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SPECIAL WORLD CUP SURPRISE EDITION NEWSLETTER JUNE 2026

Hi to all BCCC members and supporters,

With a fine end to late spring, we now find ourselves rolling expectantly into the long sultry summer months, a stalled, spluttering start to June however, with some torrential rain, gardens happy, classic cars not so! The classic car show season is now well under way and our Iconic Annual Show in High Barnet has been and gone in a blink, and the bank holiday two-day fest at the Enfield Pageant has also slipped into past memory! However, there are many more summer delights on the horizon so let's keep the "RayBans" on and enjoy 😊.

As posted on Groups IO and calendar we have organised plenty of cool runs, social meet ups, and events for the Summer and Autumn months, in fact all the way through to the Xxxx meal in December - too early to say the actual word yet!

So, check out the events and come along to all, or as many as you can, always good fun and all nice and near, so the fear of being stranded by a failed widget or empty fuel tank in the back of beyond is no excuse for not turning out!

Anyways, to kick off summer season in my traditional random fashion, whilst you burn the sausages on the BBQ again and cremate the Haloumi, a silly summery poem by the wonderful Spike Milligan:

English Teeth, English Teeth!
Shining in the sun
A part of British heritage
Aye, each and every one.
English Teeth, Happy Teeth!
Always having fun
Clamping down on bits of fish
And sausages half done.
English Teeth! HEROES' Teeth!
Hear them click! and clack!
Let's sing a song of praise to them;
Three Cheers for the Brown Grey and Black.

The BCCC 2026 Committee on summer recess, a well earned rest from their duties!...





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Spring Historic Event 2026.

During early April the first manned lunar space flight took place when the Artemis II mission headed to the “dark side of the moon” and travelled further than any human has ever been in space.

The Artemis II mission, conducted from April 1–11, 2026, was the first crewed flight of NASA’s Artemis program and the first human mission beyond low Earth orbit since Apollo 17 in 1972. The mission used the Orion spacecraft, named Integrity, launched atop NASA’s Space Launch System (SLS) rocket (standing 322 ft tall higher than the Statue of liberty) , from Kennedy Space Centre, Florida, on a 10-day jaunt around the Moon and back , taking a crew of four further than any humans have been in space.

The new record — 252,756 miles from Earth — surpassed Apollo 13's record from 1970 by more than 4000 miles according to the NASA/Smiths odometer!

The primary goal of Artemis II was to conduct the first crewed flight for the Orion Spacecraft around the moon, validation of the tech systems, operational procedures, and crew performance for safe travel to and from the moon for future anticipated Artemis missions including lunar landings

The launch at Kennedy Space centre



Key Speeds During the Mission


Translunar Injection (TLI): To escape Earth’s gravity and head toward the Moon, Artemis 2 accelerated to approximately **39,472 km/h (24,527 mph)** immediately after the TLI burn .

Outbound Coast: After the TLI burn, the spacecraft freewheeled toward the Moon, gradually slowing due to Earth’s gravity, with speeds dropping to a few thousand km/h as it approached lunar orbit

Flyby: The Moon’s gravity redirected Artemis 2 back toward Earth, using a free-return trajectory without employing major engine burns .

Return Coast: On the way back, Earth’s gravity Accelerated the spacecraft again, reaching roughly 40,000 km/h (25,000 mph) at atmospheric interface. - fast enough to fly from Los Angeles to New York in about 6 minutes! Within seconds, temperatures across its 16.5-foot-wide heat shield reached about 5,000 degrees Fahrenheit — half as hot as the visible surface of the sun.

Re-entry: The Orion capsule entered the atmosphere at this peak speed, using a heat shield and parachutes to slow safely to a splashdown speed of about 20 mph (32 km/h) in the Pacific Ocean off San

Diego. Glad to note that  speed limits are global and not just in London!



