



Midsummer Endurance Road Rally 17th/18th June 2006

Results Commentary

Congratulations to the Turner brothers for dominating the EACS Midsummer Endurance – once again to Owen Turner / Andrew Dadswell, who scored their first victory of the year from Jamie. Matt Fowle was best 1300 and Carl Hawkins / Iain Tullie were unlucky not to get a better finish as they suffered at a not-as-map junction in Soigne Wood. Dale Glover and Mark Banham both had good runs during the day, but dropped back over night. Well done to so many of you for finishing, only nine retirements and most of the novices got round without too many problems.

Thank you for your feedback forms which are summarised below – the event was generally well received, the only negative comments being on the whites – East Anglia doesn't have much good terrain for motorsport, so we have to make the best of what we have. We are, however, continuing our negotiations with the Forestry Commission...

The selectifs were slightly less popular that last year, probably due to the loss of Waterbeach – a venue that depends on military training programmes but which is still available for future use. The supper halt was basic, as promised, but there aren't many places that can do 150 covers in a few hours in Norfolk, especially during the wedding season.

The awards were presented to the class, overall and best CMC at the finish. Andy Manston's M&H Photography team (Turner/Fowle) won the team award and the Spirit of the Rally awards went to Ian Mepham who once again helped several crews, mending six cars including his own during the weekend and to assistant clerk of the course Jim Bowie for his efforts in securing the three test venues in the Wretham area – this included arranging a tractor crew to cut the grass on Larkshall.

Two-thirds of respondents said they would use PayPal, a system we are considering to complement traditional means to enter next year's event, which is planned for 23/24 June. I look forward to seeing most of you then.

Summary of feedback forms:

v			No. of responses			2006	2005
	1	2	3	4	5	Avg.	Avg
Start	0	0	6	20	21	4.3	4.2
Quality of venues	0	5	7	23	8	3.8	4.2
Quality of selectifs	0	1	6	25	11	3.6	4.1
Documentation	0	1	5	18	18	4.2	4.2
Supper	1	7	11	17	5	3.5	3.2
Night Route	0	1	8	19	14	4.1	3.4
The whites	6	6	14	10	7	3.7	2.5
Length of night	0	0	7	22	15	4.1	3.8
Event Format	0	1	3	21	18	4.3	4.1
Results Service	0	1	4	15	21	4.4	4.6
On Line Entry	0	0	2	17	17	4.4	n/a
Atmosphere	0	0	3	14	25	4.4	4.5
Organisation	0	0	2	15	25	4.5	4.3
				Overall Avg.		4.1	4.0

Paul Barrett, Clerk of the Course.