

# OWEN MOTORING CLUB

## CLASSIC VEHICLE GROUP

FOR ALL CLASSIC VEHICLE ENTHUSIASTS

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*Polish it THEN use it !!*



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Welcome to the centenary edition of this newsletter which I first started putting together in January 2015 as part of the OMC Classic Car Section which Roger Tristram and I had agreed to take over from Bob Cotterill and increase its popularity which I hope we have achieved. Initially it was e-mailed out to just classic cars owners who were members of Owen MC but then over the years it has been increased to include non-members, friends, relations, and any classic car enthusiasts. Currently I email it out to over 200 people who I would like to think take the trouble to read my ramblings every month!

Our annual 'Tony Matthews Classic Tour' on Sunday 30th July is well in hand and will start & finish at the excellent 'Great British Car Journey', Ambergate. The on-line entry system will 'go live' on Sunday April 30th. If you require regs, which are available from 25th April, please contact the entries sec Elaine via our new email [tonymatthewstour@gmail.com](mailto:tonymatthewstour@gmail.com)

As you know King Charles III's Coronation will take place on Saturday 6 May 2023 at Westminster Abbey and 'The Golden Cup' in Yoxall, is celebrating this and OMC have been asked to join in by providing a classic car display in their large rear garden on **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May**. Fingers crossed that this will be a fine weather day unlike last year's washout for the Queen's Golden Jubilee. If you are



interested in showing your classic car on what should be an excellent event, then **please contact me asap** so I can gauge the interest and let Rachael, the owner, know roughly how much space we need. Cars need to be in position around 11 o'clock you can leave at a time to suit yourself. I know there is also going to be a display of classic tractors along with live music and a hog roast.

I have been contacted by Terry Schraider who asked me to publicise his 'Thames Valley Tour' which is based in Hook, Hampshire and is on **Sunday 16th July 2023**. This event is a gentle 100-mile (approx.) drive through the picturesque Thames Valley and surrounding area for only 30 cars. Breakfast and lunch will be provided, at a quality venue, as well as a detailed road book and rally plate. All this for only £58 for a crew of two which I think it is excellent value.

If anyone is interested in this day out, then I have the regs and entry form and can email it out if you contact me asap or if you require more information then contact Terry on 01344 454466 or email him [schraider@btinternet.com](mailto:schraider@btinternet.com).

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If anyone is interested in organising an Owen display at the beautiful Chetwynd Deer Park, Newport, Shropshire on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April then please let me know so I can publicise it and pass on the details.

If you require more information, then go to [www.classicmotoringevents.com](http://www.classicmotoringevents.com)

This was our first event last year and, as entrants will confirm, it is in a lovely historic 200-acre private park with glorious woodland.

Unfortunately, I'm unavailable that weekend due to Hillman Imp 60<sup>th</sup> celebrations at Coventry on Saturday and then 'The Great British Car Journey' on Sunday.



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As reported in Classic Car Weekly (15<sup>th</sup> March) a group of influential MPs has recommended that petrol must be remain available for classic car owners long after the rollout of UK's move to electric vehicles. Experts have welcomed this news and recognise that classic road users have a negligible impact on Britain's carbon emissions. Historic vehicles do, on average, 1200 miles a year and are responsible for 0.2 % of the UK's annual vehicle emissions.

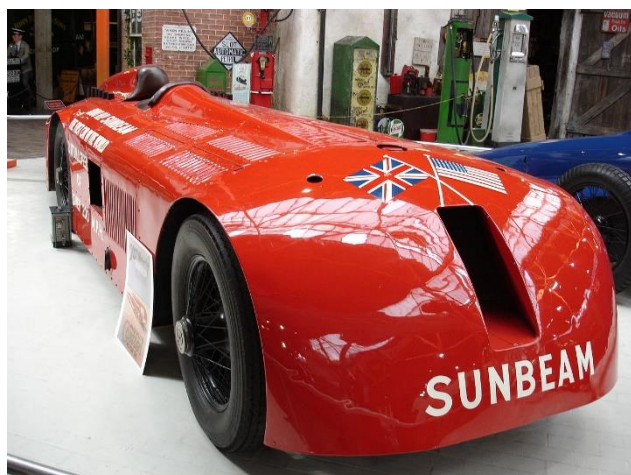
I think we all knew this news, let's hope Government now makes it firm legislation and gets written into the statute books.

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Looking ahead to May 27<sup>th</sup> Gaydon (National Motor Museum) will be hosting a celebration of 100 years of MG. This is the opening event of the years' long activities organised by the MG Owners Club on behalf of the consortium of MG car clubs.

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The National Motor Museum is hoping to raise £3000,000 so that this 1000hp land speed record-breaking Sunbeam can be restored.



It is powered by two 22.5 litre aero engines generating 435hp each, the NMM hope to make the engines run again for the first time in 50 years. Once restored they are hoping to take it to Daytona Beach in time for the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its record-breaking run.

The 'Slug', as it was nicknamed, was built by Sunbeam of Wolverhampton and was the first non-American car to

run on Daytona Beach for a land speed record attempt.

On 29 March 1927, Henry Segrave drove the car to a new land speed record of 203.79 miles per hour and it was the first car to reach a speed over 200 mph.

### 2023 Preliminary OMC Events/Classic Calendar

(Red denotes events we have or are hoping to have a club stand at)

#### APRIL

28<sup>th</sup> Imp Track Day @ Curborough

29<sup>th</sup> Imp Display outside Coventry  
Museum of Transport

30<sup>th</sup> Chetwynd Deer Park Classics

#### MAY

6<sup>th</sup> Curborough Breakfast Club

7<sup>th</sup> Middleton Hall Classics

7<sup>th</sup> **Golden Cup Coronation display**

14<sup>th</sup> Earnest Owen Trial

21<sup>st</sup> 40 years of the MASC  
@ Gaydon

27<sup>th</sup> MG 100 years @ Gaydon

#### JUNE

4<sup>th</sup> Middleton Hall Classics

10<sup>th</sup> Curborough Breakfast Club

18<sup>th</sup> Graham Hill Sprint-Curborough

25<sup>th</sup> Cannock Chase Tour

#### JULY

2<sup>nd</sup> Middleton Hall Classics

2<sup>nd</sup> **Lichfield Cars in the Park**

15<sup>th</sup> Curborough Breakfast Club

30<sup>th</sup> Tony Matthews Classic Tour

#### AUGUST

6<sup>th</sup> Middleton Hall Classics

12<sup>th</sup> Curborough Breakfast Club

12<sup>th</sup> **Canwell Show**

28<sup>th</sup> **New Hall Mill**

#### SEPTEMBER

3<sup>rd</sup> Middleton Hall Classics

10<sup>th</sup> Happy Landings 'all forward'  
grass autotest @ Manorial Farm

#### OCTOBER

1<sup>st</sup> **Historic Rally Festival @  
Weston Park**

7<sup>th</sup> Curborough Breakfast Club

21<sup>st</sup> Bright Sparks Clubman A/S  
@ Curborough

#### NOVEMBER

10/11/12<sup>th</sup> **NEC Lancaster Insurance  
with Discovery Classic Show**

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