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And finally... very nice to see the Scots technical input and assistance with this Artemis II mission, the iconic Tunnocks providing the all important splashdown Parachutes! 😊



Some Moon facts:

The dark side of the moon is never seen from earth due the earth /moon synchronous orbit . As it orbits the earth only one side is visible although the moon is actually rotating on its own axis! Think of planetary gears ! The moon completes one rotation every 27.322 days so whilst the moon rotates it doesn't appear to spin when viewed from earth. If the moon did not spin we would see the entire moon over its orbit! Synchronous rotation occurs when a celestial body's **rotation period matches its orbital period** around its partner. For the Moon, this means it completes **one full rotation on its axis in approximately 27.3 Earth days**, the same time it takes to orbit Earth once...simples...

How long is a lunar day?

The moon completes an orbit around earth about once every 27.3days, this is the length of a lunar day and also a lunar year -since a year is the time to complete an orbit around a body Because the earth is also moving around the Sun, it takes a bit longer for the moon to show the same phase from earth – 29.5days.

The Dark side of the Moon:

The far side- or “dark side” is not always dark, while it is dark in the sense that we didn't know what it looked like prior to the photos taken by Soviet Lunar 3 in 1959 , it experiences day and night. There are peaks of perpetual day near the northern pole and craters of eternal darkness at both lunar poles.

Earth as seen from the moon:

If you happen to be standing on the moon , the earth would stay roughly in the same place in the sky The position of the earth would only change if you moved elsewhere on the moon ,and the far side of the moon never sees earth.

The rise and fall of the tides on Earth is caused by the Moon:

There are two bulges in the Earth due to the gravitational pull that the Moon exerts, one on the side facing the Moon, and the other on the opposite side that faces away from the Moon, The bulges move around the oceans as the Earth rotates, causing high and low tides around the globe



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The Moon is drifting away from the Earth.

The Moon is sadly moving approximately 3.8 cm away from our planet every year. It is estimated that it will continue to do so for around 50 billion years. By the time that happens all our cars will have rusted away, and the Moon will be taking around 47 days to orbit the Earth instead of the current 27.3 days.

A person weighs much less on the Moon.

The Moon has much weaker gravity than Earth, due to its smaller mass, so you would weigh about one sixth (16.5%) of your weight on Earth. This is why the lunar astronauts could leap and bound so high in the air.....So if you want to lose some weight instantly!!

The Moon has only been walked on by 12 people... and Clangers

The first man to set foot on the Moon in 1969 was Neil Armstrong on the Apollo 11 mission, while the last man to walk on the Moon in 1972 was Gene Cernan on the Apollo 17 mission. Since then, the Moon has only been visited by unmanned vehicles.

The Moon has no atmosphere.

This means that the surface of the Moon is unprotected from cosmic rays, meteorites and solar winds, and has huge temperature variations. The lack of atmosphere means no sound can be heard on the Moon, and the sky always appears black.

BCCC Springwatch Special

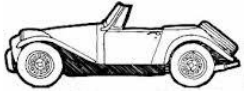
They are back again! The Ealing hospital Peregrine Falcons- Freddy and Dusty- are back on the nest again this year and have ~~three~~ four eggs laid!!

I wrote about this a couple of years back when I had to stop my team working on the roof of the Hospital due to the live nesting. Since then it has become a spring fixation!, and I have a live PinP on my screen to watch the progress of this years brood, sad but true!.....

Link is : <https://www.youtube.com/live/QhUlfWwcA6U?si=KaDCGGngy9d7Oe5R>



Three of the eggs hatched and the chicks prospered for a period ,all looking fit and getting some of their five a day greens courtesy of the local parakeet population 😊. However sadly, though, a couple of weeks ago one of the chicks disappeared just after they had all started to explore beyond the nest so presumed to have fallen off the ledge....



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As I write, In last fews days – (early June,) the two remaining chicks also went awol and had not been seen on screen for days causing much concern , the parents were visiting the nest regularly but no sign of the chicks....however just in time for the BBC Springwatch Show on 4th June, one chick turns up and all is going well for the pair as they soon approach fledging 😊_....

BCCC Events to date 2026

Kings Cross Classic Boot Sale 18th,19th April

CLASSIC CAR BOOT SALE

A number of our members attended this fantastic lively, and very colourful event ,held twice a year in the beutifully redeveloped and renovated Granary Square / Coal drop Yard area in Kings Cross



If you love colourful costumes and characters , bright and eclectic stalls, great music and street food then this is a must go to event, at least once! Very friendly and thoroughly enjoyable....



