North Devon Sports and Classic Car Club



September 2019





Members of the public voted for their favourite car at the Affinity Devon Amphitheatre in August, and the winner was Colin's spotless Marlin Hunter. He was embarrassed to receive a bottle of bubbly courtesy of the Chemo Hero girls!

CHAIRMAN'S CHAT

Well August has been a very busy month on the Club scene!

Braunton Wheels (I know July 28th) was a great success for all concerned with around 30 members cars on show making us the biggest Club stand by far. The day just zipped by when we were all sat around drinking tea in the shade of the gazebo! There were lots of other interesting vehicles on show as well and I am sure we also met a few more potential new members.

A few of us attended the North Devon Show again this year and had a great day out, so thanks to Mike Nicholls for all the organisation.

Although I didn't go I hear that the RHS Rosemoor show was a great success as well, so maybe next year we could have a stand there if someone would like to volunteer and be the Club's point of contact.

There was also a good Club attendance at the Combe Martin Show from Club Members with Gary Carver "shaken but not stirred" after receiving an award for his DB6.

Another show that has received a lot of praise is the annual Thornfalcon show up near Taunton, so it looks as if we will add that to the Club Calendar in future as well.

The Bank Holiday saw the Merry Harriers show held at the garden centre, another good turnout by the Club with 30 cars or so on show. Having spoken to the organisers it will be another annual event for the NDSCCC and I hope next year to be able to "gazebo up".

Talking of the gazebo its always useful if you are off to an event to let us know then we can see if it is worth taking the NDSCCC gazebo etc. I have asked most of the event organisers of events we attend to have an NDSCCC Member box on the forms so that we can then get a feel for numbers, if there isn't one to use put in big letters at the top NDSCCC MEMBER.

The North Devon Hospice Run is next on 1st Sept, the Morwellham Quay (22nd Sept), will be a great event and an opportunity to give the car a decent run! Chapelton Barton is nearly upon us and in October we have the Castle Combe Autumn Classic (5 Oct) BUT YOU NEED TO BUY TICKETS BY 9 SEPT via the Castle Combe website to be allocated a space on our stand and get the club discount (their rules). The 13 Oct will be the Autumn Run and will start from Quince Honey farm for breakfast at 1000, involve an hour or so mystery tour, and end up at the Cobbaton Combat Collection for a tour and afternoon tea! I will get a booking form e-mailed out in the next few days but basically I have negotiated a full English at weekday rates at Quince Honey Farm and a £10 a head entrance fee to the Cobbaton Collection to include afternoon tea, hopefully served from the NAAFI Van!

And last but not least we have set up a "during the week" event to start on Tuesday evening 24th Sept from 1830 until 2130 in the South Molton Pannier Market. An informal meet for those that have weekend commitments and can't necessarily dedicate a full day to a show. Hopefully we'll have a tea urn on the go and there are a few fish and chip shops around the square.

If I've missed out anything please feel free to post up on Facebook etc or contact the Editor who can send out a "global" E mail and don't forget the monthly breakfast meets will start soon.......

Cheers

Tim

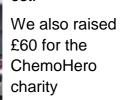
NDSCCC - Affinity (Atlantic Village)





16 cars were on show at Affinity Bideford.

Despite a wet start the day turned sunny and warm and the cars attracted a lot of interest.















NDSCCC - Combe Martin







There was also a good Club attendance at the Combe Martin Show from Club Members.

Congratulations to Gary Carver who was "shaken but not stirred" after receiving an award for his DB6.









NDSCCC - Merry Harriers

A really hot Bank Holiday saw the Merry Harriers show held at the garden centre, another good turnout by the Club with 30 cars or so on show. This will be another annual event for the NDSCCC and I hope next year to be able to "gazebo up". The event raised a terrific £1603 for North Devon Hospice













As well as enjoying cars and bikes, there were bacon sandwiches and cream teas on offer that just had to be sampled (and attracted many wasps!)

NDSCCC - Merry Harriers













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NDSCCC EVENTS CALENDAR

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

Date	Event	NDSCCC event	Contacts
1st September 2019	Fremington Children's Hospice Car Run (New Inn)	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 kenyonvirworthy@aol.com
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
22nd September 2019	Morwellham Quay	Yes	Anthony Kane 152 MORETON PARK ROAD, BIDEFORD, N. DEVON, EX39 3HB
24th September 2019	South Molton Pannier Market 18.30—21.30	Yes	£2 per car, £1 per bike with any profits going to Charity
29th September 2019	Breakfast meet, 10 am Waterfront Inn, Westward Ho!	Yes	Please let Anthony Kane know if you wish to attend/ 07823 447469
5th October 2019	Castle Combe Classic	No	Tickets from Castle Combe website MUST BE PURCHASED BY 9th SEPTEMBER
13th October 2019	Autumn Run from Quince Honey Farm to Cobbaton	Yes	Tim Hatcher timhatcher@talktalk.net
24th November 2019	Barnstaple Pannier Market	Yes	Glen Merritt glennmerittilf@gmail.com
11th January 2020	NDSCCC Christmas Party	Yes	Royal & Fortescue Hotel Barnstaple Details in October

NDSCCC - New events—Morwellham Quay





NORTH DEVON SPORTS AND CLASSIC CAR CLUB

SEPTEMBER RUN AND DISPLAY OF CLASSIC VEHICLES

AT

MORWELLHAM QUAY, TAVISTOCK

SUNDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER 2019

Discounted rate of £9.50 per person to inc copper mine train tour. (normal cost £16.75)

Payable in advance

BOOKING MUST BE MADE BY 16TH SEPTEMBER

9 am set off from Dunelm car park, Roundswell, leisurely drive down to Morwellham Quay, Tavistock for approx. 10.30 arrival. Our cars will be on display on the quayside situated inside the village and away from the main car park. We will be greeted on arrival where we will be issued our tickets for both entry to the attraction and for an exclusive NDSCCC members train ride into Morwellham's old copper mine.







