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Newsletter September 2011

Your next meeting will be held on Tuesday 4th October. Please make a special effort to attend.

New Members

We welcome all new members who have joined the club in August

Coming Events

- 06th September Monthly Meeting
- 11th September Abbeycentre Display
- 13th September Annual Regional Rally Morris Minor owners Club
- 24th September Mystery Run (** Cancelled **)
- 4th October Monthly Meeting
- 16th October End of Season run
- 13th November Classic Car Show NEC

Download your entry forms at
www.eaovc.co.uk

MANY HAPPY RETURNS (September)

Cathy Cairns	1st
James Moody	4th
Edward McConnaughie	8th
Wilbert McBride	13th
Andy Leckey	16th
Brendan McIlroy	17th
Collie Bowers	22nd
John Alex Fleck	22nd
Michael Carroll	23rd

Enjoy your day.

Abbeycentre Display 11th Sept 2011

Please support this event. It is important that we have a good turnout. Assembly time from 12.30 pm. Brian Hamilton and Ian Cairns are in charge. I am on holidays. 20% discount at BHS Restaurant in the shopping centre. If you haven't sent in your entry form, please ring Gavin 90848863 or Brian 90832321 or Ian at 07702063883. You can just turn up on the day and complete the entry there.

Portrush Cavalcade 7th Aug 2011

The day started early as the cars started to arrive at Belfast Zoo car park at 8:30am. The marshals had



already marked out the area for the cars starting from the oldest to the newest. There were over one hundred cars expected ranging from Dave Carson's 1928 Morris Minor to the Porsche 944 owned by Neil Johnston. A fantastic array of cars to be seen all in the one place.

The cars drove round to get the official photograph taken before parking up in their allotted space. This allowed the large amount of spectators who had come to see the vehicles off to see the cars and to chat to the owners.



At approximately 10:30 the cars started to lineup in running order, ready for the off. This was lead, for the second year in a row, by George McCaig. After the obligatory photographs, the cavalcade set off for the first leg of the journey.

The Cavalcade winded its way through Glengormley up past the Sandyknowes roundabout towards Templepatrick where large crowds had turned out



to see this spectacular convoy of cars. The support of people along the way never ceases to amaze me. It then wound its way through Antrim and on to the lunchtime stop at Tullyglass House Hotel.

Tullyglass House, Ballymena

As the cars arrived in at the Tullyglass Hotel they park in the County Hall car park across from the hotel. Spectators were already waiting to see the cavalcade arrive.

Sandwiches, sausage rolls tea and coffee awaited the drivers and passengers at the



Tullyglass Hotel. The only downside was drinks for the half a dozen or so kids had to be bought separately. Maybe next year this could be provided.

As we all had our lunch inside, the heaviest rain of the day fell outside soaking one or two of the late arrivals. The rain went as fast as it came allowing the spectators to mingle with the cars and occupants. Many of the crowd had been there on previous years so no doubt were catching up on old acquaintances.

Royal Court Hotel, Portrush

At 1:45pm time to hit the road again, heading via Ballymoney, Portstewart to Portrush. With sun now



beaming down, the support along the route was excellent. The only small hiccup, due to events beyond the

marshals control a small tail back on a hill going through Portrush caused some of the cars to struggle. All cars arrived safely and, with a small bit of help from the AA, under their own steam.

After the excellent meal, Robert made a presentation to Donald Davies for his Sponsorship of the event for the is the tenth year in a row. Many thanks to **E.A.Davies Insurance Brokers** for their continuing support.

Robert then drew the Main Ballot. The winners where Philip Woods from Belfast. He won the Weekend for Two at The Royal Court Hotel, Portrush. (Donated by the Royal Court Hotel). Second Prize, £100 cash, went to K. Boston from Straid and Alison Ferguson from Carrickfergus, won the Meal for Two at the Tullyglass Hotel, Ballymena. (Donated by The Tullyglass Hotel)

The main prize for the raffle sold on the night was a Two night break in The Clarion Hotel, Carrickfergus. AOVV Chairman Samuel Spence won the raffle and kindly donated it back to be auctioned off. Coincidentally Ian Wilson, of Wilson's Auctions, was on hand to oblige. This raised a further £200 for the charity.



After the rest of the raffle prizes were drawn, the Mayor of Coleraine, Alderman Maurice Bradley handed out the

Finishers Awards.

This concluded proceedings for the night. The raffle raised over £ 800 on the night added to the money raised from the Ballot Books and the Programs, the club is hoping to raise well over £5000 for **The Friends of the Cancer Centre**.

