

# Newsletter



Member of the Federation of British Historic Vehicle Clubs

It is with deep regret that we have to announce the death of our long-term secretary Barry Cooper whose efforts over the years, especially when Malcolm was on business overseas, helped our club to grow to it's current healthy size.

His Lunch Runs, which we still continue, formed the backbone of our social events and he only relinquished his secretarial duties when the need for modern technology overtook his long held traditional values.

He will be remembered especially for his organisational skills and his enthusiasm for the iconic WW2 Spitfire.

Details of his funeral will be circulated as they become available.



## What's Coming Up

**Key:**

- ⇒ Club event
- ◇ Club attendance as a group at a motoring or other event
- Everything else of interest. These items are shown for information only.

If you have a question, call Peter Hughes  
Events Coordinator  
0746 2522244

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**Several postponements for safety due to the Coronavirus and the age demograph of our members**

**March**

- 14 - 15 International Jaguar Spares Day website
- ⇒ 18 Lunch Run **POSTPONED** Mike Scott 01285 760 315
- **27 Skittles Evening POSTPONED**
- 27 - 29 Practical Classics Classic Car Show NEC website

**April**

- ⇒ 5 Fairford CCC AGM **POSTPONED** Malcolm 01285 712 173
- 19 Cirencester Car Club Corinium Run Geoff. 01453 883 821
- ⇒ **23 St. George's Day Run** Ken 01285 712 522
- 26 FBHVC "Drive It Day" website
- ⇒ 27 Committee Meeting Geoff. 01453 883 821

**MAY**

- 1-3 Donnington HistoricFestival website
- 3 Wheelnuts car show Stroud website
- 3 Classic motor Hub VE Celebration website
- 9 - 10 Classics at Prescott website
- 15 - 17 Summer Jaguar Festival website
- 16 Ride It Day
- ⇒ 20 Lunch Run Geoff 01453 883821

**Dates of other events and website addresses appear in our "What's On" section on our website**

### Vale of the White Horse Lunch Run - February 19th 2020

It did not start very well on the first recce of the route it was another of those wet days and we ran into several flash floods and on the way home at the Minety Cross roads between Cricklade and Purton it was fairly deep - cars coming from Purton turning back.

Confident or fool hardy we forded the flood and managed to pass through. This set the scene for the whole event. On the Monday we checked out the run only to find at one point the road was flooded, but passable.

On run day we did the run in reverse, the road was still flooded but to a lesser degree. As backup we did have plan 'B' just in case. Luckily we didn't need it.

Burford Garden Centre was an ideal start point as we arrived early we had time for a breakfast before the thirty hardy Fairford C.C.C. souls arrived for coffee and a natter. Run day was damp and overcast - all cars underway on or just after the suggested time. The lunch venue made life easy allocating the top section of the restaurant that just fitted us for size. As we approached the lunch serving time the last of the party arrived being the Chairman who had just popped in at home to check on the builders. We had no complaints re the food and we didn't hear of anyone wrong slotting on the route. For our first effort it did not turn out too badly for us, just the thought of a flooded road at the back of our minds. Luckily it did not seem to worry anyone. Thanks to everyone that took part on the run day and made it all worthwhile.

John and Di

Photos: Keith Handley



#### "The Automobile" magazines

Good home needed for 250 copies of "The Automobile" magazines from early 1980 onwards.

Collect from Mike Cox's home in Standlake.

Donations to club funds.

Phone Mike on 01865 300 929

#### Advance notice

Pershore Plum Festival

Bank Holiday Monday August 31st 2020

Pencil this into your diaries

More details available from Keith Handley next month.