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Drive it day April 26th

Stockwood Park Discovery Centre, Luton .

The first organised run out from our base at the Woodman Pub Waters End departed around 10.45 with some 25 vehicles in convoy for a short journey of approx. 45mins, arriving at the venue around 11.30am. Weather conditions were excellent and a comfortable drive out was enjoyed by all.

On arrival the Centre offered free entry 😊 and had plenty of parking. It houses the largest collection of horse drawn transport in Europe including a handful of local built Vauxhall cars and a Bedford truck. There is also a museum featuring interesting regional history and industry and , extensive laid out gardens. A lovely cafe on site and with plenty of indoor and outdoor seating available

A dubious bunch of BCCCChilling members!!

Some club cars on display





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Sample of the horse drawn carriage collection on display



Broken down , no engine!!



A thanks to Chris Skinner for finding this attraction and organising this enjoyable and interesting first run out of the year.

BCCC Annual Car Show -Spires 17th May

Our ever popular and impressive Annual Car Show and parade. This year was our 13th Show and arguably the most impressive and best to date!

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The Spires
**CLASSIC CAR
PARADE & SHOW 2026**

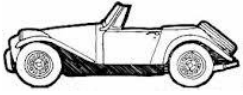


Sunday 17th May
High Street Parade from 10.30am
Vehicles displayed in The Spires car park (top floor) from 11am to 3pm

SHOW WILL BE OPENED BY THE MAYOR OF BARNET, DANNY RICH
OVER 70 VEHICLES IN THE PARADE • OVER 150 VEHICLES ON DISPLAY
St. JOHN'S AMBULANCE DEMONSTRATIONS • LIVE MUSIC
BARNET ROTARY CLUB • NOAH'S ARK TOMBOLA
REFRESHMENTS • CHILDREN'S COMPETITION
SUZI EARNSHAW THEATRE SCHOOL PERFORMANCES

FREE PUBLIC ENTRY Raising funds for **NOAH'S ARK** children's hospice 

As the day loomed large, the weather locally went decidedly South and was not promising to deliver our usual order, however after a dull and gloomy start on Sunday am, all changed and we were once again blessed with a sunny and pleasant afternoon 😊



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As previous years, we had exclusive use of the Spires Car Park top floor, the Spires Management being totally supportive of the event and providing as much help as we need, allowing placement of posters on all vacant units as we chose. This year also allowing us to have a small display of two cars and a Gazebo in the Spires Mall on the Wednesday prior, providing a unique opportunity to further broadcast the event and gauge public awareness.



We had 152 cars in total booked in advance to attend, with approx. 70 parade vehicles planned to start from the Everyman Cinema and hopefully end up at the Spires MSCP! With some no shows, the numbers on the day were slightly down at approx. 125, but still comparable to 2025, however the big increase in the larger Americans more than made up so the MSCP top floor was well full.

The Parade has now become a **star attraction in High Barnet**, and this year the crowds lining the route along the High Street were in places three deep! They were once again treated to a magnificent convoy of vehicles ending with the final cars delivering up our local dignitaries – **The Mayor – Danny Rich and Family** and local **councillor David Longstaff** and our much esteemed and enthusiastic **MP Dan Tomlinson**.

The event started on time in the Spires at 11am with an opening address by the Mayor.

With hundreds now arriving from the High Street and beyond the event was soon in full swing and remained so until well after 2.30pm with the show starting to close down from 3.0pm onwards.

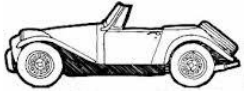
We had some great live music provided in two sets, by local musicians **Rowan and "Boxty"** with an additional delightful performance this year provided by some of the talented young performers from the local **Suzi Earnshaw Bull Theatre**, a real treat all round and all local talent!

Teas Coffee and Cakes were again ably and cheerfully provided by Bull Theatre Volunteers.

