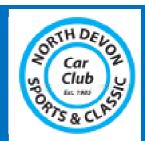
North Devon Sports and Classic Car Club



October 2019





Geoff Down handing over his sponsor cheque to Kylie of Calvert Trust having completed his 50th park run on his 60th birthday. Many club members sponsored him and he raised £300 for The Calvert Trust .Well done Geoff!

CHAIRMAN'S CHAT

Another busy month with lots of shows and the weather in the main has been kind. The month started off with the North Devon Children's Hospice run organised by Bob and Diane Harrison. There were about 28 cars on the run with about 20 club cars. The run took in Croyde, Georgeham, Woolacombe and Mortenhoe before a lunch stop at the Pack of Cards in Combe Martin. After lunch we wound our way back to the Children's Hospice for the traditional raffle and refreshments. A great day out and one to do next year!

Chapelton Barton show is a 2 day event usually over the second weekend in September. Although Saturday was a bit thin on cars because of a poor weather forecast Sunday was well attended. Maybe we should consider a stand there next year so keep a look out on the events listing.

I went to the Castle Combe rally day on the 21st and was pleasantly surprised. Although predictably there were a lot of modern Subarus there were equally as many Mk 1/2 Escorts, Audi Quattros, Lancia Stratos and other period sports saloons and rally offerings. Well worth a quick dash up the M5!

The Morwellham Quay trip went very well with around 18 cars taking the hour and half trip down to the Tavistock area. The mine train was particularly interesting although the chocolate factory was perhaps the favourite attraction. There was a lot to see and do and all with a historical theme. Thanks Ant and Clare for making it all happen!

The first South Molton Pannier Market Tuesday night meet was a very damp affair. Despite the rain on the way we still had over 20 cars attend and a handful of bikes. I expect we will run this event from April to September next year on the last Tuesday evening of the month. The raffle organised by Diane Harrison raised over £40 for the Club's charity.

We have had a good take up for the Quince Honey Farm to Cobbaton Collection run (13th Oct) with 18 cars to date. Should be a great day out so if you haven't booked in yet please do so I can give the numbers for afternoon tea to Cobbaton.

We should also have around 10 cars on our stand for the Autumn Classic (5th Oct) and we have the same track side site as last year. So bacon baps and tea and coffee all day long!

The regular Nosh and Natter meets are also listed in the magazine and are a very social gathering with usually around 30 members attending. The end of the month Sunday breakfast meets are kicking off now with the first one at The Waterfront in Westward Ho! Please book in for both events early to help those organising them.

Keep a look out in the magazine for the skittles evening at the Wrey Arms and of course details for the post Christmas meal at the Royal and Fortescue.

The Barnstaple Pannier Market show will be on the 24th November and is members only, so please book in giving your details to Glenn Merrit. Entrance will be £2 with an automatic entry into the raffle, all proceeds going to the Club's chosen charity.

Although a little way off we are now planning Drive it Day for the 28th April. We will be starting with a breakfast meet and following on with a visit to Davidstowe WW2 airfield / museum for a tour and afternoon tea.

A few of you are still having difficulties with the "internet" and finding out what is going on. If you know of anyone, or indeed you are having difficulties, please let us know. We will try and get you "matched" up with a "phone buddy" to keep you up to speed.

As the weather closes in over the "dark" months do take the opportunity to get the cars out and exercised, however if the weather is really bad don't let that put you off attending the events......just bring your daily.

Cheers

Tim

NDSCCC - Fremington

Great run with 28 cars in aid of the North Devon Children's Hospice. Started off from the New Inn at Fremington (with coffee and a bacon bap) then onto Croyde, up through Georgeham, onto Woolacombe, through Mortinhoe and on to the Pack of Cards Pub in Combe Martin for a lunch stop. After lunch back through Kentisbury, past Arlington and the back of Barnstaple for a finish at the Hospice in Fremington.

Thanks Bob and Diane Harrison for organising













NDSCCC - Chapelton Barton

A lovely day out at Chapleton Barton vintage rally, lots of steam engines, classic vehicle and motor bikes, tractors, stalls, arena . A few club members were spotted. Looking to have an NDSCCC stand there next year!





