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## Chairman's Word

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Aloha!!!! Members,

What a wonderful month August turned out to be for the Club. Starting with The Woodvale Show where we had a decent turnout of Motors and the weather stayed fine, also we feasted on the usual bacon and sausage nosh thanks to the chefs, lots of flying model aircraft and plenty of stalls to visit.

Then came the "PIECE DE - RESISTANCE" at Tatton Park where the Club earned first place in The Highly Commendable bracket as individual show area for multimark vehicles, so many congratulations to all Members who made the trip so successful, also, Big Jim and Son took a 1st and 2nd prize with their fantastic Zodiaks and John Allen with a first for his lovely TR3, well done everyone!.

Oulton Park was on the bank holiday weekend, good turnouts on both days and some very exciting motor racing as well, this show has got to be a must for next year.

The last day of the month sees us at The Rotary Show at Sutton fields, their second year and this time we have our own show area.

Anyway, a big well done to all of you who participated in the August shows and keep up the good work for September where I think the last show is at Widnes.

By the way, just an afterthought, we now have a Wolseley in the Club which runs on a mixture of Petrol and Diesel, I'm afraid we all had a good laugh at Johns' expense and do hope no damage was done to his lovely motor except for a De-coke on the move., Just thinking about it, if it had happened to one of today's made "Shoe boxes" it would probably have blown up Ha! Ha!

Saddle up and move em out

Your Friendly Neighborhood Chairman

John Wayne Greatbanks



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**Deadline for inclusion in next issue October 7th**

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# BITS & PIECES

## DVLA and Car Tax

Yes my favourite establishment is in the news again. Tax dodging is on the rise, and the DVLA reckon it increased by 5% in 2006.

An article in the Daily Mail showed an estimated increase in untaxed drivers has increased from 1.34 million in 1999 to 2.17 million in 2006

I reckon with current tax figures, and the proposed increases based on emissions, this will significantly rise further.

The DVLA crusher is also reported to be working overtime. In 2007 45,000 vehicles were crushed due to evasion.

I wonder what conclusions they can draw from this?

*Source: Auto Express*

Just to rub salt in their wounds, they have lost another 50,000 V5C Registration documents, which are now thought to be in the hands of criminals. Its good to know that all car registration data is in their capable hands

*Source: Auto Express*

## **From Russ Hadfield**

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### **Phil Hill**

Phil Hill, a philosophically inclined race-car driver of the 1950s and 1960s who was the only U.S.-born driver to win the Formula One international championship (Mario Andretti, a naturalized U.S citizen, was born in Italy, won the championship in 1978.), died Aug. 28 at Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula in Monterey, Calif. He was 81 and had Parkinson's disease.

Hill competed when racing was a more gentlemanly but far more dangerous sport than it is

today. He gained his greatest fame in endurance races that tested the limits of a driver's physical and mental resources and once participated in a cross-country rally in Mexico in which 10 drivers were killed.

Hill was a three-time winner of the 24-hour race at Le Mans, France, and he won the 12-hour endurance race at Sebring, Fla., three times. He left the University of Southern California to pursue his interest in cars and won his first race at 19.

**Source: The Arizona Republic**

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### **TYRES**

The National Tyre Distributors Association (NTDA) is concerned that many owners may be unaware of the hidden dangers that could lurk in classic and vintage car tyres over ten years old, including sidewall cracks or crazing, tread separation, cracks or bulges, deformation of the tyre carcass, and discolouration and fading of the rubber.

Vehicles in long time storage come into the high-risk category, where ultra-violet sunlight contributes to deterioration over time and spare tyres in particular are prone to age-related deterioration. In research, seven out of ten drivers said they would like the current age-coding system replaced by an easy-to-read "year of manufacture" date on the tyre.

Meanwhile, for reassurance, NTDA is currently offering a free tyre check at its 2700 centres across the UK, listed on [www.ntda.co.uk](http://www.ntda.co.uk).

**Source: Classic Car Weekly**

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Thanks to Peter Worthington for sending in this month's Classic Advertisement of the Mini.

# WARRINGTON MARKET CLASSIC SHOW



Steve Pickering, liasing closely with our very own Maria McP.



near the back of Hancock and Wood.



F1 Jaguar racing car from the Coventry Museum of Motoring, A Double Decker Bus ex St. Helens 50 years old, as well as a "new" Jaguar XF Model supplied by a



local motor dealer.