On site this year, a more visible presence/ display from our chosen Charity- Noahs Ark, sharing a display with the local Barnet Rotary Branch, an excellent stand promoting the Barnet Medieval Festival (June 6th /7th) and a well-attended display from our site First Aid support - **St Johns Ambulance**.

They had several training dummies laid out for CPR demonstration, which proved a big success with many young people willing to try out the potentially lifesaving techniques and hopefully learning enough of the basics to act in future if ever needed.

As a result of the increased footfall in High Barnet and the Spire,, business in the various Spires Cafes was brisk with many having queues for their yummy services, one Café reporting taking more on that Sunday than they had for the last few weeks!!



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The Mayor with Dan Tomlinson at the Odeon/Everyman for Parade start, and the cars run up to Spires





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The Mayor,s arrival,greeting, and opening of the show



Music Gazebo in action



The BCCC Gazebo



.....and some Committee cars

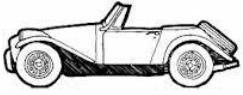


The latest development in soft top technology



A porsche 911, as perfect from rear as front!





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A shy and discreet American!



The Planning for this event is considerable, starting in early January, for 4 months+, the committee team work diligently and tirelessly on all aspects of the event, from show attendance/ logistics, marketing, advertising, health and safety, legalities ,to ensure a successful, enjoyable and safe event is presented for the many hundreds of visitors. With meticulous vehicle deployment /parking planning prior by Derrick and Chris, and the detailed-on site briefings by the Event Team for the volunteers, we successfully delivered yet another memorable Local Community event.

So a thank you must go out to all the BCCC Committee: Chris Martin, Chris Skinner, Chris Frost ,Chris Nightingale , Phil Steele, Marty Collins, Howard Johnson, Derrick Haggerty, James Beeton, , George Dimitriadis, Paul Johnstone , all of the BCCC Marshall Volunteers helping on the day, the Bull Theatre/ Suzi Earnshaw Performers, Lorretta for organising the fab T&C,s, the band “Boxy “ , St Johns Ambulance, and the Spires Management Team ,and also not forgetting all our loyal sponsors.

And finally, a very big thank you to the **Mayor Danny Rich and our local MP Dan Tomlinson** for attending our show with their enthusiastic support for this Barnet Community Event.

At the initial reckoning we raised a healthy sum of approx. £5300 raised from car fees, sponsors and donations on the day, after costs and including a one-off donation via Noah’s Ark from Bank of Canada. So, when all finally accounted for we will be able to make yet another substantial donation to our chosen Charity -Noah’s Ark



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Enfield Pageant 23rd/24th May



This was the 47th year of this local and well-loved show. The bank holiday weekend weather was perfect on both days and so attendance at the event was busy from 9am onwards.

BCCC, supporting White Webbs Museum, s major annual funding event, committed to three display areas and with our enthusiastic and loyal club members filled these areas with ease. Approx. 35 cars were on display from the club and with our gazebo and flags we had a definite presence.

Our allocated stand/display area was exactly opposite the arena entrance, which was handy for our arena display on both days...

The event as usual had an excellent traditional fun fair with all the old favourites – Ghost train, Dodgems and Waltzer's along with other rides and stands, no goldfish though these days!!

There was the usual row upon row of traders all selling new and used car spares, memorabilia, and unrelated collectables and junk!

A music stage in the central area with an adjacent bar and seating held excellent live music performances all day and unsurprisingly was a well-attended most enjoyable space for a welcome cool refreshing drink!

Attractions in the main arena during the day included daredevil motorcycle displays and a mad historic aero engine static display via a 27 litre V12 Rolls Royce Merlin engine mounted on a trailer being started and run up to speed! The noise was amazing and the vibration through the ground even more so! Petrol head heaven 😊

Also, on display The World's Fastest Jensen Car, fresh from racing at the Bonneville Speed Week in Utah. It was a 1965 Jensen CV8, seriously modified of course including the original engine stroked to 8,2 litres and a Dodge Viper V10 gearbox. Top speed achieved 194 mph!!

As well as this on the Saturday, an appearance from TV Celebrity Ant Anstead and his team filming for the new series of Born Mechanic to be aired later this year complete with a fine selection of the cars ..