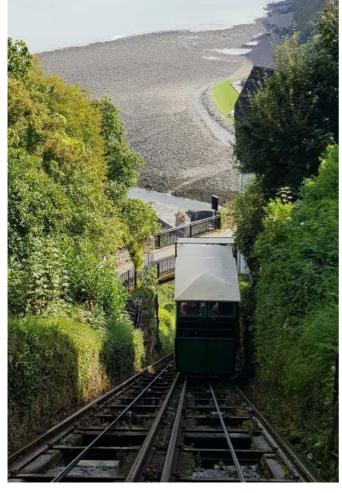


NDSCCC - Lynton & Lynmouth

An invite from Triumph Sports Six Club (TSSC)

A few NDSCCC members took up the offer from the TSSC (Devon) to join them on their run to Lynton and Lynmouth. Great weather ensured lots of people visited the 25 Triumph cars which were parked on the entrance to the Cliff Railway. Thanks to Darren Groves of TSSC for organising.









NDSCCC - Morwellham Quay

We met at Dunelm's car park in Barnstaple and we headed down to Tavistock picking up a couple of cars on the way, taking a steady drive in convoy, skirting past the edge of Dartmoor into Tavistock and onto Morwellham Quay.

There we were greeted at the entrance and escorted onto the Display area. With the 15 cars lined up on the Quay its was time to relax with tea, coffee and a slice of home made cake before heading to the Copper Mine underground train ride. There we were treated to a talk about the history of the mine and the surrounding works by the very knowledgeable Rick, and of course the obligatory banter. Underground Train Tour finished we hot footed it to the Ship Inn for a well earned lunch. The afternoon was then free for us to explore the delights of Morwellham Quay. Considering the forecast, we were very lucky with the weather and only encountered a bit of the wet stuff on the journey down to Morwellham Quay and on the trip back home.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone that could make it. With 15 cars and 27 people and considering the distance we had to travel it was a good turn out and the event was very well supported. THANK YOU.

Thanks also to Ant and Clare Kane for organising the day.



NDSCCC - Castle Combe

A few shots of some of the cars at Castle Combe Rally Day. Some rare metal was on show. Now looking forward to the Autumn Classic on 5th October and yes we have the same spot allocated as last year, trackside gazebo!













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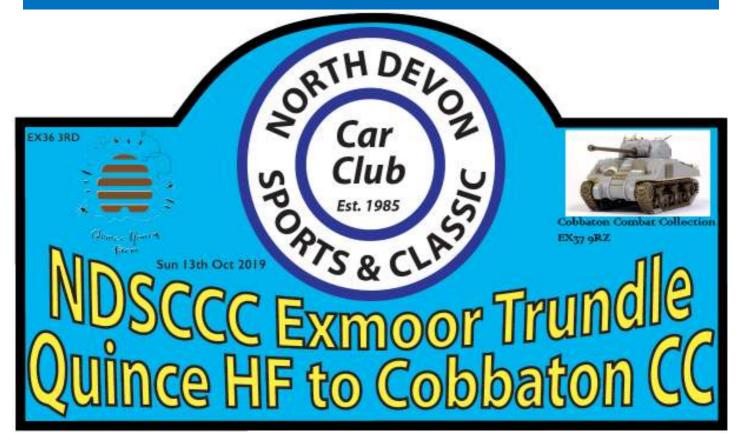
NDSCCC EVENTS CALENDAR

