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*Polish it THEN use it !!*



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I'm compiling this rather late monthly newsletter after returning from driving the whole route of this years 'Tony Matthews Classic Tour'. Me, Roger, and Melvyn were out checking tulips, mileages, and venues for the September 19<sup>th</sup> event. The start and finish venue, 'The Great British Car Journey' at Ambergate is excellent and we were made to feel very welcome by Jason who even treated us to a mini tour with interesting snippets about some of the many cars exhibited there thrown in. Possibly a future club visit could be arranged here next year. Both refreshment halts at the Churnet Valley Railway and Tittesworth Reservoir are ok although Poole's Caverns at Buxton has been changed to the Buxton Pavilion Garden's with tour parking on the promenade. This last-minute change was due to the lack of parking spaces on the Caverns car park, which was a shame.



Entries are coming in thick and fast following the last government COVID announcement, 44 entries as I go to press so get your application in before we are full. Forms available on the website or reply to this e-mail for a copy.

The route takes in some spectacular roads with breath-taking views over the Derbyshire countryside. If you are not planning to enter the tour, then please come and help us on the day as we need marshals at various locations which would help the small organising team enormously. Contact Roger T if you are available on his usual number or reply to this e-mail and I'll pass your details onto him, thanks.

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For those of you who have phones that allow Apps to be installed, like me at last, a good app is Car Calendar. It enables you to search for car events (of any type), car clubs, event tickets and much more within a certain radius or nationwide. You can also submit your own events for inclusion free. If you don't like Apps, then a search can also be made via their website. Just go to [www.carcalendar.co.uk](http://www.carcalendar.co.uk)

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Sad news from Brands Hatch yesterday (31<sup>st</sup> July) that a volunteer marshal died after a collision during the Classic Touring Car Racing Club's Pre 93 & Pre 03 Touring Car race, when two drivers made contact along the start-finish straight during the opening laps. One car was sent into the barrier on the outside of the circuit where it was launched into the air and collided with a marshal's post. The race was immediately halted while emergency crews attended the scene, including the air ambulance, while Kent Police confirmed they were called shortly before 3pm "following a collision involving a car and a person on foot". Shortly after 9pm, BARC released a statement confirming one marshal had died in the incident.

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The future of Ken Tyrrell's shed is now hanging in the balance as they were hoping to re-locate it at Brooklands for a cost of £50,000 but Brooklands have now confirmed that they have no room for it. It was from this shed, located at Ockham, that Ken Tyrrell designed and built his Formula One cars that beat the world in the very capable hands of Sir Jackie Stewart.

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Two places are still available on our pitch for the Himley Show on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> September. Hopefully the NEC Classic Show will be going ahead this year although I'm still yet to receive a confirmation e-mail from them. With the lifting of COVID-19 restrictions for public gatherings Curborough Sprint Course are resuming their Breakfast Club meetings. The first one will be on Saturday 7th August (8.30 - 12.00) followed by a SDCC members only track day afternoon. Free entry with plenty of parking spaces and a new cafe.

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I promised you in last month's edition I would reveal the story behind this, my latest purchase. Sorry it will have to be next month now, sorry!

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