# North Devon Sports and Classic Car Club



August 2019



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The final lap of the Calvert Trust to Castle Hill run was completed with the presentation of a £250 Cheque to Kylie at the Calvert Trust.

Thanks for your support on the first run

See inside for more photos.



# CHAIRMAN'S CHAT

A very busy July for us all, starting with the NDSCCC Calvert Trust to Castle Hill run on June 30<sup>th</sup>. We had 19 cars in total with 34 members taking on a 49 mile run (thanks Clive for the help in planning the route) over Exmoor before a sumptuous cream tea served in the West Wing of Castle Hill that included a chance to explore the fantastic gardens. Participants also received a rally plaque as a souvenir for the garage wall. The event, held in conjunction with the Calvert Trust, who supplied a big breakfast at the start, raised £250 towards the Trust's finances.

Powderham has continued to be a great success with around 25 cars on both days, special thanks go out to Anne, John, Trish and Glenn for their organisational prowess and keeping everyone fed and watered over the 2 days. And to those of you who wore fancy dress on the Saturday (Sunday was just too hot for it), well done and let's have some more next year!

Next up is Braunton Wheels on Sunday (28th) and the Affinity Devon (Atlantic Village as was) Amphitheatre Show on Sunday 4th August, contact me if you would like to go.

Following on is the Combe Martin Show (17th) and the Merry Harriers (26th), the New Inn run (Sept 1st). There are probably a few others coming out of the wood-work in between so post them up on our Facebook page if you can and see if any-one else is interested.

It looks as if we will manage to de-conflict the South Molton Show, Lynn Valley Classic, Big Sheep Show, Ilfracombe Show, and the Filleigh Run again next year so make sure you block out the weekends from the end of May through to the end of June next year as a start.

The vote has been counted on whether to have a pre or post-Christmas "do" this year with the most members voting for a post-Christmas event, so Judy is now all fired up to organise it for us all.

Lastly well done to Johnny Woods who was asked to take his Pantera to the Goodwood Festival of Speed as part of the unveiling of the new De Tomaso prototype......he even managed to get a couple of runs up the hill himself.

Enjoy the weather.....there I have done it!

Cheers Tim.



#### NDSCCC - Calvert Trust Run



19 cars took part in the run, raising money for Calvert trust. The Calvert Trust provide facilities for activity holidays for all - Horse riding, zip lines, sensory centre and wheelchair absailing. They also canoe, kayak and dingy sail on a nearby lake.



#### NDSCCC - Calvert Trust Run

















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#### NDSCCC - Powderham

Some shots from Powderham, a great couple of days had by all. We had 25 cars on the stand on both days.

Special thanks go out to Anne, Trish, Glenn and John for all their hard work in putting together the Club Stand and for the catering and raffles.



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#### **NDSCCC** - Braunton Wheels

Fantastic Day out at Braunton Wheels with the NDSCCC, about 30 cars on our "stand" as well as around 15 other members around the field. 140 plus paid up members and still growing!



#### **NDSCCC - Braunton Wheels**













#### News from the FBHVC



Each month we will review the Federation British Historic Vehicle Clubs website and select an item or two that you may find of interest.

This month is about tyres and their age. Below is a guide to Tyre Dating produced by Vintage Tyres www.vintagetyres.com. With a lot of our cars doing low mileage and some are exempt from MoT, check yours as they may be well past their best despite having lots of tread left!

#### From 2000 to present day

The date code is four digits long. The first two digits represent the week of production, and the second two represent the year. The tyre in the picture was made in the thirteenth week of 2011.

#### Between 1990-1999

The date code is three digits long. For the Nineties this was followed by a triangle. The first two digits represent the week of production, the third digit represents the year. The tyre in the picture was made in the first week of 1996 (note the small triangle on the right)

#### Between 1980-1989.

The three-digit code was also used in the Eighties, but without the triangle. The format is otherwise exactly the same as the later system. So, the tyre in the picture was made in the seventh week of 1981.

#### Pre 1980

If your tyre doesn't have any of the markings above, it was made before 1980 and should be replaced as a matter of course.









