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NEWSLETTER AND EVENTS

November/December 2014

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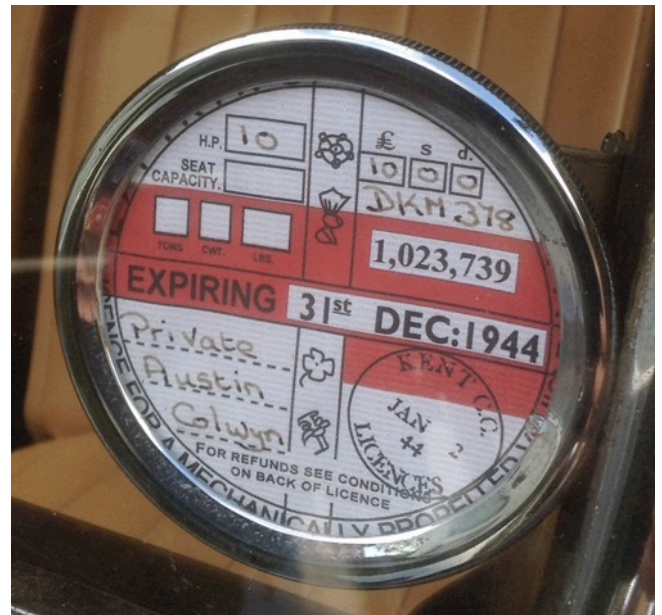


Club nights at The New Inn, Heckfield, 8pm, **2nd Monday** in every month



Reproduction tax discs

We've all seen a number of companies selling reproduction tax discs.



Some time ago I decided to have a go at setting out a design on the computer to make my own. I've done one or two for other people or events so now have a few designs. See photo. They took hours to draft, so I'm not planning to design any more, but I now have designs for 1924; 1933; 1937; 1944; and 1952 and am happy to print some off for NHAEG members.

If anyone would like one please drop me an email to phildunford@dunfords.co.uk with:-

Chosen year, make and model of car, horse power, preferred county of issue, your name and address

Phil Dunford

COLINS COMMENTS

October Club Night

We had something a bit different for our October club night, which was the idea of Simon and Denise and called Guess Whose Car. Members had been asked to email to Simon pictures of their first four cars, which Simon printed out and put on to sheets, which were then put up on a large board for club night.

The idea was for members, in teams, to try and work out who had owned the cars, not an easy task as it turned out but non the less great fun. The wining team consisted of Trevor and Jean, John and Joan, Nick and Pat and Alan P. Well done to them.

Many thanks to Simon and Denise for all their time and efforts and also to the 28 members who emailed their pictures to Simon which ensured an interesting evening.

November Club Night

In November we had our annual auction when members brought along anything they had no further use for in the hope that other members may want them. As usual Don was the auctioneer, Trevor kept a note of all the transactions and I was the porter. As always it was a lot of fun and most items brought to be auctioned, found new homes.

Free Night At The New Inn

As they have done for some years our landlords Tim and June kindly offered us a free night at The New Inn which 16 members took advantage of on the 18th October. As usual we had a run which this year started at Squires Garden Centre in Badshot Lea and finished at Winkworth Arboretum. A few pleasant hours were spent there walking and enjoying the Autumn colours and also having lunch before setting off at 2.30pm for The New Inn. This should have been a fairly easy run of about one and a half hours but unfortunately for me and Ann, as we took a left turn in Seale, there was an ominous clunk from the back which turned out to be the off side half shaft breaking.

Obviously we could not go any further so immediately phoned Richard Hoskins Insurance to arrange recovery who said we would be collected between an hour to an hour and a half, which seemed reasonable. Trevor and Jean along with Don and Maureen who had been following us said they would wait until we were rescued but when I phoned after an hour to be told it would be at least another hour we suggested they went on and we would join them when we could. In fact it turned out to be a lot more than an other hour, after numerous phone calls when I kept being told someone was on their way they eventually arrived at 7.10pm, by which time it was dark with no street lighting, having first phoned at 3.00pm. Not the service I had expected from Richard Hoskins

I am sure everyone enjoyed their stay at The New Inn and were very appreciative of Tim and Junes offer, I did email them to thank them on everyone's behalf. Also thanks to Trevor for helping me organise the run and Ann for checking it with me.

