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Next meeting

The next club meeting will be held on Tuesday 1st May 2012 at the Clarion Hotel, Carrickfergus.

Please plan to attend. Your participation is necessary to the club's activities.

Membership Fees

Membership fees are now due. For those who have already paid, many thanks for being prompt.

Remember, as per the constitution, if you haven't paid before MARCH 31st, you will then be classed as re-joining with a fee of £20, so get it in and save money.

Many thanks.

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Event Reports

Annual Dinner Dance, Clarion Hotel, Carrickfergus

(Friday 9th March 2012)

I would like to take this opportunity of thanking all members and their guests for supporting the annual dinner dance held in the Clarion Hotel on 9th March.

With 141 people sitting down, we managed to break the previous record, just. That was a great effort by all.

What was more amazing was the total cash raised. A magnificent sum of £755 was raised, which again, broke all previous records as far as I am aware. Ballot ticket sales alone were over £500. The auction items also made fantastic money and again, can I thank everyone for the ballot prizes brought along and their generosity on the night.

The night itself was great fun and I'm sure everyone had a good time. There has been a mixed reaction to the change of room but in general most thought that the bigger room upstairs was probably better. I have tentatively booked the room upstairs for next year. I think we can do even better next year if we try. This year the tickets were a little late in being ready but I hope to have tickets for next years dinner dance (Friday 8th March, put it in your diary) ready for the December Christmas supper.

My thanks again,

Richard

St Patrick's Day run

March the 17th Turned out to be a gloriously sunny day 40 cars and around 90 people gathered at the Clarion for shortbread and tea or coffee



Norman's car was decked out for the occasion by other members

William and Mrs Robinson were travelling in style in Paddy's new car.

Rumor has it that Paddy is getting a chauffeur's hat for such occasions .



The cars started off and headed for the beautiful glens of Antrim via

Ballycarry to avoid a road closure, stopped at Ballygalley for the obligatory ice cream.

On arrival at Waterfoot we were treated to Irish stew, sandwiches and good music.



There was also good craic, Ian was sporting a black eye with Cathy claiming it, only they know the answer to that one, some people were getting in to the spirit of the day



Norman, please tell me how you arrange the weather for all your runs.

Forth Coming Events

1st May 2012: Chip shop run Martin Waterworth

Sunday 3rd June: Jubilee Static display Lough shore park Gavin Millar

Tuesday 5th June: Cairndhu and beyond Derek Clarke

Saturday 9th June 2012: Uptown Hoedown Glengormley

Entry forms for all these events are available on the web site

Gavin has requested that as many people as possible take part in the Jubilee event.

From the President

It is to let you all know that the entries for Portrush cavalcade on Sunday 5th August are coming in steadily. I would like to see the members sending their entry form as soon as possible.

I AM HOPING that all members who own a vehicle up to 1991 will take part in this event. This event is very important to the club and



your participation is very important. As a member it is your duty to attend the runs not just this one but all other runs as well. If you have not yet received the entry form, ring me at 9084 2993 or 07511662741 and I will post you one immediately. If you are on the internet, you can download from eaovc.co.uk or aovc.co.uk. We have a membership of over 130 and I would like to see at least 120-125 members taking their vehicle out for this day.

We have changed the format. Our assembly point this year; Mossley Mill (home of Newtownabbey Council)

We will be having a breakfast at the Mill.

You will also be issued with packed lunch (No need to bring picnic etc.)

You will be taking part in a Static display in Dunluce Centre, Portrush.

Your evening meal will be at Royal Court Hotel, Portrush.

You will receive a photo of you and vehicle. You will receive a finisher's award, being sponsored by E.A.Davies & Co. Ltd, Insurance Brokers, Glengormley.

All that for the cost of £21 per person. Please send your entry form sooner than later.

Robert Raj. President and co-organiser of this event.

DID YOU KNOW?

1. That in 1896 Henry Ford builds his first car in USA
2. That in 1896 Dunlop Rubber Company formed to make pneumatic tyres.
3. That in 1902 First Vauxhall and Singer cars made.

4. That in 1901 Tar Macadam is discovered and transforms roads.
5. That in 1904 C.S. Rolls and Henry Royce meet to form Rolls-Royce.
6. That there are 1281 bridges in Amsterdam.
7. That the speed limit for horseless carriages was raised from 4mph to 14mph in November 1896.
8. That Vinegar can be used as invisible ink- it becomes visible again when heated.

More next month.

On a personal note I would like to thank Norman Neill for organizing a wonderful day on Saturday 17th March, Saint Patrick's Day. Nice weather and brilliant turnout. Well done Norman.

Don't forget to support other events that are coming your way. I would like a very big turnout on 3rd June for the display at Lough Shore Park for Diamond Jubilee. Brian and I promised the official who helped us in organizing the Portrush run, that we will turnout in very good numbers.

Editor's note

Would anyone who has an interesting story about a new car or work that you have done Please share it with us

On The Website

You can download all Entry Forms and the latest event information on the website

www.eaovc.co.uk

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