

spalding classic car club

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Tuesday 8 June CLUBNIGHT NATTER

Following the Classic Run last weekend, we have a Clubnight Natter for this month's second meeting at The Bell, Weston Hills. From 8pm. Thanks to Paul Pollard & Jean Everitt for arranging this.

Forthcoming shows

We have a presence at a number of shows coming up. We would really appreciate your support for these stands to show off the Club in a good light.

Bourne Classic Car & Bike Show, Sunday 13 June: This is a really popular event organised by Bourne Motor Racing Club. See www.bourneclassiccarshow.co.uk. **Alan Lyon has two spare places if you are able to come along. Call him on 01406 380698.**

Holbeach Vintage Show, 19/20 June: Steve Saunders and Liz Bollons are co-ordinating our Club stand. Contact them at ssaunders@eemc.co.uk or via Joy Mann (see below).

Boston Classic Car Show, Sunday 8 August: Joy Mann is your contact for this event if you can help with our Club stand at Kirton. Contact Joy on 01775 723856 or at jmann@eemc.co.uk

Sleaford Classic Show, Sat 4 Sept: Steve Saunders is again arranging our stand. Contact as for Holbeach above.

Classic Car Run: 6 June

Massive thanks to Alan Lyon and team for putting on a great 13th Annual Classic Car Run on Sunday 6th June.

The switch to a June date looked to have been a successful move with 60 or so entries received for this year's event. We started from Toft Hotel after coffee (right) and Alan had a 66 mile morning route lined up



for everyone around some excellent scenic countryside in Lincs and Rutland. The route basically went out towards Oakham and then came back round the east and south of Rutland water before returning east to the lunch halt at the Golden Pheasant at



Etton near Market Deeping.

The run in to lunch for some participants was notable for the cloudburst that seriously dampened the Stamford area at about 12.30 – just as we passed Burghley Park in fact, which some may remember as the venue where we experienced a similar deluge on an earlier Run a few years back.



Cars line up at the finish at Nene Valley
Allan Beesley receives the Car of the Day award for his Jaguar Mk II, below

Pics by Adrian Cunnington & John Sidebottom



It all calmed down after lunch and the rain went away long enough for us to trundle down to Nene Valley Railway for the finish. Here we could take in the steam era, enjoy a cup of tea and see the Car of the Day award presented to Allan Beesley from Norfolk, owner of a resplendent Mk II Jaguar, by EEMC Chairman Simon Leonard.

Thanks again to all concerned with the event, entrants, marshals, photographers, support team and Alan at the helm.

Adrian Cunnington

Anniversary Run: 13 May

Okay, so the members of the Spalding Classic Car Club seriously let me down on our second Anniversary Run! To begin with, all was going swimmingly, but as the evening got nearer, things changed for the worse and in the end I was definitely defeated.



When we booked the Fortescue Arms at Billingborough as the finish venue, I thought a good choice of supper would be good old bangers and mash with a vegetarian option, but no, it was not to be. Joy (Head Office) and Richard from the FA @ B decided there should also be fish and chips *plus* even another option alongside the vegetarian one!

So it was war at number 33... HO supporting the F&C option and me siding with bangers, convinced there could be only one winner! As the entries rolled in, B&M led the way, but soon (no doubt down to considerable canvassing by HO), F&C started catching up, then at the final furlong forged ahead and won conclusively in the popularity stakes.

So, on to the night, and luckily the cold and wet gave way to a pretty pleasant evening to welcome the 35 hardy souls to Spalding's Vista, putting themselves at our mercy for a relaxed rural run to the mystery destination. The fifteen cars were led away by Patrick & Alice in the Team Limming original Lotus Elise, gleaming in the evening sunlight.

Phil and Sally Tucker bravely brought their Bullnose Morris out for a canter round the 25 mile route via Pode Hole, Gosberton Risegate and Pointon, keeping up with the pack in search of evening supper! Good to see Mike & Anne Tilbury's ever immaculate Mercedes 190 enjoying the delights of rural Hundred Fen, along with Alan Lyon's TR5, with Brian Drury in the hot seat.