I did phone Richard Hoskins Insurance on the Monday to complain about the appalling service I had received and a Manager/Supervisor from Equity Red Star Insurance phoned me the following day to apologise for the ridiculous time taken to rescue us saying they would be looking into it, I also received a letter from them a few days later. However no apology can make up for ruining our day and I must now decide whether to look elsewhere for my insurance when it is due for renewal next June as I would not want to wait that long again should I be unfortunate to break down.

Nightjar

The 39th Nightjar was held on the 15th November and judging by comments received on the night and in emails since it was a great success and enjoyed by everyone. Thankfully although the roads were very wet from heavy rain during the week and the areas where contestants had to look for clues were very muddy, it did not on the night, although there was a certain amount of fog around.

However it did not seem to dampen anyone's enthusiasm for the event with everyone coming back in good spirits.

As usual we had contestants coming from near and far and they were all very appreciative of the efforts of the marshals and all the helpers back at the hall. A total of 31 members and friends were involved in the running of the event and I would like to thank them all very much for all their help, without them the Nightjar could not take place.

Here's looking forward to next years Nightjar which is a bit special as it will be the 40th

December Club Night

Our December club night is a fun and games evening and as always members are invited to dress in a festive fashion if they wish. Come along and join in the fun at the last club night of 2014.

January Club Night

As usual we will be holding our AGM at the January club night and hope that we will have a good attendance as we normally do.

This is the last time I shall write Colins Column as by the time the next newsletter comes out for February there will be a new committee in place. I would therefore like to thank all committee members and club members for their support over the years I have been Chairman and wish the new committee all the very best. I have enjoyed my years in office and it has been a privilege to be Chairman of such a friendly and thriving club, long may it continue.

All that remains is to wish all members and their families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Safe and Happy Motoring.

Colin



Carrots, cabbages and one old banger

AT THE beginning of World War II, one of my father's customers asked him if he would store an Austin 7 car for him for the duration. Father said the rent would outdo the value of the car if the war lasted very long. So the gentleman decided to sell it to my father for the vast sum of ten shillings — about £10 today. Taxed and insured, it was ready to cart our bags of Brussels sprouts, cabbages, cauliflowers and other items. We put a pair of track tyres on the back axle, and it was so light it would go anywhere. We never got stuck. The hood was in the way, so we lowered it and, before long, it had fallen off completely. The windscreen wiper was worked

by hand, but some time later the lower part of the windscreen was knocked out, and we would proceed with a healthy blast coming through the bottom half. This Austin 7 ran summer and winter alike until late 1944 before it gave up the ghost. So we had tremendous value for our ten shillings. Next, we bought an Austin 7 saloon and cut off the back to turn it into a pick-up truck. That lasted for about three years. After that we had an ex-RAF Standard 12. The first Austin 7 we called 'the Jeep', the second one we called 'the Bug', but as the Standard 12 was always breaking down, we called all the names under the sun!

Alec Worbey, Hitchin, Herts.



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The Austin Seven Book

I was recently given some books by a friend, included in them was one called "The Austin Seven Book" by R.T. Nicholson. This was the nearest to a manual on the Austin Seven that was available when the cars were new. The book I have, which is not in the best of condition, is the third edition which does not give any date but I would think, having read it, was published about 1931 certainly no later than 1932.

The fourth chapter deals with the cost of running an Austin Seven which I found quite amusing especially with regards to prices. Below is a copy of this chapter with words and punctuation exactly as they appear in the book, I think now days we would find some of it rather condescending, especially the last paragraph, but I suppose anyone buying this book in 1931 had probably never had a car before and therefore knew very little about running them.

I also find amazing the miles per gallon that supposedly could be obtained from a new Austin Seven, can any of you Seven owners get 60 miles to the gallon? I am sure I never did on either of the Sevens I owned, I am not sure I even got 47 that the author gives as a modest estimate.

Colin

Cost Of Running an Austin Seven

It seems as if it ought to be easy to calculate the cost of running: but it isn't. Much depends on the number of miles you run annually: the greater the mileage, the less the cost per mile: on the other hand, the smaller your mileage, the less, obviously, will your outgoings be.

As regards three items of your running expenses—cost of petrol, lubricants and tyres—they can be calculated with some approach to exactness.