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

Date	Event	NDSCCC event	Contacts
5th October 2019	Castle Combe Classic	No	Tickets from Castle Combe website MUST HAVE BE PURCHASED BY 9th SEPT
10th October 2019	Nosh and Natter, 12.301pm Williams Arms Braunton. EX33 2DE	Yes	Nick Peace – <u>nick.xk120@btinternet.com</u>
13th October 2019	Autumn Run Quince Honey Farm to Cobbaton EX36 3RD	Yes	Tim Hatcher timhatcher@talktalk.net Please book in advance
27th October 2019	Breakfast Meet 09.45 Portmore Golf Club EX32 9LB	Yes	Judy Down jdown24@hotmail.com Please book in advance
1st November 2019	Skittles Social Evening Wrey Arms, Sticklepath, Barnstaple. EX31 2BX	Yes	Judy Down jdown24@hotmail.com Please book by 18th October
14th November 2019	Nosh and Natter 12.301pm Castle Inn George Nympton South Molton EX36 4JE	Yes	Nick Peace – nick.xk120@btinternet.com
24th November 2019	Barnstaple Pannier Market EX31 1SY	Yes	Glen Merritt glennmerittilf@gmail.com Please book in advance
12th December 2019	Nosh and Natter, 12.301pm Thatched Inn Abbotsham EX39 5BA	Yes	Nick Peace – <u>nick.xk120@btinternet.com</u>
11th January 2020	NDSCCC Post Christmas Party Royal & Fortescue Hotel Barn- staple EX31 1HG	Yes	3 Course Meal Inc Coffee £22 Per Head Please make your bookings ASAP. Final payments due by Friday 6th December 2019 Cheque payable to NDSCCC. Post to: Judy Down, 19 Wester-Moor Drive, Roundswell, Barnstaple EX31 3XU.
26th January 2020	Breakfast Meet 09.45 Williams Arms, Wrafton EX33 2DE	Yes	Please book by 16th January with Alex Lain mercaston@gmail.com 01271 814680
26th April 2020	Drive It Day 2020 RAF Davidstow Moor	Yes	Details to be finalised Put it in your diary!.

NDSCCC - New events—Exmoor Run

Entry forms may be downloaded from the website www.ndsccc.co.uk



Join us for the NDSCCC Exmoor trundle on Sunday 13 October.

Starts at a reasonable 09:30 for a 10:00 breakfast at Quince Honey Farm (have what you'd like although the mid week deal for a full English applies).

An Exmoor (maybe) scenic run follows for about an hour and a half.

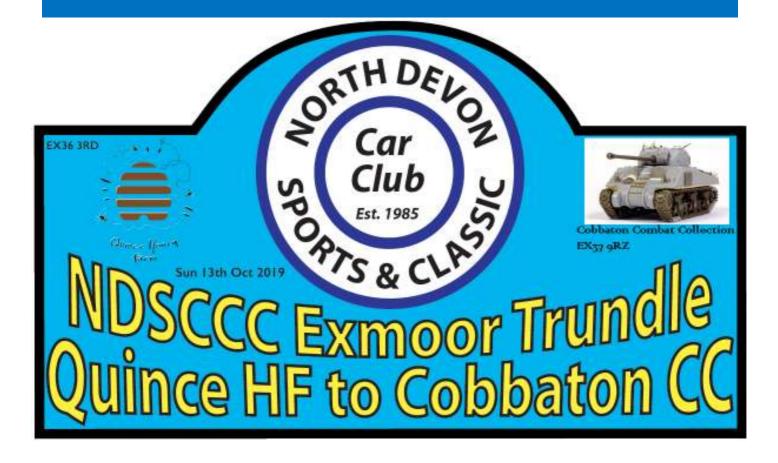
Concluding at the Cobbaton Combat Collection for the rest of the day with afternoon tea (sausage rolls/cake etc) included within the admission price of £10 per head (specific catering requirements to be listed on entry form overleaf). The Collection houses an impressive array of First and Second World War vehicles and other militaria as well as an insight into living in that era.





