

Dear Members

On June 13th a number of us managed, at a second attempt (after postponement due to inclement weather), to convene at Conkers Garden Centre, on the A30, for a run, in glorious sunshine, to the Army Flying Museum in Middle Wallop. Elsewhere a brief report on this activity appears.

Then, *finally*, we were able to hold our first Club meeting, after what seems to have been an eternity, (15 months, in fact), on Monday 14th June. This was a fairly informal affair, with no fixed agenda and attended by just 20 members, (including one new one, Bruce Smith, whom we warmly welcome), but it nevertheless gave a much-needed opportunity to sit out, in very aggregable weather conditions, idly chatting about this, that and all that had been happening, since we were last able to do so.

Steve, our landlord, was especially happy to see us back once more and had ensured that we had the outdoor seating and tables available, where a number of us opted to partake of a delicious lunch from the new, extensive menu now on offer.



*'It's the new tracing app.
It tells me if I'm near
anyone who understands
the latest rules'*

At the time of writing everyone is anxiously awaiting confirmation that Boris will 'unlock the door' fully on July 19th. Whilst the currently reported significant increase in transmission of the Delta (Indian) variant is obviously cause for concern the fact that hospital admissions remain relatively low must give us cause for optimism. Moreover, the newly appointed Health Minister, Mr Javid, has gone on record by stating that he is very keen to ensure that the previously announced 'release' date is adhered to, so we should

take some comfort in that.

Nevertheless, the next 'due date' for a Club meeting - 12th July - precedes this so it will, again, necessarily be conducted under current Covid regulations and weather permitting, will be held in the outside, fenced off area at the 'New Inn'. Failing this it *could* be held inside but with no more than six seated at tables. It is sensed, however, that, for obvious reasons, most would feel more comfortable meeting up outdoors, at least, for the moment.

That being so, let's keep up the momentum and do please come along to the 'New Inn', around noon on July 12th. when we can maybe give some combined thought to Club activities for the remainder of 2021. Assuming the best scenario the Committee would be very pleased to hear the thoughts of members on this subject to enable some kind of calendar to be drawn up for the rest of the year.

Meanwhile, stay safe, on and off the road!

Trevor E

Trip to Army Flying Museum – 13th June 2021

A group of 12 cars went to the Army Flying museum, Middle Wallop which was a road run of about 33 miles starting from Conkers garden centre. The museum covered the main branches of Army Aviation, with over 40 aircraft on display. There were also smaller items such as uniforms, medals and equipment. Our thanks go to Trevor E for arranging a very enjoyable day out.



FBHVC – National Historic Vehicle Survey

During 2020 thousands of enthusiasts completed the Federation's 2020 National Historic Vehicle Survey.

Commencing in November 2020 FBHVC launched a programme of publicising the key findings focussing on specific areas relating to: Environmental, Clubs, Trade and Population Views, a summary of public attitudes and behaviours.

The final publication is a 20 page Summary Report that draws together all the essential findings of the Survey in a single document and presents it in an easy to assimilate format.

The report can be found by following this link <https://www.fbhvc.co.uk/2020-research-result-headlines> . We hope you will find the Report to be an interesting read and we invite you to share the information with your friends and fellow enthusiasts.

The world of historic vehicles is under pressure in ways that have not previously been experienced. The FBHVC will use the information gathered in the 2020/21 Survey to help protect our use of historic vehicles in the future and to ensure we can continue to use 'yesterday's vehicles on tomorrow's roads'.

Whilst the next National Historic Vehicle Survey will not be undertaken until 2025, the Federation will be undertaking targeted research projects from time to time in support of our work. We would welcome help with these projects so if you would like to take an active part in our future research, please contact us on research@fbhvc.co.uk .

What's it worth ?

A father said to his daughter "You have graduated with honours, here is a car I bought many years ago. It is pretty old now. But before I give it to you, take it to the used car lot downtown and tell them I want to sell it and see how much they offer you for it."

The daughter went to the used car lot, returned to her father and said, "They offered me £1,000 because he said it looks pretty worn out." The father said, now "Take it to the pawn shop." The daughter went to the pawn shop, returned to her father and said, "The pawn shop offered only £100 because it is an old car."

The father then asked his daughter to go to a car club and show them the car. The daughter then took the car to the club, returned and told her father, "Some people in the club offered £10,000 for it because "it's an iconic car and sought by many collectors."

Now the father said this to his daughter, "The right place values you the right way," If you are not valued, do not be angry, it means you are in the wrong place. Those who know your value are those who appreciate you.....Never stay in a place where no one sees your value.

Know your plugs

At the risk of 'teaching granny how to suck eggs' it is worth checking the condition of your sparking plugs to ensure the correct fuel / air mixture and condition of the engine.

A normal plug will be the colour of Digestive biscuits (light brown deposits), plugs ideally suited to engine and engine in good condition.

Carbon fouling – dry black sooty deposits. Will cause weak spark and eventually misfire. Fault: over rich fuel mixture. Check carburettor mixture settings, float level, jet sizes, choke operation and cleanliness of air filter. Plugs can be re-used after cleaning.

Oil fouling – Wet oily deposits. Will cause weak spark and eventually misfire. Fault: worn bores/ piston rings or valve guides. Plugs can be re-used after thorough cleaning.

Overheating – Electrodes have glazed appearance, core nose very white – few deposits. Fault: plug overheating. Check: plug type, ignition timing, fuel rating too low and fuel mixture too weak. Discard plugs and cure fault immediately.

Electrode damage – Electrodes burnt away, core nose has burned glazed appearance. Fault: pre-ignition. Check: as for overheating but more severe. Discard plugs and remedy fault before piston or valve damage occurs.

Split core nose (may appear initially as a crack). Damage is self evident, but cracks will only show after cleaning. Fault: pre-ignition or wrong gap setting technique. Check: ignition timing, cooling system, fuel octane rating too low and fuel mixture too weak. Discard plugs, rectify fault.



1. NORMAL



2. NORMAL WITH RED COATING



3. FUEL FOULED



4. DETONATION



5. WORN OUT



6. GLAZING



7. CARBON FOULED



8. SUSTAINED PREIGNITION



9. ASH DEPOSITS



10. OIL FOULED



11. MECHANICAL DAMAGE



12. LEAD FOULED

Events – Subject to Change

Beaulieu - National Austin 7 Rally on Sunday 4th July

Over 100 Austin 7s of all types from all over the country gather for an event full of activities, including an Austin Autojumble, driving skills tests and concours competition.

The British Motor Show - Thursday 19th – Sunday 22nd August

The iconic British Motor Show returns in 2021, with a new format and a new location :

Where :Farnborough International Expo Centre

How Much :Tickets: Concessions £13.90, Adults £ 18.50

Details at :. <https://thebritishmotorshow.live/>

Basingstoke Festival of Transport – 22nd Aug 2021

The Basingstoke Festival of Transport will be held at the War Memorial Park, Basingstoke, RG21 4AG. Parking is available at Old Common, London Road (use RG21 4BY and follow the parking signs) for £2. NHAEG is organising a parking area for club members and those wishing to attend should complete the Car Club Registration Form which may be obtained from Trevor Mulford (01252) 620435 or by email trevormulford1942@gmail.com

The Beaulieu 2021 International Autojumble, 4-5th September

Hartley Witney Festival – 4th September

Although a Festival is being planned for 4th September 2021, unfortunately there will be no display of Classic Vehicles or Motor Cycles this year.

Classic Motor Show NEC Birmingham, 12-14th November

Stay safe
NHAEG Committee