

## **BASINGSTOKE MOTOR CLUB**

### **Chairman's Report 2015**

The club has enjoyed another very successful year seeing a growth in activities, membership and importantly the number of active members.

I thank members for joining the club and really appreciate those that have participated in our events either as entrants, organisers or on event support.

I also thank members from other clubs who have supported our activities and for invites back to their events

The club has benefitted from proactive committee members with knowledge and ideas who have given their time tirelessly as individuals or as a team turning ideas into reality.

I thank the committee of Chris Martin, Glynn Hayward, Jace Shawley, Jeff Brown, Kirstie Brown, Mandy Peet, Roy Cuthbert, Mike Hall, John Considine & Steve Garside for your views, ideas, support, commitment, hard work and enthusiasm to the club throughout the last year.

I am pleased to report that the club is in good financial health with an end of year increase in funds over 2014. This position has been reached through an increase in members and good financial planning by event organisers.

I am also pleased to report that we continue to enjoy a good relationship with the owner of Popham airfield who provides, at reasonable cost, an excellent venue for off road events. We also now benefit from storage facilities for club equipment at Popham.

Members wishing to get involved in organising events are always welcome. Please speak to me or any committee member if you have ideas. You do not have to be on the committee to organise an event and we will provide support and encouragement.

The committee also encourage members to speak up if they have ideas for events that we do not currently organise.

This year has seen an initiative to engage club members in marshalling activities on stage rallies. Please look out for e-mail messages and regularly check our website. This is an excellent opportunity to get close to the action and is highly recommended.

Basingstoke Motor Club has also enjoyed our new and popular club night venue at The Hatch, Basingstoke.

We pride ourselves at Basingstoke Motor Club for being friendly, including everyone and making special efforts when we see new faces. Please recommend the club to friends, family and colleagues and don't forget to come along to our regular club nights at The Hatch, Basingstoke on the first and third Wednesday of each month.

Please remember we have a Facebook page and dedicated website where you can catch up with the latest club news and events.

On a final note I wish to personally thank Mandy Peet for all the excellent work done as Membership Secretary. Mandy is standing down from the committee at the AGM due to the birth of her and Chris Martin's daughter Tilley. Wishing you well for the future and will look forward to seeing you at future events.

Chris Pratt

Chairman

5/10/2015