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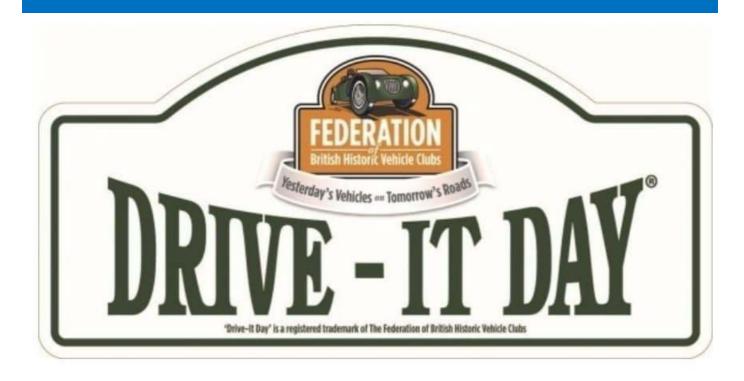
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Name
Car Make/Model:
Email address/telephone no for confirmation:
No. of pre-booked full English breakfasts at Quince Honey Farm (to be paid on the day) Each £6
No. of entries for the Cobbaton Collection at £10 a head (to include afternoon tea): ,,,,,
Cheque, made out to NDSCCC to be sent covering Cobbaton Collection entry to:
Tim Hatcher, The Old Smithy, Ash Mill, South Molton, EX36 4QT
Questions to timhatcher@talktalk.net
Specific catering requirements?:

NDSCCC - New events—Drive it Day 2020

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Drive it Day 2020 is on the 26th April 2020 and will end with a display at the amazing Cornwall at War Museum based at RAF Davidstow Moor. Situated around a Second World War RAF Airfield, the Museum is full of artefacts relating to the history of the base and all three military services during WW2 in North Cornwall and the South West.

Did you know there were three Formula 1 races held on the air field in the mid 1950's?

On the day we will receive a light lunch in the form of a homemade pasty, reported to be the best pasty's in North Cornwall and made very local to the Museum. There will also be free tea, coffee and cake supplied in their very own NAFFI.

If you wish you can also come dressed in 1940's clothes, Civilian or Military, which ever you please.

Keep an eye out for the advertisement and booking form which will be sent to all members and advertised on the Club Facebook Page in the new year.

NDSCCC - Winter Storage Tips

Advice from Auto Express

Some members will want to make sure their car sees as little of the elements as possible and opt to store it for the winter months.

Battery - A smart charger will keep the battery charged. Modern on-board computers can be affected by disconnecting the battery for too long so make sure there is plenty of charge.

Clean and polish - Before storage, remove mud, dirt and road salt that harbours moisture to help prevent corrosion. Waterless washes are an ideal choice for use in small spaces. Use a high-quality wax, to keep the paint protected.

Plenty of ventilation - If you're storing your car in a garage, ensure it's well ventilated and prop the windows open slightly. This will prevent moisture from building up. Consider investing in a dehumidifier that will keep the air dry as well. If a soft top, store with the roof up to stop mould.

Top up with fuel and anti-freeze—Filling the fuel tank will reduce condensation levels that can build up over time. but ethanol separates and can cause issues. So for long storage, adding a fuel preservative to make sure the fuel lines don't get clogged is advised. The same goes for anti-freeze – top up the levels and run the engine for a few minutes so they get circulated.

Use WD-40 to reduce corrosion - Any unpainted metal parts under your car can be painted with WD-40 to prevent rust but avoid spraying belts, hoses and braking surfaces."

Tyres - Make sure your tyre pressures are correct. If you're storing the car for several months, its better to lift the vehicle to raise the tyres from the ground – this will prevent flat spots, or over inflate tyres by 10psi.

Don't use the handbrake—Leaving the handbrake on risks fusing the brake pads to the discs. Instead, use tyre stoppers to prevent the car from rolling.

Invest in a good car cover - This will keep dust, debris and small animals away from your car. For extra safety, stuff clean rags into the tailpipe and any other areas creatures could nest. If you're storing your car outside on a driveway, make sure the cover is waterproof and tied securely so the winter storms won't blow it away. Don't cover the car with a plastic tarp as this could damage the paint – opt for a soft and stretchy cover that also allows any moisture to escape easily.

Change the oil and filters— Old engine oil can contain contaminants that damage the engine if left to sit for long periods of time. Check your handbook for the manufacturer's recommended oil. It's also good to swap your oil and air filters at the same time.

Security — Immobilise the car to stop theft. Even simple things like removing rotor arm or disconnecting fuel pumps will help

Make a note of all the work carried out — Write down all the steps you've taken on a notepad, so when the time comes to restart your car in the spring, you won't accidentally end up damaging it by, for example, forgetting to pull out the rag you've left in the exhaust!

