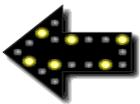
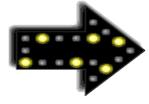


Basingstoke Classic Car Club



Indicator Magazine



Winter Edition

**January
2017**





Wheeler's Waffle

I hope you all had a great Christmas and celebrated the coming of the New Year in traditional style.

I would like to thank the 2016 committee for all their hard work, giving up some of their own time to attend committee meetings to ensure that events and shows for the year are arranged and organised. Sadly we say farewell to Richard, as our event organiser and Barbara, as magazine editor from the committee. Their dedication to the club has been priceless, so on behalf of us all, I would like to say a big Thank You, to you both.

We finished off 2016 with the Christmas meal, at Barton Mill, Old Basing. 45 members enjoyed the cosy setting, but the general view on the food was mixed. As last year we had some winners on the scratch cards issued to diners. I think the '25th Anniversary' celebrations in 2016 were successful, our canal trip was well supported, the race night, less so, but celebrate we did.

As the New Year rolls in, we are starting to look at events for this year. We hope to arrange 1 club event a month, (club event = we take the trailer so as to set the gazebo up) Except in May when Popham and Basingstoke, our 2 main shows, come one after the other. We hope to make you aware of other events you may like to attend, either on your own or with other club members. Remember, whatever event you attend these days entry forms are normally required.

Your yearly membership subscription remains at £12 for renewal, (£11 if magazine, Indicator, is received electronically) until February 28th, after that date, membership will be classed as ended. New membership will be £17.

We will try to keep you updated with Facebook, website and our Magazine of events of activities throughout the year. For those of you who are not aware, we run a 'members only' page on Messenger, which proved quite helpful in 2016. If you have access to Messenger, and would like to be added, please let me know.

Club regalia is still available, if anyone is interested, see me.

Well, it just leaves me to wish you all a very belated Happy New Year. I hope to see many of you and your wonderful vehicles at events though out the year. Being a member of BCCC, makes owning a classic vehicle not only a hobby and interest, but a honour to be part of a great team of people who enjoy meeting up and socialising.

Happy motoring

Chrissie

Federation of British Historic Vehicle Clubs (FBHVC) – Latest News

The club's Website contains a dedicated FBHVC Legislation page; updated as soon as the latest FBHVC Newsletter becomes available (currently Newsletter 6, 2016) with the latest legislation which may affect our hobby. The newsletters also contains information on many other topics, including extracts from other Classic Car Club newsletters. I recommend you use the links on the webpage to explore the FBHVC website for the full version, as well as a newsletter archive and much more. – Kevin Newell (Website Editor).

LEGISLATION Bob Owen

Roadworthiness Testing

We really got caught out in our last Newsletter. Having written our input, we correctly reported not too much activity: but before the Newsletter got to press, the Department for Transport issued two consultations on 22 September. Both related to the EU Directive on Roadworthiness testing and how it should be applied in the United Kingdom. One was obviously relevant, being on the implications for vehicles of historic interest. The second appeared primarily to relate to fast tractors, but actually contained some significant changes to the MoT.

So when the Newsletter dropped through your letterboxes it was totally out of date. By the time the Newsletter arrived the Federation was already working to put together a reasoned response to everything in the Consultations.

The Department offered a number of options as to how they would proceed, but it is clear they wish to exempt vehicles of historic interest more than 40 years old from a compulsory MoT, though owners will remain free to put their vehicles through a voluntary test. But it is not all historic vehicles, as we have regarded them in the past. The Department wishes to confine the exemption to those vehicles which could pass a test of being of 'historic interest', which, in line with the definition in the Directive, excludes vehicles which have been 'substantially modified'.

The Department is proposing that this test should conform to the current '8 point rule' applied by DVLA to decide whether to grant registrations to Reconstructed Classics.

There are other details in the Consultation, including the possibility of there being a mileage limit on eligible vehicles. They also floated the possibility of extending the exemption to 30 year old vehicles.

