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**Please let me have any articles for the next Newsletter by the 22<sup>nd</sup> of April in WORD format**

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## Hi EVERYONE

Having now got our feet slightly under the table it is evident that some extra help on the committee would be very much appreciated. We do have capacity under the current rules for a further three general committee members.

We are all entirely new volunteers and as such it would be very useful and encouraging if we had a full compliment. This we feel would bring more opportunity for fresh ideas and more variety to the club and its future growth.

We currently meet once a month as we are new to organising events and club nights, however possibly in the future we will be able to revert to every two months as the previous committee did.

If you feel you would like to join us, please feel free to either email on [nhaegcommittee@gmail.com](mailto:nhaegcommittee@gmail.com) or speak to one of us on club night.

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## 13<sup>th</sup> April Club Night

April club night has traditionally been Spring Airing night. This year we have made a subtle change. Rather than giving a £25.00 voucher to a lucky recipient, we have decided to award a £30.00 voucher towards a meal for two at the New Inn.

For those of you who are new to our club, Spring Airing is usually the first occasion where as many of us as possible drive our “Proper cars” to club night, all those doing so will be given a number which will then be entered into the draw for the voucher.

No skill required just an old car.

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## 26th April Drive it Day

Drive it Day is the day when people all over the country dust off their pride & joy and take it for a spin, traditionally held on the nearest Sunday to St Georges Day.

**This year it will take place on April 26<sup>th</sup>**

We invited you to our organised event and have had a good response. Numbers were limited for the guided walk around Odiham, however there may be a few spaces still left, please contact Trevor Mulford for more information.

The run from the New Inn to Odiham, however has no limit to the amount of cars which can take part, so if you would like to join us please do. We will leave the New Inn at 10.30am, feel free to buy yourselves a coffee from Tim, he assures us he will be open.

The run to Odiham will take around 50 minutes. Those people intending to take part in the guided walk will park their cars in the public car park on the left next to the Chemist shop.

**The guided tour will begin around 11.30 – 11.45** and will take approximately 1 hour, we will then go back to our cars and make our way to the Fox & Goose in Greywell for lunch.

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## 11<sup>th</sup> May Club Night

May Club night has been announced as “**Through the garage door**”, sadly we have received only two responses.

We would really like some more pictures to enable us to run this club night event.

Obviously many of you are familiar with other member's garages and sheds, but a photo of perhaps just one item or a cleverly staged area with a little clue as to who you are would suffice.

Please give this some thought, otherwise the committee members may be forced into doing a song & dance routine to entertain you all.

**You have been warned!**

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## NHAEG Shop

For our newer members and also those who have not already purchased, we have a number of enamel radiator badges for sale, together with some club related tea towels. These will be available for purchase on April club night.

Club clothing is also available to order, currently from Colin, who will take any orders you may have. You should all have received an emailed catalogue from Colin earlier this month.

We would like to enhance the range of items offered with our club logo on, and so would like to hear your idea's please.

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## Items for Inclusion in May Newsletter

Sandra Ryley is doing a magnificent job as our newsletter editor as you can see.

If you have any items which you would like her to include in future editions, please forward them to Sandra for inclusion.:- [sandroryley@icloud.com](mailto:sandroryley@icloud.com)

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## Letters.

### **Daffodil Run 12<sup>th</sup> April**

I would like to draw members' attention to the Bean Car Club Daffodil Run for Pre-war cars. Runs from Heckfield to Christchurch on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April. This is for some people the first run of the motoring year.

The scenic route is given at the start and is easy to follow, with stops in Stockbridge and at a pub in the New Forest.

The contact is Lilian Lovelock 01189882042 but the number of entrants is limited, so get in touch with her soon if you are interested.

