

SEPTEMBER 2018 NEWSLETTER

NEW MEMBERS.

A very warm welcome is extended to Mark Benson, Congleton with his Mercedes SL and David Nicklin from Mossley with his Riley/Ford V8 Roadster, which sounds an interesting vehicle. Currently our membership stands at 86.

Members News

Congratulations to Antony Coolican who just happened to turn up at the recent Capesthorne Hall show and was invited to 'go into the arena', no doubt, by the stalwart announcer whom most of us know. Well for his tribulations Antony came away with the 'Best Morris Minor in the show' award. Now this is not your usual Moggie Minor as this one is of 1932 vintage.

The club's very own Mafiosa representative, Tony Pomelli (recently back from a 'business trip' to Italy), was at the same event and came away with an award for the 'Best pre-70's car award'. A couple of weeks previously Tony had been to Wilmslow Show, yes of all places Wilmslow in Cheshire. He came away with a rather magnificent trophy for 'Best Car in Show'. Now that takes some doing at Wilmslow! This is the 21st trophy won by his fabulous baby Fiat so there will need to be an extension built to his bungalow before the next trophy!

Congratulations to all members who use and show their vehicles. Participation is indicative of our enthusiasm and awards are indicative of the quality of our cherished vehicles.

Some members will be aware that Julie Teszke, of Reliant fame, had been hospitalised following a fall, which resulted in a broken hip. The good news is that she is now continuing her recovery at home and should be amongst us again in time for the BBQ. Get well soon Julie.

Jack Cartlidge Memorial.

Members agreed that a perpetual trophy awarded annually to the winner of a treasure hunt which would be held before the annual BBQ, would be an appropriate tribute. Bob Stelling has volunteered to create the award and our intrepid Road Run Duo, Eddy & George are 'on the case'.

Terry misunderstood the intention of the second suggestion of a commemorative book based on the club history. This has not been abandoned but would be very appropriate for next year, as July 2019 will be the 20th anniversary of our club.

Raffle.

The August meeting raffle raised £61.

'Expert Talk'

Arrangements are in hand to get an expert on petrol to give us a talk on the said subject. Previewed for the Oct or Nov Club Night.

Events.

The National, and maybe even International, Microcar Rally is taking place at Andrea and Clive's 'gaff' in Nether Alderley between 31st Aug and 2nd Sept. Andrea & Clive extended an invitation to anyone interested in an Open Day on 2nd Sept when it will be possible to see and maybe learn about the merits, or otherwise of these much loved, lots of fun, modes of transport.

Club Events

Other than the BBQ, our next event will be the first of our afternoon shows, September 23 **Beartown Classic Car Club, Autumn Show, Bull's Head. 12h00 on.**

Sept.02 CLONTER OPERA ARTISAN FAIR & CLASSIC CARS. A great setting and lots of interesting attractions, including good music. Please use rear access point to get to our usual plot and arrive by 09h30.

Sept.09 CONGLETON BEARTOWN CLASSIC CAR CLUB SHOW & BBQ. Invites have been issued to every member. Whilst some returns have been made ALL OUTSTANDING RESPONSES should be made ASAP but by the latest at the 3rd Sept Club Night. The definitive numbers must be sent to the caterers by 4th Sept. Tickets will be distributed to members at September club night or can be collected at the BBQ itself. The same conditions apply this year as last i.e. NO TICKET – NO GRUB.

Sept. 15 Smallwood Village Fete. Can not get more local than this, it's just around the corner from the Bulls Head. Organisers are always appreciative of a few exhibits. Afternoon only.

Sept. 16 Holmes Chapel Village Autumn Fayre. Second year for this event the organiser of which has attended our Club Night to ask for members' support. Members reported a good success at last year's event. Runs from 14h00 to 17h00.

Sept. 15/16 Rudyard Lake Train Gala. The organiser has been in touch to confirm that this event is still on. Indeed an offer to exhibiting members of a free bacon butty, a cup of char, free train rides and ½ price for food from cafe should be sufficient to incentivise a few members to enjoy the setting and the event. Space for up to 10 vehicles will be reserved on the car park. 10h00 onwards, first come, first served.

September 22 Congleton Heritage and Antiques Fair, Charity Collection, Congleton Town Centre.

We have been asked by Harold and the organisers to participate in this event. In doing so we will take the opportunity to do a charity collection in the town centre on Sat 22nd Sept. 09h00 thru 13h00.

Geographical Dispersal.

Many thanks to Ray Yates for the following article, he'll be over the moon to receive responses.

Did you see the picture of Tatton Park Show, Passion for Power on page 16 of this weeks Classic Car Weekly, the magazine that has a readership nearly as big as ours??

If you look to the left of the picture you will see one of the marshals desperately trying (and failing) to get out of the shot! He's behind that lovely Singer Gazelle registered ACC 164A! Recognise him? Yes, once again you're right it's our Ted, our Ambassador ! He can't keep out of the news even when he tries!

Tatton Park is one of the venues that the Club has a "Club Stand" and just like the other Club Stands is also well supported by our members, we do two shows there that's 4 days.

Club Stands are also at the Smallwood show, (3 days), Middlewich Show (2 days), Clonter Opera Show (1), Endon Well Dressing (1), Congleton Town Centre 1 day in December and (unofficially) the 1 day Nantwich show!. That is 13 Club Show Days ,all well represented with at least 10 motors on show each day and that is pretty impressive for any club but for a little one like ours it's absolutely MAGNIFICENT !

But where do we as individuals show our prized possessions otherwise? How far away from our "base" at the Bulls Head do our cars travel?

We know that a "fleet" of our cars drove to the Cosford Air Museum ably piloted (see what I did there?) by our superb "path-finder" team. We know that Betty 'n Fred along with the Shaw Bros and Rob and Ray have been to venues in Anglesey, Llandudno, Bodelwyddan, Caerwys, Flint etc but where else do we go ?

Terry has some cracking pictures on the 5 castles and Snowdonia rallies but do we ever get to places like Crich or Matlock, Malvern or Coventry ?

We'd like your input, how about it, let us know just how far you roam, what magical places you've seen and where you'd recommend ! !

September Events

September 07-09 Goodwood Revival Meeting

September 08-09 Yesteryear Rally, Hampton, Malpas

September 08-09 Nostalgic Weekend, RAF Burtonwood

September 09 **CONGLETON BEARTOWN CLASSIC CAR CLUB SHOW & BBQ**

September 09 Blackpool Vehicle Preservation Group Autumn Show: South Promenade, Lytham St. Annes, FY8 1NP.

September 09 Classic Drive and Ride-In Day, Lakeland Motor Museum, Backbarrow, Windermere, Cumbria

September 15 Smallwood Village Fete.

September 15-16 North Rode Transport Show, Bosley, Nr. Congleton

September 15-16 Rudyard Lake Train Gala.

September 15-16 Yesteryear Rally, Mill Meece Pumping Station, Nr Eccleshall

September 15-16 Footman James Manchester Classic Car Show, Event City, Mcr.

September 16 Holmes Chapel Village Autumn Fayre.

September 16 Heritage & Classic Vehicle Rally, Etruria Industrial Museum

September 16 Yesteryear Rally, Mill Meece Pumping Station, Nr Eccleshall

September 22 Congleton Heritage and Antiques Fair, Charity Collection, Congleton Town Centre.

September 22-23 High Legh Garden Centre, Festival of Transport

September 23 **Beartown Classic Car Club Autumn Show, Bull's Head.**

September 23 Newark Mega Autojumble, Newark, Notts.

September 30 Walled Towns Trail Car Run.

September 30 Standard Triumph Car Day, Heaton Park, Manchester