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Editorial

Welcome to the October edition of the magazine!

Highlight of September was the David Roscoe Memorial Dimanche Tour which was well received, despite running in the cloud of petrol panic buying! Naturally we have a report and a few pictures from the event.

Thanks to Hamish Roscoe we have a lovely article about a bucket list wish which came true.

We also have some words and pictures from Robert about a Jaguar XK120 he came across at Brooklands and it also appeared a week later at the Goodwood Revival. Out and About continues with a selection of pictures from Robert which he has taken over the last month. We also see the return of the monthly delve into the slide collection.

Club and Pubnights continue at The Fox (Fox Corner, Worplesdon, Guildford GU3 3PP). We hope to see you there!

Any reports, anecdotes and articles always gratefully received. Let's hear what you've been up to or indeed can remember doing!

Stay Safe

Annette & Robert Clayson

Social Calendar

October

12th Clubnight at The Fox, Fox Corner, Worplesdon, Guildford GU3 3PP. 8pm

19th Committee Meeting

26th Pubnight at The Fox

28th H&B Skittles

Goodwood Events - Open.

Brooklands Events - Currently the museum is currently open Daily, with pre booked tickets are advisable.

Competition - October

Sat/Sun 2-3 Oct. Abingdon Sprint (Saturday) and Stage Rally (Sunday)

Fri. 8th Oct. - The Papyrus 12 Car - Basingstoke Motor Club -

Sat/Sun. 9/10th Oct. - The Harvest Road Rally - South Hams Motor Club

Sun. 10th Oct. - The Topographica Rally - Boundless CSMA (Southern) -

Fri. 14th Oct. - Autumn 12 Car - Southsea Motor Club - Details when we get them.

Sun. 17th Oct. - The Auria folia 12 Car - Basingstoke Motor Club -

Sat. 23rd Oct. - The Exmoor Targa Rally - Tavern Motor Club -

Sat. 30th Oct. - The Driveshaft 20/20 Rally - Devizes and District Car Club -

Full details on the the [website](#)

Weald MC 12 Car

The first round of the Weald MC is 1st October
SCC Southern Soiree

Round 2 - 22nd October Borough 18MC

GMC Round 11th February 2022

A Bucket List Experience Come True.

By Hamish Roscoe

My Mother in Law, Judy (no mother in law jokes here she is a wonderful person) has been battling cancer for a few years now and she and her treatment are winning.

Its been a tough battle made harder by all things covid, but her consultant has told Judy that all this hard work and medical science should not to be wasted, cosseted away in cotton wool, life is for living.

Judy being a true Motorsport fan wanted to celebrate in style, thus her Son Matt arranged for them both to attend the British Grand Prix which she loved. Being a Lewis Fan she had a bonus when he won.

Watching is all well and good, Suzie (Judy's daughter and my wife) came up with the idea of a Track day. The TR Register link up with other classic car clubs to arrange track



r to I. - Hamish Roscoe, Judy Tideswell and Suzie Roscoe



In the car - Hamish Roscoe and Judy Tideswell

days so they are all like minded people. They had one on Anglesey at the beginning of September ideal as that is where Judy lives.

The weekend weather was wet and windy yet the sun shines on the righteous and the Monday track day weather was perfect. I had spare helmets from my motorcycling adventures thus Judy was suitably suited and booted to take part.

If you have never visited the Anglesey Circuit you must. The setting and views are spectacular over the sea and the Snowdonia mountain range including Snowdon. The Drivers' brief even warns you not to be distracted by the views!

In the morning was the Coastal circuit a 1.55 mile lap ideal suited to our classic cars. We had a couple of laps behind the course car to familiarise all the drivers. Judy thought those were great and with a thumbs up we started in earnest, building up speed lap on lap and each time I could tell she was grinning from ear to ear even with the helmet on. We settled on a fast pace reaching just under 100mph on the uphill approach to the "Rocket IN" corner (aptly named)

We had 20mins every hour so perfect track and rest time. The first 20 min session came to the end and we took the chequered flag and returned to the paddock. I didn't know if I had over done it. Despite Ridgard seats and full race harnesses you still get the full feel of the speed and the braking especially in an old open car. Judy loved it. We did more sessions including the full international circuit (that has some longer straights and a hairpin). Judy, unsurprisingly feeling tired but exceptionally happy, sat out the last session and Suzie came on board - her comment after - "you didn't go that fast and brake that hard with mum I hope !!" yup sure did. What a day to remember 'fantastic' was Judy's sentiment.

