spalding classic car club

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NEWSLETTER

What's On www.seeccc.co.uk/events

Tuesday 12 March – CLUBNIGHT TALK

Organised by Joy Mann. Club member Malcolm Kenwood will give a talk about BRM, the Bourne based Grand Prix racing team which won world championship titles in 1962. Meet from 7.45 pm for an 8.00 start. This evening will be held at The Cley Hall Hotel on High Street, Spalding, PE11 1TX. Loads of good, free parking at the Holland Road car park just 150m away (sat nav post code: PE11 1UL). All proceeds in aid of Breast Cancer, Malcolm's nominated charity: £3 per person on the door.

Sunday 31 March – **SUNDAY BRUNCH MEET** organised by Adrian & Caroline Cunnington at the White Horse, Church Street, Baston, PE6 9PE. Meet 9.30 for 10.00am. See page 4 for menu and info on how to book.

Tuesday 9 April — CLUBNIGHT VISIT to Contour Autocraft at Thorney organised by David Chapman. If you'd like to attend contact David at dchapman445@btinternet.com. More on page 3

Tuesday 16 April – CLUBNIGHT TALK by Val Wilkinson, organised by Joy Mann. Cley Hall Hotel, 8pm. In the 70s Val and her husband drove from England to Australia in their trusty Moggie van. Should be an interesting story! £3/head for charity.

Sunday 28 April – DRIVE IT DAY RUN Organised by Steve Saunders & Liz Bollons. Save the date; further details to follow very soon.

CHAIR-MANN'S CHATTER

February sunshine and some very unusual temperatures made for a good month for SEECCC - the Rustbusters outing turned into a very sociable, informative evening and thanks must go to Steve Saunders for organising such an interesting event, and to Ian and Chris for their hospitality. On February 17th it was good to see so many classics out so early on (I am talking cars, not people!) as the weather was glorious and we all enjoyed some very tasty fayre at Birchgrove's coffee shop in Pinchbeck. Thanks must go to Tracy and team for looking after us so well and to Charles and Celine Cornish for organising the event. Talking of Celine, she would also like to hear from anyone who is interested in supporting a visit to Gosberton House Care Home on Sunday, May 5th, followed by a light lunch at the parish church next-door, where you will also get to see the fabulous flower festival displays. Please let her know on charlescornish67@gmail.com



I look forward to seeing you soon, perhaps at the BRM talk next Tuesday evening or the brunch meet at the end of the month, full details in this newsletter. Also, a final reminder subscriptions were due in January and this will be your last newsletter unless you've already renewed. If you haven't yet completed your new membership form please do not hesitate to get in touch — we're happy to help!

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Snippets

■ BILL'S NEW WHEELS

Out with the old, in with the older. There are times in your life when you just have to salute, click you heels and say YA! One of those days came earlier this month. I had been in e-mail discussion with Nigel (Mann) because I had decided to replace the Sterling that I have owned since 2002 with a Jaguar 240. Not a Mk. 2 and definitely not a poseur's car with shining chrome and wire wheels, I wanted a standard 240, with two spot lights and preferably in either British Racing Green or Silver. However my garage, my Jaguar-owning friends and Nigel were all firmly of the opinion that that was "not a good idea".

Things went from bad to worse when Nigel and Joy went to see their friend Karl Fasulo at KGF in Peterborough and found he had a Rover Sterling, with the V6 quad cam engine (whatever that does...) and came to the conclusion: that's the car for Bill! The powers that be had decided and I had to fall in line as a mere member of the SEECCC!!!!

My 820 Sterling had done just over 111,000 miles, of which 72,300 have been in my ownership. What was on offer was a car 363 days older, an automatic to stop me playing with the gear lever (but also stopping me from trying to select 6th) and a saloon, rather than a hatchback. However, it had covered just 11,255 miles and there was no dispute that it was in nicer condition than G8 TLM. It even had a Best Mk. 2 Sterling in the Show award from Gaydon last year.

The sordid aspect of money changing hands has now occurred and P800 STG should be seen on Drive It Day, assuming it's not raining.