Petrol—47 miles to the gallon is a modest estimate of the capabilities of the Austin Seven. While you may not get such results for the first 500 miles, you may thereafter do even better. Some Austin Seven owners assure me that they can get up to 60. Let us, however, base our calculations on 47. The cost of petrol fluctuates, but let us assume that it costs 1s. 5d. a gallon. Cost per mile for petrol is then a little over one third of a penny per mile.

Lubricants—Cost is so small as to be almost negligible. A gallon of oil will serve for all purposes—engine, gearbox and general lubrication—for at least 1800 miles. Cost of grease for over 10,000 miles will be only a shilling or two. You can call this about £2.10s for 10,000 miles say, one—twentieth of a penny a mile.

Tyres—Your five tyres should carry you from 10,000 to 12,000 miles, Say 10,000—or three tenths of a penny a mile.

Other items are not so obvious.

Insurance—You must insure. Risks—especially “third party” risks—are otherwise too great. You may drive as carefully as you please, but you can't count on what the “other fellow” will do; and you may be landed in heavy liability—amounting even to hundreds of pounds.

The premium varies according to the size of the population of the city or town in which the owner lives. I have assumed a premium of £10 in the table following, but it will be less in some cases, more in others.

Repairs necessitated by accidents will be covered by insurance. Careful attention and good driving should otherwise make their cost negligible for the first 10,000 miles. After that a general overhaul may cost from £5 to £10.

Interest on cost of the car may be figured at £6 5s. a year.

Tax and Licence cost £8 5s.

Garage—If you have to build a garage, you will have to add interest on your outlay and allow for depreciation; or you may have to pay for garaging elsewhere.

Water for washing may cost you something.

Depreciation is inevitable—even with careful tending and driving. Mere age tells and the car will gradually shed value. Second-hand Austin Sevens, however, fetch good prices and on the basis of such prices, we shall be safe in calculating depreciation at 20 per cent. per annum—less perhaps after the first year.

Let us now assume a mileage of 10,000 a year—by no means a heavy one—and see what running will cost during the first year. In that year tyres and repairs should cost nothing; I have therefore omitted those items, as also garage and water, because they are indefinite.

	£	s	d
Petrol @ 1s. 5d.	15	0	0
Oil and Grease	2	10	0
Insurance (say)	10	0	0
Interest (say)	6	5	0
Tax and Licence	8	5	0
Depreciation (say)	25	0	0
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	£67	0	0

This indicates that the cost of the first years running of the 10,000 miles will be very well under 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ d. a mile.

Now let us look at the cost of running for the second year. The first five items in the above list will work out at the same figure; depreciation (on the basis of 20 per cent, of the reduced value) will be £20 as against £25. This will mean £62. On the other hand, we shall need a new set of tyres—say, £8—and possibly repairs to the value of £7 10s. This will bring our outgoings up to £77 10s—under 2d. a mile.

While there is necessarily some approximation in my calculations, they will serve as a basis for yours. You may be able to run more cheaply; on the other hand, carelessness may land you in higher figures. My calculations will also serve as a basis for greater or smaller mileage—which will considerably affect the cost per mile.

The reason why mileage does thus affect the cost per mile lies of course, in the fact that there are certain "overheads" expenses which you incur whether you run the car or not; e.g. taxation, licence, insurance, interest, depreciation. On the other hand, petrol, tyres, lubricants, cost you more the more miles you run.

Colin



QUERIES OF THE MONTH

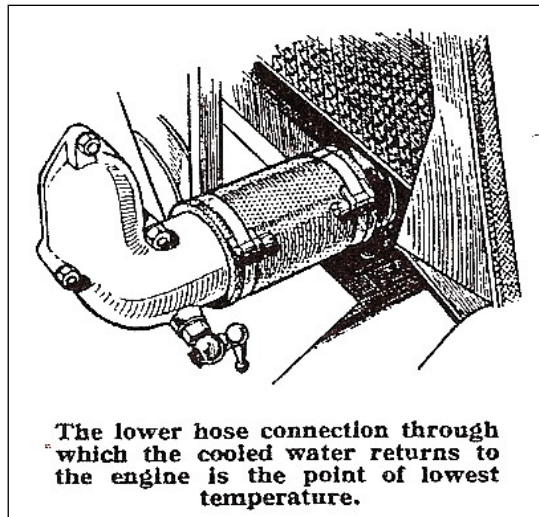
Some more "Queries of the Month", these originally appeared in "The Austin Magazine & Advocate" during the 1930s and 1940s. This month's selection consists of No 475 Freezing and No 538 Instrument Panel – Austin Ten-Four.