NDSCCC - New events—Barnstaple Pannier Market Entry forms may be downloaded from the website www.ndsccc.co.uk





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SUNDAY 24TH NOVEMBER 2019



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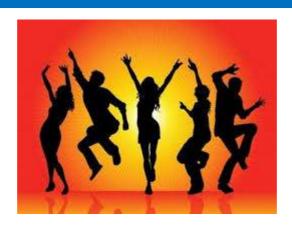
CAR REG: MEMBERSHIP NO

I CONFIRM MY VEHICLE IS ROAD WORTHY AND HAS RELEVANT INSURANCE

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NDSCCC - Christmas Party

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New Years Party & Disco

The Royal and Fortescue Hotel

Saturday 11th January 2020

3 Course Meal Inc Coffee £22 Per Head Please make your bookings ASAP. Final payments due by Friday 6th December 2019

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To book and make payment please fill in the slip below and return

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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— John Whitehead— Cars in my life—So far!

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 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.

I learned to drive at 16 up in Ilfracombe railway station coal yard in my dad's taxi whilst he waited for the many trains that brought hundreds of tourists in the town's heyday of the late 50's and early 60's

The car was ETO 944, a post- war Vauxhall 14-6 last built in 1948. It had white-walled tyres, a long fluted bonnet & running boards. All it needed was a machine-gun through the window and you could have been back in Prohibition. It had power steering and built- in hydraulic jacks on all wheels in those days!! It had a dozen grease points to be done every week and dad taught me the servicing basics to keep her running all season.

Many beautiful luxury cars were available after the war; Officers had been killed, Ladies didn't drive and the rising price of petrol had left them laid up. Many were acquired by taxi drivers and run into the ground by hard work and lack of servicing.

I passed my test at 17 but was never allowed to drive my dad's brand new London style FX4 Hire Cab 482 ROD.

Built to order ,we went to Longbridge to take personal delivery from the Austin works and ran it in on the way home.

Dad was so busy on Saturdays with the full trains, Royal Blue coaches and Paddle Steamers that I took him food so that he could keep working. With no MOTs they worked with bald tyres, poor brakes, no lights, smoking engines, slipping clutches and gearboxes that jumped out of gear on hills,anything to keep running. 2 pints of oil to a tank of petrol could be normal! They were mad but halcyon days.

At 18 I got my first car (jointly funded with a parental loan) She was 296 LOM a 1960 Teal Blue A35 van. I still have the reg. plate, ask me how? Sometime.

My first long journey was with my parents north to the Yorkshire coalfields, our family origins and it was then and there that I met my future wife.

When my parents sold up and returned to Yorkshire with their FX4, I followed soon after with a transfer to continue my Gas Distribution career.

I married in March '68 (for Tax reasons) using Dad's beloved cab (by then sold to a local garage) as the wedding car, as did my sister for her wedding later that year.

We honeymooned in Scotland (in March it was wet and cold!) using a hired Ford Anglia 105E.







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In 1975 we bought our '71 Morris Oxford 1622cc AHE 412J She was our pride and joy so we took her back to Devon when we returned to live in 1977 but soon we were shocked to discover the dreaded tin worm had done its worst and it had to go.

We had a Simca next. It was poor but then so were we. It did have a great hatchback design though.

Finally, we discovered the Japanese models. Much to my father's initial disgust, we bought a Datsun 260C Estate! American style automatic with rear- facing dickie seats, electric everything and a throaty roar. Great fun for outings but impractical and thirsty locally.

My wife started her mobile hairdressing so we bought a new Lada Riva Estate from Richard Pope at Ace Motors. We had 3 on the trot and they were solid workhorses (some say tractors). The tail-lift (Fiat design) suited her work especially in bad weather. We finished this phase with a gold coloured Samara. It was Lada's Golf GTI lookalike. It was good value for the times. 1992 saw a tragic lifestyle change for us so our next car was very different!



Enter the Honda Prelude Mk.1 She had a pre V-tec engine; a nippy 2 seat hardtop sports with 4 wheel steer ---yes, steer!

Look it up on the Internet. It's quite unusual. This car is still driven and cherished by a son of dear friends and has become a classic in its own time.