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#### NDSCCC EVENTS CALENDAR

See Website for further details / entry forms (www.ndsccc.co.uk)

Date	Event	NDSCCC event	Contacts
4th August	Atlantic Village Amphitheatre Display Clovelly Rd, Bideford EX39 3QU	Yes	Tim Hatcher timhatcher@talktalk.net
4th August 2019	Modern and Classic Car and Bike Show. Petroc College, Tiverton EX16 6SH	No	tivertonpoppyappeal@outlook.com 07532 357419
8th August 2019	Nosh and Natter Hunters Inn, Newton Tracey EX31 3PL 12.30 for 13.00	Yes	John or Geraldine Kenyon 01409 241460 <u>kenyonvirworthy@aol.com</u>
17th August 2019	Combe Martin Show Coach Park, High Street EX34 0AB	No	01271 883429 or Combe Martin Facebook page.
26th August	Merry Harriers Garden Cen- tre Woolsery, Bideford, EX39 5QH	No	No booking required. £5 per car to charity (Pay on arrival) and includes 2 cream teas!
1st September 2019	Fremington Children's Hos- pice Car Run	No	Diane or Bob Harrison 01271 860914
7-8th September 2019	Chapelton Steam Rally	No	Chapleton Barton, Umberleigh, North Devon, EX37 9EB
12th September 2019	Nosh and Natter Blue Ball, Countesbury Hill, Lynmouth EX35 6NE 12.30 for 13.00	Yes	John or Geraldine Kenyon 01409 241460 <u>kenyonvirworthy@aol.com</u>
15th September 2019	Triumph Sports Six Club (TSSC) Lynton and Lyn- mouth Run	No	Darren Groves or TSSC Devon Facebook page darren@tssc-devon.org.uk

NDSCCC - New events—Affinity (Atlantic Village) Entry forms may be downloaded from the website www.ndsccc.co.uk

# CLASSIC CAR DISPLAY SUNDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST

# **10AM – 4PM**

## **AFFINITY DEVON, BIDEFORD**





Come and view a display of over 20 stunning sports and classic cars in the amphitheatre



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## NDSCCC - New events—Petroc Entry forms may be downloaded from the website www.ndsccc.co.uk



There will be a DJ, raffle, stalls and Mama Johns will be serving food. Please come along to join us we have more space this year so please come and show off your vehicles and hopefully enjoy the sunshine together!

Email: tivertonpoppyappeal@outlook.com Call: 07532357419

THE ROYAL BRITISH



## NDSCCC - New events—Merry Harriers Entry forms may be downloaded from the website www.ndsccc.co.uk

Please note that although the event is pay on the day (£5 per car to include 2x Cream Teas), you need to send a booking form so that the Merry Harriers can assess numbers..



#### NDSCCC - New events — TSSC

#### This event is hosted by TSSC North Devon

#### See their invite on our Facebook page

We have been invited to join the TSSC on this event. Whilst aimed at Triumphs, any classic is invited on the run, Contact Darren at TSSC for details darren@tssc-devon.org.uk

#### TSSC - North Devon Lynton & Lynmouth Run 2019 September 15th



#### **NDSCCC Golden Pencil Award**

Members are invited to submit a short article for the chance of winning a prize at the 2020 AGM

#### This month— Diane Coles and Monty the Morgan

The Golden Pencil award (announced via email late last year) is made to one author selected at random from any club member who contributes a personal article & picture to the club magazine in the year between AGMs.

We are will be rolling out a new award for 2019, so please put pen to paper or finger to keys and tell us a story via the club magazine for a chance to win this valuable prize.

Templates can be found on the website.

#### Monty's Make Over (from a wife, none driver and none petrol head's viewpoint)

We first got Monty about 18 months ago (yes I know I've named him!, Mark doesn't appear to mind!) and he has brought us joy ever since then, long may it continue. We got him from a dealership in Devon who told us that he was owned by an elderly gentleman who had to sell him because of his age (not the cars). We were lucky that the gentleman had already put some additions on him, ie luggage rack and we wanted to add to the look of a wonderful car.