Bucket list or not you have just got to try a Track day with other classic cars.

By the time this comes to print Suzie will have completed her round Anglesey run for charity.



Out and About Part 1

The first of this months Out and About are from the qualifying day for the BTCC at Thruxton.



Seven Days and Seven Nights

The Stirling Moss Tribute Day at Brooklands Museum had some 30 cars which Stirling had driven over his career. Race rally and road cars were all represented. One car attracted interest as it had a different history. It was a Jaguar XK120 which took the record from driving continuously for seven days and seven nights.



The XK120 took the world by storm when it was introduced at the 1948 London Motor Show. The new model paved the way for the marque in the vital export markets such as the USA, and also soon established Jaguar as a force to be reckoned with in competition.



Harking back to the 1938 SS100 Earls Court motor show car the XK120 fixed head coupé was a snug 2-seat saloon with the distinguishing curve of the back window and flowing tail making it the height of sporting car fashion.



Some sports car owners valued quietness and refinement over an open top and a draughty hood and the XK120 sacrificed nothing in the way of comfort and equipment. It had a separate chassis, wood and leather appointments and framed winding windows together with a lockable, usefully-sized boot for luggage.

In August 1952 this specially prepared car was taken to Montlhéry near Paris and was driven for seven days and seven nights at an average speed of 100.32 miles per hour, including all stops. There were four drivers: Stirling Moss, Jack Fairman, Bert Hadley and Leslie Johnson – who had conceived the record attempt following previous 1 hour and 24 hour record runs.



Montlhéry's concrete surface was rough, and the Jaguar broke a spring when it was already well into the run. No spare was carried on board. Regulations stipulated that an outside replacement would make the car ineligible for any further records beyond those already achieved before the repair.

Johnson drove for nine hours to save the other drivers from added risk while the speed had to be maintained on the broken spring.



When finally he stopped to have it replaced, the car had taken the following records:

World and Class C, 72-hour records at 105.55 mph

World and Class C, four-day records at 101.17 mph

Class C, 10,000 kilometre record at 107.031 mph

World and Class C, 15,000 kilometre records at 101.95 mph

World and Class C, 10,000-mile records at 100.65 mph

After the repair the car went on to complete the full seven days and nights, covering a total of 16,851.73 miles at an average speed of 100.31 mph.



The car appeared at the Goodwood Revival a week later.

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Out and About - Part 2

Stirling Moss Tribute Day at Brooklands Museum



Goodwood Revival Snapshot



Right

In the Brooklands Trophy for post vintage thoroughbred sports cars. This was a two driver race and Frazer Nash, nicknamed 'The Owlet' the saloon on the right, went onto finish second in the race.



Right

An incident between Mike Whitaker in the Lola and Sam Hancock in the GT40 on the first flying lap of qualifying for the Whitsun Trophy. They came across fluid from another car which sent them into this incident along with several other cars. Both drivers were OK and the cars repaired to take part in the race the next day.

Just a few pictures from the 3 days of the Goodwood Revival

Left

Early Friday morning in the Assembly Area preparing for the first qualifying session of the Stirling Moss Memorial Trophy. This was the first race running of Friday evening in to the dusk.



Left

An unusual paint scheme on the newly built Nick Swift Mini. This was the winning design from a Goodwood children's competition. Nick Swift sharing with Andy Jordan took outright victory in the John Whitmore Trophy, a Mini only race.



David Roscoe Memorial Dimanche Tour - Sunday 26th September 2021

By Robert Clayson

The inaugural David Roscoe Memorial Dimanche Tour was held back in May 2019 and the intention was to have the second run in May 2020 but Covid put pay to that plan. We talked about trying again in September that year. We soon came to the conclusion that was not going to be viable. So with restrictions easing, the September 2021 date was decided upon. We had talked about making the run longer but opted for a shorter run starting and finishing at the same location. As it happened with the current panic buying of petrol it was a good move to keep the run short.

Francis and I arrived at Lasham Gliding at around 11.30 and partook of a coffee agreed on the arrangements for signing on in the car park, a good thing that it was lovely day! So already in the car park was Francis' Ford Consul 315 and my Rover Mini Cooper. However, we weren't the only classic cars in the car park there must have been at least 10 more from a North Hampshire group.