Malcolm Ryley

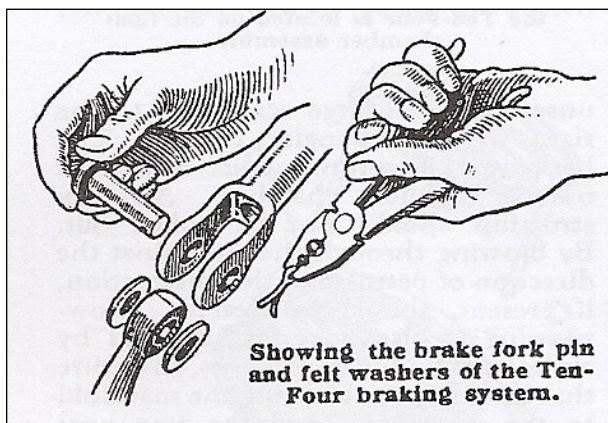
## QUERIES OF THE MONTH

Some more “Queries of the Month”, these originally appeared in “The Austin Magazine & Advocate” during the 1930s and 1940s. This month’s selection consists of No 583 Brake Adjustment – Austin Ten-Four and No 636 Wheel Distortion Austin Light Twelve-Four. No 583 appeared in May 1934 and No 712 in January 1935.

### No 583 – Brake Adjustment - Austin Ten-Four

**Q.** *Recently, in adjusting the brakes on my Austin Ten-Four by turning the rod connecting the pedal lever with the cross-tube, I found it necessary to screw the entire thread on this rod into the slotted end member, so that, although the brakes have been taken up sufficiently for the time being, further adjustment when necessary (as it will in due course) does not seem possible. I shall be grateful for your advice as to what can be done.*

**A.** You can restore the range of adjustment by shortening the brake rods which connect to the main cross-tube at each end. After slackening the main adjustment to which you refer, disconnect each rod from its cross-tube lever by withdrawing the split pin and the joint pin. Then, after slackening the lock-nut, each fork end can be screwed further on its rod to reduce the effective length.



Remember, however, to count the number of turns so that the same adjustment is made in each instance, or otherwise the balance of the braking will be disturbed. Up to four complete turns should be sufficient to restore the range of the main adjustment. After adjusting each rod tighten home the locknut. The joint pin should have its two felt washers fitted as hitherto and be secured by the split pin. Then the main adjustment can be taken up to give suitable braking response to the pedal movement. In all likelihood it will also be necessary to reset the handbrake lever by the adjusting screw near its base.



**Q.** Recently, on jacking-up the nearside of the front axle of my Austin Light Twelve-Four for the purpose of greasing the swivel axle, I casually spun the wheel and noticed that it was out of truth by, I should judge, about 3/8 inch. Will this have any harmful effect if not rectified, and if rectification is necessary, is it possible for me to true up the wheel.

**A.** It is quite possible for the tyre to be up to ½ inch out of truth if it is not fitted properly on the rim, and we are inclined to think that this is cause of the apparent wheel distortion in your case. You can readily verify if the tyre is at fault in this way by examining the fine moulded line on the tyre wall, which should be just outside and concentric with the periphery of the rim. If this line appears out of place, deflate the tyre until it is fairly soft and punch it into its correct position. It is, of course, possible that the wheel is out of truth, although this is only likely to arise if it has received a glancing blow while running. Therefore, if examination seems to point to the wheel itself being at fault, you should consult your local Austin dealer with a view to having the trouble remedied, as prolonged usage under these conditions might result in premature tyre wear.

*The “Queries of the Month” are reproduced with the kind permission of the Austin Ten Drivers Club (ATDC)*

An article and advertisements from motoring magazines of the 1950s and early 1960s.

An interesting article for anyone who has recently rebuilt or repaired an Austin back axle.

#### AUSTIN SEVEN REAR AXLE

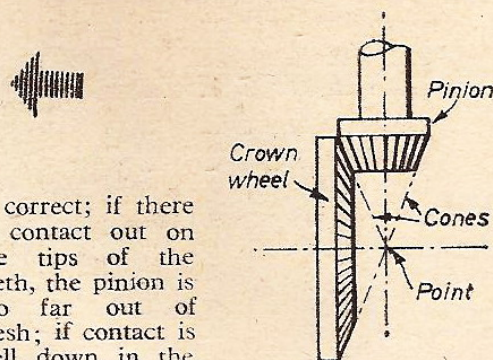
**I** RECENTLY fitted a new crown wheel and pinion to my Austin Seven Ruby saloon. Since this, the drive and overdrive has been very noisy. I have tried removing shims and altering the axle shaft adjusters from time to time, but without improvement. Do you consider that the crown wheel is too close in mesh with the pinion or perhaps not close enough?—N. Wilkins (Tockington).