Both the consultations and our responses to them are on the (FBHVC) website."



A tribute to Penny Jones

A sad day for Eric Jones and his family, as his beloved wife Penny passed away on Sunday 27th November after a long and debilitating illness.

Her funeral took place at Basingstoke Crematorium on Monday 12th December and several club members attended the Service of Thanksgiving, some in their classic cars, to support Eric and say goodbye to Penny.

Rest in Peace Penny

<<<<>>>>

Treasurer's Report

Firstly I hope you all had a great Christmas.

Now down to business, the accounts are self explanatory. The main change of course is the bank balance which has decreased, this is due to the cost of our 25th anniversary celebrations which amounted to £1,173.15 . I trust all of you who participated enjoyed the events, I certainly did.

I would like to thank you all for your support of our monthly raffle as the money raised contributes greatly to the monthly hall rental.

Many thanks to all the bakers who produce amazing cakes for the Popham sale, people return every year to purchase these.

A big thank you to all the volunteers who help at British Airways and Thornycroft shows, for which the club receives very acceptable donations.

Just left to wish you all A Very Happy New Year.

Rita.
Treasurer.

<<<<>>>>

BASINGSTOKE CLASSIC CAR CLUB

Annual accounts

31st December 2016

Balances Bought forward January 2016		
Bank	2,714.51	
Petty Cash	47.71	
	Receipts	Payments
AGM costs		47.69
Raffle	633.00	265.34
Donation Thornycroft	300.00	
Donation British Airways	100.00	
Popham Cake Sale	141.60	
Members Subscriptions (60 members)	721.00	17.80
Valentine Meal	190.00	134.42
Hall Fees		477.00
Insurance		227.94
Web Site		27.36
FBHVC Subscriptions		30.00
Magazine Costs		308.16
Misc Expenses		146.65
Trailer Storage		300.00
Horse Drawn Boat Trip	220.00	932.20
Race Night Cost		275.00
Race Night Profit	108.00	
Race Night Profit donation to Moose		68.00
Purchase Pens re 25th Anniversary		185.95
Xmas Wine		168.50
Xmas Scratch Cards		45.00
Totals	2,413.60	3,657.01
Bank Balance to c/fwd January 2017		1,475.93
Petty Cash to c/fwd January 2017		42.88
cross check	5,175.82	5,175.82

Valentines Night

Our club meeting on February 8th will once again host our ever popular Valentines Supper. Please put your names on the list as soon as possible so that we know how many we are catering for, and join us for a fun evening for just £5 per head.



Cake Raffle

Our Club meeting on March 8th sees the return of the cake raffle. To make this happen we need your help!

8 Volunteer bakers required. You will be supplied with a cake box and all you need to do is just fill it with a cake (or cakes) and bring it to the meeting. It will be placed unopened onto the raffle table, and if your number is drawn you simply choose a box (no peeking) and its yours to take away. Chrissie will have the boxes available at the February meeting.



Pat Martin decided that Ian's mini pick-up had to be sold and she and her family's grateful thanks go to Eric and Dave for all their hard work in completing the renovation that Ian started. Pat, pictured here with the new owner who lives in Italy, who flew over to pick it up [no pun intended] and drive it back home, said, he would let her know when the car arrived in Italy but to date nothing further has been heard.



Hmmm wonder if it ever made it!!!

.... **Bye bye** - after 13 years to our Austin 16. I was originally inspired by then club member Alf Wagner (long time 16 owner) to buy the 16 which happened to belong to a local owner that Alf knew. He sneaked



me to the front of the queue of people who were waiting for the owner, Alex, to return to the car. I shook hands with Alex and agreed the purchase (subject to a test drive) and we got in the car and drove away, leaving the long queue of people behind us. I have since met two of the people who were patiently waiting in the queue, both

enquired how I managed to do that - when I wasn't in the queue. All I can say is thanks ALF.

