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CLASSIC VEHICLE GROUP

FOR ALL CLASSIC VEHICLE ENTHUSIASTS

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I hope everyone is managing to keep cool during this unbelievable heatwave, personally I'm looking forward to cooler days as I'm not a fan of this hot weather. The main news this month is that after much deliberation, I've decided that December 2026 will be the last edition of this monthly newsletter edited by me. After 144 editions over 12 years, it's time to step down and hopefully someone else will take the reins as I'm finding it harder to find the enthusiasm to continue with it every month. I'm not stepping away from Owen Classics just sort of going into semi-retirement, as I shall still be looking after our website, helping with the Tony Matthews Classic Tour, the Canwell Show and of course the NEC. I will keep this email list to send out occasional bulletins about upcoming shows in 2027 as and when they occur and of course you can also check the club website. Thank you all for the support over the years.

Nice to see a good turnout by Owen members at the new monthly Sunday morning meeting at The Hollybush PH in Little Hay. Once again, the new manager made us all very welcome with excellent bacon & sausage sandwiches etc. The next meeting is scheduled to take place on Sunday 9th August between 10.00 & 13.00, I hope you can come & join us.



Don't forget our OMC 'Summer Pub Meet' will be on Wednesday 22nd July, 8pm for 1 week only. We will meet at The Griffin Pub, Shustoke, B46 2LB (just outside Coleshill). Unfortunately, they don't serve food in the evening but if anyone wishes to make more of an evening of it, there are local pubs nearby who do.

Sunday 23rd August is the date for our annual 'Tony Matthews Classic Tour', we are hoping for about 20 cars to make it a viable event. We are planning an approx. 60-mile scenic drive into the Peak District finishing at Heage Windmill which is the only six-sailed stone tower windmill in England which was lovingly restored in 2002. Parking permitting, we hope to part of their monthly car & coffee gathering. This Grade 2 listed building has spectacular views towards the Derwent



valley and there is a small charge to tour the windmill which is by ticket purchased on the day. <https://www.heagewindmill.org.uk/>

As of to-day we only have 9 crews entered but we would like more so please contact me asap via this newsletter email, message me or Dean if you are interested.

OMC have been offered a slightly larger stand than originally planned for the November NEC Classic Car Show which I have accepted, we now have a 13m x 6m stand still in Hall 5. After a quick look I don't think I'll be able to fit in any more than 4 cars plus our gazebo but at least there will be a bit more room in between the cars.

Please use our club booking reference **CCOWENMN6** for tickets as this gives you a discount plus gives our club a better chance of being allocated a stand for next year's show.

I was recommended by Tony Bishop recently to a great little business in Wednesbury called Trim-Tec. I had the stitching repaired on my Herald's rear seat back; they did a great job at a very reasonable cost and was ready for collection in only a few days. Their address is Unit 1, Potters Lane, Wednesbury, WS10 0AT Tel: 0121 502 2587

Don't forget all these newsletters are available on our club website under the **Classic** heading and even if you aren't a member, you can also now read our quarterly on-line magazine 'REVS' which is available under the **About OMC** heading which also features our club history. www.owenmotoringclub.co.uk

Canwell Show is progressing nicely with 11 Owen Members cars booked in along with 22 non-Owen members. I've been in touch with the organisers who've agreed to 50 cars in total for the display so please contact me if you are interested. I shall then e-mail out passes closer to the day.

Don't forget our stand at Oulton Park for the Gold Cup meeting on August Bank Holiday. Following a little confusion, it has all been sorted now with discounted tickets for driver and passengers at £14 each, that is a saving of 50% plus parking nearer the circuit. The Gold Cup meeting will feature, amongst many other attractions, a spectacular 60th anniversary celebration of the iconic Can-Am cars which will be on display throughout the weekend.

I still have 6 spare spaces left so again contact me if you want a booking link.



Preliminary 2026 OMC Events/Classic Events Calendar

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

AUGUST

Sat 1st Curborough Breakfast Meet
 Sun 2nd Middleton Classics
 1st or 2nd Cromford Steam Rally
 Sat 8th **Canwell Show**
 Sun 9th Nether Whitacre Show
 Sun 9th Hollybush Classic Car Meet
 Sun 9th Clungunford Classic Show
 Tue 11th Moira Furnace Classic Meet
 14/15/16th Car Club Fest, Malvern
 Sun 16th Kings Bromley Vehicle Show
 Tue 25th Sir John Moore Classics
 Mon 31st **Oulton Park Gold Cup**
 Mon 31st **New Hall Mill**

SEPTEMBER

Sat 5th Curborough Breakfast Meet
 Sun 6th Middleton Classics
 Sun 6th **Himley Hall Classic Show**
 Tue 8th Moira Furnace Classic Meet
 Sun 13th Hollybush Classic Car Meet
 Tue 22nd Sir John Moore Classics

OCTOBER

Sat 3rd Curborough Breakfast Meet
 Sun 4th Middleton Classics
 Sun 11th Hollybush Classic Car Meet

NOVEMBER

13/14/15th **NEC Classic Motor Show**

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