

CLASSIC SHOW FOR KAMES

Following the success of the Open Weekend at Muirkirk last July it was obvious there was a demand by the local public for a display of quality cars of all ages and types.

It was therefore decided to replace the Open Weekend with a Classic car show similar to what the club ran so successfully for many years at Culzean and before that at Sorn Castle and Cumnock's Broomfield. The date has been set for Sunday 3rd August.

The grass areas on both sides of the main entrance will be used for public car parking with the tarmac paddocks containing the main exhibits. If necessary the exhibition area will be extended into the infield where visiting clubs are being offered a free stand.

For judging purposes the entries will be divided into 13 classes of which 6 will be for vehicles built before 1974 and the others to include Modern Classics, Kit Cars, Racing, Rally and Novelty Vehicles. Until we get experience of this inaugural year behind us we have restricted the entry to cars but in future we will consider motor-cycles, tractors, commercials, etc.

Arrangements for this recent addition to our calendar are already well advanced but to make it the success we are all hoping for, it will need the membership to get behind the small group of members from outwith the Club Committee who have taken on the administration.

Regulations have gone out to over 50 owners' clubs plus many owners themselves while several members of the working group will be visiting other vintage rallies starting off at Dean Castle, Kilmarnock on May 11th to promote our new event.

In planning the classic Show, care has been taken to avoid anyone being allocated an excessive workload, so with that in mind we would appeal to members to contribute in some small way to help spread the load even further in some of the following ways.

A programme to be organised and advertising obtained. One volunteer could phone around for adverts from within and outwith the membership while another person could liaise with a printer. We also need someone to help at signing on when entrants arrive in a relatively short space of time and two squads of marshals, one to keep an eye on the exhibits and the other to control public parking, vehicle movement, etc.

More immediate is the format of the Show. After each car will be paraded round the sprint circuit, judging will take place. During this time we plan to have a programme of activities to keep owners and spectators occupied.

Possibilities being considered include a wheel changing contest, the local pipe band, demonstrations, etc. but we do need more ideas, so get the brainbox working.

We ask members to contact every owner they know who owns a car of interest. Give them the regs and entry form or send their Email address to Robert Smith. And keep an eye open for such cars in car parks, etc. If there is a car of note out there, we want to know about it, from Lamborghini to Austin Sevens.

By helping us get this off the ground you may well reap the benefits of some glorious gatherings in the years ahead.

If you can help in any way or if you wish to join the working party please contact

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As both may be on holiday late May/early June, Jock Millar can be contacted on 01357 440561 during this period.

Any member wishing to support the Classic Show by taking out an advert in the Programme for should contact Robert Smith or Brian Telfer or any member of the Committee.

COMING EVENTS

Saturday May 10	Work Day at Kames. A good turnout is requested.
Sunday May 11	Targa Rally. Tests, starting from Drumlanrig, finishing at Kames.
Saturday May 17	Kames Sprint, Scottish Sporting Car Club.
Sunday May 18	Kames Sprint, Machars Car Club.
Sunday May 18	Grass Tests at Pinwherry. Details on website.
Sunday May 25	Test Day at Kames. Book early as all 25 places were filled last month.
Thursday June 5	Club Night at Kames inc Testing.
Sunday June 15	Grass Tests at Pinwherry.
Saturday June 28	Test Day at Kames.
Sunday June 29	RS Owners Ford Enthusiasts Fair at Kames.
Thursday July 3	Test Night at Kames
Sunday July 13	Albar Kames Trophy Rally
Sunday July 13	Grass Tests at Pinwherry
Saturday July 19	Mitsubishi Championship Sprint
Sunday July 20	Test Day
Saturday July 26	EACC Sprint at Kames
Sunday July 27	EACC Sprint at Kames
Sunday August 3	Kames Classic Vehicle Show
Thursday August 7	Test Night
Sunday August 10	Grass Tests at Pinwherry
Sunday August 24	British Human Powered Club at Kames
Sunday August 31	Test Day
Thursday Sept 4	Test Night
Sunday Sept 7	Grass Tests at Pinwherry
Sunday Sept 28	Test Day
Sunday October 5	Wigton MC Sprint at Kames
Sunday October 19	ABR Travel Services Rally at Kames
Sunday October 26	Test Day



Finally, I managed to get down to Pinwherry for a flying visit to see the first of the season's Grass Tests, and was very impressed with the grass-roots sport on offer.

I can recommend members to make the journey, not just for the sport but also the scenery, quite spectacular. Then there is the climb from Girvan up to Pinwherry. That would do justice to one of those Alpine hillclimbs you see on YouTube. A most enjoyable drive.

We hope to have a report, results and photographs in our next issue.