.... **and hello** to our replacement car a 1962 Princess Mk 11 3 litre Vanden Plas. Colour - black over Carlton Grey with a red interior. Manual with overdrive, The car has been extensively refurbished by its previous owner.

Only time will tell if it is as reliable as the Austin 16 it is replacing.



Eric Martin

Calendar of Events 2017

Jan 11	BCCC AGM	Moose Centre Basingstoke RG21 7QU	Social
Jan 22	BCCC Social Meeting	The New Inn Heckfield	Social
Feb 8	Valentines Supper	Moose Centre Basingstoke RG21 7QU	Social
Feb 22	BCCC Social Meeting	Jekyll and Hyde, Turgis Green	Social
Mar 8	BCCC Club Meeting	Moose Centre Basingstoke RG21 7QU	Social
Mar 22	BCCC Social Meeting	The Ely, Camberley GU17 9LJ	Social
Mar 28	Spring Vehicle Meet	Newbury Show Ground	Club
Apr 12	BCCC Club Meeting	Moose Centre Basingstoke RG21 7QU	Social
Apr 23	Drive It Day	tba	Club
Apr 26	BCCC Social Meeting	Longbridge Mill Sherfield –on-Loddon	Social
Apr 30	Pre-Popham BBQ	Popham Airfield	Club
May 1	Aero, Auto Jumble Classic Vehicles	Popham Airfield	Club
May 10	BCCC Club Meeting	Moose Centre Basingstoke RG21 7QU	Social
May 14	Festival of Transport	War Memorial Park, Basingstoke	Club
May 24	BCCC Social Meeting	tba	Social
May 29	Haslemere Car Show	Lions Green, Haslemere	Club
June 4	Tadley Treacle Fair	Saunders Field, Tadley RG26 4FF	Info
June 10	Woodley Carnival	Woodford Park, Woodley	Club
Jun 14	BCCC Club Meeting	Moose Centre Basingstoke RG21 7QU	Social
Jun 28	BCCC Social Meeting	tba	Social
Jul 8/9	Woodcote Rally	8m NW of Reading on A 4074 Reading to Oxford . Satnav RG8 OPG	Club

Jul 12	BCCC Club Meeting	Moose Centre Basingstoke RG21 7QU	Social
Jul 16	Alton Bus Rally	Anstey Park, Alton	Info
Jul 21/23	Netley Marsh Steam & Craft Show	Meadow Mead Farm, Netley Marsh SO40 7GY	Info
Jul 26	BCCC Social Meeting	tba	Social
Aug 9	BCCC Club Meeting	Moose Centre Basingstoke RG21 7QU	Social
Aug 11/13	Retrofest	Newbury Showground RG18 9QZ	Info
Aug 23	BCCC Social Meeting	tba	Social
Aug 27/28	Blenheim Classic Cars	Blenheim Palace	info
Aug 27/28	The Swallowfield Show	White House Farm RG7 1HS	info
Sep 13	BCCC Club Meeting	Moose Centre Basingstoke RG21 7QU	Social
Sep 27	BCCC Social Meeting	tba	Social
Oct 11	BCCC Club Meeting	Moose Centre Basingstoke RG21 7QU	Social
Oct 25	BCCC Social Meeting	tba	Social
Nov 8	BCCC Club Meeting	Moose Centre Basingstoke RG21 7QU	Social
Nov 22	BCCC Social Meeting	tba	Social
Dec 9	BCCC Christmas Dinner	tba	Social
Dec 13	BCCC Club Meeting	Moose Centre Basingstoke RG21 7QU	Social

NB If you sign up for a club event, and subsequently find you are unable to go, please let a committee member know, so that: 1) we are not waiting around for people to arrive, if we are going in convoy and: 2) we can adjust the layout of our site accordingly.

Thankyou.

<<<<>>>>

Saturday 10th December

This year the Club's annual Christmas Dinner was held at Bartons Mill in Old Basing.

The area we had was nicely decorated, cosy with a log fire (too warm for some) but we soon got into the party mood and chatted as we waited for the latecomers to arrive before they served the meal.

