



Chairman's Report

This is to let you know that unfortunately I will not be able to be with you on Tuesday evening.

As some of you know I have had a rough passage for the last few months. In April last year I approached my GP to initiate my second total hip replacement. During the pre-assessment for this procedure a tumour in my right lung was found. The prognosis was good. The team felt sure they could remove the problem. In August a procedure to remove the tumour took place. In October the surgeon was happy with the situation. During December I felt rather less well and had a review appointment in early January. This showed that problems had returned much to everyone's surprise. The proposed treatment was some radiotherapy. On Monday 14th March the last session took place. I have found the treatment makes me very tired and it is extremely debilitating. There is no way I can manage the travel. Perhaps if there had been another couple of days I might have managed. (I have to say that the concern and support from the NHS multi-discipline team looking after me has been amazing. I hope they will be able to give me some remission.)

So my apologies for non-attendance at the AGM.

I must now thank some people for their efforts.

To the Association Executive who have carried the work forward – Thank You – Pete Weall, Lock Horsburgh, Gerry Potter and Raymond Mann.

Thank you to the specialist post holders over the years. Many of you have done a lot of hard work for the Association as well as being involved in the running of your own clubs and competing and officiating on events.

To our President John Cleland – Thank you – You have brought a breath of fresh air into the Association and helped the Association move forwards.

To our MSA Council member, Bruce Lyle – Thank you – You have injected some good ideas which have borne fruit.

Finally I must make special mention of Pete Weall who has carried my work load having been thrown in at the deep end. Pete and I have had regular telephone conversations. Similarly Lock Horsburgh and I have spoken frequently to keep things rolling. THANKS both of you.

I hope you will appoint Pete Weall as the Chairman of the Association on Tuesday. I am sure he is the best we can find at the moment.

Finally to all of you thank you for your support over the last twenty something years. I think I was appointed as Chairman of ESACC in 1989. I have enjoyed working with you all and representing you at the MSA. I have also had the privilege of being an MSA steward at many of your events. This has allowed me to meet many of you in a motor sport environment.

Roger Reed, Chairman.

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