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The President Speaks

I would like to begin by wishing
everyone a very happy and
prosperous 2005.

Our AGM took place on the 25th
November and I am pleased to
welcome two more members to our
committee. A list of committee
members and their contact details
can be found elsewhere in this
newsletter.

December was quite an eventful
month even though it did not
involve a lot of driving. Our first
Sunday meeting, 5th December was
organised as a charity event to help
raise money for the GBC open day.
15 Classic and vintage vehicles
participated in taking members of
the public for rides in return for a
donation to GBC.

Everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves and I am pleased to say that we were able to raise £180 for charity. I think I can say that all our members that were present were very well rewarded by seeing the looks on many of the children's faces when they were able to ride in a classic vehicle. Everyone I have spoken to since has said that we should do this sort of thing more often.

An active member of our association has now made a generous donation of £500 to the association to help further its aims. At present we have accumulated funds which are set aside to purchase equipment and furnish club premises. As to when this will happen is uncertain so it has been agreed that the £500

should be used to set up a charitable fund with the intention of increasing our associations public activities and towards helping the local community. We will see how this year goes and if it is a success then we can find ways of topping up the fund.

Our annual Christmas dinner took place at the Med Rowing club and was attended by about 60 people. The food was excellent and I think that everyone enjoyed themselves.

The Three King's Cavalcade on the 5th January had a dozen GCVA vehicles taking part which must be a record. The association was presented with a cup by the mayor for its participation.

A social evening took place on the 8th January at St. Josephs Parish Hall.

January 22nd & 23rd are the dates for the Espartinas classic car fair and auto jumble which takes place in Seville. A week later a similar fair is to be held at Rute. At the moment we are planning to visit at least one of these events so if you would like to attend please contact a committee member.

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at our social evening at the Fire Brigade Club on **Thursday 20th January.**

Best wishes for 2005!

Stefan Nicholson

EVENTS & OUTINGS JAN-FEB 2005

JANUARY	8th	Sat	<u>Social Evening – St Josephs Parish Hall</u>
	20th	Thur	<u>Social Evening – Fire Brigade Social Club</u>
	22nd/23rd		ESPARTINAS
	29th/30th		RUTE
	***		<u>ESPARTINAS OR RUTE TRIP</u> *** TBC ***
FEBRUARY	6th	Sun	<u>Monthly Meeting – Safeways Carpark</u>
	17th	Thur	<u>Social Evening – Fire Brigade Social Club</u>
			FEBRUARY OUTING TO BE CONFIRMED

*** MORE DETAILS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST ***

REGALIA SALE

CLUB CAR BADGE	£20.00
CUFFLINKS (CLUB LOGO)	£5.00
PIN BADGE	£1.50
KEY RING (LEATHER, CLUB LOGO)	£3.50
KEY RING (METAL, CLUB LOGO)	£2.50
WINDSCREEN STICKER (CLUB LOGO)	£0.70
ATTRACTIVE MUG WITH CLUB LOGO AND VINTAGE CARS (FULL COLOUR)	£7.00
POLO SHIRTS SIZES M or L	£11.00
Commemorating the Rally '03 with club logo	
or	
Non-commemorative Stone or Green with logo	

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Some pictures here of the annual Christmas dinner that took place at the Med Rowing Club.



MEDINA SIDONIA TRIP '04

30th November 2004

Your favourite local classic vehicle association went on its now traditional trip to Medina Sidonia. This year an excellent highlight was a visit to the town and its churches.



CAVALCADE PARTICIPATION

5th JANUARY 2004

This year GCVA convertibles entered the cavalcade in order to parade the various models and Miss Gibraltar winners. *(Note to self: must buy a rag top classic for next year!)*



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FOR SALE

Morris 1100
Morris Marina 1300
Triumph Stag
Rover 2200
Rover Metro GTI

Open to sensible offers, contact
Hector Capurro 77629

MG Metro 1275cc Engine + mini
gearbox FREE TO A GOOD HOME
Contact **Dave Butterfield 54007444**

WANTED

Yamaha GT-80, any condition considered.
Contact **Francis Mena on 78136**

**If you have any vehicle you wish to sell
please do not hesitate
to contact us:**

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CAR & BIKE CARE – EXHAUST CENTRE – SPARE PARTS

Dennis Cardona from Auto Sport (Gibraltar) Ltd. is
now pleased to offer GCVA members:

**10% Discount to all GCVA Club members on
production of their GCVA membership card!**

An additional donation per quarter of 5% of the
total sales that members have accumulated at
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2004 VETERAN LONDON – BRIGHTON RUN

NOVEMBER 2004

This year I entered two cars in the run, my 1903 Cadillac Model “A” and also a recently acquired 1902 Curved Dash Oldsmobile.

This year was the first year that every car was 100 years old! The cut off date for entry is that the car must be registered by 31st December 1904. 478 Cars were registered to start, 427 actually started and 369 finished the run.

My Cadillac had successfully completed the run in 2003, so we were sure that the weather would be better than last year and make the trip without problems, the Oldsmobile had only completed 20 miles since purchase, so we were less sure and so spent the previous week running her and adjusting the carburettor, gears, exhaust lifter and various other things as she had been driven virtually zero miles since 1929! She was restored in the mid 90’s and never run since the work was completed by the previous owner.

We assembled in Hyde Park on the north side of the serpentine at 06.30am on the 7th November. The back-up team, the passengers, who included Betty Hill (Mother of Damon Hill and wife of the late Graham Hill), Edward Lewis the designer and manufacturer of the first flame resistant race shoes for Graham Hill, my brother in law Moritz and Mike Heroy, a friend from the USA. I was driving the Cadillac, my mechanic Pete Smith was driving the Oldsmobile with Mike Heroy as passenger.

The Olds was first away at 7.50am sharp, all cars set off in date order, the oldest being first to leave and youngest the last. The Cadillac left at 8.20am and with dry roads and little traffic we set forth for Brighton.

It took almost 4 hours to reach Crawley Town Centre where coffee and snacks are laid on the meet those lucky enough to make it that far! The Cadillac ran well with four people on board, a short stop in Croydon to check oil and petrol levels and then onwards arriving in Crawley at 12 noon, a distance of 33 miles.

The final run through from Crawley took longer, there are several large hills to ascend, with a one cylinder 6.5hp car and 4 people not always easy, but we made them all without a push and without asking any passenger to alight from the car.

We Eventually arrived (limping) into Madeira Drive with a broken water pump 3 ½ hours later. A total of 60 miles covered from Hyde Park to Brighton.

The London/Brighton was first started in November 1896 and celebrated the lifting of the 4mph speed limit and the removal of the red flag man who had to walk in front of the cars at that time, it is the longest running event of it’s kind in the world, the next run will be on Sunday the 6th November 2005, well worth a visit for car enthusiasts everywhere. *Larry Riches*

2004 VETERAN LONDON – BRIGHTON RUN - PHOTOS



Subscriptions

Membership subscriptions are now due and it would be appreciated if you could arrange payment by sending the amount due to:

Francis Mena
Membership Secretary
217 Peninsular Heights
Europaort Road
Gibraltar

Subscription fees are as follows:

Full Member	Member who is the owner of any vehicle over 25 years of age.	£20.00
Associate Member	Member who is NOT the owner of a vehicle over 25 years of age	£10.00
Honorary Member	Any Member who has attained the age of Seventy.	No Fee

Please note that this year the Full membership fee is applicable to owners of **ANY** vehicle which is 25 years old or over, not just to a Gibraltar Registered one as has been the case in the past.