

# THE LINK

Truro and District  
Motor Club Limited



December 2012

## Christmas Lunch & Awards Presentation

TDMC's annual Christmas lunch and awards presentation took place on Sunday 9 December at the Alverton Manor Hotel, Truro. Over 70 guests enjoyed a fine lunch in beautiful surroundings.

Awards were presented to the winners of the Cornish Speed Championship, Tregrehan Hill Climb and several AutoSOLOs. There were also some special club awards given to a few surprised recipients! Go to [www.trurodmc.co.uk/lunch.html](http://www.trurodmc.co.uk/lunch.html) to view photos of the award winners and guests.

Ex-Formula 1 designer George Ryton was the guest speaker and presented the awards. George worked in Formula 1 with John Barnard at Ferrari during the 80s and 90s latterly in charge of the team's drawing office at Maranello. During his career George also worked as Chief Designer at Tyrrell, Technical Director at Forti, Head of R&D at Prost and Chief Designer at Minardi until 2003.

There was a car quiz between the tables to add to the fun. If you want to have a go there is a link to download it from our website on the same page as the award photos. Thank you to everyone who bought tickets for the raffle and those of you who donated prizes. We are making a donation to Cornwall Hospice Care from the proceeds.

Many thanks to everyone who helped to make it such a good event.



Andrew Dinner, Tregrehan FTD, centre, with Jonathan Williamson (President, TDMC) left and George Ryton, right.



Andy Williams, Cornish Speed Championship winner, centre, with Jonathan Williamson (President, TDMC) left and George Ryton, right.

## Christmas AutoSOLO

There will be a special Christmas AutoSOLO taking place at Cornwall College, Camborne on Sunday 30 December.

Apparently everyone is wearing fancy dress and there will be free mince pies!

For details, ASRs and entry form see [www.trurodmc.co.uk/AutoSOLO.html](http://www.trurodmc.co.uk/AutoSOLO.html)

## Membership

Membership renewals are due from January 2013. Please download a form from [www.trurodmc.co.uk/Membership.html](http://www.trurodmc.co.uk/Membership.html) and send your application in promptly.

It's only £12 for single membership or £15 for a couple. Membership fees help keep the club flourishing and we couldn't do it without you.

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### **Forthcoming events for 2013**

We are putting together our calendar of events for 2013. As well as Tregrehan Hill Climb in June and lots of AutoSOLOs we are hoping to include a range of social events that anyone can take part in. This will include car events such as treasure hunts and tours and social events such as quizzes and club nights. We are also looking into hosting technical sessions for those interested in car design & preparation.

The first event in January is our club meeting on Monday 21 January at the Hawkins Arms, Zelah, which is open to everyone to come along. This is your opportunity to get more involved in what the club is doing, let us know what sort of events you are interested in, meet up with people already taking part and generally talk about cars.

We have also planned a car quiz for Thursday 14 March. This will be run by club member Nigel Stephens in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support. It costs £15 per team of three and takes place at the Plume of Feathers in Mitchell at 8pm. Entry forms from Nigel: [nj.stephens@btinternet.com](mailto:nj.stephens@btinternet.com)

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### **AutoSOLO review by John H Collins**

TDMC had a very successful year with our AutoSOLOs. A total of four events have taken place this year with our additional Christmas Special taking place on December 30. We would like to take this time to thank all of those who have helped make this grassroots motorsport such a success for the club. These include existing club members and also non-club members. We have introduced about 20 new people to motorsport as well as attracting new members and also new helpers and officials. Some dates have already been booked with the MSA for events next year and hopefully we will see a club championship running. If you would like more information about taking part, either competing or marshalling at the AutoSOLOs please contact us at [autosolo@trurodmc.co.uk](mailto:autosolo@trurodmc.co.uk)

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### **End of year update by Club Secretary Tony Wood**

Truro & District Motor Club has had quite a busy 2012. We ran a number of very successful AutoSOLOs, thanks in the main to John Collins's efforts. It has been good to get back to grassroots motorsport and also good to see so many women and newcomers taking part. Hopefully we will see them continue and perhaps go on to other events.

This year the club was involved in a number of other events, the main one being the Boconnoc Rally. This event was, according to the competitors, a very successful and enjoyable day's sport. Unfortunately due to a lack of entries we only ran one Tregrehan, in June, and it was wet, but at least Tregrehan is the only track that is still clean and free of mud when wet. We must of course thank everyone who helped run the event, especially Greg Thomas who was Clerk of the Course.

So what does 2013 hold in store? Plans are well advanced for Tregrehan with the club running a double header weekend event on Saturday 8 and Sunday 9 June, two separate events with cars and motorcycles at both. AutoSOLOs are planned at Cornwall College and hopefully another venue yet to be finalised. We are looking at other events and will keep you fully informed when more information becomes available.

Thank you to everyone who has competed and marshalled throughout the year.

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### **Contact details**

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