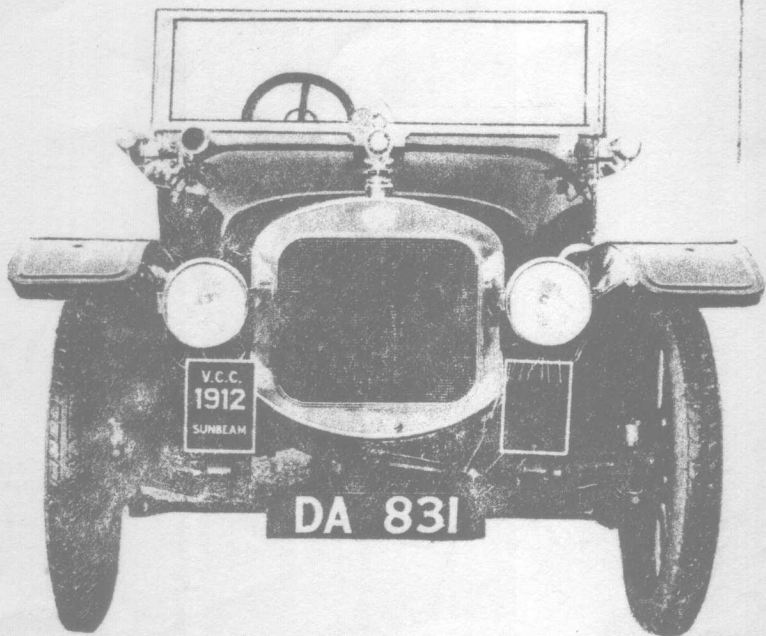


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Editorial.

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It seems less than a month since I wrote with enthusiasm of a membership of fifty, but progress has continued at a most encouraging rate, and by the time you receive this Bulletin the Club will be over one hundred strong.

Our promise to keep the Club active has, you will agree, been fulfilled, and the support you have given our meetings has done much to ensure their success.

The film show proved to be so popular that the organisers wondered if everyone would be able to get in, as a maximum of a hundred had been expected and one hundred and twenty arrived!

I feel that the Club owes a debt of thanks to several members who in the past month have helped the Club to its success. Firstly I would like to thank, on behalf of the Club, Mrs. Jennings and Messrs. E. Riggs and A. Hine for the presentation of two cups, to be presented annually. All praise for the film show must go to Mr. Alan Brown; and the Organisers of the social run also deserve our thanks.

I ended my last editorial with a plea for your support of our events. This has been answered in no uncertain manner and the Club goes from strength to strength.

The sight of 38 cars lined up outside the Wooden Bridge Hotel, Guildford, on a fine Sunday afternoon shewed that the first motoring event of the Club was under way.

Starting at 1 minute intervals a very varied selection of motor transport left on what was to prove an easy route through Send, Ripley, Clandon and Ranmore to Dorking. If the route was easy the facts and figures to be noted on the way were not; from the number of Petrol pumps reported at a certain garage it would have seemed that some members were themselves running on pure alcohol! Before crossing Ranmore Common into Dorking, Competitors underwent a series of tests their patience being one of them! But after the delay some interesting exhibitions of slow driving were seen, among them the recording of fastest time of the day by the Secretary! After a break for tea at Dorking the average speed run led to the finish at the Black Horse Hotel at Gomshall. Accusations that the Marshals had timed this last section with an egg-timer were hotly denied - by the Marshals!

The fully corrected results are shewn on Page 3. We must apologise for the inaccuracy of the provisional results, which were calculated under pressure.

Awards are being presented to the first member of the Guildford Motor Club, the first member of an invited Club, and there is also a Ladies' award. We hope that if you enjoyed this event, you will wish to try your skill at the more difficult Night Navigation type of Trial. With this in mind you will see that we are running a School for Night Trials, details of which will be found on Page 4.

Social Run - Results.