No 475 appeared in March 1933 and No 538 in November 1933.

No475 - Freezing

Q. *I have seen from time to time in the Magazine various useful instructions as to the precautions against freezing, but have not seen any mention of what should be done if, through oversight or neglect, the cooling water does freeze. How am I to know if it has frozen? Your advice on this point is awaited with interest.*

A. The first symptom of a freeze-up is, strange to say, steam issuing from the radiator cap after the engine has run a short time. This is simply due to the water above the cylinder-head not being able to circulate, thus being quickly converted to steam.

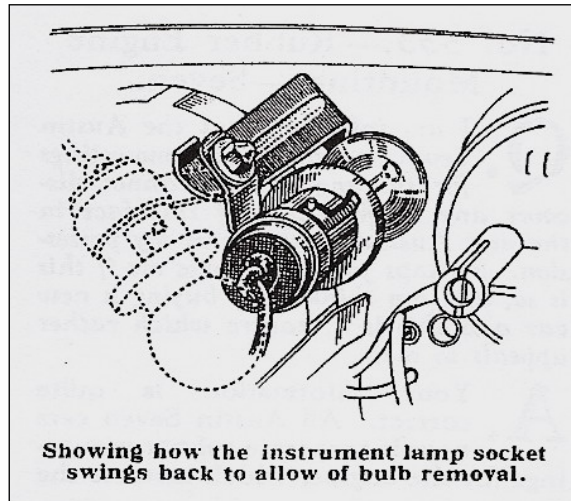


To thaw the ice in the cooling system takes time. Warm water (not hot) can be added so far as possible through the radiator filler or poured down the radiator front, and once the circulation of the water has been restored, the remaining ice will quickly melt as the engine warms up. The coldest point will be the lower hose connection, through which the cooled water re-enters the engine from the radiator. Freezing often occurs first at this point and it is sometimes possible to dislodge the ice in the connection by squeezing it, to restore the circulation. In the event of a really bad freeze-up, it is important to examine the engine and radiator for any damage that the ice may have caused, which may not be evident until the system has been thawed. Damage, as with water pipes in the house, occurs in freezing, but is sometimes only evident (alas!) when the thaw takes place. Apart from the numerous anti-freezing precautions we have suggested, it is important to keep cold draughts way from the radiator when the car is garaged. A cold draught through a badly fitting garage door will easily cause freezing whilst the general temperature of the garage is relatively safe.

No 538 – Instrument Panel – Austin Ten-Four

Q. My new Ten-Four, I find differs from previous car in having an illuminated instrument panel. Recently, I noticed in "The Austin Magazine" particulars as to how to reach the panel lights on the Sixteen in the event of these failing. May I take it that the same instruments apply in respect of the panel of my new car? I should like your advice on this point so that I can readily renew the bulb in case of a failure, or use the panel light as a spare for the rear or side-lamp, if it is of the correct size for these.

A. The construction of the illuminated instrument panel on the latest Ten-Four model differs from that on the Austin Sixteen, dealt with in our issue for last April, the lamps which illuminate the instruments having a different form of mounting.

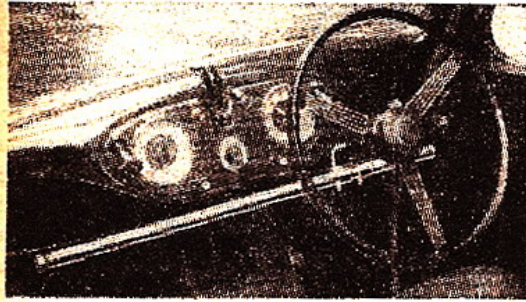


Actually, they are much easier of access, and can be readily located beside the speedometer and clock. Each lamp socket is mounted on a pivoting arm which swings back away from the panel, so the bulb can be removed without difficulty in the normal manner for a bayonet type mounting. As you assume, the bulb is suitable for the side lamps or the rear lamp, and its designation is B.A.S.10S.

