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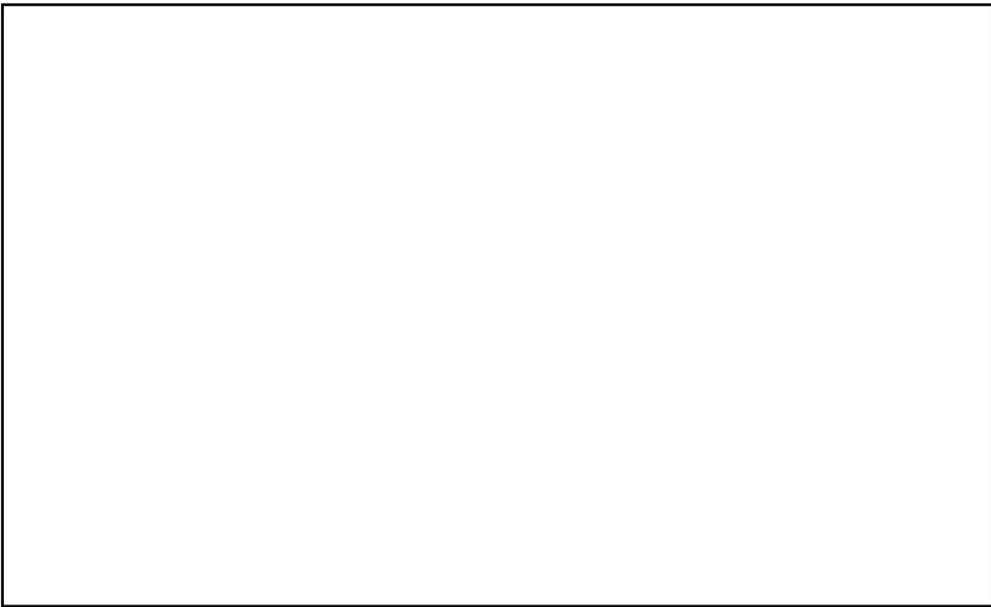
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11th Aug

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Chairman's Chatter

Hi All

I hope that you too are enjoying this year's car events as much as Anne and I are.

Just after last month's meeting was of course the much awaited NWCC Annual Show. The second to be held in conjunction with the Hale Carnival. Ian Trimble started a display of classics in memory of his Dad, so we have Ian to thank for a great start. I'm sure Mr Trimble would have been proud and amazed on it's subsequent success. Last year it chucked it down but 2015 was blessed with lovely weather and a fantastic turnout! I spoke to Cerri, the Carnival Organiser. She was delighted with the attendance figures. She felt that the Car Show played a big part in the Carnivals success and, as a result will be making a donation to our nominated charity, St Roccas. Thanks go to Colin Dowling our Show Organiser, Helpers/Marshals and of course the Attendees. We all got to see some great vehicles, with good company and because it's NWCC, plenty of laughs.



The next day quite a few of us visited Eaton Hall in Cheshire. It is the country house of the Duke of Westminster. This is a bi-annual money raiser on behalf of The Cheshire Yeomanry Association Benevolent Fund. Their Chairman and our member, Phil Hammond invited NWCC and a few selected Classic Car Clubs to attend. Phil did a sterling job of arranging the cars so there were many photo opportunities. It was a delightful day, I won half a lamb in the raffle! Yum Yum! Another array of classic cars all of a very high standard. In a letter received by me thanking us for our attendance Phil explained that the event raised around £1400.

Lymm Transport day on the 28th was another success story, with Joe Gowland winning a prize for best Seventies Sports car! (Joe's car is 1990 I think) Ooops! Never mind Joe at least they noticed your car.

My Austin was awaiting a new speedo cable from Richfield cables, unfortunately, it got lost in the post! A week from Northampton, I could have walked it. Well, when it did arrive it was 20cm (8" in old money), short. So I explained and they made me another, It was only at this point that I discovered why the cable was broken, the speedo was jammed. Our member Colin (The Clock) Evans stepped in to remedy the situation and as I write this I am hoping to collect it tomorrow (Weds) Thanks Colin.

It's Frodsham on Saturday and Didsbury on Sunday. What a busy month!!

