

# NORTH HAMPSHIRE AUSTIN ENTHUSIASTS GROUP

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



I wish you all a very warm welcome to my first attempt at editing  
the NHEG Newsletter.

I would like to say a very big 'Thank You' to Maureen for all her time and help in  
administering this Newsletter and also the contributors for assisting me by providing  
material for inclusion.

**Sandra**

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## Model Mini Prize

**by NHAEG Member Roy Watkin**

NHAEG member, Roy Watkin, at Cobham receiving the prize of a model Mini from the assistant mayor. The Cobham show was a great success for all who attended, the weather was kind, warm and dry all day.



Most of us who attended met up at the garden centre in Bagshot and then set off in convoy, I really enjoyed this part trying to keep up with younger faster cars, and we all arrived safely on time.

We ended up with about 50 cars in the show, a load from the 70s, some real oldies and a good selection of Austins.

We were all handed a slip of paper to vote for the car of our choice but as the day was so relaxed, hardly serious at all, nobody really was bothered.

That helped me as five minutes before the slips were due to be handed in I started to work the crowd and I managed to persuade at least three voters to put the registration of the green Austin down because it was the drivers 83rd birthday the same age of the vehicle, who could resist? That with my own vote made four and I only think five slips

were handed in, so there was a level confidence that the day was mine and a huge silver cup would be coming my way.

The time came, my name was called and I duly presented myself to the assistant Lady Mayor, anticipation was boiling over as I could not see my big shiny cup anywhere, and after a couple of kind words I was presented with my prize. My smug confidence soon evaporated and everybody else had the last laugh as I was presented with a tiny little BMW Mini provided free by the local BMW dealership.

The journey home also got my adrenalin running as Elaine had her first drive in the old Austin, I've never been so scared in my life, I think my gearbox also felt a little worried, but I'm sure the shavings will come out in the next oil change!!! So our first outing with the club was an exciting day that will not be forgotten for a long time to come.

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### **Shooting Star Chase Children's Hospice**

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August dawned clear and fine – just right for the Family Fun Day at Christopher's the Shooting Star Chase Children's Hospice near Guildford.

This is a private fete style day for all the people receiving care from this wonderful place – both children and their families. With volunteers from both the Surrey Classic Vehicle Club and the North Hampshire Austin Enthusiasts Group, we fielded eight widely varied cars, all of them available for visitors to touch, sit in and let imaginations run away. One little lad spent a happy half hour winding the windows up and down as he “drove” Jan to the seaside!

Some of our visitors we recognised from previous years and so whilst some of us were making new friends others were catching up on how much some youngsters had grown (and in one case, how much faster his electric wheelchair was across the tarmac!)



Phil and Jan Dunford



Andy Seager

The organiser emailed the following day,

“Thank you all so much for coming to Christopher's yesterday – the children loved having you there and I love your story of the little boy driving your wife to the seaside, Phil! It was very kind of you to give up your Sunday to come along and please also thank the other drivers who brought their beautiful vehicles along too. Another very rewarding highlight of our show calendar. Many thanks to the volunteers from both clubs who turned out, and were so welcoming to these lovely youngsters”.

**Phil Dunford**

## TOFFEE TOUR 2104

by NHAEG Member Alan Pickett

I need to say right from the start that this is not about a sticky confectionary but an adventure that was undertaken by two old men and an even older lady. TOFFEE stands for 'Two Old Farts Further European Escapades' and was my brother in law Sid and my 3<sup>rd</sup> Adventure before Dementia tour. (Both our wives consider this statement to be against the trades description act) We took Gwendoline and a tent plus various bits of camping equipment to the Cherbourg peninsula France.



**Day 1 Friday** at noon saw us drive to Portsmouth, climbing up Buster hill in third and onto the 4pm ferry to Cherbourg. We arrived at 8pm French time and did our usual circumnavigation of Cherbourg/Octeville before rediscovering the correct road and onward to our selected camping site Les Vikings at St. Jean de la Riviera



**Day 2 Saturday** dawned beautiful, sunny and warm. Carteret is a beautiful little harbour village with quaint shops and a ferry service to Jersey.

**Day 3 Sunday** we decided to drive to Mont St. Michel, this turned out to be a 180 mile round trip using the almost car-less 'D class' coast road.

**Day 4 Monday** we travelled to Ste. Mère Eglise to see the church where the American paratrooper, Bill Steel, landed on the tower. Bill survived the ordeal and the war and has made many returns to the town before his passing, and then on to Utah beach which completed all the beaches for us. The others plus Pegasus bridge were visited on the 1<sup>st</sup> TOFFEE tour 2012.

**Day 5 Tuesday** just 22 miles today exploring Carteret and doing some geocaching plus some minor maintenance on little Gwen.

**Day 6 Wednesday**, our final day with a drive to Ouistreham/Caen to catch the overnight ferry back to Portsmouth. Everywhere we went people just loved to see Gwen and there must be more photos of her in France, Holland, Germany and USA than I have taken of her ever since I bought her. Onwards to pick up the coast road to Grandcamp-Maisy via an unexpected 30 mile diversion as I managed to get on the N174 motorway going entirely in the wrong direction!! Eventually rediscovering our intended route without having to retrace our way back up the motorway

**Day 7 Thursday** 06.45 disembark at Pompey and drive back to our nearest and dearest waiting at home.

We travelled 517 miles, used 13.35 gallons of fuel giving an average of 38.73 mpg and under 2 pints of oil, most of which was left as calling cards at our parking places.

