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Dear Competitor,

Welcome to a belated first bulletin of the 2007 Ward Construction AEMC Stage Rally Championship.

After the first eight events things are taking shape, despite the Rally of Kent being cancelled and there are no more events at Longcross, although there have been on-going discussions which are looking promising for September. We find the crew starting out in their first year in a Peugeot 106 GTi of Brett Griffin and Sam Fordham in the top spot. Following Brett in the drivers championship also in his first year is Melis Charalambous in the Skoda Octavia WRC. In second place in the co-drivers position is Irene Lewsey has been sitting next to Ian Barnard in a MKII Escort, who himself is 3rd overall driver. 3rd overall co-driver goes to Paul Bareham.

In Class A we find brothers Scott and Aron Rayner in their Citroen AX. These two take it in turns to navigate and drive on the stages and we find Scott Rayner currently leading Class A as driver followed by Clare Rix in her Ford KA. Hats off to the Rayner boys on Sculthorpe, they managed to destroy the boot of their AX yet still managed to complete the stages with the added air conditioning! Aron's commitment on the Millbrook Stages, while very wet and slippery, saw the crew take a win in class A.

Brett Griffin and Sam Fordham lead Class B although they were having trouble at Twyford Wood when their car was having some serious problems. It later transpires that as they went over one of the first jumps in the stage the fuel tank was compressed slightly causing pick up problems and not able to push as hard as they wanted to. Following the 106 crew is John Taylor and Lindsey Watson in a MKII Escort where they too were having problems at Twyford with a half shaft coming loose, meaning John having to retighten at every service! Third in Class B is Richard Warne in his MKIV rear wheel drive Escort.

Class C sees Ian Barnard and Irene Lewsey in the lead in front of second place held by Peter Rayner with Richard Bonner Following in third place is Ian Rix. I'm sure the competition between these three drivers will be intense. Having sat next to Peter Rayner and Ian Rix recently and knowing their pace, I can only imagine the commitment that Ian Barnard is putting in on the stages. Matt Llewellyn takes third.

After a rocky start to the season with two DNFs, one for Emerald Stages and the Speedy Hire stages, there was much better luck for the crew of the Sierra Cosworth, Richard Upton and Paul Bareham as they finished 2nd overall on the Malcolm Watson stages at Sculthorpe, a very hot and demanding day on the tyres, taking them into the lead in Class D. To make a point, these two went to take the class win on the Millbrook stages.

Melis Charalambous in his Skoda Octavia WRC is leading Class E, Justin Oliver (Subaru Impreza) following hard with Neil Furlong (Escort Cosworth) in third. I think I'm right in saying that this is Melis' first full season and his pace is certainly getting quicker with each event he does. This was the first time Melis had competed on wet asphalt and he did well to finish 25s behind Justin and Mark.

In total we have 36 people signed on to the championship after eight events. Out of the clubs, Wickford are leading with last years winners Middlesex in second and West Suffolk in third.

I wish all competitors good luck for the rest of the season. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me at rjc.cook@orange.net, your input is very much appreciated.

Best regards

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2007 Ward Construction AEMC Stage Rally Championship Class Championship points

		Association of Eastern Motor Clubs EAST ANGLIA'S MOTORSPORT FORUM (UK)								
		Longcross	Rockingham	Robin Hood	Twyford Wood	Spring Stages	Millbrook	CAR-nival	Dukeries	Total Points
Class A										
Position	Driver	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
1	Scott Rayner	30	X	X	X	26	X	30	X	86
2	Clare Rix	X	X	X	X	30	X	0	30	60
3	Aron Rayner	X	0	X	X	X	30	0	X	30
4=	Jim Bowie	X	X	X	X	0	X	0	X	0
4=	Eris Robertson	X	X	X	X	0	X	0	X	0
4=	Colin Smith	X	X	X	X	X	0	0	X	0
Co-Driver										
1	Aron Rayner	30	X	X	X	26	X	30	X	86
2=	Scot Rayner	X	0	X	X	X	30	0	X	30
2=	Rob Cook	X	X	X	X	X	X	0	30	30
4=	Gareth Smith	X	X	X	X	0	X	0	X	0
4=	Tony Clements	X	X	X	X	0	X	0	X	0
Class B										
Position	Driver	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
1	Brett Griffin	30	X	X	26	30	30	30	30	176
3	John Taylor	X	X	30	30	0	X	0	X	60
2	Richard Warne	X	X	X	X	26	X	0	X	26
Co-Driver										
1	Sam Fordham	30	X	X	26	30	30	30	30	176
2	Lindsey Watson	X	X	30	30	X	X	0	X	60
Class C										
Position	Driver	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
1	Ian Barnard	30	0	X	26	20	26	0	X	102
3	Peter Rayner	X	30	X	30	X	30	0	0	90
2	Ian Rix	X	X	30	X	30	X	0	X	60
4	Steve Tillbrook	X	26	X	X	23	0	0	X	49
5	Simon Maxted	X	23	X	X	X	20	0	X	43
6	Richard Lewsey	X	0	X	0	0	23	0	X	23
7	John Cooledge	X	X	X	X	26*	X	0	X	0
8	David Walker	X	0	X	X	X	X	0	X	0
Co-Driver										
1	Irene Lewsey	30	0	X	26	20	30	0	X	106
2	Richard Bonner	X	X	X	30	23	X	0	X	53
3	Matt Llewellyn	X	26	X	X	X	26	0	X	52
4=	Tom Peddle	X	30	X	X	0	0	0	X	30
4=	Rob Cook	X	X	X	X	30	X	0	X	30
6	Louise Cooledge	X	X	X	X	26*	X	0	X	26
7	Mike Hughes	X	X	X	0	X	X	0	X	0
Class D										
Position	Driver	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
1	Richard Upton	0	0	X	X	30	30	30	X	90
2	Mike Taylor	X	30*	X	X	X	X	0	X	30
Co-Driver										
1	Paul Bareham	0	0	X	X	30	30	30	X	90
2	Cathy Stewart	X	30*	X	X	X	X	0	X	30
3	Mike Hughes	X	X	X	0	X	X	0	X	0
Class E										
Position	Driver	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
1	Melis Charalambous	30	26	X	X	30	26	30	X	142
3	Justin Oliver	X	X	X	X	26	30	X	X	56
2	Neil Furlong	X	30	X	X	X	X	0	X	30
Co-Driver										
1	Mark Ingram	X	X	X	X	30*	30*	X	X	30