Cheers Nigel

Hale Carnival

ceeded in sunshine, together with two invited club cars.

After the drawing of the raffle, the prizes were

awarded to the winning cars of the show. First

was the Carnival Choice, chosen by the Mayor. The winner was a

VW Type 2 camper van as it reminded him of the vehicle he and his wife used for their honeymoon. The other awards were Committee Choice for a Mercedes Benz SL and Best of Show to a pre-war Austin.

Even though there were so many no-shows I think everyone would agree that we had a great day. Thanks to Colin for the organising of the show and ordering the good weather.



After last year's bad weather, I think

everyone feared the worst again for this year. The forecast

was for heavy rain on the day with a band of rain from south Wales,

across Cheshire and up to the north east. The day, however, turned out to be a lot better than expected, with just a little drizzle early in the morning.

After erecting the gazebos, etc, we could take a look at the vehicles coming in, thinking that the field will be looking good with the

expected 125 which were booked in. It didn't look quite as good as we thought it would be, though, because only 76 turned up. Almost 40 didn't bother to come.

The day gradually brightened so that, by lunch time, the carnival parade with the Carnival Queen, pro-



Events

July 18/19th – Speke Hall

July 26th - Frodsham

Aug 1st - Newton Town show

Aug 15th - Woodlands

Aug 22/23rd - Tatton Park

Aug 30th - Ormskirk

Sept 6th - St.Roccas Show

Sept 12/13th - East Lancs Railway

Sept 13th - Walton Hall

Sept 26/27th - Widnes

Bits ‘n Pieces

Eaton Hall

Cheshire Yeomanry Association
Family Day (Litani) Event Committee.

Dear Nigel

On behalf of the organisation committee I would like to pass on our thanks for your club's attendance at our bi-annual event. I spent some time chatting to your club members and the feedback from them was very positive and they would be looking forward to 2017 when the next event will be held.

Your club members were most generous and some were very lucky in the raffle.

The benevolent fund is now nearly £1400 to the better and will go towards helping those serving and retired members and their families in times of need.

Yours Sincerely

Phil Hammond

Chairman.

Jack Reay

It is with regret that I report that our friend and fellow member Jack Reay passed away early last month. Jack had been a long time member of NWCC and was a lover of classic cars up until his death. The car he had for many years can still be seen on our club stand drop down banners, the black and white Citroen Light 15. A couple of years ago he had to sell the car because of his failing health, but he still remained a club member.

His funeral took place at the Holy Trinity Church in Warrington town centre and finally at Walton Crematorium. Rob Smith and Steve Marran attended to represent the club.



For more information of this charity to raise living standards of children in third world countries see Sue Thomas or go to www.marysmeals.org

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we've turned off the light at the
end of the tunnel.**

Vehicle Enquiry Service

Following on from what Chris Lee was talking about at the last meeting, about some of the problems of identifying some vehicles with DVLA, it would appear that the FBHVC is investigating the issue. This short article appears in their latest news letter.

In the DVLA section of this Newsletter Ian Edmunds provides a detailed update on the DVLA Vehicle Enquiry Service (VES). The Federation continues to be of the view that, now there is no tax disc, it is important that the VES works smoothly for every vehicle, from wherever it is accessed.

Currently that cannot be guaranteed for all historic vehicles. There are still cases where an enquiry using the obvious 'Make' results in a 'no details held' return. Perhaps more seriously, it does not explain why.

The Federation recognises that the problem affects a small number of almost entirely historic vehicles, but we think it simply has to be corrected. We are sure most of the problem arose from early data entry issues at the time that local authority entries were centralised into

what was then DVLC. Indeed some may date from a time when no-one had even thought of computers, and local authority entries might themselves not have been as precise as is now required for modern systems use.

We have promised that, if DVLA should wish, we would be only too happy to try to provide a glossary of names on which DVLA could rely to solve most of these identity problems.

We are not quite sure the significance of this problem has been fully taken on board by DVLA. Nor have we yet been able to persuade them that, if our members are going to be required to take actual steps to ensure VES works for their vehicle, there will be an onus on DVLA to make those steps as simple and painless as possible. Bear with us, as this problem might take a little while before we can find a way to make it go away completely.

Thanks to Chris Lee for submitting this article.

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