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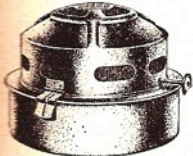
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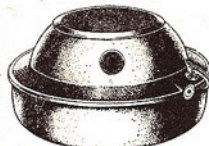


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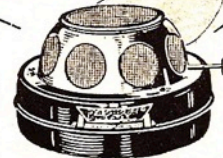
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Andy Ranson



Secretary's Scribblings

Quiz News

Again just a tiny handful of entries for the most recent quiz – ‘*This Will Test Your Mind and Memory*’ – the winners, on this occasion, being Tony and Pat (Westhall), who managed to come up with all 25 correct answers and who were suitably rewarded with some liquid sustenance. Congratulations to them both!

The quiz set for this month, to keep you entertained over the festive season, is, again one involving the letter ‘M’. There are a couple of clues which should get you scratching your heads a little and maybe even losing sleep!

NHAEG Committee for 2015

Nominations for the 2015 Committee, to augment those (very) few who have already indicated a readiness to step up to the plate and give it a go, appear to be rarer than hen’s teeth.

Time is fast running out now before a complete change of Committee will be upon us. Please give this issue some *serious* thought over the next few weeks and if you genuinely wish to see the Club not only survive but also continue to thrive please get a nomination in, either for yourself or someone else, *with their approval*, of course, by Friday 9th January 2015, in time for the AGM on the 12th. Nomination slips were sent out with the October Newsletter.

Time is of the essence!

2015 Subscriptions

Included with this Newsletter is a Subscriptions Renewal Form for 2015. Please make sure this is completed, **in full**, and returned to the Membership Secretary, George (Ewart) by the 31st December.

Apart from helping George considerably if you meet the 31st December deadline, it is most important you do so to ensure your membership remains continuous and you continue to receive the bi-monthly Newsletter.

Club Trip 2015!

As was announced in October’s Newsletter 35 members are now signed up for next year’s Club trip to Holme Lacy in Herefordshire.

Since initially publicising details and making the booking several new members have joined the Club and may possibly be interested in joining us on this 4-night, 5-day ‘adventure’. If that is the case then anyone who is intrigued should contact me for details, (preferably by phone on 01344 775012), since it is highly likely that we will be able to secure additional reservations. Such trips are invariably much enjoyed by those involved.

Auction Night – 10th November

As those who came along to the most recent Club Night will recall the Auction was very well attended and, as has become quite a regular feature, the room was pretty well bulging at the seams with bidders, sellers and, of course, items to go under the hammer; more of the latter than we’ve ever seen before I feel.

Auction Evenings are always fairly manic and it wasn't practical or very sensible to try to calculate who was owed by, or was owing to, on the night. Hence it was decided to do this under more tranquil conditions and then inform members accordingly.

This has now been done and everyone who either bought or sold items during the evening should have received a breakdown of all transactions together with a request to settle at the first convenient opportunity. Similarly, those who are due to receive payment will do so either at the Christmas Dinner or December Club Night; failing either of those, then at the 2015 AGM.

At this time it can be reported that, due primarily to the generosity of Tim and June, our hosts at the *New Inn*, who donated a meal for two to be auctioned, plus that of David Dickens who donated, for auction, a large quantity of (mainly) Austin 12 related items, but stated that he did not wish to receive anything in return, the Club benefited to a record sum in excess of £70.00. The exact total is yet to be determined.

If those concerned have not yet received the breakdown of transactions yet please get back to me soonest and I will ensure you get a copy.

NHAEG Charity Donation

As has been the custom for some years now a percentage of any excess income over expenditure arising from the Nightjar Rally is donated to a small, local charity, name drawn by ballot from those proposed by NHAEG members.

If you know of a local charity (please, not one of the big national ones) which might really benefit from a relatively modest donation please use the form below and bring it along to the AGM (or send it in beforehand), when the draw to decide which charity to receive the donation will be made.

NHAEG Charity Donation 2014 – Nomination

Please enter the name and primary contact details, if known, of a 'small', local charity you would like to nominate for a draw, to select the one to receive a donation, arising from a percentage of the Nightjar Rally in 2014.

Please do not include the name of any large, national charity.

Name of charity.....

Contact details (if known) e.g. name of contact person, phone number, address, etc.:

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Nominated by.....