The meticulous organisation of this event over many months is entirely down to the amazing White Webbs volunteers and giving up their weekend to ensure the success of the event. With years of experience and learning the logistical organisation of this huge event is excellent and carefully managed to ensure a safe and enjoyable show for all. So if you feel you could help please contact White Webbs..



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A fine row of commercials



An embarrassed Triumph owner admiring an MG!



The Spooky Ghost train!



Well, another picnic basket!



The shiniest mini ever!



Cars resting before the mayhem



A row of Rileys



note -no ducks were harmed !





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BCCC Club cars proudly on display



The fastest Jensen in Utah

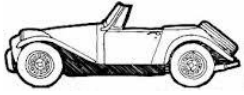


The slowest Cheese in Enfield



One of the great bands rocking the crowds





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BCCC Summer Season Events:

De Havilland Museum Sat 13th June.

This museum is located near London Colney and houses numerous aircraft originally designed and built at De Havilland Hatfield including an original Comet airliner.

We visited a few years ago and it was a very enjoyable and worthwhile visit. We will again be going for the excellent guided tour option and details for attending have been sent out, but as a reminder:

The cost of the tour is £20. Per person including refreshments on arrival, 1.5-2 hr tour and dedicated parking adjacent to the aircraft exhibits. There are still a few places available so hurry if you want to attend, it is well worth it!

If you would like to join in, please make payment to the club account using the reference: **De Havilland** and please email **Marty Collins** with your name and how many people. See updates on groups IO.

Wheathampstead Village Day Sat 11th July

The organisers of this popular annual event contacted us to ask if we could maybe supply a dozen or so cars for a display, to date, we have around 30 members attending this event as a first time for us as a club, and the event team are delighted with this additional attraction.

“Join in the fun of Wheathampstead Village Day on Saturday 11th of July, 12 noon until 10pm. Entry is free and we have lots of stalls to browse, activities to join in with and plenty of entertainment for you to watch. Plus, food and drink for every appetite.”

WHEATHAMPSTEAD VILLAGE DAY 2026
SAT 11 JULY NOON - 10PM
FREE ENTRY!
TOYBOX TREASURES
TOYS & GAMES PARADE
DANCE DEMOS & TASTER CLASSES
ELEVATE CIRCUS WORKSHOP
STALLS & ACTIVITIES
MUSIC, DANCE & CIRCUS ACTS
FOOD, DRINK & MUCH MORE!
THE SIMPLY 60'S SHOW
THE DIRTY HALF HUNDRED
THE BEE STUNG LIPS
BRING YOUR FRIENDS, FAMILY AND A PICNIC AND SETTLE IN FOR THE AFTERNOON AND EVENING
VISIT WWW.WPCEVENTS.CO.UK FOR EXTRA INFORMATION & THE LATEST VILLAGE DAY NEWS
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BCCC are looking forward to attending this as our first visit, it is the type of event we are keen and happy to support, a community event, free to all and within easy reach of our membership base.

Tewin Car Show Sun 16th August

This is one of the premier car shows in our region and each year just seems to get better and better, a must event to attend, in a great location and an enjoyable easy drive, always an interesting and well-run event. Tickets are available online, but hurry as the show will sell out quickly! More info closer to date

Capel Manor Show Sun 6th Sept

Another must attend classic car event held annually at the wonderful Capel Manor Horticultural and Environmental College. The College plays a vital role in the green agenda for the capital, equipping the next generation of land-based sector workers with the skills and knowledge needed to help preserve and protect London's wildlife, national parks and green spaces. With all the 30 acres of gardens available to visit and admire this show is a perfect end to the summer of car shows. Again, check availability online as this event always sells out...

BCCC Treasure hunt 10th Oct:

Now in its 4th year, this popular Club run /event is a great fun day out, not too long a drive and always local, the route and cunning clues are being dreamed up as I write, the event culminating in a red tarmac glittering award ceremony at the prestigious Woodman Pub - points mean prizes!!