As the main course took a long time to be served the multiple choice quiz question paper was given out to all to have something to focus on other than their 'rumbling tummies'.

Eventually the meal arrived followed by dessert. The raffle was drawn, there was some fantastic prizes and I think Rita deserves a thank you for purchasing some really lovely gifts this year. The quiz answers were then given out with two tables jointly winning the box of sweets, which they generously shared with the rest of the party.

All too soon it was time to leave the pub and wend our way home after a very pleasant evening.



Driver advice: winter and bad weather driving

Brake, The Road Safety Charity urges drivers to follow the A, B, C of staying safe in winter and bad weather conditions.

Avoid driving

If possible, avoid driving in snow and other treacherous conditions. Never set off when it's snowing heavily or if it's forecast to snow, and avoid driving if you possibly can in other bad conditions like fog, heavy rain and ice. Consider alternatives like public transport. If you drive to work, speak to your employer in advance about home-working arrangements when the weather is bad, especially if you live in a rural area prone to flooding or snow.

Be prepared

Even if you avoid setting off in dangerous weather conditions, you could get caught out, so be prepared by ensuring your vehicle is well maintained through an up-to-date MOT, regular service, and regular walk-round checks by you.

Regularly check tyres to ensure they're in good condition and have a tread depth of at least 3mm to be safe in the wet.

Making sure there is anti-freeze in your radiator and in the windscreen washer bottle.

Keeping an ice-scraper and de-icer in your vehicle at all times in winter.

Packing a winter driving kit in case of emergency. This might include: a torch; cloths; a blanket and warm clothes; food and drink; first-aid kit; spade; warning triangle; and high-visibility vest. Always take a well-charged phone in case of emergencies, but don't be tempted to use it when driving.

Car batteries are more likely to die in winter, so take steps to ensure yours doesn't. If your car battery is old (more than five years) or there is sign of it struggling to start the car, get it checked by your garage and replaced if needed.

Clear ice, snow and condensation completely from your windscreen and all windows before setting off. Clear snow off the roof of your vehicle too, as it might fall and obscure your vision during your journey.

Check forecasts and plan your route carefully. In bad weather, major roads are more likely to be cleared and gritted. Allow plenty of time for potential hold-ups. The Met Office provides up to date forecasts, and issues warnings when severe weather is likely.

<<<<>>>>

Subscriptions 2017 * A timely reminder *****

Your yearly membership subscription is now due and remains at £12 (or £11 if you prefer to receive your magazine, electronically) **until February 28th**, after that date, your membership will be classed as ended, and the New Membership charge of £17 will be applied.

This means you will no longer enjoy the benefits of club attendance to shows or events, or receive copies of the magazine, until you have re-joined.

The Club now has the ability for you to pay your subscription directly into our account, so if you do online banking and wish to use this method the Sort code is **60-08-13** and the account number is **58011331** and you just need to put your surname in the 'reference' box to identify that you have paid.

Cash or cheques (made payable to the BCCC) are, of course, perfectly acceptable and should be handed or sent to Jean Sibley our Membership Secretary, in the usual way. Jean and Trevor have recently moved so please contact her (see back page of the magazine) to make sure you have her new address, if posting.

We like to keep our records updated so that we can quickly inform you if any shows are cancelled or any other information we need to pass on. We also want to keep a database of all cars so that we can inform you if someone is looking for a particular model of car for an event, to see if you are interested in participating.

These details are strictly for our own use and will not be passed on to any third party, without your permission.

Please help us to help you! Thankyou

Club Regalia

Club Regalia available to order - T-shirts, Sweatshirts, Hoodies or Baseball-type Jackets, all with the new logo on. There is a wide choice of colours available and sizes to fit all .

Alternatively, you can just buy the club logo and sew onto any garments of your choice. Large Logo (Men's) £10 Smaller logo (Ladies) £8

If you wish to purchase any items or have any questions Please contact Chrissie Wheeler (details on the back page of this magazine) who will be happy to assist you.