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2007 Ward Construction AEMC Stage Rally Championship Overall Championship & Club points

		Longcross	Rockingham	Robin Hood	Twyford Wood	Spring Stages	Millbrook	Carnival	Dukeries	Total Points
 Association of Eastern Motor Clubs EAST ANGLIA'S MOTORSPORT FORUM (UK)										
OVERALL DRIVER										
Position		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
1	Brett Griffin	30	X	X	26	30	30	30	30	176
2	Melis Charalambous	30	26	X	X	30	26	30	X	142
3	Ian Barnard	30	0	X	26	20	26	X	X	102
4=	Peter Rayner	X	30	X	30	X	30	X	0	90
4=	Richard Upton	0	0	X	X	30	30	30	X	90
6	Scott Rayner	30	X	X	X	26	X	30	X	86
7=	John Taylor	X	X	30	30	0	X	X	X	60
7=	Ian Rix	X	X	30	X	30	X	X	X	60
7=	Clare Rix	X	X	X	X	30	X	X	30	60
10=	Aron Rayner	X	0	X	X	X	30	X	X	56
10=	Justin Oliver	X	X	X	X	26	30	X	X	56
12	Steve Tillbrook	X	26	X	X	23	0	X	X	49
13	Simon Maxted	0	23	X	X	X	20	X	X	43
14=	Neil Furlong	X	30	X	X	X	X	X	X	30
14=	Mike Taylor	X	30	X	X	X	X	X	X	30
16=	Richard Warne	X	X	X	X	26	X	X	X	26
16=	John Cooledge	X	X	X	X	26	X	X	X	26
18	Richard Lewsey	X	0	X	0	0	23	X	X	23
19=	Jim Bowie	X	X	X	X	0	X	X	X	0
19=	Eris Robertson	X	X	X	X	0	X	X	X	0
OVERALL CO-DRIVER										
1	Sam Fordham	30	0	X	26	30	30	30	30	176
2	Irene Lewsey	30	0	X	26	20	30	X	X	106
3	Paul Bareham	0	0	X	X	30	30	30	X	90
4	Aron Rayner	30	X	X	X	26	X	30	X	86
5=	Lindsey Watson	X	X	30	30	X	X	X	X	60
5=	Mark Ingram	X	X	X	X	30	30	X	X	60
5=	Rob Cook	X	X	X	X	30	X	X	30	60
8	Richard Bonner	X	X	X	30	23	X	X	X	53
9	Matt Llewellyn	X	26	X	X	X	26	X	X	52
10=	Tom Peddle	X	30	X	X	0	0	X	X	30
10=	Cathy Stewart	X	30	X	X	X	X	X	X	30
10=	Scott Rayner	X	0	X	X	X	30	X	X	30
13	Louise Cooledge	X	X	X	X	26*	X	X	X	26*
14=	Tony Clements	X	X	X	X	0	0	X	X	0
14=	Gareth Smith	X	X	X	X	0	X	X	X	0
14=	Mike Hughes	X	X	X	0	X	X	X	X	0
CLUB POINTS										
1	Wickford Auto Club	3	5	2	4	5	6	2		27
2	Middlesex County M.C.	3	3		1	3	4	3	1	18
3	West Suffolk M.C.			1		5	1		2	9
4	Green Belt M.C.	1	1		1	4	1			8
5	Chelmsford M.C.		0			4	3			7
6	Bexley Light C.C.	1			1	1	1	1	1	6
7	Dukeries M.C.	1	1			1	1	1		5
8	West Essex C.C.				1	1	1			3
9	Oxford M.C.		2*							0