Next was a Toyota Camry 2.2 Mk.1, sadly written off in 1999 on the M5 the day after the eclipse. Then followed a Toyota Camry 2.2 Mk.2 until our retirement.

As a treat to ourselves we bought a 12year old 1999 Mercedes CLK320 convertible We got a buzz driving it and kept it until the gearbox went bang very spectacularly.

In 1999 we bought our 1960 Triumph Herald 948 Saloon whilst looking for the Merc's replacement She was a genuine find. It was owned by a son due to the death of his mother who had it given for a Christmas present from her husband in 1960. It had only done 23,000 miles and was unwanted in a garage on a farm near Broadclyst, Exeter. All that was needed was TLC and a total respray over 2 years. I count myself lucky to have it and enjoy sharing the nostalgia that it evokes when she's out and about. Now showing 45,000 miles over 59 years

Our other car was a 1968 Triumph Vitesse 2 ltr. Saloon. Originally it was a Mk.1 but was upgraded during a ground up restoration to Mk.2 spec by Mr. Jonathan Lewis of Barnstaple. It was a nippy mover and so very different from the Herald

Along the way we have had a 1972 Triumph Toledo and Mike Nicholl's MG1100





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Then in 2014 we replaced the Vitesse with my Triumph TR7 Although it looks good, it continues to have small problems which I hope to cure before exchanging it for an Inca yellow Dolomite Sprint which is waiting for me out there somewhere.

Recently 'my life has changed in oh so many ways' and even when my car memories fade, I still hope to hold onto my latest find. She's a 1947 model British-made lady with only one previous owner. I first saw her at a local Car Show in 2016.

She still has a sound chassis and unrestored bodywork with classic lines and an attractive mature patina. All original and most service history known.

I finally acquired her in 2018. She can be temperamental but with plenty of attention I hope she gives me many years of faithful service.



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.

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

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No items for sale this month

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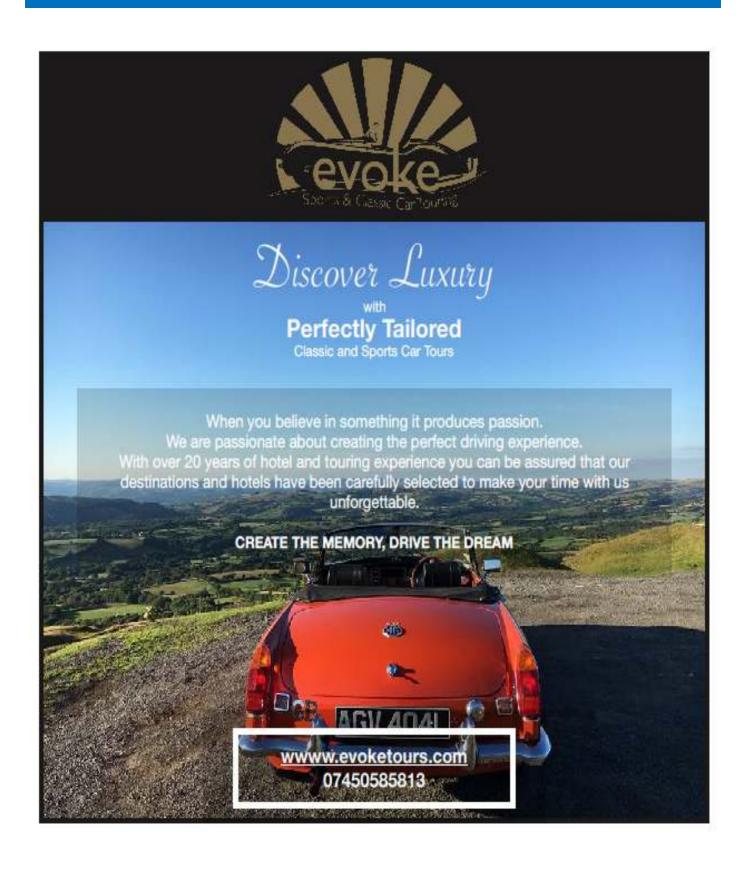
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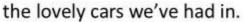
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