KJI
MOTORSPORT
BMW AND JAGUAR SPECIALIST

Kevin Jones
0118 983 3555
07768 844284
Kevin Jones, Trading as K.J.I.

K.J.I.
Abbots Farm
Sulhamstead Abbots
Reading
Berkshire RG7 4EE

R. N. VASS
Mobile Motor Engineer
Reasonable rates. All makes of vehicles
Telephone :- Reading (01189 692524
34, Welford Road, Woodley,
Reading, RG5 4QS

Autolocker
vehicle storage
Lesley Cornforth

Juniper Close
Basingstoke RG248XH
Tel 01256 468532
Mobile 07500 956087
Email lesley@autolocker.co.uk
www.autolocker.co.uk



.... And finally just for fun

Best STORY OF THE YEAR, DECADE, AND POSSIBLY THE CENTURY.

This actually took place in Charlotte , North Carolina in 2014.

A lawyer purchased a box of very rare and expensive cigars, then insured them against, among other things, fire.

Within a month, having smoked his entire stockpile of these great cigars, the lawyer filed a claim against the insurance company. In his claim, the lawyer stated the cigars were lost 'in a series of small fires.'

The insurance company refused to pay, citing the obvious reason, that the man had consumed the cigars in the normal fashion.

The lawyer sued and WON!

Delivering the ruling, the judge agreed with the insurance company that the claim was frivolous. The judge stated nevertheless, that the lawyer held a policy from the company, in which it had warranted that the cigars were insurable and also guaranteed that it would insure them against fire, without defining what is considered to be unacceptable 'fire' and was obligated to pay the claim.

Rather than endure lengthy and costly appeal process, the insurance company accepted the ruling and paid \$15,000 to the lawyer for his loss of the cigars that perished in the 'fires'.

NOW FOR THE BEST PART...

After the lawyer cashed the cheque, the insurance company had him arrested on 24 counts of ARSON!!! With his own insurance claim and testimony from the previous case being used against him, the lawyer was convicted of intentionally burning his insured property and was sentenced to 24 months in jail and a \$24,000 fine.

This true story won First Place in the 2014 Criminal Lawyers Award contest. ONLY IN AMERICA

<<<<>>>>

.....and more fun

12 Club members plus 4 friends spent New Years Eve in Chichester. Great fun was had by all, including dressing up in the photo booth !



.....and finally, finally After 7 years of producing your magazine this is my final edition. I would like to thank all who have supported me by providing write ups of club events, interesting car items and stories of your car renovations, holiday trips undertaken, or visits to independent events.

Without the input of the members it is very hard to keep a magazine alive, so please keep on contributing!

Thank you
Barbara Capel - Editor

Your Elected Committee for 2016

Chairperson
Chrissie Wheeler

E-mail: chair@b-ccc.com
Tel: (01252) 659535

Vice Chairman
Trevor Sibley

E-mail: vchair@b-ccc.com
Tel: (0118) 969 5108

Secretary
Phil Smith

E-mail: sec@b-ccc.com
Tel: (01256) 814 748

Treasurer
Rita Martin

E-mail: money@b-ccc.com
Tel: (01276) 502 722

Membership Secretary
Jean Sibley

E-mail: member@b-ccc.com
Tel: (0118) 969 5108

Indicator Editor
Barbara Capel

E-mail: editor@b-ccc.com
Tel: (0118) 979 9358

Website Editor
Kevin Newell

E-mail: info@b-ccc.com
Tel: (01256) 781 707

Events Co-ordinator
Richard Phillips

E-mail: events@b-ccc.com
Tel: (01252) 842 986

WORKER BEES

Steve Hallam

E-mail: steve@b-ccc.com
Tel: (01256) 768 494

Trevor Burrows

E-mail: thornycroft@bcc.com
Tel: (01256) 470 096

Kevin Jones

E-mail: kji@b-ccc.com
Tel: (0118) 983 3555

Raffle - Mary Hallam