

SOUTH WALES GROUP

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TWO social events which have taken place since our last report, the Midnight Film Matinee and the Annual Dinner and Dance, were both a great success. We were very pleased to welcome Dixon and Maureen Cade as our principal guests to the dinner which took place at the Castle Hotel, Tredegar. The hall had been specially decorated by members and set the scene for what turned out to be one of the best and gayest evenings we have had.

During the interval between dinner and dancing, Mrs. Cade presented a fine array of trophies to the

winners of the past year's events, finishing off with the Driver and Navigator of the Year awards to Derek Holley and Keith Eustace for winning practically every event they entered. An innovation was the presentation of three "Thrusters Cups" to last year's Joint Comp. Secretaries, Don Cox and Tony Gibbs, for all the hard work they put into the job, and to Vic Hesketh for his labours as Hon. Secretary.

The "Thrusters Cups" are awarded at the instance of the Committee as merit awards to those who are considered to have worked hardest during the year for the betterment of the Group. I ask you all to bear in mind these awards and if at the end of the year there is someone you think is eligible, let me know, and his or her name will go before the Committee. I would have liked to have seen a Marshal's name on one of the tankards, but there have been so many over the past two years that, in the absence of an accurate record, it was difficult to single anyone out. The efforts of Messrs Dickinson, Les Gibbs, Les Davies, and A. Wells, do not however, pass unnoticed.

After the very good entry for the New Year's Rally it is sad to report that there was a very poor entry for the "Yellow Ribbon Rally" on March 17. The amount of time and energy put into these events by the organisers is only matched by their disappointment when they receive poor support. In the absence of criticism we can only assume we have a programme which meets with your approval, but if you don't turn out we would like to know why. Results: 1st—Malcolm Gibbs (180), 2nd—Des Tilley (220), 3rd—Tony Gibbs (1100). Class 3—Emrys Davies.

Forthcoming events

- May 2—Evening Navigation event.
- May 7—Club night.
- May 20—Driving Tests.
- June 4—Evening Treasure Hunt.

V. H. Hesketh.

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