We had quite a diverse entry of cars with GMC regular Barry Dregghorn in his 1925 Model T Ford who completed the route albeit with minor cooling problems towards the end. Barry did really well especially as he didn't have a passenger to guide him. The newest car was to have been Ian MacFayden in his 2019 Mercedes Benz SLC180 sadly Ian withdrew his entry on Saturday evening unable to source any petrol locally.

Pete Sell and Pash had entered a Triumph TR6 but problems with brakes on the car, the entry morphed into a 1965 Morris Minor. Ian and Rebecca Bale who had joined us on the first running of the event in their Aristocat Jaguar XK140 were back again in the same car.



Barry Dregghorn



Mike Ridley and Vanessa Cull



Pete Sell and Richard Pashley



Harvey Hughes and Emily Whitton



Chris and Sue Ashworth

Another crew on their second Dimanche Tour were Ken and Margaret Hunter in their 1994 Rover Mini Cooper Monte Carlo limited edition. There were two other Minis on the run, mine and the Mini belonging to Bob and Jacqui Wardle another crew returning for a second run, last time around they took part in an NG TF.

Coming up from Chichester were Mike Ridley and Vanessa Cull in their lovely Peugeot 404. Returning for another run in their 1974 Triumph Stag were Derek and Margaret Hall and they were joined by another Stag of the same colour and year belonging to Brian and Michelle Cainey.

Our Treasurer Graham along with his wife Sharron turned up in their daughters Peugeot 107! This was a change of car brought about the logistics of the fuel issues. So the newest car on the Tour was the lovely Morgan plus 4 of Mike and Debbie Hughes.



Brian and Michelle Cainey

The remaining entries of the run were all MG's. There was the very pretty 1971 MG Midget of Chris and Sue Ashworth, the 1978 MGB GT of Margaret and Graham Skeggs and the stunning MGB Sebring Replica of Harvey Hughes, (son of the aforementioned Mike and Debbie Hughes) and Emily Whitton.

Sadly due to illness our chairman Mark was



Derek and Margaret Hall



Ian and Rebecca Bale



Margaret and Graham Skeggs



Ken and Margaret Hunter



Mike and Debbie Hughes



Sharron and Graham Skingle



Bob and Jacqui Wardle

unable to come along in his Land Rover Freelander to act as course closing car. Get well soon Mark.

On leaving Lasham Gliding the route went through Bentworth, Medstead, Bighton, across to the B3046 briefly before cutting across country to Preston Candover to rejoin the B3046 again, out of the village we turned right to Bradley then a pair of left turns took us back on the B3046 at Axford. Then to drive onto Farleigh Wallop to start a twisty route via Ellisfield back to Lasham.

The Roscoe Family had presented an award in memory of their father David, known as The Trophy to be awarded for the "Spirit of Participation". Chairman Mark had received the award at the first running of the David Roscoe Memorial Dimanche Tour and it had been the intention he should decide on this years' recipient with his absence this it was up to Vice Chairman Graham to make the decision and the winners were Mike and Debbie Hughes. - Well Done!

Thanks very much for the words of praise about the event, they are much appreciated. We'll be back next year!



Winners of The Trophy, (left to right) Mike and Debbie Hughes with their son Harvey and Emily Whitton



In the Route Book we advised those taking part should "Look out for the Bears" ... So here they are!

With lots more pictures available on the website

Out and About - Part 3

Concours of Elegance Hampton Court



Along with all of the slides we received there were a number of colour and black and white prints. This month a further random selection, these are naturally more difficult to identify and date!



GMC - Goodies

The following GMC Goodies are available from Mark Feeney, just phone him or speak to him at Clubnights

Car Badges (Enamel)	£30.00
Windscreen Sticker	£1.50
Club Badge (Self Adhesive)	£1.00
GMC Leather Key Ring	£1.50
GMC Mugs	£2.00
GMC Polo Shirts (White)	£15.00
GMC Sweat Shirts (Green)	£20.00
Romers, Clear or White plastic	£6.00
GMC Ice Scrapers	£2.00
GMC Pens	3 for a £1.00

GMC - Membership Fees

Full Membership	£15.00
Family Membership	£20.00
Associate Membership	£2.50
Pro-rata Membership for new members joining after 1st July	
Full Membership	£7.50
Family Membership	£10.00

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