Some none NWCC cars were in attendance but we all generally mucked in and had a great day.

A lot of local interest was generated with the Warrington Shoppers, some of whom

pledged to visit our Ferry Show on 13th July. Although the usual fickle weather was about it didn't manage to dampen our enthusiasm at all.

A short promotional Video was made presented by Mark Olly and this is available on the Warrington TV web site. The link into the actual video is at [www.intheloft.tv/player.php?video=videos/classic\\_car\\_show08](http://www.intheloft.tv/player.php?video=videos/classic_car_show08).

Local Shows like this really do put our Club on the map and it's surprising how few people know of our existence.

Mind you, how many of us are aware of the upsurge in interest to do with Salsa Dancing in our town?

We gave a good account of ourselves and once again thanks go out to the organisers at Warrington Market and Council and to Maria our very own Talent- Scout for interesting Shows and places to go. Thanks for those who turned up on the day.

**Dave Espley. Social Sec**



# CLUB EVENTS 2008

14th Sept Daresbury Labs

27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> Sept. Widnes  
or Cholmondley

26th Dec Lymm Steam



## Penketh Carnival



## CLUB DISCOUNTS



Orford Green, Warrington

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# ANDREW PAGE

Lilford Street, Warrington. Ask for Simon

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# Alpha1Autos

U2 Priestly Street, Warrington. Discount card required

**Please remember to take your club membership card with  
you in order to claim your discount**

## NWCC Fiddler's Ferry Show 13<sup>th</sup> July 2008

The 5<sup>th</sup> Fiddler's Ferry show took place on the 13<sup>th</sup> July, and contrary to last year brollies, wellingtons and pacamacs were not mandatory.

The day was graced with great weather, which helped in getting approximately 70 cars and 10 motorbikes on show.

Not only were club member's cars there, but also members of other local clubs including the Land Rover club. The presentation of all vehicles was to a very high standard, and we should be proud of that.

The showing of vehicles was improved with the Pub Garden being opened and made available for our use. This was a major success as vehicles did not need to be parked along the entrance road.

The public came out in their droves, and genuinely showed a great interest in the cars, and also the local councillor, Peter Harrison, popped in to see how everything was getting on.

There was much gnashing of teeth from other car/bike owners when prizes consisting of silver plaques

and bottles of wine were awarded for the Pub Landlady Choice, Committee Choice, and Best Bike. These went to John Allen for his TR3A, Kenny Jackson, for his Morris 8, and Tony Goodrick for his Triumph Trident respectively.

The rest of us will just have to try harder next year, or make sure the wrong date for next year's show is given to this year's winners so we all stand a chance.

I would just like to say a word of thanks to Dave Espley, who virtually single handedly arranged this show, leaving the rest of us just to follow his instructions thus ensuring it all ran smoothly, which it did!!

Well done Dave, the club owes you big time. Have a set of broken Spot Lamps on me!!

On a less positive note, the club members should hang their heads in shame at the poor effort made when loading the NWCC trailer at the end of the show. In Ivan's absence, the lack of coordination shone through, and for next time, like my school reports used to say – WE COULD DO BETTER

**Russ Hadfield**  
**NWCC Vice Chairperson**

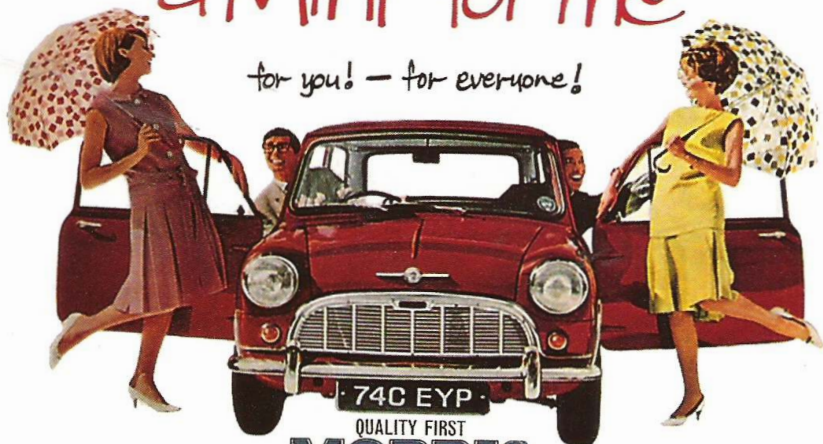


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