Christmas Dinner 2014

By the time this Newsletter is circulated it may well be that the annual Christmas Dinner will have been, gone and enjoyed. However, in case it reaches you *prior* to this event the venue is, again, the Downshire Golf Complex, situated between Bracknell, Wokingham and Crowthorne, although the actual postal address is Easthampstead Park, Wokingham RG40 3DH. It is accessible off the B3430 (Nine Mile Ride); look out for the sign to Easthampstead Crematorium (odd but true!). Finally, for those with an OS map of the area (Reading and Windsor) the map reference is 846 666.

If you have any problem locating it on the night my mobile number is 07518 043663; give me a call and I will 'guide you in'.

Please note, timing, this year, is 7:15 p.m. for 7:45.

So long, but definitely not farewell.

Some 14 years ago, having been a member of the NHAEG for only 18 months or so, I was somewhat surprised to be approached with the suggestion of becoming Secretary. At the time the Club was in a pretty parlous state and its future was by no means assured. Meetings were attended by just a few, almost entirely male, who, typically, spent an hour or so alternately staring disconsolately into a half-empty beer glass and maybe occasionally raising a head slightly to discuss some esoteric aspect of vehicle mechanics with another equally unmotivated member.

Although a comparative rookie I was persuaded to give it a go and, together with Colin (Greig), set about trying to mould the Club into something a little more appealing than the one it had so sadly become. Previously and in its early days, as those with far more experience and longer association with the Club will undoubtedly confirm, it had been vibrant and active but, like a neglected garden, had, for no obvious reason, become lacklustre and down at heel. One of the things which was lacking (in our opinion) was the presence of many ladies and therefore one of the tenets we settled on was to try to make it of greater interest to the ladies, which meant that the nature of the club needed to change significantly. Not many ladies really want to spend time listening, much less talking about, camshafts, back axles and knocking big ends!

It has been increasingly gratifying, over the past 14 years, to note how successful this strategy has proved to be. We now have a Club which, seemingly, appeals equally to both the male and female of the species, whilst not losing sight of the fact that the main goal is to provide a focus for those with an interest in historic vehicles, primarily, though not exclusively, Longbridge products. The path is a narrow one to tread and a balancing act has to be made but, by and large, it is felt that most, if not all, Club members get something out of being part of it.

Time is marching on for us all and it is inevitable that those of us who have been at the helm for the past several years need to give way to a younger element and entrust it to them to carry the Club forward. To this end the (still) current Committee will, as is now common knowledge, be standing down at the AGM in January.

Speaking purely for myself and as someone who has, perforce, at some time or another and in addition to being Secretary, carried out tasks associated with all positions on the Committee – (except one, never having reached the dizzy heights of Chairman!) - i.e. Treasurer and Newsletter Editor, I can only observe that the time spent in the NHAEG, over the past 14 years, has been one of the most rewarding periods of my later life. I have made numerous warm friendships, learned a lot and even though, at times, having chosen to inject what seemed to be an inordinate amount of time and effort into what is, after all, an unpaid labour of love, (to the detriment, on occasions, of pressing decorating activities or some other domestic matters requiring attention), I have enjoyed every minute of it.

I thank everyone for their support and kindness and wish those, whoever may form the new Committee, every success in keeping the Club afloat. None of the 'old guard' is planning on going away, we will still be around but will not take any part in the day to day running of the Club. We will only give advice or input when asked to do so and will continue simply to enjoy all the Club has to offer – but from the other side of the fence, so to speak. Having made that point, the 'Nightjar', for example, will continue, for the foreseeable future, to be organised by those who have done so for many years (until and unless others may be prepared to do so) and the annual Club trips/excursions/'experiences' will remain a feature of the annual calendar but again, *only* until such time as other alternatives may become available.

In conclusion I wish all Club members and their families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous but above all, Healthy New Year.

Thank you all.

