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Casual Classics

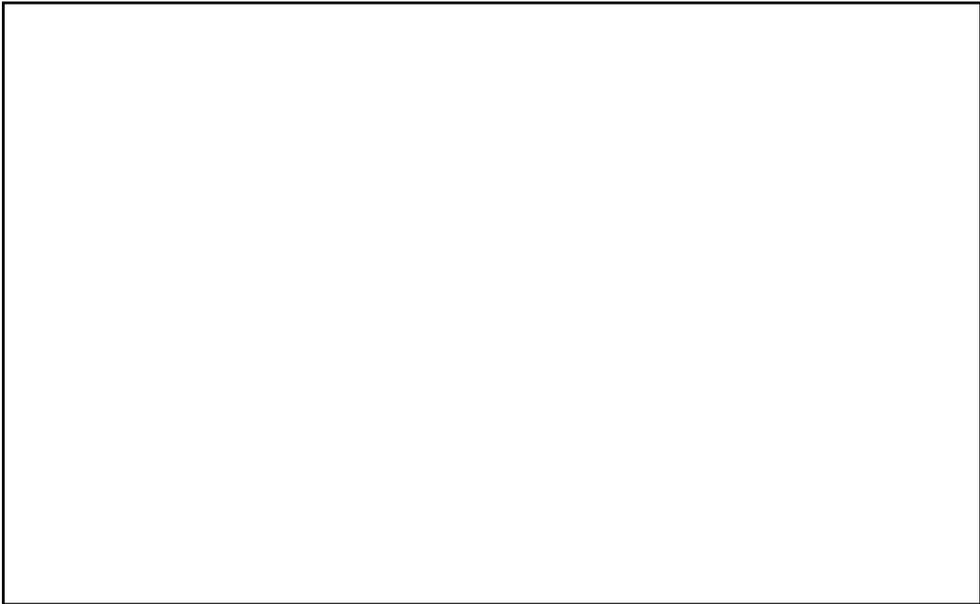
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August 2014





Next Meeting
9th Sept

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Chairman's Chatter

Hi All,

August already! Where did July go? Well, for Anne and I the 13th was the Didsbury Park Car Show. Just a small gathering of 150 or so cars of all denominations, we took the Stag and the 850R. I like to think the Volvo is a bit special as only a few are left. You can imagine my surprise when another Volvo 850 R drove on to the park, a red estate too! He was accompanied by his mate in a Volkswagen Karmann Ghia, who also has one and it's red and an estate!!! So maybe one day we'll have a micro-meet at Krispy Kremes.



Speke Hall. The weather was against us on Saturday but it didn't dampen our spirits as we huddled in the NWCC Control. Yes it did rain a bit but about 50 cars turned up and we thank them for that and the Band played on! Sunday was a whole different ball game, by 11am the weather was settled and we were in for a great day. Thanks th Kennys hard work on the booking front the field filled up nicely. Naturally the NWCC stand was chock full and the crowds were all over us like a rash. Voting slips were given out for the visitors to vote for the Barry Molyneux Trophy. The winner was in fact Eddie Brown with his magnificent Coupe de Ville. I think the campers had a good time judging by the 'empties'!

Whilst some of you were at Frodsham, Simon and I went to Audlem to their Transport Day. We parked on the Village Green at Hankelow and proceeded to Audlem in convoy. The roads were lined with well wishers waving their wine glasses and beer mugs! We arrived at the quite small show field and parked up. The sun shone and the crowds turned up in their hundreds. After a fish and chip lunch we went off to the canal to look at the many canal boats that had also arrived for the Transport day.

The other day Nigel from the workshop gave me a ring as he had a car in which had the same engine in it as my SS Jaguar. It turned out to be a Triumph Roadster 1948. It hadn't run for 32 years and the owners son wanted to take his 96 year old dad a ride in it! We washed out the tank, cleaned the fuel line, the jets, the plugs, points, put in fresh petrol, oil and filter and she fired up! Euphoria was soon dashed as she started to wheeze and it became evident that a valve had stuck open. Groan. More work needed.



Cheers Nigel

Bits 'n Pieces



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

Thanks to Joe Gowland for this month's Backside. picture

The 1983 Austin Maestro was something of an innovation at its launch. It featured a bonded, laminated windscreen, electronic idling controls and a talking dashboard in the higher spec models. It was also one of the first cars to feature fibre-optic lighting in its instrument needles.

Newly-weds Ali and Paul Bartlett got a shock when their wedding car was stopped by police on their way to the reception. The car was a reproduction of the Dukes of Hazard 'General Lee' Dodge Charger and, to be authentic, the car's owner played his musical Dixie air horns. Wayne Duke (no relation) is due to appear in court for the offence.

A show with a slight difference took place recently at Whittlebury Golf Club in Northamptonshire, hosted by Hagerty insurance specialists.

Billed as the Festival of The Unexceptional, it featured cars such as the Fiat Strada, Reault 6T and Austin Metro.

Best of show went to a Nissan Cherry with second place taken by an Austin Maxi.

The organisers are hoping to repeat the show next year.

A new TV programme presented by Quentin Wilson will be hitting the screens next January. Called The Classic Car Show, it promises to feature 'gorgeous cars and A-list celebrities'.

