

# OWEN MOTORING CLUB

## CLASSIC VEHICLE GROUP

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*Polish it THEN use it !!*



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With step 4 out of 'lockdown', which was due to take place on 21<sup>st</sup> June, extended by another 4 weeks the 'Goodwood Festival of Speed' organisers have been in talks with the UK Government who have now agreed to include this event in their series of pilot events which forms part of the Events Research Programme (ERP). As you know the FOS is due to take place on 8<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> July which is just before the planned 19<sup>th</sup> July easing date! Visitors will have to download the NHS app which will provide a QR code which is valid for 48 hours to prove they have had both vaccinations or if not they must take a flow test with a negative result before they visit. A bit closer to home, Lichfield's 'Cars in the Park' has been postponed till 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> September because of this extension, Derrick Wallbank has contacted all Owen Club classic enthusiasts who were due to display their cars on our stand for confirmation that they are available/unavailable for the new date.



Some sad news this month is the passing of Jeff Gilbert. He was a much-loved and respected volunteer at the 'New Hall Mill' and ran 'Jeff's Really Useful Shop' in Walmley Village for 57 years. You might have seen and read his comical daily blackboard scribbles by the pedestrian crossing near his shop for many years until BCC banned them! He was a big supporter of the Owen MC displays at New Hall Mill, displaying his MX5 with us once. He always brought a smile to others around him and helped organise many volunteering projects which included Jones Wood and the New Hall

Valley. There is a petition for Birmingham City Council to rename Village Way in Walmley to Gilberts Way (or Jeff Gilberts Way). The link to this petition is here [Petition · Rename Village Way, Walmley, to Gilberts Way · Change.org](https://www.change.org/p/birmingham-city-council-rename-village-way-walmley-to-gilberts-way) and it would be great if we could help raise the required number of signatures for the renaming of this way in his memory.

Congratulations to Richard Hinton and his team on a well put together 'Cannock Chase Classic Car Tour' which started from the well-known 'Bowling Green Island' Public House in Lichfield and raised over £1,000 for the Community Foundation for Staffordshire.



There was a well organised signing-on and breakfast collection area with the 67 cars being flagged away by TV's celebrity auctioneer Charles Hanson

at one-minute intervals for the 80-mile drive. The tour ended at Bishton Hall near Wolseley Bridge, Staffordshire which is a grade II listed Georgian Mansion and was purchased in 2019 by Hansons Auctioneers.

Richard did apologise in an e-mail after the event for the impromptu water splash



at Pipe Place Farm which came about because the farmer had been irrigating his potato crop and gravity had taken over! The upside of this was that it provided an ideal photo opportunity. A couple of later casualties included Richard Statham who managed to rip off the complete stainless steel exhaust system from his lovely Austin Healey 3000 whilst negotiating one-way security flaps

in the road, exiting Barr Beacon via the steep, twisty back road. His navigator however stood guard whilst Richard went back home to collect his road car to retrieve the system and then later re-joined the tour with his Porsche Boxster. David Yorke also lost his front number plate in the water splash and then later damaged the front spoiler on his BMW E30 M3 when entering the field at the finish venue.

I finally got to see Owen MC member Mark Wakelam's restored Ford Escort Mk 3 RS2000 4X4 which I had heard about but doubted its existence (only joking). Elaine & I had a trouble-free run in her AH Sprite and loved driving near to our old house and then passing by our new one!



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Roger Tristram has secured the 'Great British Car Journey Museum' for the start and finish venue for our 'Tony Matthews Classic Tour' which is due to take place on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September. This museum has been featured recently on BBC breakfast and is located at near Ambergate DE56 2HE [www.greatbritishcarjourney.com](http://www.greatbritishcarjourney.com) I have included the revised regs for this event with this newsletter, they are also available on our website.

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So far, I have the following booked into Himley Hall for our stand on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> September. Martin & Elaine (Imp & Sprite), Pete (Escort), Roger (Vitesse), John (MGB), David (MGTF), Luke (Saxo), Trevor (Hillman or MGB), Dave (Berkley), Phil (MGB) and Peter (Sunbeam Tiger). I still have three places left if anyone else wants to join us for the day.

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Tonia Bern-Campbell, the widow of Donald Campbell, has died at the age of 93 at her home in Los Angeles, California. She was an actress and singer from Belgium and met Donald in December 1958, they were married a few days later, on Christmas Eve. She asked for her ashes to be scattered on Coniston Water.

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Latest news from Hall & Hall is the newly built V16 engine has been united with the freshly painted chassis for the first time following a successful Dyno test. This is all part of the continued progress on the new car build which has been 5 years in the planning and is the best sounding F1 car of all time. Take a look at this excellent short video [BRM: The Re-Awakening - YouTube](#)

Goodwood FOS will be celebrating both BRM's inaugural Grand Prix 70 years ago and the modern-day return of the incredible V16-powered Type 15.

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A total of 718 Mazda MX5's assembled at Elvington Airfield recently in a bid to break two Guinness World Records. The MX5 owners club used the airfield in an attempt to break the record for the largest convoy of convertibles and another for the biggest parade of Mazda cars.

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and finally, I will just leave this photo here.  
Full story next month!