Trevor



**NHAEG
CLUB NIGHTS AND EVENTS DIARY**

Club Nights		Arranged by or details from
November 10th	Auction	Don/Trevor/Colin
December 8th	Festive Fun Night	Committee
2015		
January 12th	AGM	Committee
February 9th	Quiz	Julie/Mick
March 9th	TBA	TBA
Lunch Meetings 4 th Monday of every month (Colin for details)		
November 24th	The New Inn	
December 22nd	The New Inn	
2015		
January 12th	The New Inn	
Events		
Events in Bold are NHAEG events		
December 1st	Christmas Dinner	Trevor/Jean
December 13th	Carols at Royal Albert Hall and Lights Tour (All tickets now sold)	Jean
December 14th	Classic Car Meeting White Lion Antiques	www.whitelionantiques.co.uk
2015		
January 1st	New Years Day Gathering at Brooklands	www.brooklandsmuseum.com
January 18th	Classic Car Meeting White Lion Antiques	www.whitelionantiques.co.uk
February 1st	VSCC Driving Tests. Brooklands Museum	www.brooklandsmuseum.com
February 15th	Classic Car Meeting White Lion Antiques	www.whitelionantiques.co.uk
March 8th	Morris/Austin Day at Brooklands Museum	www.brooklandsmuseum.com
March 8th	Classic Car Meeting White Lion Antiques	www.whitelionantiques.co.uk
March 22nd	Classic Car Meeting White Lion Antiques	www.whitelionantiques.co.uk
April 26th	Drive it Day	TBA
July 6th-10th	Club Holiday at Holme Lacey	Trevor/Jean

2015 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Time, as is usual, has flown past and it is now the time to for you to arrange your Membership Mortgage for 2015. Bearing in mind the critical state of the nation's finances your committee has decided, after much deliberation, to keep the subscription for 2015 at £9.00.

Some Motor Insurers – notably those covering classic vehicles etc. – are now asking those seeking insurance if they are members of a Club associated with the make/type of car they are insuring. Such enquiries usually occur when premium discounts are on offer. Some companies may then seek confirmation from the club concerned so the club's response can assume a legal significance should a problem arise. An inconsistent response from the Club will not help the applicant!

It is for this reason that the Membership Secretary requires a **fully completed and signed** membership form each year so that any such query can be answered with confidence. Last year 33 of the 47 forms returned in time were incomplete. To keep membership records up to date please advise the Membership Secretary **directly** of any changes or additions to details listed on your form which may arise during 2015. He can be reached by landline on 01344 778286 or on george.ewartx@btinternet.com.

These updates will be published in the Newsletter, where applicable, so that other members can update their lists.

George Ewart, Membership Secretary.



MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Please welcome John Pratt and Jeannette Moseley to our highly respected band of historic motorists. John and Jeannette reside in Church Crookham and we look forward to meeting them soon at the New Inn. They can be reached on johnpratt@orange.net or by telephone on 01252 643527.

They have just taken up the A7 faith by acquiring Trevor and Jean Edwards RN Box Saloon PO 4877. This venerable 83 year old lady will gently introduce them to the NHAEG's methods of pleasurable driving and high living.

George Ewart



North Hampshire **Austin Enthusiasts' Group**
2015 Joining/Renewal Subscription Form.

Member's renewal subscription OF **£9.00** should be submitted by **December 31st. 2014** otherwise an additional **Rejoining** fee of **£5.00** will be required.

New members are required to pay a Joining fee of **£5.00**, in addition to the annual subscription of **£9.00**

Please use BLOCK CAPITALS and highlight any changes since last year
The Membership Secretary should be advised directly of any changes arising during 2015.

The NHAEG requests this information to maintain its records and to help provide events and activities which reflect the interests of the membership where possible. This information will not be used for any other purpose nor disclosed to any other individual, group or agency outside the **NHAEG**.

** For security reasons your address will only be made available to the Committee members.

Membership includes all family members resident at the address noted below.
 Only the Principal and Joint members will be allowed to vote at any Group Meeting or AGM.

PRINCIPAL MEMBER

Title Surname Forenames
 Address** Postcode

E-mail address
 Telephone number Mobile number

SIGNATURE DATE

(PRINCIPAL MEMBER)

JOINT MEMBER

Title Surname Forenames

E-mail address
 Telephone number Mobile number

May we include your tel.no./e-mail/vehicle details in the circulated membership list? YES / NO

Please note overleaf the make, model, year & registration number and any other interesting facts about your vehicle(s) and also what activities/events you would be interested in?

