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World champs at Motorpoint

BIKE TRIAL: The traditional Sheffield International Indoor Trial takes place at Sheffield's Motorpoint Arena on Saturday January 8.

The line-up includes the 2011 world champions Toni Bou, Adam Raga, Takahisa Fujinami, Jeroni Fajardo, British champion James Dabill, Alexz Wigg and Michael Brown plus Dougie Lampkin.

Current world junior champion Jack Challoner is also in the line-up, hoping he can emulate Lampkin's 1996 debut win.

Tickets are on sale now at www.motorpointarena.co.uk

Cornbury Park

RALLY SHOW: Regulations for the competitive events at the Rally Show to be held at Cornbury Park, Oxfordshire, on May 14-15 are available from www.therallyshow.org.

New for 2011 is the Ford Escort Challenge, which only allows Mk1 and Mk2 versions of Ford's famous rally model to compete, with the CG Neill "Austin Dobson" Perpetual Trophy being awarded to the winner.

Other events include the popular "All Corners" event, historic, FIA categories, and GT cars.

Early memorial

RALLYING: Pendle and District Motor Club's annual Lee Holland Memorial Rally will be held earlier next year owing to a clash of dates at the Anglesey Race Circuit venue.

The 2011 event will run on Sunday, March 27, and will be a round of the ANWCC, F1000, SD34 and ANCC Stage Rally Championships.

Stages entries

RALLYING: It's little over a week since the publication of the regulations the Legend Fires North West Stages Rally but entries for have already reached the 60 mark.

The Blackpool based event runs on February 4-5 and further information can be found at www.nwstages.co.uk

Cross threat

CLASSIC: Stanhope Ford, one of the best known and loved (or hated, depending on your experiences) river crossings used in classic rallying, is under threat of closure.

Often a feature of events such

Johnson in main role for women

ACCINGTON'S Hazel Johnson was one of around 70 delegates who attended the recent Women in Motorsport seminar in Coventry aimed at providing training and information in a range of topics.

Motor sport is one of the few sporting activities in which men and women compete alongside each other on an equal footing, yet as they make up only eight per cent of registered licence holders.

There are, however, an estimated 50,000 women actively involved in British motor sport fulfilling a host of support roles without which the sport itself could not continue.

Among the speakers were ITV's British Touring Car Championship presenter Louise Goodman and



ALL REVVED UP: Hazel Johnson (back row, second from right) is pictured with Louise Goodman and other delegates

Ginetta Junior Champion Sarah Moore, the first female driver ever to win a major British motor racing championship.

Nicky Grist, co-driver to rally legends Colin McRae and Juha Kankkunen, was another speaker, as was

former Ford Motorsport boss Stuart Turner who dealt with a range of topics, such as media skills, personal effectiveness and handling conflict.

Johnson, who contested the recent Accrington Motor Sport Club AutoSolo and

plans to move into stage rallying next year, said: "I thoroughly enjoyed every aspect of the day, it was very informative and well organised. The speakers were enthusiastic and passionate about what they were delivering. Overall, it was a brilliant day!"

Lord's delight at Marine triumph



LET'S TAKE STOCK: Glenn Lord takes the chequered flag and picks up his award at Warton's prize giving



By PHIL JAMES
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STOCK car racer Glenn Lord capped a great season at the Warton track when he collected the Marine Services Cup.

The Great Harwood-based driver was a front-runner in the 2010 Championship at Warton Stock Car Club, based near Carnforth.

"This is one of the club's oldest trophies. It bears the club's former name, West End Stock Car Club, and dates back to 1975," said a delighted Lord, who was presented with the trophy by Warton Stock Car queen Leanne Kellett.

"There's a lot of famous and well-known drivers names on the cup. It's like a 'Hall of Fame' and now my name is with them!"

Lord will be back in action at Warton over the festive period when he competes in the 'Christmas Bonanza' race meeting on Bank Holiday Monday, December 27.

Racing gets under way at noon with 1400cc bangers, ministox, stock cars, senior minis, supers and junior rookies all taking part.

For more information visit the website www.wartononline.com