Although the channel it will appear on has yet to be decided, the makers have confirmed that contents will include Keith Richards' Ferrari 246 Dino, a Jaguar XK120 taking part in the Mille Miglia and interviews with Sir Stirling Moss. You can learn more at:- www.theclassiccarshow.tv

When the Rover P5 was launched in 1958, some motoring journalists described the front as "looking like a Routemaster bus".

Hale Carnival



WET, WET, WET. No, not a pop revival concert, but our annual show in the rain.

With our usual Ferry show in

question because of the double flooding of the Ferry Inn, plus the collapse of the access bridge when a lorry fell through it, we decided to play safe and combine the event with an already established show. After some discussion



we decided on the Hale Carnival as the best choice.

There is plenty of space with the carnival itself on one side of the

park road and the field on the other side available for the car show. The carnival includes a fair, charity and craft stalls, live music, displays and you can even try your hand at clay pigeon shooting.

It starts at mid-day with the crowning of the carnival queen and a procession around the village. I really felt sorry for them this year as the procession took place in the pouring rain.



We brought all three gazebos because of the poor weather forecast and



erected them while the rain persisted down. Linking all three together meant we had plenty of room for everyone. As soon as we had them fully built, the rain stopped. However, it was a day of regular showers.



Unfortunately, the adverse weather put off a lot of people as numbers were well down on applications, but those who turned up put on a brave face.

The Mayor had a good look around and chose his favourite car and a successful raffle was held in aid of the Mark Gorry foundation which was organised by Eileen and Alan Smith.



Three trophies were awarded. Best of show went to a beautiful, black Allard. Mayor's choice was the red Zodiac Mk-III of and Jim White took best motorcycle with his trike.



After packing up in a lull in the showers we finally got home and put the car away just as the sun came out.

Events

Aug 17th - Road Run

Aug 23rd - Southport

Aug 24th - Ormskirk Motorfest

Aug 25th - Hope Farm, Hale Bank

Aug 25th - Northwich

Sept 13th/14th Birkenhead

Sept 14th - Walton Gardens

Sept 14th - Bury Transport

Sept 20th - St. Helens Town Centre

Sept 27/28th - Widnes

Oct 4th/5th Blackpool Steam

Oct 5th - Ellenroad Engine House

Oct 26th - Haydock Revival

Dec 26th - Lymm Steam ?

BEING ENTHUSIASTS YOU KNOW ABOUT THIS, BUT JUST IN CASE Updates and advice on abolition of the vehicle tax disc.

From 1 October 2014, the paper tax disc will no longer need to be displayed on a vehicle windscreen.

You can apply online to tax or SORN your vehicle using your 16 digit reference number from your vehicle tax renewal reminder (V11) or 11 digit reference number from your log book (V5C)

What this means to you

To drive or keep a vehicle on the road you will still need to get vehicle tax and DVLA will still send you a renewal reminder when your vehicle tax is due to expire. This applies to all types of vehicles including those that are exempt from payment of vehicle tax.

Buying a vehicle

From 1 October, when you buy a vehicle, the vehicle tax will no longer be transferred with the vehicle. You will need to get new vehicle tax before you can use the vehicle.

You can tax the vehicle using the New Keeper Supplement (V5C/2) part of the vehicle registration certificate (V5C) online or by phone - 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Alternatively, you may wish to visit a Post Office® branch.

Selling a vehicle

If you sell a vehicle after 1 October and you have notified DVLA, you will automatically get a refund for any full calendar months left on the vehicle tax.

Vehicle tax refunds

You will no longer need to make a separate application for a refund of vehicle tax. DVLA will automatically issue a refund when a notification is received from the person named on DVLA vehicle register that the:

- vehicle has been sold or transferred
- vehicle has been scrapped at an Automated Treatment Facility
- vehicle has been exported
- vehicle has been removed from the road and the person on the vehicle register has made a Statutory Off Road Notification (SORN)
- person on the vehicle register has changed the tax class on the vehicle to an exempt duty tax class

Mark Gorry

Dream Day

Mark Gorry lived in Widnes and had testicular cancer. He made a vow to raise one million pounds for the charity to fight this disease but, unfortunately, died before reaching his goal.

When Freddy Moran, a member of the local scooter club, who lived near Mark's mother, heard this he vowed to carry on the quest and began organising events, this being one of them, to raise money.



It's an age thing.

1974: Long hair
2014: Longing for hair

1974: The perfect high
2014: The perfect high yield mutual fund

1974: Acid rock
2014: Acid reflux

1974: Growing pot
2014: Growing pot belly

1974: Popping pills, smoking joints
2014: Popping joints

1974: Killer weed
2014: Weed killer

1974: Going to a new, hip joint
2014: Receiving a new hip joint

1974: Rolling Stones
2014: Kidney Stones

1974: Screw the system
2014: Upgrade the system

1974: Disco
2014: Costco

1974: Parents begging you to get your hair cut
2014: Children begging you to get their heads shaved

1974: Taking acid
2014: Taking antacid

1974: Passing the drivers' test
2014: Passing the sight test

1974: Whatever
2014: Depends



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