

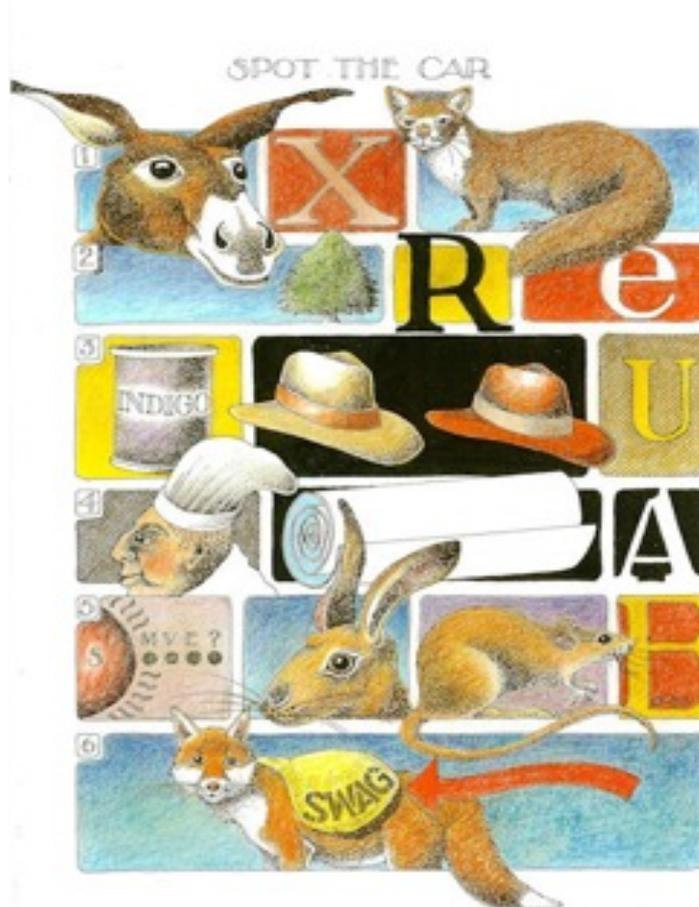


Newsletter December 2015

Introduction.

The November Natter hosted Captain Tim Orchard, a former pilot from the BA Concorde fleet. He gave us a very interesting and entertaining talk, based upon the day in the life of a BA Concorde crew, which was very well received. He also went into the technical background of running Concorde, and why it was eventually and unnecessarily grounded for political reasons. We had a good turnout for this event, which was particularly gratifying to see on a November evening.

Hopefully we will have as good a turnout in December for the annual quiz, being hosted this year by Brian Deacon and Karen Hall, at the Natter on the 7th December. To get you in the mood, I include here a little brain teaser to sharpen ze leetle grey cells..... You just have to name 6 cars (7 if you find the two possible answers to no 6). Answers on 7th



December for anyone who hasn't cracked it by then!!

Another reminder about the importance of attending the Annual General Meeting of the Club, to be held at the Natter on the 4th of January. Remember that the new Committee will be elected at this meeting, so if you want a say in how the club is run in the coming year, come along. There is likely to be a couple of vacancies on the Committee, so why not put yourself forward?

A reminder also that we will hold the Annual Dinner and Prizegiving in February next year, and this will be on Friday the 5th. Venue is the Coach House at the Five Arrows in Waddesdon. Clive is in liaison with the Arrows regarding the menu, and I will circulate details of this as soon



as they are to hand, at which point I will also be asking for the numbers attending.

Future Events

7th December – Natter and Quiz Night. As noted above, Brian Deacon and Karen Hall are treating us to the quiz this year. The Five Arrows have indicated that we can bring our own mince pies etc to help celebrate, but, obviously, no drink from home ... We are hoping for a good turnout to this event, the last one before Christmas, and it will probably be in the Coach House.

27th December – Classic Cars On the Piazza – in Brackley. If the weather is fine, why not go along to Brackley in your MG and blow the cobwebs away?



1st January – Vintage Stony - Stony Stratford. Renowned Classic car meet on Stony Stratford market Place and surrounding streets. <http://www.vintagestony.co.uk/> for more info.

3rd January – Bicester Heritage Sunday Scramble. First one of the year, hope it's warmer than last January's 09.00 – 14.00 Always worth attending for the bacon rolls, coffee and, of course the best collection of classics outside of Beaulieu or Mulhouse. Tickets from <http://bicesterheritage.co.uk/event/sunday-scramble-tickets/>

4th January – Annual General Meeting. Our January Natter, at 20.00 at the Five Arrows in Waddesdon. Please make every effort to attend this important event.

5th February – Annual Dinner and Prizegiving. At the Five Arrows in Waddesdon. See above for more details.



Sunday 21st February 2016 – Spares Show at the National Agricultural Centre (NAC) at Stoneleigh, near Kenilworth. This is traditionally the curtain-raiser for the start of the new season, when we can sort through the goodies in the various halls of the NAC to find those long-sought after parts or accessories for your car. Well worth attending, but get there early because it gets very crowded in the afternoon, especially now that the show is combined with the Triumph spares day. <http://mgandtriumphsparesday.co.uk> for more info.

Sometime in April 2016 – Road Run (and Brewery Visit?). I have been persuaded to organise another breakfast meet and road run next year to kick off the new season, and I will try and combine this with a Brewery visit as well.

Sunday 10th April 2016 - Brooklands Museum MG Era. There will be action on the Test Hill, a Concours d'Elegance and a cavalcade on the Mercedes-BenzWorld circuit. More details at: <http://www.brooklandsmuseum.com/index.php?/events/details/brooklands-mg-era2/>

15 May 2016 – Chiltern Hills Rally. Adrian Fell has asked me to remind you all about next year's Chiltern Hills Rally. This is a great day out for all the family, and is an event we regularly support, so make a note in next year's diary, and we will see if we can organise a club pitch for this. For any queries you can contact Adrian on 07961 121347 or adrian@ajf.clara.co.uk, or go to the Website: www.chilternhillsrally.org.uk.

4th - 5th June 2016 – MG Live! A bit earlier than previous years, the provisional dates have just been announced, I will confirm when the dates have been set.

That's it for now. It only remains for me, on behalf of the Committee, to wish you and your families a very happy Christmas and a prosperous and peaceful New Year, and to look forward to seeing you at the Quiz, Annual Dinner and at a selection of events in the coming year.

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