ENTRY FORM SEPTEMBER RUN TO MORWELLHAM QUAY

NAME:

EMAIL(FOR BOOKING CONFIRMATION:

NO OF ENTRIES REQ (£9.50 PER PERSON):

CHEQUE VALUE ENCLOSED:

CAR MAKE AND MODEL:

CAR REG:

NDSCCC MEMBER YES/NO

NDSCCC MEMBERSHIP NO or CLUB

I CONFIRM MY VEHICLE IS ROAD WORTHY AND HAS RELEVANT INSURANCE FOR ROAD PURPOSES.

SIGNATURE DATE

PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED FORM and CHEQUE (MADE PAYABLE TO NDSCCC)

TO: ANTHONY KANE, 152 MORETON PARK ROAD, BIDEFORD, N. DEVON, EX39 3HB.

Dogs Welcome but must be kept on a lead and are charged £1 for entry (PAYBALE ON THE DAY) No dogs in the History of Chocolate or Bakery.

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

"Carburettors and Chrome"

An informal gathering of Vintage, Classic and Retro Vehicles of both 4 and 2 wheels for like minded enthusiasts. Entry from 6:30pm and leave by 9:30pm

£2 per car, £1 per bike to cover the Pannier Market hire with any profits going to Charity.



NDSCCC - New events—Christmas Party

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I know its only September but time does fly by.

The Christmas Meal for 2019 will take place on January 11th 2020 at the Royal & Fortescue Hotel Barnstaple. Put the date in your planners. More details will be available in October.





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—Tim Martin and his MGB

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.

Angela and I acquired our MGB in April 1989. I had returned to education as a mature student and we needed a reliable car to allow me to commute weekly between North Devon and Plymouth. I was running a Renault Fuego 1.6 GTS with a dodgy gearbox at the time, but that's another story! I have owned a number of Abingdon products over the years and when I found a completely unmolested Sandglow 1.8 MGB Roadster, with only 47k miles on it I couldn't resist it. The MGB ran faultlessly during my time studying for my Degree. In 1990 we spent two weeks in France in a tent using the 'B as our transport.

Once I had graduated, I secured full time employment in the IT industry. In 1992 I decided to have some restoration work carried out on the car. 2 front wings, sills and some minor repairs on the front inner wing box sections and it was ready for paint. To keep it Sandglow or go for something more universally acceptable, that was the question? In the end I kept it Sandglow and I'm glad that I did as I really do now think the colour has matured very well. Yes red, green, white, blue, in truth most any other BL colour would probably still have more appeal, but the 'B definitely stands out in a crowd.

Over the next 5 years I campaigned successfully, in local MG Club concours competitions. In the end, nevertheless, I became more and more disillusioned with the judging in these competitions. The level of knowledge on occasions was lamentable and frustrating to say the least. This coincided with an opportunity in 1998 to travel to Australia for most of the summer of that year. This was also at a time when we had bought a house that needed large amounts of work and a growing daughter. The 'B was moth balled.

Every 2 or 3 years I would flirt with trying to return the 'B to the road. The 'B did not take to being laid up well and things would frustrate me, in particular the clutch system, and I would just pull the cover back over it.

Spin forward 20 years and our daughter came to me with the big question. She had decided to get married and wanted me to drive her to the church in the car. She had fond memories of our trips out, wedged in her child seat behind us and she had dreamt of one day of being driven to the Church in the MG. Dad, would it be possible? How could I refuse? It was tough, but eventually the 'B was returned to the road. First real outing was the Big Sheep 2018.

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Finally, the 8th of September 2018, the proudest day of my life, I drove my daughter to her wedding in the MG. I even trusted my Son-in-Law with the keys to drive her to the reception. The 'B ran faultlessly.

So what do we use the 'B for now? Angela and I both turned 60 in 2018 and I took early retirement from 25 years in teaching. We are determined re-live our early years together when we would drive around the southwest in my little Austin Healey Sprite (again another car related story); this summer we have visited a number of our old Healey haunts. The 'B continues to let me know that she doesn't like being neglected; it took a few goes to get her running reliably again after the winter layup. It is just as well I have more time on my hands now!



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

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

NDSCCC - MEMBER ADVERTISMENT

Please send any adverts to ndsccc.newsletter@gmail.com

Private adverts are free for paid up members and £3 for non members. Trade adverts should be discussed with the Editor or any Committee member. Private adverts will be included for 2 magazine issues and then lapse, should the advert be needed to be run further the onus will be on the seller to contact the Editor to extend the run period.

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.

£18,500.00 including cherished number plate.

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

John Lain 01271 814680 mercaston@gmail.com









NDSCCC - MEMBER ADVERTISMENT

For Sale, 1969 MGC GT 3 Litre

Tartan red 1969 MGC GT, (with the 3Ltr straight 6) Black leather (new foams, diaphragms), Motolita, rebuilt carbs including rebushed spindles, stainless exhaust, recent discs/pads/shoes and new brake servo, recent rear axle rebuild.

Manual overdrive gearbox. Drives very well and super smooth. Not a concours car but a good useable MGC that would not look out of place at shows etc. Will be sold with 12 months MOT when sale agreed.

Offers circa £14k - contact <u>timhatcher@talktalk.net</u> (not Tim's car so will he will put interested parties in touch with owner. Viewing out Cullompton way (JUNC 28 M5) One of the pictures shows the door not fully closed, it doesn't sit proud when shut!









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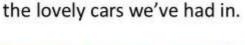
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