

January 2023

Dear Members

Club Events

Club meetings (October -March) will change to lunch time venues on the second Tuesday of the month. This is to avoid late night driving in the dark which is disliked by many members.

Club Meeting – Tue 10th January

Midday at the Coach & Horses, Rotherwick. RG27 9BG.

Other Events – 2023 (Please check before going)

Blackbush Car Meet – last Sunday of each month

Fleet Classic car club - Wednesday evenings at Tweseldown pub, Beacon Hill Road

Wheels day – Rushmoor Arena, Aldershot 7th April

Drive it Day – 23rd April

Beaulieu Spring Auto jumble – 13th-14th May

Basingstoke Festival of Transport – 14th May

Hartley Witney show – 10th June

Chertsey Classic car show (KT16 8LN) – 12th Aug

Farnborough British Motor Show – 17th-20th August

Beaulieu International spares day – 2nd-3rd Sept

Welcome to the January issue, and the start of another year – lets hope it turns out to be a happy, healthy and enjoyable one for all of you.



Membership Update

2022 was a difficult year for many people for the reasons we all know and unfortunately our NHAEG club also suffered. Pre covid we had 49 members (not including wives/partners and family members which effectively doubles our membership) but the 2023 renewals indicates we now only have 36 members. Very few offered a reason for not re-joining, but we know some ex members have sold their classic / historic cars and others live too far away to regularly attend club meetings.

It is therefore more important than ever that members provide feedback to the committee about the type of events / activities that the club should organise. The committee is planning a run out for Drive it Day, a UK club holiday, and possibly a trip to France later in the year, but we need your support. If you are aware of any future events or local activities that might be of interest to other club members please inform the committee or Trevor Mulford at; trevormulford1942@gmail.com.

Drive it Day – Sunday 23rd April



Don't forget the next Drive It Day & Ride It Day, will be on Sunday 23rd April 2023.

As before, all profits from the sale of our fundraising vehicle plates will be donated to Childline® so they may continue to run their vital service.

Childline provides dedicated volunteer counsellors and safeguarding supervisors who work 3.5 hour shifts on a daily basis dealing with shocking and severe stories about how much our young people can struggle with life, navigating troubles at home, abusive families, bullying or just dealing with the impact of the world's troubles on their lives.

Many calls on each shift are escalated to supervisors and then onwards to emergency services, because young people were in such danger. Also, many young people are troubled by the challenges faced, not just by themselves, but their parents or carers as well who might be suffering from incurable health difficulties, financial crisis or domestic violence. Children and young adults seem to be bearing the burden of the increasingly difficult world around them. Not only that, but the emergency and mental health services in the UK are creaking at the seams post Covid and so often it is down to charities like the NSPCC's Childline to plug the ever-widening gaps.

Childline® offer a 24 hour service and aim to be available for every telephone call or online contact received. Let's give them all our support, please buy your Drive It Day and Ride It Day 2023 plates today! For more information on Childline® please visit: www.childline.org.uk or www.driveitday.co.uk

Photo Archive

Does anyone have any photographs of themselves standing next to their cherished car that were taken back in their youth, and also a more recent picture standing with the classic car they own today? If you are happy to have your pictures appear in the club bulletin please loan them to Adrian W , or scan and email them.

Recommended spares to carry in an Austin Seven

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SPARES - WHY CARRY THEM?

The most common causes of breakdown are, in order:

- Fuel
- Electrics
- Mechanical
- Body

GENERAL POINTS:

- Wrap and protect your tools/spares from water etc.
- Keep your key spares in your car you always break down on your own!
- Always "check your nuts" before a Run!"
- And the top tip from the man who travels the World? Keep a note/map of where you've put all your spares! And make sure the spares fit your car (*you may need a bigger car*!)

GENERAL SPARES- FOR EVERYDAY

Spare Petrol

Engine Oil & Funnel

Water

Warning Triangle(s) (legal requirement in some

countries)

Flashing rear-light torch

Spare Inner-Tube & Valve/Valve-tool

Pump & Pressure Gauge

Good Car Jack (make sure it fits under with a flat tyre)

Block of Wood (brake)

Wiper Blade

Set of Bulbs (legal requirement in some countries)

Spare Fuses Spare plugs

Spare core plugs (two sizes)

Spare Battery - small Voltmeter or test lamp

Electric wire with crocodile clips

Handbook

Tow Rope - to help 'moderns'

First Aid Kit (legal requirement in some

countries)

Fire Extinguisher (legal requirement in some

countries)

Torch

Sun Glasses

Brolly/raincoat

Mobile Phone/Useful Numbers incl. breakdown

Old Blanket - lying on Overalls - Disposable

Overans - Disposable

Rubber Gloves

Hand Cleaner

Cloths - various/Chamois

Towel

Pen/paper - for your Article!

Camera

Envelopes & your contact details

DA7C Membership Forms Details of your Car - display

DayGlow vest (legal requirement in some

countries)

A7CA Breakdown Register of national helpers.

TOOLS -FOR EVERYDAY

Wheel brace

Set of Spanners - Whit/BSF incl. a thin ring spanner

for prop-shaft nuts

Dynamo Housing box spanner

Adjustable - small/large

Stilson - small/large

Mole grips

Small Vice

Plug Spanner

Wire Brush

Tyre Levers & Inner tube repair kit incl. talcum

powder

Screwdrivers - small/large

Pliers - thin & wide nose

Cutters

Junior Hacksaw

Knife/Scissors

Tank Tape

Rad-Seal

Rain - X

Nuts & Bolts - various

Wire to clean jets

Jet key

Feeler gauges

SPARES WHEN TOURING

Spare Specs - if needed

Fan Belt

Spare dynamo brushes

Grease Gun & Spare Grease

Maps/Satnav/Compass

Hammers - small/large!

Punch(es)

Hub-puller/spanners

Plug-scraper/Feeler Gauge

Gasket Goos

Instant Gasket and gasket-sheet

Liquid Metal

Insulating Tape Exhaust Bandage

WD-40

Distilled Water

Rad-Flush

Screen Cleaner

Split Pins

Core Plugs

String

Wire - various

Cable Ties

Ratchet Straps - various!

Stay safe

NHAEG Committee