Last year we went to Thornfalcon meet and saw some other Morgans one of which had some neck rolls. We asked about them but the owner had got them straight from Morgan when he had ordered the car. We liked them very much and so began a very interesting project for Monty, me and Mark.

I contacted Morgan to see if I could purchase some neck rolls but they told me that unless I ordered a brand new car they could not help me!! We knew that just outside of Barnstaple there used to be a car restoration business so that was our starting point. We drove around to them in Monty and started to ask questions about how to get hold of a hide. I had already looked on line but realised that matching up the colour of the leather from a 1991 car would not be easy. The chap at the business told us the same but he did have some rain damaged stock and lead us through to the back room - it is amazing what you find in back rooms! He rummaged around and to our amazement came out with a whole hide with just a bit of water damaged and low and behold it was very nearly the same colour. We could not believe our luck. He told us that the current owners of the business were just going to get rid. In hind-sight we should have paid a nominal fee for the whole lot. Ahh hindsight. We did give him some money for it and then asked another important question - did he know of anyone who could make the neck rolls. He introduced us to Pippa.

Now Pippa is an amazing lady who seems to be able to make anything upholstery wise for any vehicle, even her 2nd world war American jeep. She just happened to be in Barnstaple as well. We drove around there immediately and told her what we would like. She said no problem.

We were so pleased with the results. Mark is 6 foot and I am 5 foot and when mark puts his foot down my head hits the head rest rapidly! It no longer does although the foot going down still happens and I enjoy every minute of it. I am not advocating speeding you understand (wink, wink).



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We then had a lot of hide left. Mark then hit upon the idea of asking Pippa to make up a half tonneau for Monty the 4/4. This model just has an open back which can get a bit untidy so his thoughts were to create something to hide all of our junk especially when we do shows. The ever resourceful Pippa knew just what we wanted and did her magic. We are so pleased with this as we have never seen another one. Readers please be aware there may be a commission to pay if we see anymore!!

We still had some hide left! What to do know? Mark hit upon the idea of changing the spare wheel cover so that's what we did, although this will be just for show as the leather is too nice to use everyday.

We both feel that if you own a classic car you should keep up the work on it, not just the mechanics. He (sorry!) has so far had his wheel spokes done, we stripped them back and had them treated and coated. We are looking to change the steering wheel and are thinking about a bonnet belt but are not sure at the moment.

For absolute novices, never owning a classic car before, he (sorry!) has bought us so much joy, the projects that we have done and the expertise that is out there have been remarkable. We have met some wonderful people through owning a classic.



Entries are invited for the September Newsletter If you have a story to tell about your car, don't be shy and send it to the Editor. Remember, you could win a prize!

#### **NDSCCC - CLUB SHOP**

#### **Club Logo Mugs and Pin Badges**

We have had some mugs printed, they are available from the Chairman via email. They are £5 per mug and can be collected from a show or posted for extra cost. We also have our pin badges. Made out of metal with an enamelled face displaying our logo. A nice high quality item, priced at £5 plus postage or collection from a show. The Caps are £10 and we also have some remaining calendars in stock which can be purchased for £3 each.

Available from REGALIA SECRETARY Rob Martin— robjohnmartin60@gmail.com



#### **CLUB T SHIRTS AND FLEECES ETC**

A local company has agreed to produce, pack and post T shirts, Fleeces and caps etc with the Club logo on.

This saves Committee members having to organise it and paying up front out of their own pockets. The website address is as below and the prices are the same as we have paid before albeit there is now a post and packing charge.

Order yours now from: https://www.portlantis.com

Email trudy.reynolds@portlantis.com. Telephone 07795 565975.

or speak to your REGALIA SECRETARY Rob Martin— robjohnmartin60@gmail.com

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#### For Sale. 1971 Bentley T1. 6.7 litre V8

John has owned this car for 35 years and feels he is now of an age where he must reluctantly downsize.

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Please contact John me for further details or to arrange a viewing.

John Lain 01271 814680 mercaston@gmail.com



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