



Kent Group
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CHAIRMANS CHAT:-
Stephen Booth "Lushman"

A warm welcome to you all on this May monthly meet.

I hope all that managed to make last months track / monthly meet had a good time whether as a spectator or on the track. We want to hear from you and get your experiences of the night, you never know it might just make 'RALLYE NEWS' magazine, so come get pen to paper or digits to keyboard.

If you want more track action then get booking up soon as the next event will be on the Wednesday 21st June.

Now how about this?! The Kent committee i.e. Mark (Mr Events) is trying his best to get a Kent group stand at Goodwood Festival of Speed. So would you like to show your car off and be a part of the Kent stand in all its glory?! Also many other shows i.e. Paddock Wood Hop Farm, Bromley Pageant of Motoring, Stamford Hall, Castle Coombe, Ford Fair and National Day, etc, etc. Now you may be thinking what's involved and what's in it for me!?! Well you get to show off your pride and joy, no queuing to get in with all the punters, no leaving your car in a car park three fields away from the show, you get to meet and know like minded people and we have a good laugh and sometimes a full on bbq. And all we ask in return is you make your car look its absolute best and don't be shy if you want some help or tips in making it shine as we have some buffy boys and girls in the Kent group that could teach Mr Sheen a thing or two!!!!!! Please don't think this is an easy way of getting your car parked up, as you are representing the Kent group and we won't appreciate a grubby looking car on our stand.

Every month I go on and on about the fact that this is your group run by us for you, we really do appreciate feed back and ideas from you, what ever they may be. Help us to help you, what do you want? What do you not like? If you don't open your mouths we don't know what to change or try to improve as sometimes it is easy to miss the obvious.

Enjoy your evening and as always racing at Brands Hatch is restricted to the track and not either in the grounds or when leaving!

Stephen Booth
Kent RSOC Chairman

PLEASE CONTACT YOUR COMMITTEE MEMBERS:-

Feel free to e-mail your committee members about any questions, points of views, suggestions or just anything you want to get off your chest & they guarantee that you will get a reply.

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Dearly Departed....

No No, He's not dead; but after more than six years service to the Kent Group RS Owners Club, Martyn Batstone has decided to step down from the committee. Martyn has supported the club whole-heartedly and has been instrumental in making it what it is today. He has supported the committee and was the Chairman for the last two years. We would like to thank Martyn for all that he has done especially his support for the new (current) committee. Martyn will of course remain a valued member of the club (hopefully with less stress now). Thanks Martyn!

New Arrival....

After Martyn's decision to leave the committee; Arron Chandler has very kindly volunteered his services to us. I am sure many of you know Arron if not by face, certainly by car as he is the owner of LAR 464V; a beautiful Diamond White Escort RS2000 MkII which has been featured in Rallye News, Classic Ford and of course the most prestigious of publications – www.RSOCKent.co.uk

Welcome Arron; What have you let yourself in for?!?!?!?

Website www.rsocket.co.uk

We are still looking for your cars for the Kent members' area. We have a nice little selection of these but I want MORE !!!! , please email me with photos & spec, RSOC Members' cars all are welcome and YES if you are an associate RSOC member please let us know your drive !!! (like a yellow Mk1 Escort I know of).

If any of you have photos of past shows that show the Kent group stands I would love this for the website.

Car of the night from our track day 19th April 2006

MkII Mexico

1977 'R'

Geoff has owned the car since 2002 and has put in a lot of work on his pride and joy. The car had previously been restored but not to a standard that Geoff would be happy with. He has since done it again and added a few upgrades along the way including:

205 block with +60 overbore

Lightened and balanced crank with lightened flywheel

SP Racing Head with Group 1 Valves and HD1 camshaft

Twin 48's running 180Bhp

Group 2 3-piece Exhaust Manifold with 2 ½" Right exit exhaust

Full Roll Cage

Bilstein Suspension 2 ¼" Coil-overs, De-Cambered Leaf springs and ½" lowering blocks

World Cup Cross Member

Quick Rack, Quick Shift

Tranex LSD

Panhard Rod

All stopped by Hi-Spec 4 pots and 9" Drums with a bias pedal box



FORTH COMING EVENTS:-

MAY SHOW SESSION 2006

Hello to everyone, were now in May and heading for another action packed summer. There are plenty of shows organized throughout the year for you **all** to partake in.

There is something for everybody from full-blown concourse to showing your pride and joy on the Kent stand at many events during the year. Then, for you petrol heads and speed demons there are organised track events at Brands Hatch and other tracks countrywide. This is not just for those who are experienced but also for those of you who are beginners, so please come along and see the action for yourself. With the option of tuition on most track days for novices and the peace of mind that safety and fun are of paramount importance there is nothing to stop even the most inexperienced driver getting the most out of their car and seeing just how far they can push it!

So for further details please contact myself, Mark Jennings for all you need to know! My contact details are as below. Please be quick to see me, if you wish to come along, in order to avoid disappointment as places book quickly and are on a first come first served basis.

mark@rsocket.co.uk

Mob: 07748362201

The list of shows planned for 2006 are as follows:

- 21st May Leicester RSOC Group at Stanford Hall
- 4th June North York's RSOC Group at Lightwater Valley
- 11th June Dorest RSOC Group at Lulworth Castle
- 18th June Northants RSOC Group at Whilton Mill
- 2nd July Lancs RSOC Group at Towneley Hall
- 6th-9th July Festival of speed at Goodwood race circuit
- 9th July Durham RSOC Group at Croft circuit
- 6th August Ford Fair
- 3rd September Trax
- 10th September European Ford Show Holland

Upcoming events:- I have information about booking a Kent RSOC stand at the Festival of Speed at Goodwood Race circuit, but I will need numbers of cars ASAP as space is limited.