1.	D. Wilson	Guildford M.C.	Wolseley	(1st Guildford member)
2.)	M. Bates	do	Volkswagen	
2.)	V. Sargood	Haslemere M.C.	Morris Minor	(1st Invited member)
4.	A. Hutton	Guildford M.C.	Vauxhall	
5.)	W.R. Lymposs	do	Austin A.30	
5.)	D. Laver	do	Citroen	
5.)	J. Hine	do	Sunbeam-Talbot.	
8.	R. Shaw	do	Morris Cowley	
9.	N. Bentley	do	M.G. - T.C.	
10.	I. Stevens	Cranleigh M.C.	M.G. - T.A.	
11.	R.G. Banks	Guildford M.C.	Riley	
12.	T. Cornish	do	Morris Minor	
13.	A.D. Knight	do	Hillman Minx.	
14.	R. Sandoe	do	Sunbeam-Talbot	
15.	D. Saunders	do	Triumph	
16.)	R.M. Hall	do	Bedford Dormobile	
16.)	J.G. Spooner	do	Austin	
18.	G. Shere	do	Landrover	
19.	D. Salmon	do	Fiat	
20.	D. Weir-Rhodes	do	M.G. - T.D.	
21.	M. Buchanan	do	Morris	
22.	H.G. Marshall	do	Sunbeam-Talbot	
23.	Miss C. Day	do	Ford 8	(Award)
24.	D.J. Gull	do	Ford Zodiac	
25.	J.H. Bates	do	Jowett Jupiter	
26.	H. Larner	do	Austin A.40	
27.	L. Hives	do	Hillman	
28.	P. Bradley	do	M.G. (18/80)	
29.	T.W. Brown	do	Morris Minor	
30.	D. Roscoe	do	Austin A.40.	

Success for Guildford Motor Club.

In the face of strong competition from an Entry of nearly one hundred a team of four Club members gained third place in the Annual Hants and Berks United, Hospitals Night Navigational Trial organised by our old friend Holland Birkett.

The Crew, consisting of Arthur Knight, David Cobbett, Bob Jennings and Derek Saunders, started from Hindhead at 9.50 p.m. and after an eventful night completed the Course at approximately 3.40 a.m.

All eight points were found by Six Figure Map References, with the exception of one, which was a Moving Control. This consisted of a car travelling round a certain selection of roads throughout the night at an average speed of 22 m.p.h., and entailed dropping David by the roadside to get the registration number, whilst the rest of the Crew found another fixed point.

Special tests included a Point that the Driver had to find alone, whilst Bob had to push a weighted tyre between oil drums in a wobble wobble, both of which were timed.

After all this and many other adventures, too numerous to mention, the Crew finally sat down at the finish to the Englishman's finest meal - Eggs and Bacon!!!!

A School for Night Trials.

Bob Jennings and Antony Cobbett are holding a Meeting at the Harrow Inn, Compton, Nr. Guildford, 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 6th January, 1954. It will consist of a discussion to give Fellow Members an insight into the fascination of Night Navigation. It will be followed by a practical session.

We hope that Members will give their support, and to help the Organisers, please write or ring Bob at 16, Poyle Road, Guildford 2765. One final word. If there is enough support, we hope to organise Crews for competition in other Club Meetings and to hold our own Closed Invitation Event for Saloon and Sports Cars.

Since our last Bulletin Mr. J.M. Hawthorn has kindly accepted the Vice-Presidency, and the following have been enrolled as new Members:-

Adkin, J.M. (Miss)	Larner, E.N.
Banks, R.G.	Laver, D.H.
Brown, T.W.	Lintott, R.
Capillaire, J. (Miss)	Lloyd, D.E.
Cornish, L.T.	Moore, A.
Davis, J.R.	Pennell, R.C.
Day, C.J. (Miss)	Polley, H.J.
Downes, A.G.	Potter, L.
Fish, H.	Roberts, T.A.
Fish, V.	Ross, D.J.
Freemantle, M.L.	Saunders, W.C.
Gubbin, D.J.	Smith, C.V.
Hall, R.M.	Spendlove, M. (Miss)
Hives, M.W.	Spooner, J.G.
Hobbs, C.R.C.	Sumption, J.A.
Howes, K.G.E.	Tice, A.C.
Huddle, L.A.C.	Walshe, J.
Hutton, S.C.	Weir-Rhodes, D.E.
Jane, J.	Westwick, R.
Johnson, J.P.	Willerton, G.B.
Josephs, R.	Wise, A.E.

Bugatti Success.

This Bulletin would not be complete without a mention of Mr. Dudley Gahagan's success in the recent Vintage Car Club's Slough Rally.

Mr. Gahagan driving a Type 57. Bugatti gained first place in the post vintage thoroughbred class, for cars over 1500cc. in the driving tests. Our congratulations to him on this feat.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

Wednesday the 13th January.

The main event for the month, the CHRISTMAS PARTY. You will shortly be receiving your invitation to what promises to be a very enjoyable evening, the Wooden Bridge Hotel has a bar extention until midnight, there will be dancing, and to be raffled, believe it or not - A Motor Car in running order!!!

We do hope you will come and enjoy yourselves at this party.

Wednesday the 27th January.

The Club's second FILM SHOW. Following the success of the December Film Show, a further selection of motoring films has been arranged, starting 7.30 for 8.0 p.m. at the Wooden Bridge Hotel. Members are invited to bring their friends.

Finally, we would like to take this opportunity of wishing all our members a very Happy Christmas, and a prosperous New Year!