More info will be released closer to the event day

Copped Hall Sat 24th Oct:

COPPED HALL is a fine Georgian mansion in Epping that is currently under extensive restoration. It is superbly sited on a ridge overlooking its landscaped parkland. The mansion and gardens are situated on a site of ancient human habitation. Many important buildings, from the Medieval, Tudor and Elizabethan eras were demolished prior to the present mansion being built and enlarged by the Victorians.

From 1986-1995 a campaign was successfully fought by a committee comprised of representatives of local conservation societies against repeated large scale aggressive development proposals for the mansion and parkland. Three of these individuals set up the **Copped Hall Trust** which finally saved the mansion and gardens by purchasing them in 1995. The Corporation of London had already saved the surrounding parkland in 1992. The aim of the Trust is to permanently protect the site, carefully restore Copped Hall and its gardens for educational, cultural and community benefit.

We have arranged for a private visit to the site which should be a great day out, look out for further details to follow.



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Monthly Social Meetings for 2026:

Our ever popular social meet ups will continue as always on **2nd Saturday every Month** , sometimes a special run will be incorporated with the meet up. The venue will change over summer months to add some variety , but all will be close to Barnet. The winter and early spring meet ups will be at our home base – the Woodman at Water End.

June 13th - De Havilland Museum visit

July 11th - Wheathamstead Show

Aug 8th - venue **TBA**

Sept 12th – venue **TBA**

Oct 10th - Woodman Water End (Treasure Hunt)

Nov 7th - Woodman Water End

Dec 12th - Woodman Water End Xmas Lunch

Reports /updates on meets to date:

Jan 10th – Woodman Water End

On a not so nice day, turnout was good with some 20 members attending. Not so many cars made it out, but the hearty conversations and atmosphere was enjoyable as usual, with everyone looking forward to the new year's events and shows.

Feb 14th Woodman Water End

Well, the weather gurus magicked up a lovely sunny day in between all the miserable rainy ones we had, as a result of the date clash with a well-known but best avoided St Valentine's Day, there was a good handful of classics out of torpor and displaying in the car park. Approx 26 members/ partners etc turned out and a good afternoon was had by all. **Emergency Roses** were available in the pub for those who were worried the forecourts on the way home would have sold out!!

The pub does not allow dogs within so ☹️...

Poor Ethel relegated to car security!





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March 14th Woodman Water End

With a lovely sunny afternoon this meet up was well attended with many classics on display. We had arranged t, a talk/presentation from BCCC member Paul Griffin based around his book "The Past and the Spurious"- The case of legitimacy in Historic cars.

A big thank you to Paul who delivered a very knowledgeable, entertaining and thought-provoking talk on the authenticity pitfalls of classic ownership. I think we're all better prepared when holding up our paddle at the next Sotheby's or Mathesons auction! Thank you also to Howard Pryor for the introductions and vote of thanks.

If you want to read more a copy the ISBN is **978-1-7397673-0-3**. and all proceeds are donated to a worthy charity in traditional BCCC style.

Paul in full flow



nice "authentic" Jaguar

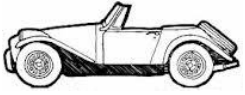


April 11th Farmers Boy

Another good turnout at this popular and friendly Hertfordshire venue. The car park played host to several classics and modern, as well as an ancient possibly Tudor Morris Traveller that seemed to have taken root. First seen at the Earls Court Motor Show in 1953, this example was completely original, with very little evidence of restoration during the last 73 years.!

A weekend wash and polish should do the trick!!





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May 9th Wicked Lady :



A new venue for us and only a short easy drive out, just South of Wheathampstead. A well-attended gathering just a week before our annual show, with some 15 plus cars on display. A couple of new members signed up and had arrived in their cars, which is all good. Car parking area was good, adjacent to the outside seating area. The pub is a renowned and popular dining venue so always gets very busy from early opening, but we were warmly welcomed .





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As a final bit of early summer fun, some useless, or quiz winning motoring related facts, and Motoring Milestones over the first Centenary of cars:

1896- Daimler register the first car in Britain

1897- First speeding fine – 8mph, driver caught by a chasing policeman on a bike and fined 1 shilling!