If you have never taken your car to France, my recommendation is do not wait, just do it. The road surfaces are brilliant, the roads are almost empty and the French drivers and people are really friendly.

? The question is: where will TOFFEE 4 take us next year ?

Of course it need not be TOFFEE but SOFFEE (Several .....)

## COLINS COMMENTS

### BBQ

The BBQ at John and Joan's on 11<sup>th</sup> August was a great success despite the country being hit by the tail end of Hurricane Bertha. It had been planned to have a run in the morning finishing up at the BBQ but because of the heavy rain in the morning the run was cancelled and everyone was advised to come direct to the BBQ in their modern cars. The weather had improved a bit by midday and we did get a few bursts of sun during the afternoon but we also got some heavy rain and strong winds however the marquee and gazebo withstood the storm and we all stayed reasonable dry.

The food as always was excellent and a good time was had by all. Many thanks to John and Joan for allowing us to use their garden and organising the day. Also thanks Tim and Clair for all their help and to Ann who helped Joan with the shopping and also made the fruit salad. Thanks also to everyone who helped take down the marquee and gazebo at the end of the day.

### Heritage Day

This year we went to Cobham for Heritage Day where they had all kinds of things going on including a car display. Eight members met up at Long Acres Garden Centre for coffee before following a 20 mile route to Cobham where we lined up with other Austins to make a nice display of our favourite cars. As well as a good display of interesting vehicles there were a number of stalls, two open gardens and the church to visit as well as various events taking place in the arena. The highlight for NHAEG members was when it was announced that Roy and Elaine's lovely Austin Seven had won the prize for Best In Show, well done to them.

It was a good day with lovely weather, many thanks to Trevor for organising it.

### August Club Night

We held our Coveted Car event at the August club night and despite the rain early in the evening we had 16 cars turn up, thankfully it soon dried up and everyone was able to go outside to vote for the car they would most like to take home.

The overall winner was Andy Seager with his 1934 Riley Kestral who received the Pete Adnams Memorial Trophy and a bottle of wine, the winner of the Jan Barker Memorial Trophy for the best Austin 7 went to new member Roy Watkin with his 1931 Box Saloon who also received a bottle of wine, a bottle of wine went to Maureen Breakspear who won the Landlords Choice with her 1934 Austin 7 Box Saloon as well as to Pete Barlow who won the previous winners prize with his 1930 Austin 7 Box Saloon.

Well done to them all and thanks to everyone who turned out on what looked like being a wet evening.

### September Club Night

At the September meeting we had a very useful and interesting talk on Car Electrics by Andy Seager. He covered the subject very well, using slides, in an easy to understand way that members like me who know very little about car electrics could understand. The following day he arranged through Trevor for all 31 of the slides he used to be emailed to members in PDF format to print out. A very useful thing to have. Andy had obviously spent a lot of time planning the presentation.

For those ladies who would prefer their men folk to worry about car electrics rather than them Jean Edwards assisted by Jo Seager gave a demonstration in the conference room of card making which I understand was as well received as Andy's talk.

An interesting evening for everyone, many thanks to Andy, Jean and Jo for all their efforts in the preparation and presentation of their subjects. I know everyone there appreciated it.

### **October Club Night**

We have something a bit different for the October club night: everyone should have had an email from Simon and Denise asking for pictures of your first four cars. The idea is for members to look at the groups of four pictures and decide who the owners were. It sounds like a good idea so please come along and support Simon and Denise who have obviously put time and effort into the project.

### **November Club Night**

At the November club night we will be holding our annual Auction with our auctioneer Don Breakspear assisted by me as his porter and Trevor E keeping track of the money side of things. This is always a fun evening so come along and bring anything you would like us to auction for you, it does not have to be car related. If you want to put a reserve on any item please make sure we are aware before the auction starts.

Even if you have nothing to auction there may be something you want to bid for, perhaps a car part you have been looking for, you never know what might come up.

### **Nightjar**

The 'Nightjar' will soon be here, 15<sup>th</sup> November, hopefully we will have a good entry from club members, entry forms are in this newsletter or can be downloaded from our web site. As always we have had offers of help from members to act as marshals or help at the hall, these offers are very much appreciated, without all your help we could not put on the Nightjar.

### **Newsletter Editor**

As you know from the email Maureen B sent out a few weeks ago she is handing over the editorship of the newsletter to Sandra R. On behalf of all members I would like to thank Maureen for editing the newsletter for the past four years, her efforts have been very much appreciated.

I would also like to welcome Sandra as the new editor of the newsletter and thank her for offering her services, please send her anything you would like put in the newsletter.

Safe and Happy Motoring.