Sad news on the car disposal front was to hear Dave Shepherd's beautiful MG Magnette Varitone had departed to pastures new, though apparently it's not gone too far away. I managed a brief sit in his new steed, a similarly superb Rover 2000TC of 1967 vintage. Family Cunnington were represented by Bryan's TR5 and Adrian's Stag, neither letting the side down on the deep shine front!

With one Lotus leading the way, Paul Pollard completed the pack in his Elan +2 with Jean's directions finding the pub. As always, Steve Luxton's TVR sounded superb in convoy with Chris Lee's Toyota Celica, along with the V8 burble of Steve Saunders' 928 Porsche. Without exception all the cars were presented in superb order, John Oram giving his Triumph an



Trevor & Jenny's X1/9 had 'box woes



The Ed's Stag in full flow...



Bullnose heads TR to supper



Ian posing for the camera in his Fiat



Original Elise is now 13½ years old



190 and TR6 share the FA car park

extra polish for the evening. We're looking forward to seeing the Landie, John, but I would imagine Janet will find the TR more comfortable!!

Entertainment of the evening award could well have gone to Ian & Vicky Stancer in their Fiat 500, with very decisive parking on arrival at the Vista and speedy negotiations of some tricky village junctions en route. Still, if you can't find somewhere to park a Fiat 500, you simply put it in your pocket! Another potential award winner was Bruce Buck in the XJS, superbly navigating single handed to find his supper. At least he ordered B&M! Furthest travelled award (if there was one!) should surely have gone to staunch supporters Tim and Amanda Golden with another example of Norfolk engineering in the shape of their Esprit Turbo, having come down from Lincoln for the evening.

Another car that never ceases to amaze me on the immaculate scale is Trevor and Jenny Overson's Fiat X1/9. However, Trevor was struggling on the gear selector front, but had managed to find two to choose from and seemed happy with that situation!

All in all, a relaxed motoring evening, finished off by supper in a convivial atmosphere, with an option of an excellent bitter brewed by Oldershaw Ales in Grantham. What more could we ask for?

Many thanks to Joy for doing all the donkey work, even though she won the domestic supper-choice debate, John Sidebottom for his skills with the camera and the Fortescue Arms for serving a piping hot supper, allowing Phil and Sally to get home before midnight in their double candle lit Bullnose Morris!

Nigel Mann

2010 Calendar of Events

Date	Event	Venue/organiser
Tue 8 Jun	Clubnight noggin and natter	The Bell, Weston Hills Paul Pollard/Jean Everitt
Sun 13 Jun	Club stand	Bourne Classic Car Show Alan Lyon
Sa/Su 19/20 Jun	Club stand	Holbeach Vintage Show Steve Saunders
Fr/Sa/Su 2- 4 Jul	Goodwood Festival	Goodwood, W Sussex
Sun 11 Jul	KLDMC 33 rd Annual Vintage & Classic Run	Sandringham - Oxburgh Ivan & Adrian Cunnington
Tue 13 Jul	Clubnight run	Nigel & Joy Mann
Fr-Su 23-25 Jul	Silverstone Classic	Silverstone, Northants
Sun 8 Aug	Club stand: Boston CCC Show	Graves Park, Kirton BCCC
Tue 10 Aug	Clubnight run	Ian & Clare Pollard
Sat 4 Sep	Club stand	Sleaford Classic Car Show
Sun 5 Sep	Club stand	Moulton Park Show
Tue 14 Sep	Clubnight TBC	Adrian Cunnington
Fr-Su 17-19 Sep	Goodwood Revival	Goodwood, W Sussex
Sun 3 Oct	Aviva Run	MSA
Tue 12 Oct	Clubnight visit	Roman Garage, Ropsley Adrian Cunnington
Tue 9 Nov	Clubnight	TBC
Fr-Su 12-14 Nov	National Classic Car Show	NEC, Birmingham
Sun 5 Dec	Christmas lunch	TBC

Romer Sorry but there's no Romer this month. Ed.