A bevel pinion and crown wheel may be considered as parts of cones at the pitch line of the teeth, and these cones should meet at a point where the axes of the shafts cross. There is some running clearance or backlash on the teeth. While these imaginary cones are fitting together properly, the gears are correctly engaged, and the axle should be reasonably silent on both drive and over-run. However, if the axle is not correctly meshed, the cones will be displaced and there will be noise both on drive and over-run; there may still be backlash.

If you consider circumstances in conjunction with our illustration, it will be seen that the pinion shaft could be set so the point of the cone is either in front or behind the axis of the crown wheel—and in each case the crown wheel could be adjusted sideways to give the correct backlash. In the case of the Austin axle, the pinion shaft is set by means of a gauge in the casing and using shims at the torque tube flange;

then it is only a question of adjusting the crown wheel sideways for backlash. When there is no gauge to hand, the axle has to be assembled experimentally; one way is to smear some of the crown wheel teeth with red lead and oil or marking blue, then assemble and turn the crown wheel through the shafts. Taken down, the teeth should show broad central markings if the meshing

is correct; if there is contact out on the tips of the teeth, the pinion is too far out of mesh; if contact is well down in the teeth, then the pinion is too far in mesh. If the markings are on one side at one end and on the other side at the other end, then the pinion has to be moved and the crown wheel adjusted to suit. In your circumstances, we suggest you try various combinations of shims, inserting and removing some, and adjusting the crown wheel by means of the threaded rings either side.



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## News of Members Cars

Those of you who were members 7 years ago will, I am sure, remember Chris and Brian who owned a number of cars over the years including an Austin Newbury, a Pearl Cabriolet and a Bentley to name just a few. Although they are still members they have not been to the club since moving to Spain to run their own business out there. They have now sold the business and have bought a property on the Isle Of Wight where they have decided to retire.

Ann and I have just spent a few days on the island and while we were there Chris and Brian invited us for a meal. We spent a very enjoyable evening with them at their beautiful house at Ventnor which has wonderful views overlooking the sea.



Although they sold most of their cars before moving to Spain they have not wasted anytime in replacing them. While we were there they showed us their Rosengart which they found in Holland, I am sure most of you know that early Rosengarts were licensed copies of Austin Sevens made in France. It is a really lovely car and although the body does not look much like any Austin 7 made at Longbridge, under the bonnet it is unmistakably Austin 7.

From the pictures they showed us it looks in immaculate condition as all their cars have been. They also told us they had just bought an Austin A40 Somerset Sports Tourer which Chris was going over to the mainland the following day to collect..



I thought members would be interested in seeing pictures of the cars which are both very rare, hopefully once they have settled in to their new house we may see them with one of the cars at a club night or an event

***Colin***

## NHAEG CLUB NIGHTS AND EVENTS DIARY

Many thanks to members who have sent me details of events, it seems there is plenty to do over the coming months. The next club event is **Drive it Day** on 26<sup>th</sup> April which is being organised by Trevor Mulford and Ken Couzens and at the April club night we have our annual **Spring Airing** when every member arriving in an Historic Car will receive a free draw ticket with the winner receiving a £30.00 voucher towards a meal for two at the New Inn. .

