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## Hull Motor Show 2013 (Written By Mark Evison)

The Hull Motor Show, the club's most talked about show from the start of the show season, took place on the 25th August and had one of the biggest, if not the biggest, turn out from the club to date.

A joint stand with members of VXR-Online meant a massive 79 members paid up for the show. With the Club Stand Win in 2012, there was massive interest with this meet with members travelling from all over the country to the event, with around half of the members staying over on the Saturday night before the show at the Premier Inn close by to the event itself.

Everyone getting their cars clean and shiny after the drive up to Hull in the traditional rain that always seems to come the day or two before the show. Afterwards it was in to the Hotel, check in, and enjoy the night and chill ready for the mornings rush to get the stand ready for the show. 6am Came round and the alarms went off! By this time the mass convoys of people who had chose to drive over in the morning were already 1 hour in to travel time to the meeting point. Everyone one met up outside the hotel and the long line of cars convoyed on the short drive to the Asda which was the meeting point to hand out the car passes and spec

sheets. This was also the point where we would be organising the stand layout. Mark Evison (Events Manager) and his 3 Yorkshire ARO's (Gixerjrd, Peelmeister and BigWilko) then had the major task



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of putting each car in the correct order and doing 3 convoys worth of cars so not to block any other clubs in the car park.

The first convoy set off to the park and to find out where we had been put this year for the show. This is the first opportunity that we know exactly what space we have been allocated.

When we got there we found out there was only enough space for 2 long lines of cars! Not really what had been planned for, as last year's stand was 3 lines, so I had a plan for that layout. So we then had to quickly think where we were going to slot everyone in then. After a quick chat we put the Insignias in a line in colour order, followed by the Silver then Black then Blue Vectra. All the Vectras bar 3 managed to go right down the one side, which just shows how many turned up on the day. The VXR-Online group then went down the other line back to back which unfortunately made the stand look like 2 separate stands - it was mentioned that the cars should be interlinked which is something to look at next year.

**"39 Cars from Vectra-C.com  
from a stand that had over 60  
cars in total"**

The gazebo and other bits were put up in the middle—thanks to Peelmeister for bringing his gazebo down on the morning. The 2 banners we have (Yorkshire and East Regions) were then put up either side and balloons were put all around this section. Regional Feather flags (all but 1 which didn't end up at the show) were all placed down the centre of the stand, and they made us really stand out and show people just how long the stand was. Once the stand was finished the show was just about to open to the public, there was a much larger amount of cars this year so there was plenty to see. New attractions this year included a Formula 1 simulator and a super slide for the kids.

By around 1 o'clock it was time to get the voting sorted for the trophies on our own stand. Some members coming out on top and winning more than 1 goes to show how much work they have put into there cars.

Ian-C's Vectra is a prime example here with Ian walking away with 3 winners trophies from the event. Other Winners of the day included Peelmeister who took Winner for Best Modified and Car of the day. At 3 o'clock it was time for the Hull show to name who won the Best Club Stand as well as other categories. Vectra-C.com Managed 3rd Place for the club stand even though everyone says we should have won. The group that won only had 4 cars on there stand!

After the voting was announced it was time for everyone to say goodbye to Hull for another year and head for the gates.

Thank You to everyone who attended this year and hope to see you all next year too!



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**Cars on the stand at Hull. Once again we were the biggest**



**Some Members Taking More Than 1 Win At The Hull Show**

