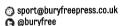
## **Motorsport Column**

# Kasia continues excellent form

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#### RALLYING

It is probably the most scenic race circuit in the UK, but the recent Glyn Memorial Stages Rally at the Anglesey venue, afforded little time to admire the view, as it provided the last round of the Kick Energy Pirelli Junior Championship.

For this event, Bury's Kasia Nicklin was joined in the Nissan Micra by Paul Jenkins.

The 2012 season has seen

the local teenager turn in some excellent performances, and this was no exception.

The rally ran over two days and the 16 timed special stages included two in darkness on Saturday evening.

Fourteen juniors took in the rally, and at the end of day one Kasia was holding down seventh after what she described as a somewhat careful drive.

Back in the daylight of Sun-

day, it was a determined teenager who set about improving her position.

Stage times improved, so much so that on the last one she was joint fastest.

This saw her finish fourth overall, just one second away from a podium position.

In the Junior Championship, 29 crews had seen action over the year, and Kasia secured seventh, despite having to miss one of the qualifying rounds.

Plans for 2013 are uncertain, but she would still be eligible for the Junior contest.

#### **CAR TRIAL**

The Falcon MC attracted a strong entry of 40 for their Guy Fawkestrial, held at Kensworth.

Of these, 34 made it to a delayed start, the reduction and delay due to heavy rain.

Those with open cars chose not to sit in a wet seat all day and, among those making this decision, was West Suffolk MC member Nick Barrett.

Three West Suffolk MC driv-

ers, who had the benefit of a roof, were all running in class A, and all were at the wheel of a Citroen AX GT.

Despite the conditions, the organisers completed the intended format, and eight observed sections were each tackled four times, providing 32 opportunities to get it wrong.

For Robin Howard and Cliff Morrell, it all went well as they secured first and second respectively in their class.

Adrian Gibson was sharing Morrell's AX and he finished ninthin class.

When West Suffolk MC run their trial at Wattisfield on December 9, the afternoon will see them providing potential new competitors with a taster event, to give them an idea of what to expect on such trials.

In return, the club would appreciate it if those people would be prepared to marshal during the morning.

#### MOTOR RACING

It would appear that last Sat-

urday's 12-hour race held at Snetterton, was something of a washout in more ways than one.

Firstly, the weather was wet, and second a race originally intended for Mazda MX5s only attracted two such teams, the event being saved by the arrival of 12 teams running the VW Beetle look-alike Fun Cup cars.

One of the Fun Cup teams included local driver Kevin Williams, and his team were provisionally placed third in class.

Not a happy way to end the season at the Norfolk circuit.

#### DIARY DATES

Rallying. Premier Stages, Dukeries MC, Sunday, Sherwood Forest.

Ward Construction/AEMC Championship. Full entry of 60 crews.

Car Trial. Lyng, Norfolk, Sporting CC of Norfolk, Sunday. Short Circuit. Wimbledon,

Sunday, 5.30pm.

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