Do you wish to help run or organize any of these activities/events? YES / NO

Please return your completed form and cheque only for £14.00 or £9.00 (delete as required) payable to 'NHAEG', at a Group meeting or by post before December 31st. to:-

The Membership Secretary, George Ewart, 12A Butler Road, Crowthorne, RG45 6QY.
 Telephone 01344 778286 george.ewartx@btinternet.com

Forms not fully completed will be returned

'This Will Test Mind and Memory' Take 2

**All answers are, again, words beginning with the letter 'M'.
Please forward entries to Trevor Edwards, at:
55 The Brambles, Crowthorne. RG45 6EF, by Friday 9th January 2015
enclosing £1.00 towards the cost of prize(s).**

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| 1. Sounds like a compassionate river | _ _ _ _ _ | 6 |
| 2. Profession of Jane Seymour and Anne of Cleves | _ _ _ _ _ | 7 |
| 3. Make fun of a moral sin on foot | _ _ _ _ _ | 8 |
| 4. Greek letter sounding poorly making nice noise | _ _ _ _ _ | 5 |
| 5. Does it attract those in Warsaw? | _ _ _ _ _ | 6 |
| 6. Computer operator with large mouth has this | _ _ _ _ _ | 8 |
| 7. 1/1000 th of a drinking place | _ _ _ _ _ | 6 |
| 8. Strong pull by an ape | _ _ _ _ _ | 6, 6 |
| 9. Strange girl with a nervous twitch | _ _ _ _ _ | 6 |
| 10. Clever portable light | _ _ _ _ _ | 5, 7 |
| 11. Germans have their own version of this complaint! | _ _ _ _ _ | 7 |
| 12. Benediction of men & women together | _ _ _ _ _ | 5, 8 |
| 13. Many need to make a mountain | _ _ _ _ _ | 9 |
| 14. This animal disease sounds as though one has shuffled the digits of one's foot! | _ _ _ _ _ | 11 |
| 15. Publication that could contain explosive material! | _ _ _ _ _ | 8 |
| 16. Gas, water, electric, etc | _ _ _ _ _ | 5 |
| 17. Very small ripple caused by modern food heater | _ _ _ _ _ | 9 |
| 18. Headgear for academic bricklayer | _ _ _ _ _ | 6, 5 |
| 19. A strong sounding bivalve | _ _ _ _ _ | 6 |
| 20. Very fast steam powered bird | _ _ _ _ _ | 7 |
| 21. You might get this if you're brave | _ _ _ _ _ | 5 |
| 22. Stolen seaside golf courses? | _ _ _ _ _ | 7, 5 |
| 23. Wooden bodied insect? | _ _ _ _ _ | 8 |
| 24. Swollen part of Oldham | _ _ _ _ _ | 5 |
| 25. It's hoped this quiz was notto do! | _ _ _ _ _ | 6 |

Name(s).....

Answers to the **October** quiz, words beginning with the letter 'M'
'This Will Test Mind and Memory' Take 2

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| 1. Loose cloak around a glowing flame | MANTLE |
| 2. Nothing more than a pool! | MERE |
| 3. Male who breathes on a cold glass | MISTER |
| 4. Rules of a dead Oxford detective | MORSE CODE |
| 5. Load bearing footwear | MULE |
| 6. Well behaved people live in these | MANORS |
| 7. Interfere | MEDDLE |
| 8. Change 60 secs for this dance | MINUET |
| 9. Up to date tricks | MOD CONS |
| 10. Bad sounding operatic song? | MALARIA |
| 11. A short one leaves a large head on a pint | MEASURE |
| 12. Perhaps carries disease | MITE |
| 13. Royal airline | MONARCH |
| 14. Thoughtful Scottish island | MULL |
| 15. Month for a good walk? | MARCH |
| 16. Sadly one may become this when eating similar sounding fruit and veg! | MELANCHOLY |
| 17. Angry tirade by Russian fighter plane keeps moving | MIRAGE |
| 18. Non-stereo French key for one eye! | MONOCLE |
| 19. Does it prevent a gun firing? | MUZZLE |
| 20. You will need yours to solve this quiz! | MARBLES |
| 21. A Middle Eastern dance hall? | MECCA |
| 22. Female court official gets it wrong | MISJUDGES |
| 23. Tree produced by active volcano | MOUNTAIN ASH |
| 24. Unclear speaking in S.Wales | MUMBLES |
| 25. Computer rodent | MOUSE |