***Colin.***



### **Secretary's Scribblings**

#### **Quiz News**

There were just a couple of entries for the last quiz, due in on 8<sup>th</sup> September, '*This can Drive You Potty*', so no prize was awarded on this occasion, a minimum of three entries being required. The one clue which *seemed* to drive those who entered a little potty was: '*It follows a barge*'. The word required was '*Butty*', (an engineless barge), and in which was hidden the word '*Butt*', a container, (or something rather different on the other side of the Atlantic!) Those familiar with canals, waterways, etc., may have been able to spot that one.



This time around the quiz is one in which all answers start with the letter 'M'.  
Deadline for entries is Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November. Send these to:  
55 The Brambles, Crowthorne, RG45 6EF, not forgetting to include £1.00 towards prize(s)

### **NHAEG Committee for 2015**

Rather like the seemingly endless countdown to the recent Scottish referendum, the clock is ticking inexorably towards the time when the current Committee stands down, *en masse*, at the AGM in January 2015.

The skeleton nucleus of a new Committee has been coming together slowly, but really needs more support to be able fully to assume the task of running the Club. The new Committee will be able, starting with a blank canvas, to run and administer the Club as it chooses. It will be a new but exciting chapter in the history of the Club which, as all will be aware, celebrated its 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year. Please don't just *assume* things happen of their own accord, so far as Club events and activities are concerned – *make* them happen by getting involved!

### **'Guess Whose Car'**

As things fortunately turned out Andy (Seager) *was* able to present his tutorial on Vehicle Electrics at the September Club Night, despite some earlier concerns that he may not have been around in the UK to do so. This proved to be, for many of those attending the presentation, a very informative, entertaining insight into what is sometimes considered a more baffling aspect of historic vehicle ownership and numerous complimentary comments were overheard afterwards. Equally, the card-making session, ran by Jean (Edwards) for others who preferred some alternative distraction, was greatly enjoyed and proved very popular with those who participated.

This meant that the '*Guess Whose Car*' evening, being organised by Simon and Denise (Jocelyn), can now be held in October, as had been anticipated. Over several weeks they have been gathering together images of vehicles owned by members in the (mostly distant) past and the challenge will be for us to try to match up vehicles with members. It's understood that a considerable number of members have submitted pictures of vehicles passing through their hands so come along and test your powers of deduction; it should be good fun.

### **Club Trip 2015!**

Thanks to all those who have signed up for next year's Club break at Holme Lacy, in Herefordshire – 35 in total, a record for such a venture – and especially for sending in your deposits so promptly. The booking has now been made and further details will be announced in due course.

Balance of payments will not be due until April 2015 so you have plenty of time to save up your pennies!

### **Help for Heroes**

As has already been announced a donation of £209.59 was recently forwarded to the charity, *Help for Heroes*, being the total sum raised from the barbeque held in August, at John and Joan Hancock's home, plus cash dropped by the general public at shows, rallies, etc., notably Brian Grant in the Cornwall area and also at the September Beaulieu Autojumble.

A letter of appreciation has since been received from H4H and appears elsewhere in this Newsletter.

### **Nightjar 2014**

This year's Nightjar Navigational Scatter Rally is on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> November and, as usual, is based on the Elizabeth Hall in Hook. As Colin comments in his column it would be good to see a few more NHAEG members taking part in this fun event which attracts entries from over quite a large area of southern

England. You don't need to be an expert 'rallyer' to compete; just the ability (by your navigator, at least!) to be able to understand map references, plot them on a map and navigate to a number of given points – oh, in the dark, of course!

Copies of the Entry Form and Supplementary Instructions appear in this Newsletter and further information can be obtained, from Don B, Colin G or myself, by anyone interested.

### Christmas Dinner 2014

An emailed notice has already been circulated regarding this year's festive feast, to be held at the Downshire Golf Complex on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December and a number of members have already responded. However, for those who may have missed this, a menu for the dinner is included in this Newsletter. If there is anyone else, who would like to attend the meal, but who hasn't already let me know, please do so **now** and forward a cheque for £5.00 deposit, per person, to me at 55 The Brambles, Crowthorne RG45 6EF. For **all** those attending, please ensure that meal choices, (i.e. starter, main, dessert) are advised, to me, by the November Club Night (10<sup>th</sup>).

*Signing off, in the August Newsletter, I mentioned I'd just relined the front brakes on the Colwyn and was looking forward to some decent braking efficiency. I was happy, to a degree, since this was markedly improved but, shortly afterwards, during 'Picnic in the Paddock' activities, an odd, soft, repetitive knock was noted, at the front end, which seemed to be associated with wheel rotation.*

*Thinking that maybe a wheel bearing was breaking up or something similar the car was jacked up and the wheels spun by hand to try to detect the source of the noise. The offside front wheel was observed to stick briefly, every revolution and on one occasion, actually stopped suddenly with a fairly solid 'thump'. At this point Don B happened to pop in to deliver something and suggested the drum may be the culprit. Good thought! Drum removed, taken to Ash Engineering, our friendly neighbourhood metal magician, drum set up on his lathe and roundness/ovality measured with a dial gauge. Twenty thou ovality detected; drum skimmed; refitted to vehicle; problem solved! Twenty thousandths of an inch doesn't seem to be very much but was obviously sufficient to introduce quite severe brake grab, at least in this instance, with new linings!*

*Dig out all your unused/unloved/unwanted items. Auction Night November 10<sup>th</sup>!*

**Trevor**

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### **Colin and Don with their grandsons**

Colin and Don with their grandsons, spent a day at Brooklands to view the recently opened new 4D cinema, which they said was amazing.

