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Welcome to the June Edition of BTRDA® MSF News. It has been another busy month for the group, which has seen a meeting for us to discuss exciting projects for the rest of this year and 2009; followed by the second event in our DRIVE programme and one of our DRIVE Winners gaining a passion for car trialling.

Julian and John competed in the Wyre Forrest Car Trial put on by Kidderminster Motor Club. Having never seen a Car Trial before and only with a couple of minutes intensive training in the discipline before hand, the boys set off to the hills with a certain amount of apprehension!

MSA Trials Committee Chair Nick Pollitt very kindly passengered and gave out much needed tuition to our two competitors. Many thanks to Nick for helping out on the day.

This is what 16 year old Julian had to say about controlling the car on grass.

"For the second event of the year turned out to be very surprising for both John and myself. A minimal 2 minutes of training was given to us before we began and then it was to the hills and GO!

The first hill of the day was an absolute killer-certainly a very hard way to start the day but nevertheless after a quick look at the hill we took it in turns to try and get our little Micra up the hill. Unfortunately neither of us were able to make it up number 1 so we moved swiftly on with the event.

After a few hills, I really felt that I was getting the hang of trialling. We both still found it very confusing though with Nick telling us to do almost the complete opposite of what felt natural to do but the man knows his stuff and with his tuition by the end of the day I felt I was finally conquering at least some of the hills.

We both had a fantastic day which we both thoroughly enjoyed and I am certainly looking forward to the next car trial event."

John our other DRIVE competitor also found the day a very interesting and tells me that he had to take a couple of days off work, for the first time in 5 years after it to recover!

"I enjoyed the event in the way I enjoy anything where I get to drive a car but found it more than a little frustrating!