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## REGULATIONS

Owen Motoring Club are pleased to offer you the Tony Matthews Classic Tour as part of the HRCR, HAGERTY AND MONIT series of scenic tours on **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2021**. The tour has no competitive element and will be run under Motorsport UK certificate of exemption (tba) for touring assemblies. The 120-mile route will be defined by a tulip road book and contained on o/s maps 118 and 119. There will be code boards on route and a quiz sheet to keep crews amused.

We have a fantastic start/finish venue which is 'The Great British Car Journey Museum at Ambergate DE56 2HE [www.greatbritishcarjourney.com](http://www.greatbritishcarjourney.com) where there is ample parking for cars and trailers although we would like you to indicate on the entry form if you require trailer parking so we can gauge the numbers. There will be morning and afternoon halts with tea/coffee and maybe some cake! The lunch halt will be at Tittesworth Water ST13 8SW where you will be able to purchase refreshment or consume your own. There will be breakfast refreshments at the start and food will be provided at the finish.

The entry fee is £95 or £85 if you are a member of **either** HRCR or Owen Motoring Club and includes the above refreshments, a tour plaque with cable ties, colour road book and a tour memento. The maximum number of entries is 60 and the minimum is 40. The organisers reserve the right to cancel the event if the minimum number of entries is not reached, the cost of any entry cancelled in writing before the Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2021 will be refunded less an administration fee of £10 thereafter refunds will be at the organiser's discretion.

Please complete the Entry and Indemnity Forms.

Entries are now open and will close when full or Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2021.

### Organisers

Entries Secretary:	Clare Jennings	07837 212015	<a href="mailto:clarejennings22@outlook.com">clarejennings22@outlook.com</a>
General enquires:	Roger Tristram	07798 751125	<a href="mailto:rtristram@blueyonder.co.uk">rtristram@blueyonder.co.uk</a>
Road Book:	Melvyn Cox		

# ENTRY FORM

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2021



DRIVER NAME	
ADDRESS	
POST CODE	TEL No.
E-MAIL ADDRESS	
HRCR MEMBERSHIP No.	OWEN MEMBERSHIP No.

NAVIGATOR NAME	
HRCR MEMBERSHIP No.	OWEN MEMBERSHIP No.

VEHICLE DETAILS	
Make	Model
Colour(s)	Reg No.
Year	Engine cc.
Trailer Parking Required      Y / N	Note: Trailers left at owners' risk!

Do you wish to run close by a friend/colleague, if so who? \_\_\_\_\_

**I declare that the use of the vehicle hereby entered will have a current road fund license, relevant MOT and is covered by insurance as required by law which is valid for such part of this event as shall take place on public roads as defined by law.**

Signature of Driver.....

Date .....

Entry Fee: £95 or £85 for HRCR/OWEN    £

Additional Passengers @ £40 each    £

Cheques to be made payable to "Owen Motoring Club Ltd"

BACS payment to    30-90-82    a/c 13225768
Please mark BACS payment ref : your surname/TMT

<b>Total    £</b>
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<b>CHEQUE / BACS</b>
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Please indicate type of payment

If either driver or navigators require vegetarian option at the start & finish then please state the number here .....

Please ensure that all pages of this entry form are completed. Acceptance of entries is entirely at the discretion of the organisers.

Fully completed entry forms with a cheque or confirmation of a BACS payment to be sent to :-

**Clare Jennings, Brook Cottage Farm, Atherstone Road, Furness End, Birmingham, B46 2LP**

## INDEMNITY

I declare that to the best of my belief the driver(s) possess (es) the standard of competence necessary for a tour of the type to which this entry relates and that the vehicle entered is suitable and roadworthy for the tour.

The event will be held under a certificate of exemption for Touring Assemblies issued by Motorsport UK, these regulations and any written instructions that the organisers may issue for the event. The event has no competitive element and does not require an MSUK Event Permit. A competition licence is not required.

I declare that the use of the vehicle hereby entered is covered by insurance as required by the law which is valid for such part of this tour as shall take place on roads as defined by the law.

I declare that I am physically and mentally fit and competent to take part in the tour.

In consideration of the acceptance of this entry I agree that neither any one of or any combination of the MSUK and its associated clubs, the organisers, the promoters and their respective officers, servants, representatives and agents (the "Parties") shall have any liability for loss or damage which may be sustained or incurred by me as a result of participation in this tour. Nothing in this clause is intended to or shall be deemed to exclude or limit liability for death or personal injury. To the fullest extent permitted by law I agree to indemnify and hold harmless each of the Parties in respect of any loss or damage whatsoever and howsoever arising from my participation in this tour.

**I have read the above and declare that the information given on the entry form is correct.**

Signature of driver ..... Date .....

Any indemnity and/or declaration which is signed by a person who has not reached his or her 18<sup>th</sup> Birthday shall be countersigned by that person's parent or guardian whose full name & address shall be given below.

**I declare that this entry is made with my consent.**

	Signature	If under 18 Name & Address
Driver		
Navigator		
Passengers		

**Please state below the full Name & Telephone number of a relative or friend to be contacted in the case of an emergency.**

For Driver		For Navigator	
Name		Name	
Tel No.		Tel No.	
For Passenger 1		For Passenger 2	
Name		Name	
Tel No.		Tel No.	

**Under the GDPR act I have no objection to the above details being retained by Owen Motoring Club Ltd**