Colin went with Ben in Arabella and Don was with Tom and Jamie in Betty Box





Trevor Edwards  
Secretary - NHAEG

22<sup>nd</sup> September 2014

Dear Trevor,

Thank you so much for your donation of £206.59 to Help for Heroes (H4H) from collecting tins in your historic vehicles when attending rallies and similar events. Your support is making a huge difference to the lives of some truly inspirational people.

After saying goodbye to his wife and three-week-old daughter, Simon Taylor left the UK to re-join the Light Dragoons for his fourth operational tour of Afghanistan.

On 2 September 2009, he was hit by an IED. The injuries he sustained in the explosion included a broken back and the loss of his left foot. His recovery has been fraught with complications but, through H4H, support from the public has made a huge difference.

"Help for Heroes listens to and understands the difficulties that my family and I face. I was always very outdoorsy, but after being hit I couldn't get about as much, so H4H bought me a mountain bike. This has given me my freedom back, and has allowed me to take on new challenges, like joining the fundraising ride through Vietnam in Spring 2014."

"The best way to judge if a charity is doing what it's supposed to be doing is to see whether the people they are raising money for give something back whenever they have the chance, and I've seen guys like myself give their all to raise money for H4H."

H4H wants to be there to support Simon, and heroes like him, for the rest of their lives, but we can't do it without you.

Thank you SO much for your on-going support.

Best wishes,

*Andrea Bull*

Andrea Bull  
Donation Assistant

On behalf of Bryn & Emma, Co-Founders - Help for Heroes

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# Christmas 2014

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## Starters

Pumpkin & Parsnip Soup served with a Cottage Roll

Pork, Duck & Port Pate accompanied by Beetroot & Onion Relish and Toasted Baguette

Mixed Seafood Cocktail in a traditional Marie Rose Dressing served with a Granary Roll

Sumptuous Garlic Mushrooms in a thick Chardonnay, Cream Sauce & Toasted Baguette

Goey Baked Camembert served with Onion Marmalade and Toasted Ciabatta

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## Main

Carvery main course

Herb Buttered Turkey Breast, Honey Roast Gammon & Mustard and

Horseradish Topped Roast Beef

Roast Potatoes, Honey Roast Parsnips, Herb Buttered Carrots,

Cauliflower and Leek Cheese Crumble, Peas & Brussel Sprouts

Yorkshire Pudding, Pigs in Blankets and a Date & Cranberry Stuffing.

## Main Vegetarian Options

Stilton, Mushroom & Broccoli Tagliatelli with Parmesan Shavings

Butternut Squash and Walnut Tart with Vegetables from our Carvery

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## Desserts

Traditional Christmas Pudding with Brandy Sauce

Lemon Panacotta Tart with a Warm Winter Berry Compote and Cream

Sticky Toffee Pudding, Toffee Sauce & Ice Cream

Raspberry and Mascarpone Ice Cream Bombe with a Raspberry Coulis

Warm Bakewell Tart served with Custard

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**Cheese & Biscuits** (£3.75 supplement or £7.50 as a fourth course)