**Colin** [cgreig104@btinternet.com](mailto:cgreig104@btinternet.com)

Club Nights	Arranged by	or details from
April 13th	Spring Airing	Committee
May 11th	Through The Garage Door	Simon
June 8th	Half Gallon Run	Trevor/Jean
July 13th	Coveted Car Evening	Committee
August 10th	TBA	TBA
<b>Lunch Meetings 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of every month (Colin for details)</b>		
April 27th	The New Inn	
May 26th	The New Inn (please note this is a Tuesday, Monday is a Bank Holiday)	
June 22nd	The New Inn	
July 27th	The New Inn	

**Please let me have details of any events our members might be interested in**

Events	Events in Bold are NHAEG events	
April 12th	Austin Ten Drivers Club AGM at Gaydon.	<a href="http://www.austintendriversclub.com">www.austintendriversclub.com</a>
April 18th	VSCC Race Meeting at Silverstone	<a href="http://www.vsc.co.uk">www.vsc.co.uk</a>
April 19th	Austins to Brighton Run	For details & entry form <a href="mailto:ausevern@ntlworld.com">ausevern@ntlworld.com</a>
<b>April 26th</b>	<b>Drive it Day</b> <b>Historic walk around Odiham + lunch</b>	<b>Trevor M/Ken C</b>
<b>May 10th</b>	<b>Thornycroft Society Festival of Transport Basingstoke Memorial Park</b>	<b>Ken Couzens</b>
May 10th	Wallingford Transport Show	<a href="http://www.wallingfordcarrally.org.uk">www.wallingfordcarrally.org.uk</a>
May 17th.	Merrist Wood Show Download entry form from website	<a href="http://www.guildford.ac.uk">www.guildford.ac.uk</a>



June 7th	Bromley Car Pageant	<a href="http://www.bromleycarpageant.co.uk/home">www.bromleycarpageant.co.uk/home</a>
June13th	Hartley Wintney Show/Classic Car Show	David Preston 01252 850082 <a href="mailto:classiccarshws@btinternet.com">classiccarshws@btinternet.com</a>
June 13th/14th	Brooklands Double Twelve	<a href="http://www.brooklandsmuseum.com">www.brooklandsmuseum.com</a>
June19th/20th	<b>BATC Golden Jubilee Calne Atwell-Lewis Motor Museum</b>	<b>Peter Barlow</b>
June 21st	Holybrook Festival	<a href="http://www.holybrookparishcouncil.co.uk/Holybrook-pc/holybrook_festival-15737.aspx">www.holybrookparishcouncil.co.uk/ Holybrook-pc/holybrook_festival- 15737.aspx</a>
July 4th	BEN Windsor Great Park Vintage and Classic Vehicle Rally	Eamonn Galligan 01344 620191
July5th	Pinewood Festival	<a href="http://www.pinewoodfestival.org.uk">www.pinewoodfestival.org.uk</a>
<b>July 6th-10th</b>	<b>Club Holiday at Holme Lacey</b>	<b>Trevor/Jean</b>
July26th	Shooting Star Chase Summer Show.	Phil Dunford for details
July26th	Hampshire 999 show. See details in Newsletter	<a href="http://www.hampshire-999-show.co.uk">www.hampshire-999-show.co.uk</a>
Aug16th	Brooklands Reunion	<a href="http://www.brooklandsmuseum.com">www.brooklandsmuseum.com</a>
Aug 23rd	<b>BBQ at John and Joan's</b>	<b>Joan/John</b>
August 30 <sup>th</sup> - 31st	Swallowfield Show	<a href="http://www.swallowfieldshow.co.uk">www.swallowfieldshow.co.uk</a>
Aug. 31st	Littlewick Show	<a href="http://www.littlewickshow.co.uk">www.littlewickshow.co.uk</a>
Sep20th	Surrey Classic Vehicle Rally Tilford Rural Life Centre	<a href="http://www.surreyclassicvehicleclub.com">www.surreyclassicvehicleclub.com</a>
Oct11th	Motor Sport Day at Brooklands	<a href="http://www.brooklandsmuseum.com">www.brooklandsmuseum.com</a>
Oct 31st	VSCC Sprint Meeting at Goodwood (free entry for spectators)	<a href="http://www.vsc.co.uk">www.vsc.co.uk</a>
<b>November 21st</b>	<b>NHAEG/ATDC Nightjar</b>	<b>Trevor/Colin/Don</b>
<b>December 8th</b>	<b>Salisbury Christmas Market &amp; Cathedral Carol Concert. (Coach Trip)</b>	<b>Jean</b>
Twice a month	Classic Car Meetings White Lion Antiques. See web site for dates	<a href="http://www.whitelionantiques.co.uk">www.whitelionantiques.co.uk</a>

