

## **BASINGSTOKE MOTOR CLUB Chairman's Report 2018**

This has been another busy & successful year for the club.

My thanks to the very committed members of the committee who have tirelessly driven the club forward with their ideas and hard work organising the club's activities.

Four 12 Car Rallies have been organised with The Papyrus covering a distance of just over 100 miles.

Unfortunately the Cross Border did not run in June due to lack of competitors.

We had three grass auto tests at Popham Airfield which all received between 20 & 25 competitors & plenty of marshals.

One motoring tour was organised which unfortunately was not strongly supported. This has been noted by the committee & it has been decided to rest the event in 2019.

A motoring scatter was promoted which proved very popular.

The club attended and had stands at the Basingstoke Festival of Transport, Rallyday at Castle Combe & Brooklands. We were to attend Andover representing the club at a static display of interesting cars in the high street. This was cancelled a few weeks ago due to torrential rain. The event has been re-arranged for 7<sup>th</sup> October.

The Annual Christmas Dinner & BMC Championship awards presentation was very well attended with good food & company.

I would like to thank our many members for making the club very successful by consistently supporting our motoring & social events. I thank members of the committee & general members who have given up valuable time to run events. A big thank you to all who turned up at Popham to repair damage to the grass from the autotests. The damage was particularly bad this year due to a long hot summer with very little rain.

The web site, twitter and facebook continues to promote the club and stimulate communication. This has been a big influence on club growth and success. In order to better communicate with member's greater use of members e mail addresses & a regular bulletin will be produced.

Events have been financially successful achieving the objective of providing good value for money whilst contributing to a sustained year on year growth in club funds.

Some of the club funds have been used to invest in new fire extinguishers for autotests.

The club prides itself on a very friendly and welcoming approach encouraging & helping members to get involved in grassroots motorsport.

The committee openly welcomes ideas and suggestions because it is your club.

Finally thank you again to the committee and members.

Chris Pratt. CHAIRMAN October 2018.