Long Clawson Stilton, Hereford Hop, Mrs Appleby's Cheshire & a Creamy

Somerset Brie served with Biscuits, Grapes and a Plum & Apple Chutney

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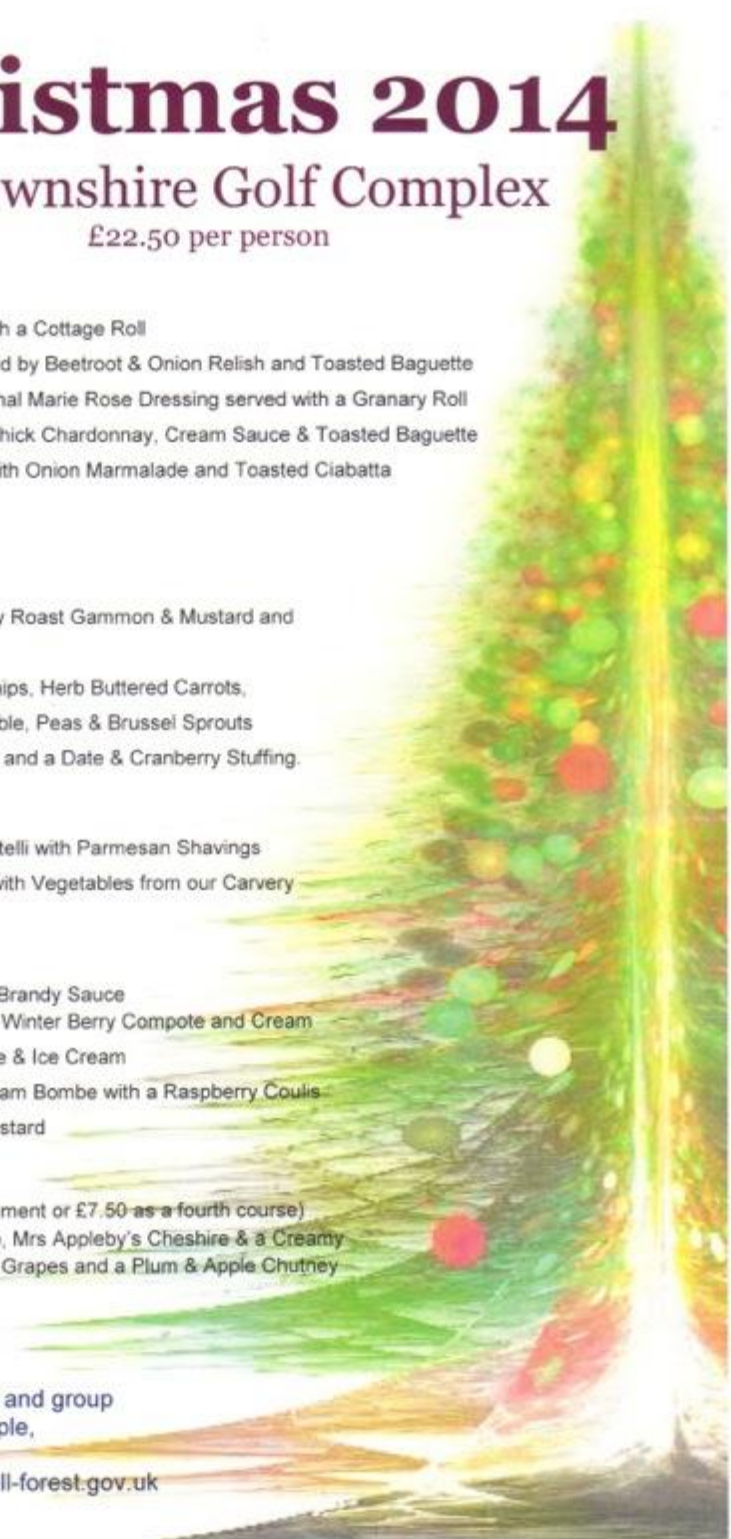
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# NORTH HAMPSHIRE **AUSTIN** ENTHUSIASTS' GROUP

## The 39th 'NIGHTJAR' NAVIGATIONAL SCATTER RALLY

Saturday 15th November 2014  
**SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS**

The Austin Ten Drivers' Club, under the auspices of the NHAEG,, will organise a Navigational Scatter Rally, on Saturday 15th November 2014, centred on Elizabeth Hall, Hook, Hampshire. A description of the event, which is also part of the Inter Register Club Championship Series 2014, may be found at [www.nhaeg.org.uk](http://www.nhaeg.org.uk). The meeting will be governed by the General Regulations of the Motor Sports Association (MSA), these Supplementary Regulations and any subsequent written instructions which may be issued prior to the event.

A maximum of 30 entries will be accepted for this event. MSA Permit No: 85511

This event is open to all fully elected member clubs of the IRC, as well as the VSCC and other invited clubs and individuals. Entrants must produce their valid Club Membership Card at signing on. Temporary NHAEG club membership will be available at signing on for non-members.

The Meeting programme will be as follows:-

**Scrutineering:** From **4.00 to 4.30 p.m.** at Elizabeth Hall, Hook, Basingstoke. MR 186/ 723 539.5

**Drivers' briefing:** **4.45 p.m.**

**Route Cards:** Issued from **5.10 p.m.** starting with the oldest vehicle(s) entering the event.

**Finish:** Elizabeth Hall, Hook, Nr Basingstoke. All cars to return by **10.34 pm.**

**Signing on:** *All crew members* must sign-on at least 30mins before their due start time.

All vehicles must comply with the MSA technical regulations. Vehicles must be currently taxed and drivers are responsible for ensuring their insurance covers them for this type of event. Any vehicle considered to be excessively noisy, unsafe (e.g. faulty lighting) or detrimental to the spirit of the Rally will not be permitted to start.

The event will consist of the following classes:

### **Class 1, Pre-war cars.**

Sub-divided into: Beginner (Class 1B), Novice (Class 1N) and Expert (Class1E)

A Beginner Crew is deemed to be one which has never previously entered a rally

A Novice Crew is one where no occupant of the car has won a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> overall award in an IRC rally, or a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> class in a VSCC rally within the past three years, otherwise they are deemed "Expert"

### **Class 2, All other cars, including Post-War Classics.**

The entry list opens on publication of these regulations, and closes finally on **November 8th 2014.**

Entry-fee is £27.00 per vehicle/crew of two. No additional charge, but a 10 points penalty will be imposed, for each additional crew member, in excess of two. Food will be available afterwards for an extra charge, (see Entry Form) . The organisers reserve the right to cancel the event if fewer than 18 entries are received prior to the closing date and, please note, there is an upper entry limit of 30. The organisers also reserve the right to refuse entry and may refund entry fees at their discretion.

