

Drink, drugs and prison cells (a normal P&P MX5 meet)

After grabbing a quick bacon sarnie at the Stockyard we made the shortest run in MX5 history to the Lifewise centre at Hellaby.

Lifewise is an interactive learning centre for South Yorkshire communities, developed by South Yorkshire Police and South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue. Featuring a purpose-built set, it is used to educate visitors about safety and citizenship with the ultimate aim of reducing crime and improving quality of life.

We started the day having a quick interactive quiz about all aspects of road safety. Let's just say we all probably didn't know as much as we should have done! But we would get the chance to improve later. We were then split into two groups and went round the different areas of the Lifewise centre for hand's on experience.



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First stop was first aid. We all had a go on 'Annie' - giving CPR is quite hard but we found that Sharon was a dab hand at this. So we'll all feel safe on the next runs.



Next stop was a Road traffic accident. Someone had got knocked off their bike! So we found out how the Police deal with all the incidents, what they look for and work out what happened. We also got a chance to have a good look at the new BMW estate that the Police are now using. Very smart bit of kit. And that's as close as I want to get to one.

After that it was on to drink and drugs. So we all piled into the on-set pub.



Peter (the MAX5 tame racing driver) volunteered and tried on the 'Beer Goggles' which give you the effect of being drunk. It was quite funny watching his attempt to catch a tennis ball and failing miserably. His racing skills are far better.

Then it was the breath test, I volunteered for that. First time I was under, then after using a mouth spray, I tried again and because of the alcohol content I was over. Quite thought provoking!

Mike

By Mike 'Humpty' Hall



Next a trip to the slammer. Very realistic, they use this to put youngsters off who think about getting into trouble. Apparently it does work.



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The rise and fall of Rosedale Chimney

Burton & Lesley you have broken your record of MX5's. 24 cars, Wow, how great is that.

The day was perfect, but for someone it was a different story, (all will be revealed).



I have not much to say about the first stage of the journey, it was M1, M62e, A1 north, A63. We got off at South Milford, at last on roads we loved.

Our first comfort stop was Biker's cafe at Sherburn in Elmet. Bikes in their hundreds. They have certainly changed since we had our Norton Dominator. After being fed and watered, we were back on the road again. We had to do a detour in Aberford, taking us once again onto the A1 north, getting off at Easingwold. We were finely on roads made for MX5's taking us through Crake, Bransby, Rydale. Once again Burton has picked the perfect weather, 18deg, scenery to die for. (Britain is beautiful) Passing through Helmsley, a very busy place, full of biker's, and shoppers. No way would we have been able to park 24 cars.



The roads were TERRIFIC, up hill and down dale, not much traffic, the roads with twists and turns went on for miles and miles (good job my egg sandwich stayed down). A short break was taken to regroup at Inglesby, then back on the road, over the North Yorkshire Moors. Eventually we arrived in Staithes. 24 cars just about filled the car park, (no cars were allowed into the town)



Making our way down the steep hill to the town, lovely little houses, and gardens, a few shops, very pretty. The tide was out, also the sun, the view of the harbour was very peaceful so an ice cream was in order.



A chat with the group and some of the newbys. What more could you ask. Our time was up, so we all climbed up the hill back to our cars.



Once again over the moors passing through Castleton (thought we had moved out of Derbyshire) full of sheep in the village, even trimming peoples hedges, no need for lawn mowers, just set the sheep onto the job. I bet they eat a lot of LAMB (joke)

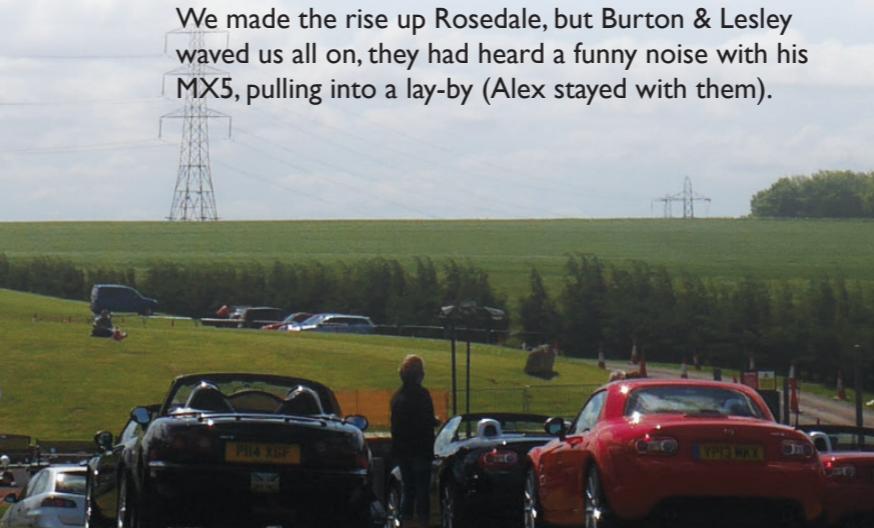


We arrived at the Feversham Arms. Very popular with its very good food, and large portions (especially the scampi) No record was broken with the pieces of the scampi but still far too many, 24 was the most. Food enjoyed by all.



Another of the highlights of the day was a fast run up Rosedale Chimney.

We made the rise up Rosedale, but Burton & Lesley waved us all on, they had heard a funny noise with his MX5, pulling into a lay-by (Alex stayed with them).



Keith, Maxine, Alan, Rob Jayne, Trevor and myself waited at the top to hear some news, unfortunately he had to send for the recovery service. Keith & Maxine stayed with them. There was nothing we could do so we set off for home.

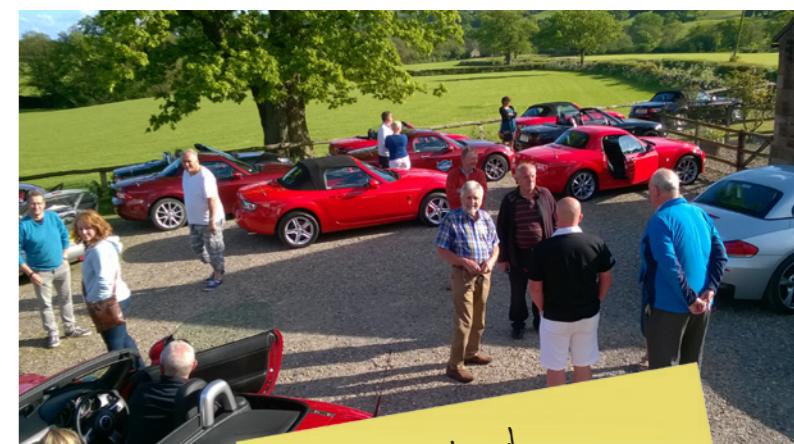
We were very sorry the day had ended not as intended for Burton & Lesley after doing all that organizing for a brilliant day. He never got his RISE up Rosehill Chimney.

We made our way home passing Castle Howard. We had to stop when a pheasant was in the middle of the road, Alan had to take evasive action to avoid us. (Sorry Alan)

Once again we all thank you very much for a GREAT DAY. We hope the repair isn't too steep. Not as steep as Rosedale Chimney.

Eileen

By Trevor & Eileen, our roving reporters.



A note from the ed...
Burton assures me he risked standing on the wall to take this picture.

We wouldn't him falling off a wall now would we. That would be plain stupid!

Humpty

Monthly social

Takes place at the Queen's Head, 12 Main Road, Ridgeway, Sheffield S12 3XR. Meetings are on the first Wednesday of every month and start around 8:15.

Next one is 1st August - it would be great to see you there.

Burton & Lesley