

ARDEN CLUB



Newsletter August 2021

Hello All

Reports:

As you will all know, I had to postpone the Show Night at short notice (more below) due to the shortage of staff at the Golden Cross (several in isolation), however fortunately everyone took notice of the email I sent out (I went to the Cross for 7pm and no one else turned up, I did wonder about awarding myself all the prizes but maybe not!!).



Trevor is having much better success with his events both were very successful, the first was the Aunt Sally Lunch at the Butchers Arms in Balscote. This was a lovely pub in a small village and the garden overlooks the village church, very picturesque and we had the garden to ourselves. After the 'Basket Meal' lunch (although served on a plate, of course due to CoronaVirus) it was down to business starting with an explanation of the game which is unique to North Oxfordshire

(but there are 8 Leagues with 10 teams per league), the rules and some tips on how to play by the Pub Team Captain. A quick practice run showed just how difficult it was going to be. Trevor split the 28 of us into 4 teams for the competition to begin and it was a close finish for each round. I don't think any of us had tried to play the game before (the score board told the whole story!!) but everyone entered into the spirit of the day, even if very few of us managed to score a point. Mike was the star of the show as the only person to score more than 1 point and received the prize, well done Mike.



A great day out, so lets have some more like this please Trevor.



Two weeks later Trevor came up trumps again with the somewhat delayed Mad March Run (from 2020) that finished at the Happy Herefords barn in Tysoe. A wonderful place and a brilliant find by Trevor & Angela, even if it did have straw on the floor but the burgers were very good, even better we could bring our own beer & wine or take out from the pub down the road. A great route taking in some little travelled roads on the 38 mile run from the Golden Cross, a few cars had a bit of trouble with the instructions in Paxford but everyone arrived without any

delays. Another great day out, well done to Trevor & Angela, they even came up with some new competitions, guess the weight of the cake (to win the cake), Julia must be the best baker and won the prize. The next game was 'Spot the Difference', this was between 2 MGBs from the same era (so should be the same). I only managed to find 53 things that could be seen to be different but that was enough to win the bottle of wine and pack of Speckled Hen!! Well done again Trevor & Angela.

Future Events:

Tuesday 17th August – Show Night: This is the rescheduled, rescheduled evening and will be the same idea as previous years, give your MG a good clean & polish and we will display them all in the Orchard Car Park at the Golden Cross. Everyone has a voting slip and there are prizes to be won. The restrictions have been lifted, so we should be able to fill the Orchard, so dust off the cobwebs and bring your MG for some light hearted fun in the sun. As in previous years the main categories will be: Best Early MG, Best Modern MG and Best MGB/C/Midget, with a surprise category as well as the 'Pot Luck' prize, so everyone has a chance to win. For the first time we are going to try and line the cars up in category order, so please follow the instructions of the Marshals. Start from 7pm (although I will be there from 6.30pm to make the most of the daylight), with prize giving around 8.30pm.



Sunday 22nd August - Chairman's Picnic and Games: This is the rescheduled date for the Chairman's Picnic and as a new addition to the day will include some outdoor games and there might be a competition. Mike and Jane have kindly invited us to have our Picnic in the garden of their 'New' house, which looks fantastic and they have a large garden so we can spread out. Mike has agreement with his neighbour for us to park our MGs in the Orchard that overlooks their garden, which will look great.

For the picnic, I think it will be better in these COVID times not to be sharing food, so please bring your own picnic for you to enjoy and please bring your own refreshments, however Jane has offered to provide tea & coffee.

I have set a run starting from the Golden Cross and meandering through the lanes for 28 miles. We will meet at the Cross from 11am and bacon rolls (£2.50) & tea/coffee (£1.00) will be available to purchase to sustain you for the run. We will therefore arrive in Childswickham in good time for our picnic lunch. Of course the sun will be shining but some contingencies will be in place just in case it is not!!