Inter Register points will be awarded in **Class 1** to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> overall and the best unplaced Novice as well as for team places. A Team comprises the best performing three cars of a single marque. In addition, numerous other awards will be made:

- Class 1: Winning driver & navigator, 2<sup>nd</sup> place, 3<sup>rd</sup> place. (Provided 10+ in class)
- Best (unplaced) Beginner Crew in Class 1
- Best (unplaced) Novice Crew in Class 1.
- Class 2: Winning driver & navigator, 2<sup>nd</sup> place, 3<sup>rd</sup> place. (Provided 10+ in class)
- Best all Ladies Team, any vehicle. (Provided 3 entries)
- Best performance in an Austin 7.
- Best performance by an NHAEG member in Class1.
- Youngest Driver in Class 1 (aged 25 or under on the 15<sup>th</sup> November 2014).
- Youngest Navigator in Class 1 *Those wishing to be considered for these two awards should indicate so by stating age(s) on Entry Form.*
- The fastest completion of 'Don's Dawdle'. (the most challenging Manned Control)

Only named entrants may drive during the competition.

Entries to be made on the official Entry Form with the appropriate fee, cheques made payable to N.H.A.E.G. and sent to the Event Secretary:

**Trevor Edwards, 55 The Brambles, Crowthorne. Berks. RG45 6EF**  
**tel: 01344 775012      e-mail: trevor\_c.edwards@btinternet.com**

Other officials: Clerk of the Course: Don Breakspear      Scrutineer: Colin Greig  
Timekeeping: George Ewart and Ben Greig      Scoring: Trevor Edwards and Pat Buchanan

OS Landranger Maps Series 1:50,000 Map185 - Winchester & Basingstoke and Map 186 Aldershot and Guildford - will be required. Any recent edition should be adequate *although Editions D2 and C4 respectively, were used by the organisers*. Competing cars can expect to cover approximately 55 miles; accordingly times have been set taking this into account. Crews to visit no more than 9 out of the 12 Controls, 6 Unmanned and 6 Manned, (where navigational exercises are carried out on foot against the clock), seeking out concealed bird signs.

Competitors require a romer for plotting grid references, a magnetic compass, pencils, waterproof footwear and clothing (advised) and torches for all members of the crew. The ability to walk steadily at a measured pace (i.e. 1 metre) will also prove very useful.

The use of mobile phones\*\*, GPS and other electronic navigational aids and devices, during the event, is **strictly forbidden** – (except phones, in actual emergencies) – and will incur **immediate** dismissal from the rally if observed. Keep phones out of sight – you have been warned!

\*\* Any legitimate request for relaxation of this rule will be treated on an individual basis.

The Soup Kitchen will again be located at one of the Manned Controls where, time permitting, crews can warm themselves up and refreshments (optional) will be available at the finish.

Results will be announced as soon as possible after the finish but are subject to later confirmation. Final Instructions, including your start time and any additional information, will be forwarded during the week prior to the event.

**NB. Entry Fee (£27.00) remains unchanged from 2013. A choice of meals, (optional), is available at a cost of £6.85, (see Entry Form). Tea, coffee and squash are provided free of charge after the event and are available at a small charge prior to it. As usual, please bring along a change of footwear, for use following the event, to avoid bringing any mud or other unwelcome deposits into Elizabeth Hall.**

*Many thanks once again for entering and enjoy the event!*

*'This Will Test Mind and Memory'*

**All answers are words which begin with the letter 'M'.**

**Please forward entries to Trevor Edwards, at:**

**55 The Brambles, Crowthorne. RG45 6EF, by Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2014  
enclosing £1.00 towards the cost of prize(s).**

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

**Name(s)**.....

## QUERIES OF THE MONTH

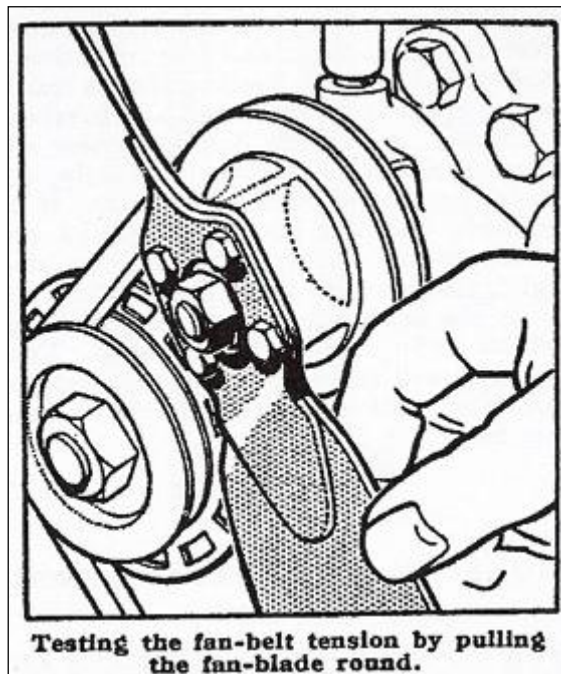
Some more “Queries of the Month”, these originally appeared in “The Austin Magazine & Advocate” during the 1930s and 1940s. This month’s selection consists of No 1083 Overheating – Austin Twelve and No 1234 Acceleration – Austin Seven.