For more information on the charity or if you would like to make a donation please check out their website at



'www.friendsofthecancercentre.com'

On behalf of the EAOVC I would like to thank all who turned out and supported this event in



whatever way, to help raise money for a worthwhile cause. The Club look forward to seeing you all next year raising money for another local good cause.

President's Run 21st August 2011



There were thirty two vehicles turned up at the Chimney Corner Hotel. We left at 1.45 pm and travelled to Dromore to visit McConvilles Flax Mill and Museum.

Unfortunately there was a gap when lot of members missed the turning and some members had to go and find them. It was my mistake and I apologise for this mistake. Anyway all turned up and had a look around and again another unfortunate thing happened the watermill pump belt broke down. I know that some members were very angry about my organising but if they had listened to my instructions from the beginning this would not have happened. If anyone was offended I apologise again.



After the visit we all arrived back at Chimney Corner Hotel for the meal. The Meal was sponsored by our President Donald Davies. Our thanks to his generosity. The ballot raised £180. Donald himself was not able to take part in the proceedings.



Report by Robert Raj

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Shoreline Festival 28th August 2011

Newtownabbey Borough Council invited the club to this year's Shoreline Festival at the newly refurbished Loughshore Park in Jordanstown.

Over twenty cars arrived on a dull Sunday lunchtime, lining up on the shore side of the park with the Belfast Lough as a backdrop.

Richard Gregory, our Treasurer, took this opportunity to show off his newly acquired 1979 Triumph Dolomite 1500 Special Edition. There is not too many of the Special Edition's around let alone in such fine condition.

Unfortunately for Richard the star of the show was a 2001 Ferrari 360.



Although not strictly speaking, old enough for the club, Jeff Quigg who brought the car does own a TR7 which was not MOT'd in time for the display. I don't think many people complained too much as it was a nice change from the norm.

Roy Lappen's 'Ford Model A' as usual attracted lots of attention, as did the other pre-war cars owned by David Carson, Derek Clark and Brian Hamilton.



The Deputy Mayor, Victor Robinson, arrived to view the cars later in the afternoon. His interest in

the cars was obvious for all to see as he chatted away to the members.

Although not the warmest of days the weather did hold out, only threatening to rain late on in the afternoon when we were packing up to go. I think most members found it an enjoyable Sunday afternoon and looking forward to Abbeycentre Display in a couple of weeks.



Don't Forget

To send your story, any article of interest to other members to the Editor. He needs your help to produce first class Newsletter.

Website

This is where you will find all the latest information, Entry Forms and write-ups / Photographs.

The website is for the members and we want to know what you think so please let us know.. either by posting in the forum or email the Editor / Webmaster direct.

Email: newsletter@eaovc.co.uk
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Photographs

I have been asked about re-printing the photo's on the website. Most photographs that appear on the website are available to you. For a small charge these can be printed, framed and mounted in various styles, including reproduced on Mugs, Calendars etc. Please email the Webmaster for more details.

Monthly Meetings

Members of the club are encouraged to attend the monthly meetings held in the Clarion Hotel, on the first Tuesday of the month. This is where you can have your say on the running of the club. Not everyone can attend all meetings but every effort should be made to at least attend some.

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Website Access

Due to the spiralling cost of postage and the frequency of the Newsletter, it is no longer possible to post copies to all members every month.

As a solution the club requests that all members with access to the internet and email should register their email address with the club. The club would only use this email for EAOVC business only IE: Newsletters, Entry Forms and last minute information.

Anyone who genuinely has no access to the Website or Email the club will endeavour to keep sending by post for as long as possible at no extra charge (Although this cannot be guaranteed).

We would ask that all members, regardless of your situation, please fill in the attached form and return it to Club Secretary (Gavin Millar).

NB The more money spent on postage and not forgetting printing costs, will be less money available for the club to subsidise other club activities.

The Newsletter and all entry forms will still be available at the club meeting on the first Tuesday of every month.



Please fill in the form below and return to:

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Newtownabbey, BT36 5EX

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It is important that each member received his/her Newsletter regularly, but to do this we need your help. This must be completed and return immediately to update our records. Members who can receive the internet will get a copy by Email. The others will receive theirs by post, so as not to confuse who has got at the meeting and who hasn't. Each paid up member is entitled to receive a Newsletter and entry form. IT IS UP TO YOU. Members who fail to send this return slip may or may not get their information as provided by the club. You can post this slip or bring it to the meeting. But IT IS IMPORTANT AND URGENT THAT YOU MUST DO IT.

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