## Inter-Register Events

Date	Organising Club	Event	Location	Contact
4th April	Alvis	Scatter Rally + Tour	West Sussex	James Campbell 01730 81704 jamesiscampbell@btconnect.com
12th July	Humber	Navigation Rally	Tarrant Monkton, Dorset	Dick Armen 01202 695937 thearmans@googlemail.com
26th July	STD	Driving Tests+ Tour	Hungerford	Peter Allin 01276 64718 peterallin01@btinternet.com
22nd Aug	Riley	Navigation Rally + Tour	Newbury	Richard Scott 01189 832224 rscottok@btinternet.com
20th Sept	Crossley	Treasure Hunt	North Yorks	Stephen Weld 01765 658569
26thSept	Alvis	Scatter Rally	Dartmoor	James Campbell 01730817049 jamesiscampbell@btconnect.com
11th Oct	MGCC	Autumn Naviscat	Surrey/Sussex	Tim Morris 07801 591689 twmorris@ntlworld.com
21stNov	NHAEG ATDC	Nightjar Scatter Orienteering	Surrey/Hants/Berks	Trevor Edwards 01344 775012 trevor_c.edwards@btinternet.com

**These Inter-Register events are very enjoyable, why not give one of them a try.**

**If you would like more information see me, Trevor E, Tony W. or contact the organiser listed above.**

**The next event we will be taking part in is the Alvis Rally on the 4<sup>th</sup> April, how about joining us.**

**We will also be entering the Humber Rally in Dorset on the 12<sup>th</sup> July**

***Colin* [cgreig104@btinternet.com](mailto:cgreig104@btinternet.com)**

## “TREVOR’S TEASER”

*‘Royal National Lifeboat Institution’*

**All answers, except the last one, start with R, N, L or I**

1	A Kentish resort where male sheep enter or leave	_ _ _ _ _	8
2	Elgar found this aircraft an enigma	_ _ _ _ _	6
3	Lines that circle the earth with freedom	_ _ _ _ _	8
4	This cannot be reached	_ _ _ _ _	8
5	A rough sea could produce 50s pop music	_ _ _ _ _	4,3,4
6	This number sounds like a Germanic thumbs down	_ _ _ _	4
7	A rubbish group of kittens	_ _ _ _ _	6
8	A spice that can make one angry	_ _ _ _ _	7
9	Put in court again	_ _ _ _ _	7
10	What a Grand race	_ _ _ _ _	8
11	A shocking person full of energy	_ _ _ _ _	4,4
12	A crease-removing metal	_ _ _ _	4
13	A pig of a car driver	_ _ _ _ _	4,3
14	A five cent chemical	_ _ _ _ _	6
15	Sounds like a Cornish toilet	_ _ _ _	4
16	Right leaning persons write using such letters!	_ _ _ _ _	7
17	Kings and Princes send letters by this!	_ _ _ _ _	5,4
18	One could carry fivers in this!	_ _ _ _ _	8
19	A key point on a canal?	_ _ _ _	4
20	A flower in one’s eye	_ _ _ _	4
21	To change 13 A to 15 A is rubbish	_ _ _ _ _	6
22	An amusing louse	_ _ _ _ _	6
23	Worn from birth to death for safety	_ _ _ _ _	4,6
24	A bad-tempered country?	_ _ _ _ _	7
25	Sounds like a game place for RNLI HQ	_ _ _ _ _	5

*Please submit your entry to Trevor Edwards, 55 The Brambles, Crowthorne. Berks RG45 6EF by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May (nearly a whole 2 months away!), enclosing £1.00 towards prize(s)*

*NAME.....*