No 1083 appeared in May 1942 and No 1234 in October 1945.

### **No1083 – Overheating – Austin Twelve**

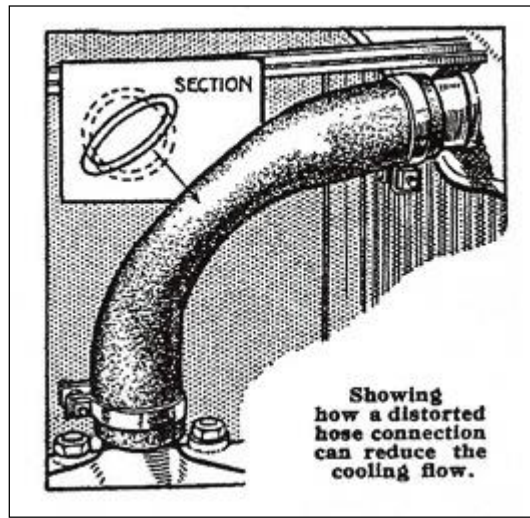
**Q.** *Since the warmer weather of spring I have noticed a tendency for my Twelve of 1938 to overheat when on a reasonable long run. The cooling system is kept up to the proper level and the fan seems to be in order. Can you suggest a cause and cure?*

**A.** Overheating is a trouble that can arise from any of a large number of causes, and it is difficult, therefore, to offer you very specific advice without more details. Naturally the cooling system will be the first to look to. Apparently the fan is working satisfactorily, but you might test it by pulling it round by its blade while the engine is still, to ensure that the belt gives adequate resistance, which is a measure of its driving effect when the engine is running.



Next check up on the hose connections. Have they flattened or kinked, the top connection is most likely to be at fault, to impede the natural flow of cooling water? Sometimes old connections break down internally and peel, to cause a “valve” effect, which tends to stop the water flow. New connections should then be fitted. If your car is fitted with a thermostat, remove it and test it in hot water to ensure that the valve opens, as failure of this unit will obviously cause cooling trouble. A simpler explanation where cooling is directly concerned, is that sediment has collected somewhere in the system to restrict circulation. This is quite probable if you have used an anti-freezing mixture in your car during the winter, as the cleansing effect of anti-freeze removes scale and rust from the internal surfaces of the water passages, and this may have settled to cause the restriction. The remedy is to drain the system and flush it through with running water.





The other causes of overheating relate mainly to engine tune as distinct from cooling troubles. A slow combustion of the fuel will cause overheating. This will be due to the mixture being too weak through carburettor maladjustment or air leaks into the induction system, or the ignition timing being late. Old sparking plugs or pitted contact breaker points, or shall we say, general inefficiency of the ignition system, may tend to have the same effect. Other potential causes of overheating are undue carbon in the combustion chambers, a choked silencer, and dragging brakes, but as these and the engine tune factors would also reveal themselves in a poor performance as well as overheating.

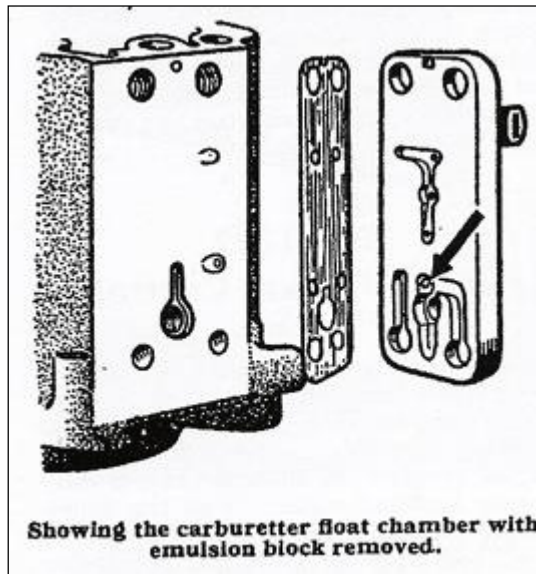
#### **No 1234 – Acceleration – Austin Seven**

**Q.** *I find on returning my 1936 Seven to the road that the acceleration is very poor indeed and on depressing the accelerator I always have to hold out the choke to prevent the engine from stalling, even when it is warm. In an endeavour to remedy the trouble I have checked the following: petrol flow at carburettor, needle valve, cleanliness of the jets, tightness of manifold securing nuts, plug and contact breaker point gaps, and finally the compression in each cylinder. I cannot find anything wrong, yet the trouble still persists and I shall be very grateful for any indication as to the cause.*

**A.** The engine symptoms which you have described would appear to be with a fault in the carburettor and since you have checked the supply of petrol as far as the carburettor jets it is quite possible that the trouble is caused by an obstruction beyond this point. Joining two grooves at the bottom of the carburettor emulsion block is a very small drilling which must be completely clear if the richer mixture required for acceleration is to be obtained, and it is likely that in your case this drilling is stopped up.

Detach the carburettor float chamber and remove the five screws which secure the emulsion block in position, on some models there are only three screws. Carefully note the sizes and respective positions of these securing screws to prevent mistakes when reassembling. When the screws are removed you will probably find that the emulsion block still adheres tightly to the float chamber but a gentle tap will be sufficient to break the joint.

