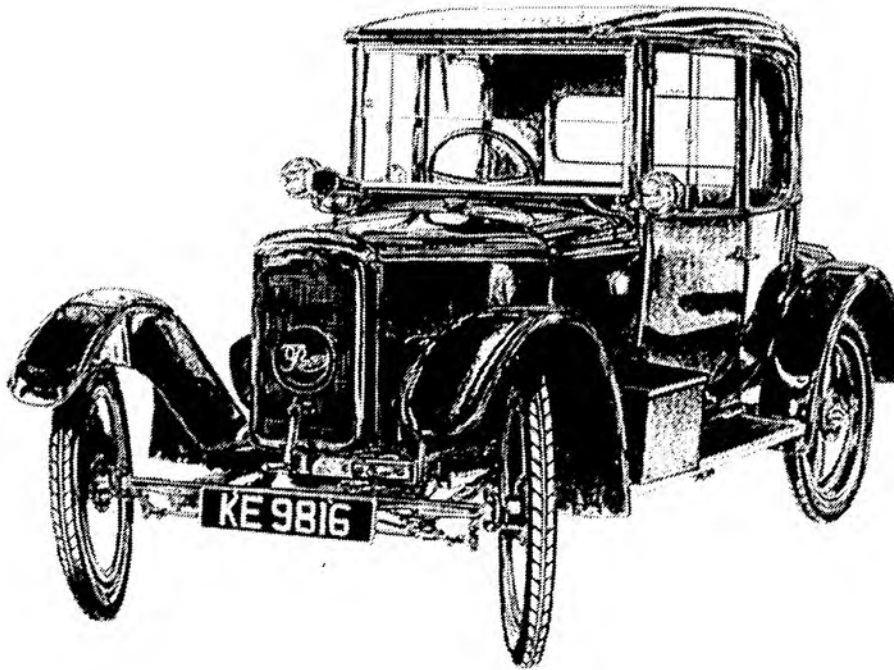


Hooe's Old Motor Club



News Letter

This edition of the Club Newsletter has enclosed a number of leaflets to accompany written articles.

The two club badges, perhaps you would wear at any rallies you visit this Summer, the committee seeks to enlarge the active club membership. To this end may we remind you that Club membership still costs £2 00p per year, entry to the annual rally is Free to anyone who offers to help.!!.

Club membership fee is now due, kindly forward your 'subs' asap. Thank you: to the Secretary of the Hooe Old Motor Club.

The Committee for the current year 1993/94 is;
Chairman Eric Wycheley, Club Secretary Rodney J. Smith 74 Hawthylands
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Secretary Frank Barrow Tel 0424 222201, Publicity Susan
Bauerstock, Committee Members Tom Guy and Chris Booth.

Remember the club meets every first Friday night in the month at 8pm in
the club room above the Red Lion Public House at Hooe, so please come
along.

Remember OUR RALLY AUGUST 1st AT HOOE SPORTS FIELD-----HELPERS
NEEDED CONTACT SECRETARY TEL-----0323 847597. Free Entry.!!!.

Gathering at Anthony Hepburns house 12 noon Sunday 27th June, Food
provided at cost. Swimming pool for our use, a collection of motor
vehicles will be on show, for example 1937 Bentley Top Hat Razor Edge
Saloon so come in your old ones !!!
Address Cowbeech House, Cowbeech, Near Hailsham BN27 4JF. Contact Sec if
lost. The house is the big one opp the pub at the end of high street.
You will see all the other cars, ALSO Anthony has a small museum, devoted
to RR/Bentley and World Travel.----very interesting.

Treasure Hunt 4th July More info later, 30/40 miles max--- nothing too
difficult. Start from Red Lion Hooe finish Bentley Motor Museum
Halland. (You will be able to see other cars belonging to Anthony Hepburn
in the museum hall.)

Services to Club; Hamilton Precision Engineers 8b London Road, Bexhill.
Tel 0424 219747-----for all engine rebuilds etc. mention club.

When you take your oldie to the MOT station----remember you don't need
to show the tester your VIN, as the vehicle is older than 1st August
1980.-----so there, that told them !!!!!.
Note that the club is a member of the Federation of British Historic
Vehicle Clubs.

Note In August there will NOT BE a CLUB NIGHT on the 6th BUT THERE WILL
BE ONE ON FRIDAY THE 30th JULY..

Kindly note; The Committee feel that there should be a change of club
name; Hooe's Old Motor Club to become Hooe Old Motor Club, there are also
a number of other changes which affect the rule book. The Club would like
to call an extra ordinary meeting in June. Club Night. It won't take many
minutes so please turn up as if it was a normal meeting. Because it is
!!!.

Report from the Secretary on the First Hot Cross Bun Rally held this year on Good Friday the 9th April, Remember the day that the heavens opened, ----- It was wet ALL day !!.

At the due time and place, Filching Manor Jevington Road, Wannock, Folegate Ron & Sue Fellows in their 1966 Jaguar, Brian & Ross Savile in their open top 1933 Singer, Francis & Myrtle Dunn in their 1963 Austin Healey, Derek & Gwyneth Harper in their town car, They left the 1913 Clyno Sidecar at home in the Dry. Rodney & Pam Smith in the dog Kennel, They left their DKW Sonderklasse at home, broken piston rings. arrived at the Manor House. The Sign post at the entrance showed that we were expected it was an old road sign from Hooe. If you haven't been to the Motor Museum its well worth a visit AT ONCE, for the reason that Paul Foulkes Halbard believes in moving exhibits around. In the two garages near the cafe were crammed pact with cars, bikes, memorabilia including a very nice supercharged DKW from 1938.

