

ALMC Performance Car Show Sunday 15th May 2011

ALMC are delighted to announce the return of the ever popular Performance Car Show which will take place in the City North Hotel on Sunday 15th May 2011 in aid of the Jack & Jill Children's Foundation. Once again the ALMC will gather together a collection of the finest and most stunning cars from all over the country and overseas. The show takes place in the hotel car park from 11.30am to 5pm with plenty of exhibition stands and children's entertainment to add to the fun. Entry is free and all the family can get up close to the famous big name cars such as BMW, Porsche, Ferrari, Lamborghini, Lotus and many more. This is the third year of the hugely successful show and the organizing team is promising an even bigger and more exciting show with added entertainment inside the hotel also. The show is not only about showcasing the latest in sports cars, it will also present supercars from the 50's, 60's and 70's alongside the modern day classics from the world of rallying and high performance, all in aid of the Jack & Jill Foundation who provide nationwide home nursing care and respite services to families of children who are born with or develop brain damage and who suffer from severe intellectual and physical developmental delay.



A wide and varied selection of fabulous cars and motorbikes upwards of 200 machines will be on display and it promises to be as spectacular as with previous years. Highlights from last year's event included the supercharged Ariel Atom, the much sought after Ford GT and the Porsche 997 GT3 RS, the most focused and racetrack-oriented street legal car that Porsche ever manufactured.

Motorbike enthusiasts will once again this year be catered for with ALMC teaming up with the local Loughshinny Motorcycle Supporters Club to organize a wide and varied selection of the world's greatest two wheel machinery.



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The show will also feature a raffle which will include an impressive selection of motoring-related prizes with all proceeds going to the clubs chosen charity the Jack & Jill Children's Foundation. The foundation provides home nursing care and respite to the families of 300 children nationwide who are born with or develop brain damage and who suffer from severe intellectual and physical developmental delay as a result.

More information on this year's show can be found on the events dedicated website www.almcmotorshow.com. If you would like to get involved in the event, exhibit or put your extra special car on show contact any member of the organizing team via the links on the website.

Photographs courtesy of Paul Connell www.connellphotography.ie

Editor's notes:

The ALMC Motor Club www.almc.ie was founded in 1963, with operations currently based at the City North Hotel. Club activities generally centre on a number of annual club events – the ALMC stages rally, Multi venue Autotest and the new Endurance Trial event. The 2011 stages rally will be held locally on Sunday July 17th, with details available at www.almcstagesrally.com.

www.Octane.ie is a non-profit website created and run by Irish car enthusiasts, celebrating all Marques and organising track days and motoring events for its members.

The **Jack & Jill Children's Foundation** www.jackandjill.ie was established by Jonathan Irwin and his wife Mary Ann O'Brien in 1997 based on their own personal experience caring for their son Jack at home. For the past 14 years, Jack & Jill has provided frontline home nursing care and respite services to families of children who are born with or develop brain damage and who suffer from severe intellectual and physical developmental delay. So far it has supported over 1,300 families with home visits, practical advice, emotional support, information and guidance, bereavement support and funding for up to 62 hours of home nursing care per month for children up to the age of 4 years old. Its families refer to the Jack & Jill support model as "The gift of time" - time to do those normal things that others take from granted, like sleeping, shopping, going for a walk or a drive and spending time with the other siblings, with the peace of mind that their sick child is being well cared for. Today the charity receives only 19% of its funding from the HSE and it has launched its SOS (Save our Service) campaign to raise the additional €750,000 funding it requires to keep the service going in 2011 and beyond. Jack & Jill relies heavily on mobile phone and cash donations as well as fundraisers like the ALMC Performance Car Show to bridge the financial gap.

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