If you need any help or advice on your RS please don't be shy to contact **ME** or any **COMMITTEE MEMBER**.
MARK

KENT STICKERS AND CLOTHING

As promised we did order some of our new style clothing, so you've got no excuses now!! We have also had some more window stickers made!! These stickers are competitively priced at £5.00 per pair & look like this:-

www.RSOckent.co.uk

As you can see from the picture below all pieces of clothing has the RSOC logo embroidered alongside the Kent group logo. These are mainly white with a red ST stripe across the shoulders. We have a large stock of the following items, so please become an active member of the Kent Group and purchase a jacket, polo shirt or T shirt.



- Polo Shirt £22
- Bomber Jacket £43
- Racing Jacket £40
- Ladies T Shirt £20
- Ladies Strappy Top £20

Tickets for National Day 2006 on 20th August 2006

Just in case you haven't received your copy of Rallye News for any reason tickets are on sale via the on-line service Ticketweb.co.uk

http://www.ticketweb.co.uk/user/?region=gb_midlands&query=detail&event=166052

£12.50 per person + booking fee + postage, details for camping to follow.

Seven go to Santa Pod....



The first trip out for the Kent group in 2006 took seven cars to Santa Pod for the Central Group show on Sunday 23rd April.

As usual, a good turnout from the other groups meant there was plenty to admire and the weather smiled on us for most of the day! (Unlike a couple of years back!) Meaning the strip saw some action including our own Will and his RS200 running in the 11 second bracket in their first outing this year following some further work on the car over the winter months.

The Kent group had a few new faces on the stand this time out, thanks to Mark, his friend (who's name I don't know) and Paul for making the effort, hope you enjoyed the day.

We BBQ'd towards mid afternoon and as the clouds threatened headed back to Kent after a thoroughly enjoyable day out.
CheeRS Claire

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******* For Sale on behalf of Kelvin Trundle *******

“Free to a good home”1992 4x4 standard Cosworth exhaust system.
Brand new Apple Ipod Nano 2Gb £100
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Pair of M16 brake calipers for vented discs, ideal for Kit car or Mk2 Escort £30
Contact Kelvin on: 01634 – 378914

******* For Sale on behalf of Mark Jennings *******

Polished Chrome Coil cover for Sierra Cosworth 4x4 £10
Contact Mark on: 07748362201

******* For Sale on behalf of Stuart Coppard *******

Cherished number plate: **RS53 STU** – on retention, all fees paid - £995 ovno
4 x S1 ERST original refurbished wheels – still in their boxes - £offers

Contact Stuart on: (01892) – 522131 or 078151 38814

******* For Sale on behalf of Martyn Batstone *******

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1 x Saff boot & spoiler £40
1 x brand new avon zz1 225/45/zr16 £50
4 x tsw 7 ½.15 Ventura like the bbs split rims fitted on 3doors £250
1 x Escort Cosworth engine under tray £30
4 x ERST S1 turbo rims £40
1 x Escort Cosworth space saver wheel unused £30
2 x Black RS 3 spoke steering wheels with horn push (motorsport) £60
1 x 2wd engine bay loom £80
1 x Escort Cosworth front diff £50
1 x Mint 3dr original stereo + amp £50
4 x Saff doors complete with glass + locks, in grey £40

Plus loads more just ask if I can help I will

Lush
0790 0024 777
Aka Steve booth the chairman

***** **For Sale on behalf of Franco Iannotta** *****

I have for sale a genuine Sierra Sapphire Cosworth, the car is in immaculate original condition and I've known this car since 1990. The details are as follows:

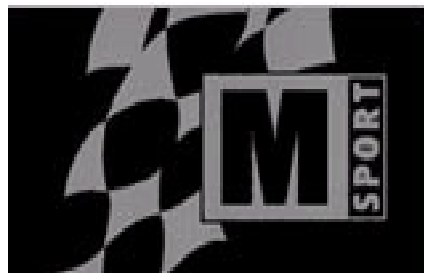
Colour: Crystal Blue
Mile: 48332 – 100% genuine
Year: 1998 'F reg'
Spec: As new cloth trim, absolutely no marks or rips anywhere
5 spoke alloys, the genuine alloys are stored in the garage and are included in the sale
Kenwood system, the genuine radio is also included
White indicators and dark rear lights, again the genuine lenses are included
Owners: 3rd from new
History: Full from new

When I say this car is unmarked and genuine, I mean just that. The rear doors are still tight and the rear seats look as though nobody has ever sat on them. ***I have lost my garage space so this car must go.***

I'm looking for a fair price for this car; I feel £6250 ono would be a good deal for someone.

I think at this point you have a good idea as to what I'm selling. I would like to see this car go to an RS enthusiast that would look after this car and cherish it as I have done over the last 6 years.

Contact Franco on:- **Home: 01908 365749 or Mobile: 07803 853 949**



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Kindly donated the following raffle prizes to the
Kent RSOC for the April track evening

1 ladies T-shirt
1 gents pit crew shirt

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