



# EDMC Newsletter



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## There's just too much to take in!

Already there is so much to shout about! Apart from national events, the Club are also spilling out with their own items that will make this a fun & Mini event filled year ahead! Just read on to find out what's been

Remember, each edition of the newsletter can be found on the EDMC website. Also, if you want to tell the club about events, ideas, experiences...really, anything at all, then please e-mail me or catch me at the club meet.

*Regards, Josie.*

## Riviera Run, Newquay

Just a quick low-down on the plans for this event from the 28<sup>th</sup> of April 'til 1<sup>st</sup> May:

Eastbourne area members are to meet at the British Queen to leave at 6am Friday. They will then meet other members at the service station just south of Lewes Kingston roundabout on the A27, so the non-Eastbourne based members are to be at the service station before 6.30am.

We will be stopping at Rownhams station on the M27, where we'll pick up Jim's Daughter & partner.

Dave's has been scouting the route for any potential road works or diversions, and is also noting the availability of petrol stations along the way...in that case, Rachell will make sure we have the EDMC Petrol Can at hand!!

Keep an eye out on the forum if you can for any more updates.

## London to Brighton: EDMC Club Stand Go-Cart!

A great day to look forward to altogether; whether you are camping at Crystal Palace or doing the drive up & back in the same day. But not all of us are driving... Minis at least!

The Club Stand isn't just a pretty show; the guys have got to work for having the privilege! For this year's show, each club needs to supply a working Go-Cart to compete later in the day. So, Daz, Simon, Gary & \* have a bit of work to

do, especially as the theme is 'Harry Potter' (of course, nothing to do with Mini's at all!)

So far Gary is constructing the 'Machine' (over looked by Simon... who hasn't actually seen it yet!). There are many rules that have to be considered, so I'm afraid no Nitrate can be used, but they guys will need the support on the day, so if you're there keep an eye out & give some loud support when the guys have to raced round like kids in a playground...on a broom shaped 'box on wheels' dressed as school kids! Entertaining fun as it is!

## Charity Auto Test, Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 4pm onwards.

As most of you are aware, Steve Medhurst has organised a charity Auto Test in Asda's car park to raise money for the NCH children's' charity and 'Rosie's Support for Pseudo' charity; supportively fronted by Rachell.

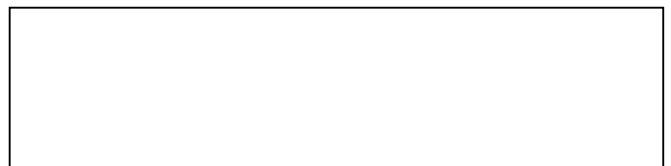
The test will involve driving skills timed against the clock but it is not a race, as penalty points are given for hitting cones and not completing tasks each task.

The cost of taking will be a whopping... £1 per go; & you can go as many times as you like!

Prizes for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> are available, with other prizes for the best 'lady' and best looking car. These include: a set of front gas shocks, a set of rear gas shocks and a complete set of Hi-Lo's, all kindly donated by Minispare!

The Scooby Club and Hastings Hot Rod Club will also be attending, making the event a bit of a car show!

This is going to be a great fun day for all to enjoy! So come along down to Asda for 'not your usual visit', test your skills and have a laugh at others whilst raising much needed money for great charities!



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## Brooklands Mini Day:

An Account of the Day

Sunday morning, couldn't help but think the alarm should have gone off earlier. Checked the time & it was well past time to meet everyone at the British Queen! Do'h!

An hour later after a frenzied sandwich making session, an F1 style fuel take & a blast up the motor way, we pull up at the gates of the **Brooklands Motor Museum**, randomly shouting MINI & thrusting our waving hands against the closed windows.

Mean while a convoy of minis enjoy a pleasant cruise along A & B roads bending the rules & ruling the bends. I missed out but sounds like Dave's route was well received by all. An hour later they joined a rather empty club stand situated facing a limited mini only car park.

Hats off the Gary for keeping his hat on! Taking a risk he bought along his roof/side, back chopped, beach buggy mini! As ever, the well prepared Daz erected his gazebo to protect Gary's interior from the unexpected spring weather.

The show was better than expected with a good turn out of fancy/tarted up show mini's and a reasonable turn out by the trades, think we all got a bargain some where along the lines. I saved £90 on tyres!!

The motor museum itself was interesting, (as far as we saw, didn't get a chance to look round much), but concord was a respectable sight...and a good chance for people to climb on-board one of Engineering's greatest achievements.

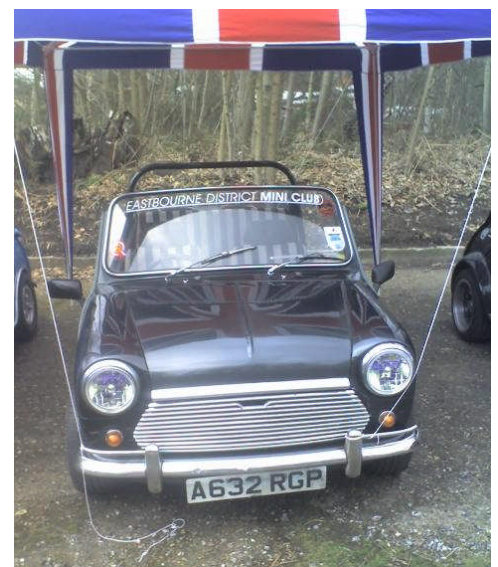
Sadly the weather closed in & we all departed for home. Gary, John/Billy, Josie & myself opted for the motorway blast home, sensibly everyone else was keen to take Dave more pleasurable route home.

Everyone one got home well, Daz risked life and hell by getting the Mingie Cooper past the national speed limit, (I think his speedo's rusted, LOL) and Gary topped up with some water ballast. Mind you he got the most attention on the motorway!! One Asian filled Audi made three photo passes!

All in all, a great day out and a good start to the Mini shows this year!

**Simon 'Aka Mininutter'**

*(Photos by Daz)*



### Events coming soon...

- **23<sup>rd</sup> April** – Charity Auto Test, Asda car park, 4pm onwards.
- **29<sup>th</sup> April to 1<sup>st</sup> May** – Magnificent Motors, Eastbourne
- **28<sup>th</sup> April to 1<sup>st</sup> May** – Miniworld Riviera Run, Newquay
- **21<sup>st</sup> May** – 21<sup>st</sup> Annual running of London to Brighton Mini Run

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