The small drilling in question will be located approximately half an inch from the bottom of the emulsion block and it should be very carefully cleaned out with a fine pin. At the same time it is well to ensure that three graduated drillings in the centre vertical groove of the emulsion block are free from obstruction.



When replacing the emulsion block make sure that the small cut-out segment of the jointing washer is at the top and that the small aluminium washer is in position on the bottom securing screw. Then tighten each securing screw a little at a time to obtain a completely air-tight joint between the emulsion block and the carburettor float chamber. This is highly important.

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A magazine advertisement from August 1937, availability of these items probably dried up after September 1939.

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Also a magazine advertisement from August 1934 listing all the latest Austin models including prices.

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**CLUB NIGHTS AND EVENTS DIARY**

**Club Nights**

**Arranged by or details from**

October 13 <sup>th</sup>	Guess Whose Car	Simon/Denise
November 10 <sup>th</sup>	Auction	Don/Trevor/Colin
December 8 <sup>th</sup>	Festive Fun Night	TBA

**2014**

January 12 <sup>th</sup>	AGM	Committee
February 9 <sup>th</sup>	TBA	TBA
March 9 <sup>th</sup>	TBA	TBA

**Lunch Meetings 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of every month (Colin for details)**

September 22 <sup>nd</sup>	The New Inn
October 27 <sup>th</sup>	The New Inn
November 24 <sup>th</sup>	The New Inn
December 22 <sup>nd</sup>	The New Inn
January 12 <sup>th</sup>	The New Inn

**Events**

**Events in Bold are NHAEG events**

October 12 <sup>th</sup>	Autumn Motorsport Day at Brooklands <a href="http://www.brooklandsmuseum.com">www.brooklandsmuseum.com</a>	
<b>October 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Run followed by Free Night at The New Inn ( All rooms now taken)</b>	<b>Colin</b>
October 25 <sup>th</sup>	VSCC Sprint Meeting at Goodwood	<a href="http://www.vsc.co.uk">www.vsc.co.uk</a>
<b>November 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Nightjar (Entry forms in this newsletter)</b>	<b>Trevor/Colin/Don</b>
<b>December 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Christmas Dinner</b>	<b>Trevor/Jean</b>

December 13<sup>th</sup>      **Carols at Royal Albert Hall and Lights Tour**      **Jean**  
(All tickets now sold)

**2015**

January 1<sup>st</sup>      New Years Day Gathering at Brooklands      www.brooklandsmuseum.com

February 1<sup>st</sup>      VSCC Driving Tests. Brooklands Museum      www.brooklandsmuseum.com

April 26<sup>th</sup>      **Drive it Day**      **TBA**

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

**Inter-Register Events**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Organising Club</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>
Oct 5 <sup>th</sup>	Humber	Navigation Rally	Dorset
Oct 12 <sup>th</sup>	MGCC	Autumn 'Naviscat'	Surrey/Sussex
Nov 15 <sup>th</sup>	ATDC/NHAEG	<b>Nightjar Scatter/Orienteering</b>	<b>Surrey/Hants/Berks</b>

**If you would like to enter or know more about Inter-Register events please contact me or Trevor, alternatively visit [www.inter-register.org.uk](http://www.inter-register.org.uk)**

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**2015 COMMITTEE NOMINATION FORM**

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You may propose your name or, with their approval, the name of another NHAEG member, as a candidate for the 2015 Committee.

Please print name(s) and hand/forward form to:

Trevor Edwards, (Sec. NHAEG), 55 The Brambles, Crowthorne. RG45 6EF, to be received by Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2015 at the latest.

1<sup>st</sup> nomination.....

2<sup>nd</sup> Nomination.....

Signed..... Date.....

Print Name.....

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# NHAEG 39th NIGHTJAR NAVIGATIONAL SCATTER RALLY – ENTRY FORM

Saturday 15th November 2014

PLEASE COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS **FULLY** IRC ENTRY: YES / NO ? \*

Driver:..... Club:.....

Address:.....Age: \* .....

..... Class Entered: Class 1B 1N 1E Class 2 (circle which!)

Email:..... Tel No:.....

Navigator:..... Crew size: 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 (circle how many)

Address:.....

Vehicle Make:.....Model:.....Year.....Reg No:.....

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*\* see Supplementary Regulations and complete/ignore as appropriate*

I declare that:

1. I have been given the opportunity to read the General Regulations of the MSA and the Supplementary Regulations for this event and agree to be bound by them. I declare that I am physically and mentally fit to take part in the event and I am competent to do so. I acknowledge that I understand the nature and type of the competition and the potential risk with motor sport and agree to accept that risk unreservedly. Further I understand that all persons having any connection with the promotion and/or organisation and/or conduct of the event are insured against loss or injury caused through their negligence.

2. The vehicle hereby entered is roadworthy and it and its use are covered by insurance as required by law which is valid for such part of the event as shall take place on roads as defined by law.

Please note the following from the MSA 'Blue Book':

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Signature: .....

Signature .....

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