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■ HOLBEACH HOSPITAL SUMMER FAYRE

Please see the poster attached to your newsletter email for full details of the Holbeach Hospital Summer Fayre which will be held on June 30th. SEECCC members are invited to display their cars.

■ COVENTRY ANYONE?

Boston Classic Car Club are organising a bus trip to the Coventry Motor Museum on Sunday 7th April. They have opened up the invitation to SEECCC members and indeed anyone who is interested. Cost is £12 pp. There are a total of 53 places available. Book through Steve Saunders: ssaunders@seeccc.co.uk or 01406 424735.

QUICKSILVER PROJECT TALK

On 14th March the Bourne Motor Racing Club will be taking to the water with Nigel Macknight, the Manager for the 'Quicksilver' World Water Speed Record Project team.

Nigel will tell the story of the 'Quicksilver' boats evolution from the evocative 'Bluebird' vessel of Donald Campbell to the current 'Quicksilver' design. The boat they are building is powered by a Rolls Royce Spey jet engine and the aim is to regain the water speed record, which currently stands at 317 mph. Nigel has an impressive list of sponsors and Engineering Companies backing the project and has worked closely with Salford University in developing the current design. This will be an evening that is sure to be interesting and not to be missed.

Doors at the Bourne Corn Exchange open at 7.00 pm. Nigel's presentation begins at 8.00 pm.

2019 SEECCC SUBS REMINDER

Finally, a final reminder that Club subscriptions became due on 1st January. If you have yet to renew, please do so as soon as possible. **Sorry but** you must complete the membership form to comply with the new GDPR rules or we won't be able to send you your newsletter.

A form can be printed from the website. Please send your monies to Joy Mann or catch up with her at a forthcoming event.

CONTOUR AUTOCRAFT VISIT

TUESDAY 9th APRIL 19:00

Lordship End, French Drove, Thorney, Peterborough, Cambs. PE6 OPP

Cost £5.00 per head

Agenda

- Tour of the workshops
- Demonstration
- Video presentation

Numbers: Limited to 12 but a second visit can be scheduled if demand is there

Book in with David Chapman – email dchapman445@btinternet.com



Contour Academy, which grew out of coachbuilders Contour Autocraft, was founded in 1998 by Bruce Macleod with a mission to establish a centre of excellence for training in traditional sheet metalwork.

Bruce gained exacting standards of workmanship and expertise from his father lain Macleod, founder of Contour Autocraft, who had learnt traditional methods of vehicle body construction when he began his career as apprentice in 1953 to coachbuilder A.E. Smith.

Bruce, who has comprehensive experience in all aspects of vehicle body construction and repair as well as qualifications in joinery and tool making, is a highly regarded authority in his craft.

Contour have worked on a wide range of projects including: restoring and building steel and aluminium alloy car bodies, making the copper petals for the 2012 London Olympics cauldron and forming stainless steel profiles for the Aston Martin AM37 powerboat.



Breakfast Menu

SPALDING & EAST ELLOE CLASSIC CAR CLUB: SUNDAY 31 MARCH 2019



THE WHITE HORSE FULL ENGLISH

Thetford sausage, bacon, flat mushroom, tomato, fried potatoes, black pudding, eggs and toast £7.95

VEGETARIAN BREAKFAST

TOMATOES, MUSHROOMS, FRIED POTATOES, EGGS AND TOAST £5.25

EGGS BENEDICT

TOASTED MUFFIN WITH POACHED EGGS, HAM, AND HOLLANDAISE SAUCE £5.95

EGGS ROYAL

TOASTED MUFFIN WITH POACHED EGGS, SMOKED SALMON AND HOLLANDAISE SAUCE £6.50

TOASTED BLOOMER

WITH TOMATO, BACON, AVOCADO AND POACHED EGGS £5.95

BACON OR SAUSAGE SANDWICH £5.00

EGGS ON TOAST

POACHED, FRIED OR SCRAMBLED £4.50

Orders please to Adrian & Caroline Cunnington by 25th March

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Or telephone Adrian on **07970 072260**