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Chairman's Chatter



Hi all.

Those of us who didn't do Tatton Park on the 17th had a superb run out to the Anderton Boat Lift. Most of the club started from the clubhouse and arrived at the lift just after Anne and I showed up. Eileen (Social Secretary) negotiated a group discount for us to have the tour and a ride in the lift. Thanks Eileen, take a bow.

Oh, you did. This venture was preceded by tea and stickies in the café. A bijou gathering of small scale traction engines was inspected before we left for lunch at the Leigh Arms.

On Saturday the 30th the Phoenix Club had their show at the Clock Face Hotel. It was very well attended and I don't think they could have got any more cars parked on the ground. The sun shone and a good time was had by all.

My SS has hit the classifieds but no interest yet. The bigger SS cars are always in demand with 2.5 and 3.5 sometimes reaching six figures! However, 1.5 cars are worth nothing like that. So I wait for an offer. What I want now is a 40s car that's ready to 'Rock n Roll'. What I really fancy is a Riley RMA/RMB, late 40s. My dad had one back in the day and I remember the epic family trips to Looe in Cornwall in it in the early 60s. We used to set off at 4am and get there at 7pm at night! The only motorway was the Stretford by-pass (Worsley to Sale, part of the M60 now). His was a 1.5lt in black, so that would be nice, but the RMB had the 2.5lt engine so that might be nicer. I'll keep looking but I need to shift the SS first.

My head was turned, though, by a rare Humber that was for sale in Chorley in Car and Classics. The pictures looked good and with the strong money being asked for, it lead me to believe it would be top class. It is a two door saloon and of pillarless construction and looks really cute. The reality was in fact quite different and it was obvious that a total paint job was in order, along with some metal work, I suspect. As I say I want something that's ready to go, so I'll keep you posted.

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

I would like to thank you all for supporting Mary's Meals. August's raffle raised £68.00. The prize was half of that so £34.00 was won by Mr. & Mrs. (webmaster) Bennett who kindly donated an extra £10.00. Therefore a total of £44.00 was raised. (&16p!) Well done NWCC!

Adding this to money raised through sales of books etc & donations from friends & family I have just sent £350.00 to Mary's Meals and that makes a grand total so far of £1,120.00.

I set myself a goal of raising £1,000.00 & with your help this has been achieved & much more! We really are making a difference.

I will keep going so here's to the next thousand! Thanks again NWCC you are fabulous.

Luv Sue xx

A Road Safety Foundation initiative, Measuring to Manage, has identified northwest England's A537, which runs between Macclesfield and Buxton, as the UK's most dangerous road. The seven-mile stretch of tarmac winds its way through the Peak District National Park. Bounded by dry stone walls or bare rock faces for the most part, its sharp bends, uphill climbs and steep falls from the carriageway make it nine times more risky than the average 'A' road, the report says.

If you missed out on a brand new E-Type Jaguar the first time around, you will soon have another chance. Jaguar Land Rover's Special Vehicle Operations is making six special light-weight E-Types to original specifications. With a price tag of around £1 million, now might be the time to be looking down the back of the sofa and raiding the piggy banks



Events

- 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 ?

Warrington Town Centre



Lymm Historic

Transport Day



After the first show last year, we were hoping for better weather and the gazebos staying in one piece. We weren't disappointed. The good weather certainly brought out the crowds of both exhibitors and public, making for a



packed showground. There was a lot to see while walking around the town. Steam traction engines and classic buses were parked at various places and fairground organs were in full swing.



The canal was jam packed with narrow boats, which seemed to be very popular with the public. Although most boats were private, leisure craft there were also a few working boats.



A tourist boat was also on hand to provide canal trips. Model railways could be found



in a couple of places and there was even a few people walking around in period clothing. Back on the show field a line of model aircraft were being displayed. Live music kept

us entertained throughout the day and food and drink vans and tents were there to refresh you if you started flagging. Great selections of classics were on display including mo-



tor cycles, bicycles and speedway bikes, as well as the cars. If you weren't there this year you missed a great show with plenty to see and do. Try to make it there next year.



Speke Hall

A wet, miserable morning greeted us on Saturday morning and the forecast for the rest of the day wasn't any better. Fortunately, Nigel had taken the trailer to the site on Friday to get the field set up, so the gazebos were



already up when we arrived.

Few turned out in the damp; exhibitors, stall holders and public alike, but we made the most of it. Sunday proved to be the better day with sun



coming out and the field drying up. With the better weather came more exhibitors until the area was just about full. The NWCC stand alone sported thirty two vehicles, which must be a record for us.

In addition to the vehicles on display, Speke Hall management had erected a large marquee with a bar and live music. Craft stalls lined one side of the field and food and ice cream vans were present. A perk for exhibitors was a free pass for two to



go around the house and grounds. For the public to enter the display field a voluntary donation was asked for and approximately £2500 was raised, all of which goes directly to the upkeep of the hall and not to the National Trust.



As we were not attending the second Tatton Park show this year we decided to hold the



Barry Molineaux trophy here and the winner was



Eddy Brown with his Cadillac. Although it was a wet start I think it was a successful

weekend and can only get stronger. Particular credit should go to the marshals who were on their feet the whole weekend, rain and shine.



Backside