After a well needed coffee and cake Paul lead us up to the old chicken huts to see 'the Rest'----- Well ! the huts were jammed packed with the same, we were able to see one of four bluebirds currently being restored. As he says, he is a collector. From what there was on view that statment is certainly true.

On our return to the car park, we realised that time was running out, the weather was the same, if not worse we were due to visit John and Kenis Morris's 1936 Alvis Speed 25 Tourer at Horsebridge, naturally this was out. Everyone was wished a 'happy Easter', We drove home via Horsebridge visiting the Morris's who by the way have been club members for 11 years. We gather that another meeting could be held there as they have a collection as well.

Amazing, there are so many collectors of automobile artefacts in the locality.

Did you Know ?

Walter Owen Bentley born 16th Sept 1888 ninth child of eleven. Joined the National Motor Cab Company of Hammersmith late in 1910. His job was to maintain 250 Unic Taxis, his hobby was racing Rex and Indian Motorcycles In 1912 with his brother H.M bought a motor dealer called French, Doriot, Flandrin & Farant (DFP) for short. The DFP was imported from the French factory at Courbevoie near Paris. It was a visit to the Managing Director's office Mr Doriot that W.O. noticed an aluminium piston. According to the history book, Mr Bentley used some alloy pistons in his 12-40 DFP speed model. His success on the track at Brooklands proved that this was the direction to go, leaving the cast iron pistons to much larger, slower engines. It wasn't until 1921 that Bentley sold his first car under his name. Just 72 years ago, manufactured at Oygate Lane Cricklewood North London not far from Staples Corner. (looking at the latest A to Z of London Book, the lane is still there.) In 1931 the London Life Assurance Company produced a Receiver to take the factory over. During the production years only 3051 vehicles plus ten built for spare were ever made.

Can anyone now put more detail, facts, worked in the factory as a young lad, into this short article. The Sec would be interested.

Our Easter Break, or in other words Our Annual Holiday 1993.
By Pam & Rodney Smith.

On Saturday the 10th April we struggled to get 'everything in the car' there was going to be three of us (Mother came for the ride) two dogs, Toby and Megan (she being a BBB, Big Boisterous Bitch) Labrador. Once loaded, we were off across country to the M4 and Gloucester. Arriving 155 miles later Mother and the BBB were off loaded at Friends, we went to our B&B at Hill Farm Cottages Upton St Leonards nr Gloucester GL4 8DA Tel 0452 614081. Because we had Toby a self catering bungalow was allocated, at the same cost as we have friends locally.

On Sunday after a 'full English Breakfast' we left for Ross on Wye, reason being that in the car packed was an engine from our DKW hobby bike, the flywheel was stubborn, it wouldn't come off !! Terry Donavan being the DKW club motor cycle secretary had the puller, unfortunately the puller didn't fit. We now know every Motor Cycle Dealer and Workshop in Ross on Wye and Herefordshire. However, all's well that comes off !! On our return to Gloucester, needing subsistence for want of a word the city has many attractions/museums. For those club members yearning for the good olde days then the best place to start is the Museum of Advertising and Packaging, The Robert Opie Collection. If like us collecting or hording anything olde, then this is the museum. There is also in the same dock area the Historic Gloucester Dock (0452 522682) the National Waterways Museum (tel 0452 307009) exhibitions.

Monday, after a peaceful night, the morning was to be warm and sunny, our destination was to be 105 miles away at another museum that of Valerie and Gillian Rogers (late of Hastings some two years ago) They now have organised to perfection a very nice model car, vehicle collection at Pen Y Sarn, Waen Fach, Llsantfraid Ym Mechain. Powys nr Welshpool (Y Trallwng). Tel; 0691 828056. Naturally case number 31 has the German collection, and a real metal pre war 11 typ B Auto Union race car, as raced at Donington in 1937 by Bernd Rosemeyer and in 1938 by Tazio Nuvolari. Case number 7 The Jaguar collection, Case number 30 The Bugatti collection.

The museum is open the entire year, let them know if you would like to visit. The nearest B&B is Ty Coch Bungalow Four Crosses, Llanymynech, Powys, SY22 6OZ. Tel; 0691 830361. Gillian still uses the 1935 Singer Le Mans open top tourer for local rallies, there aren't many. Whilst in the area there are a number of other motor/transport museums, namely The Llangollen Motor Museum at Pentrefelin, Llangollen, Clwyd, LL20 8EE. Tel 0978 860324. They hold Autojumbles though out the year, and have a spares shop for Olde English vehicles. There are 10,000 sparking plugs in 350 different types in stock. The Cambrian Railways and Cycle Museum at Oswestry Transport Museum, Oswald Road, Contact Mr P. W. Mottram on 0691 671749 or 0691 661648 (home) Remember using the telephone in the evening is cheaper. !!! There are many other museums on interest, contact Montgomeryshire District Council, Severn Road, Welshpool, SY21 7AS for more details and a very nice book.

Our return journey to Gloucester was uneventfull, Tuesday we collected Mother and the BBB, drove Home. In the four days we had driven almost 700 miles.