I have got 27 cars booked and all the names are listed on the 'Events 2021' page on the Club website, please check if you are there and if not let me know you would like to join us.



Sunday 5th September - Alan's Mystery Run: Last year we planned a lovely run to end up at Stratford Golf Course for lunch. Covid caused this to be cancelled and unfortunately the diary has had to be condensed at the club meaning that they cannot cater for us due to club commitments. Managed to find another venue that would accept us, the aftermath of Covid still seems to be causing problems. I have booked the new garden room at Hillier's. It is a new addition to the farm shop/restaurant and as you can see it is very welcoming.. If the weather is good there is a terrace off to the right. We will meet at the Golden Cross at 10.30am where Matt will open up and you will be able to purchase drinks/coffee and bacon baps if required.



We will leave at 11.00am approx and go on a 40 mile route, hopefully exploring new places, before arriving at 12.30 at Hilliers with lunch at 1.00pm.

Hilliers are being very flexible with their menu and we will circulate it shortly to enable you to pre order. This will ensure there is minimal waiting time for food. Hilliers is fully licensed.

Looking forward to seeing you, Liz and Alan

Please let Alan know as soon as possible if you would like to join the run:

alan.griffith@hotmail.co.uk

Tuesday 7th September - Club Night: Social evening at the Golden Cross.

Sunday 19th September - Dorridge Day Classic Car Show: Enjoy a day out at this classic car show and other attractions. We are booked to have a stand to display our MGs. If you have not already booked in, please contact ardenmgclubevents3@gmail.com with your car Registration number. Please book in as soon as possible, so that they have an idea of numbers.

Dorridge Day Classic Car Show

ROUND TABLE

The Dorridge Day Classic Car Show is back again, so we are inviting owners with classic cars, lorries and bikes to display their vehicles.

Dorridge Day, is a fun family day which attracts families from Dorridge, Knowle and the surrounding villages and is organised by Knowle and Dorridge Round Table annually.

19th September 2021
Sunday, @ Dorridge Park

Therefore if you have a **25 year old classic vehicle** or older (pre-1997) and are prepared to show it at Dorridge Day, register by sending us an email or sms with your details.

Details: Name, Make, Model, Year
Email: dorridgeday.classics@gmail.com
SMS: 07775 647 914

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Anyone wishing to enter a car should contact Cars at the Spa
www.carsatthespa.co.uk

Sunday 26th September - Cars at the SPA: Another classic car show where we will have a stand. Parking in the heart of Leamington Spa at the bottom of the Parade. Look round the cars, go off shopping or enjoy a lunch or a picnic or visit the nearby food mall. Places are limited, only 200 cars total. Please book now by sending your car details and registration number.

ardenmgclubevents3@gmail.com is the place to send your booking. Please do so as soon as you know that you would like to go. Being a charity event, they would like a donation of £10 per car.

Tuesday 5th October - Club Night: Social evening at the Golden Cross, however I'm investigating a guest speaker for the evening, to be advised.

Tuesday 2nd November - Club Night: Social evening at the Golden Cross

Tuesday 7th December - Club Night: Social evening at the Golden Cross

Tuesday 14th December – Xmas Meal

Other Events:

Saturday 11th September 2021 - The Hampton Ferry Car and Bike show: is now being advertised as follows:

Hampton Ferry, Evesham, WR11 4 BP.

11am till 4 pm Admission free for Classics others car park £2.00 all day.

There is always a great selection of vehicles including MGs and it does get very busy as the morning goes on and it's a narrow lane down to the river.

Stay safe, stay well

Paul

Proposed Events 2022

Date	Event	Organiser
01/01/22	Chilly Willy Run	Paul
24/04/22	Drive it Day	David Pitt
July	BMC & Leyland Show BMM	Paul
05/07/22	Show Night	Paul
Summer	Chairman's Picnic	Paul
Summer	Heritage Run Revisited	Paul
13/12/22	Xmas Meal	Paul