1901- first diesel engine manufactured, formation of first driving school. Liver Motor Car Depot and School of Automobilmism of Birkenhead. William Lea established the school in May 1901

1903- Ford arrive in UK with Model A exported from America

1904- Cars to have VRM,s and new speed limit of 20mph introduced

1910- Registrations top 100,000, BSM start up with a 4-day motoring course in a rented garage in Chelsea.

1914- first roadside Petrol Pump placed in GB installed outside the premises of Legge & Charmier (possibly on Abbey Foregate) in Shrewsbury in 1914

1920- AA introduce first drive in petrol station at Aldermaston -for AA members only

1921- Log books and tax disc made compulsory

1922- Austin 7 launched

1927- first automatic traffic light trial in Wolverhampton

1931- highway code introduced

1934- Cats eyes patent submitted

1935 - driving test introduced

1940- production of cars drops from 305000 to less than 2000.

1948- flat rate car tax introduced -£10

1950- UK is largest car exporter

1958- first Parking meters in London -Grosvenor Sq outside US Embassy

1959 – MINI is born

1960- MOT test introduced

1961- First Self Service Petrol station in Southwark

1962- Cortina launched

1964- Suffix letters introduced on registration plates

1967- Breathalyser introduced

1970- Range Rover launched

1973- Allegro launched proving not all was well in UK auto industry 😊

1980- Metro set to revive BL..lol!

1985 Sinclair C5 arrived and swiftly disappeared

1983-Wheel clamping introduced in London - called Denver Boots

1988 BA buys Rover and new cars reach record sales of £2.2m

1992- Gatso speed cameras introduced

1994 BMW buys Rover Group

1995- petrol no longer sold in gallons

1996-First major electric car production programme launched

PS:

2026- and some thirty years on and we have the ubiquitous Tesla, electric Minis, MG,s Jags Lotus , BMW,s Mercedes et all and a myriad of other new electric car manufacturers, with a publicly available charging infrastructure still lagging well behind demand, such is progress 😊 , will we now become Volt heads in future years!!



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Club Merchandise

Merch as displayed at the Spires Show, if not held in stock will be available to order as before, so please go ahead, and kit yourself out!

- **Caps-** fit all head sizes
- **Woolly hats** – as above
- **Polo Shirts-** a range of sizes available from normal to mahoosive
- **Fleeces** - a range of sizes as above
- **Windscreen stickers** – one size fits all
- **T Shirts** – **this is a new item, and a nice addition to the wardrobe.**

If you need any item, please contact Marty who will happily relieve you of your finest English pounds...



BCCC Committee update

At our monthly meetings, we still continue with discussions re the club future and direction, and the consensus going forward, and as now, is still to keep matters as simple as possible supporting the friendly all welcoming ethos of the Club, but also ensuring we continue to enhance our visible profile by utilising any understandable social media platforms for information dissemination/exchange.

Eg : Facebook https://www.facebook.com/groups/922544478743138/?ref=share_group_link.

Don't forget our own excellent Web site : <https://barnetclassiccar.club>

A lot of effort goes into organising even the simplest of meet ups and keeping the club's momentum going. So, if you fancy putting an event/run together or a period on the committee, please just let us know 😊, all suggestions will be welcome and considered.



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Club Funds:

To keep our tradition for a “free at point of use” club we will still seek to raise any special funds we may need through voluntary contributions at events, or sometimes via mandatory small contributions where necessary. This is on going and currently we have a healthy positive bank balance.

We have decided to maintain a balance of around £800 to cover any advance costs the club incurs and to ensure we can cover any unplanned costs that may arise. With the Xmas raffle etc this year we raised enough to fully cover all our costs for 2026, which is where want to be.

Finally to wrap up this summer special edition newsletter

As always, I would like to thank all in BCCC, from those that regularly turn up and give their time freely supporting the clubs’ activities, and to all club members and friends, everyone is important and without this support and loyalty the club simply would not exist.

Here,s looking forward to another summer of fun for BCCC and all the enjoyable gatherings with our friends and members ...

James Beeton