Stag	42=	12
DCP 625S	Dolomite 1300	48=	8
GRG 131D	Spitfire Mk 3	48=	8
KUU 149P	Spitfire 1500	50=	7
ETR 50L	Stag	50=	7
ODU 9W	TR7 V8 dhc	50=	7
STV 545X	Acclaim	50=	7
XTW 537F	GT6 Mk 1	50=	7
XHP 117S	Spitfire 1500	50=	7
LTK 822H	2.5PI Mk 1	50=	7
TMO 301G	Vitesse Mk 2 conv.	50=	7
OTE 415M	2.5PI Mk 2	50=	7
ROX 893M	GT6 Mk 3	50=	7
DRM 28T	Dolomite Sprint	50=	7
UNR 767X	TR7 dhc	50=	7
RAP 702X	TR7 V8 dch	50=	7
NRC 636E	GT6 Mk 1	50=	7
OWO 903F	GT6 Mk 2	64=	6
RPJ 842F	Spitfire Mk 2	64=	6
LPW 566L	Spitfire Mk IV	64=	6
GTW 81H	Vitesse Mk 2 conv.	67=	3
WTR 174J	Herald 13/60 conv.	67=	3
XLL 934G	Herald 13/60 conv.	67=	3
SGC 417R	Spitfire 1500	67=	3
BM-I-1-1968H	TR5	67=	3
FFF 316E	2000 Mk 1 est.	67=	3
33255	Dolomite Sprint	67=	3

**CAR MODEL CHAMPIONSHIP**

Car Model	Place	Pts
Herald/Vitesse	1	675
Spitfire	2	448
2000/2500	3	314
GT6	4	255
Dolomite/Toledo	4	254
TR7/TR7 V8	6	233
TR2-6	7	226
Acclaim	8	43
Stag	9	19

**Jigsaw Classic Triumph Mini-  
enduro Invitation Race**

Jigsaw Racing Services are the hosts of this one-off race, to be held on the weekend of 25–26 May at the Classic Sports Car Club's two-day race festival at Mallory Park, Leicestershire. Full details of eligibility and information about registering your interest in taking part can be found on the Jigsaw website, [www.jigsawracingservices.co.uk/jigsawrace.htm](http://www.jigsawracingservices.co.uk/jigsawrace.htm).

Also at the event will be the 1980 turbo TR8 Le Mans car which will perform some demonstration laps, driven by Bert Smeets.

