

South Downs News

April 2003

Editor's
Column

We've had a busy three months organising events for our monthly meets, but I'm sure those of you that have attended so far have thoroughly enjoyed yourselves.

Now the long days are ever drawing closer our events will be moving outside (see pages 3 & 4 for more details). Don't forget this is your last free issue so if you do not want to miss out send those subscriptions in now please.

See you all soon

Jane

Worsfold

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July 20th 2003

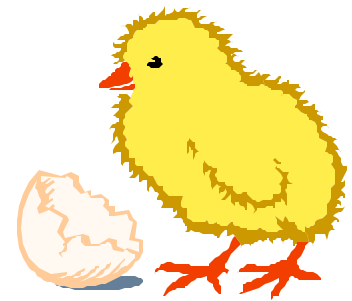
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Quiz Triple

January saw the first club night at our new venue at the Ansty Cross pub. Over 20 people joined us for what turned out to be a fun filled evening. Each person had to try and guess what was inside a total of 15 bags. These ranged from household items to some really puzzling pieces from a wide variety of cars. Whilst some of us were completely stumped giving answers like 'Brake thingy' 'Dunno' 'Plastic Thing' etc, Paul Cannon emerged as the triumphant winner getting fourteen and half points. But at least there were no out right losers due to the lentils exploding out all over the floor. Not the best thing to happen in front of our new landlord but he saw the funny side to it all.

A video night was initially planned for February but right at the last minute we had to change our plans as the pub did not have an entertainment licence. But before we found this out Ian May had already sat through over seven hours of film to choose the highlights we were all to watch. So some quick thinking was to be had by the committee and we came up with another quick quiz. This time focusing on guessing which car was depicted by a small clip from a wider picture.

As we did have a quiz in January it was put to the vote as ideally we want to have something different every month. Everyone thought it would be a good idea and the incentive of bottles of wine worked well. After much deliberation the answers were revealed, some being so easy once you knew the correct car. The winner was Paul Cannon again for the second month in a row. Well done.



SDG now meets at
the
Ansty Cross Pub
(Ansty), 2nd
Tuesday of every
month

For those of us who didn't do so well, we were consoled by the raffle where we had the chance to win a selection of car cleaning equipment. Although this time the prizes were small we are still in the process of trying to bolster the group funds in order to make this a more regular feature of our monthly Tuesday nights. So why not pop along as you never know what you might bring home in the future.

Finally in March we finished off the winter months with the 'SDG TR Mastermind 2003'. This used be an annual event a long time ago and so was resurrected this year too. Everyone put their names into a hat and were drawn into teams of 3 players. They were put to the test with both general knowledge questions and TR triva. The first rounds were based on a straight forward knockout, giving us three teams who then entered a round robin competition which finally declared Sue Mowbray, Roy Hunnisett and Chris Spear as this years winners. Although some of the questions were very hard everyone had a great time.

Next month sees a speaker on continental car tours with another raffle afterwards. Hope you can make it, if not why not look at the shows or plans for our other evenings and pencil some in on your calendar to join us soon.

For Sale

TR6 CP model, 2500 PI, red, 79,000 miles, O/D, new mohair hood, new SPAX shocks, etc, etc (much money spent). Very nice condition. 8 years present owner, garaged, dry use only. No road tax.

£7950. Phone Mike on 01323 638914.

Standard Triumph 100 Weekend
24th - 25th May
Celebrating 100 years of the Standard Motor Company 'Gaydon'. For details contact Ian May.

Standard Triumph Marques day -
Sunday 25th May both being held at Heritage Motor Centre

Newsletter Subscription

Dear readers

This is your last chance to subscribe - closing date May 21st. After this you can still pick up a copy at our local meetings at the Ansty Cross or alternatively you can view the latest edition on our new website. The cost is £2.00 a year please fill in and return the slip to me asap making cheques payable to 'South Downs TR Register'.

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Have you got a story to share perhaps a restoration project or an event you've attended or even want to sell something.

Then we loved to hear from you.
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Shows for 2003

Dates for your diary

May

Crawley Classic and American Car Show Mon 26th May

New event for the SDG. Situated at the Southgate playing fields at Crawley, with gates opening at 9am with the town's carnival occurring later on in the day. Entry is free. Interested. Then contact Chris Worsfold asap as closing date for this show is the 1st May.

June

Bexhill Classic Car Show

The Bexhill 100 as we knew it and have enjoyed as a local group for many years has sadly been removed from the calendar as it was just becoming too expensive to run in it's old format. However the organisers are keen to replace it with another static show focusing on making the cars the stars. As yet we have still to hear further details of the date but we will keep you posted.

Kent Weekender

Organised by our neighbouring TR register group, from the town of Sandwich. Saturday consists of a choice of an informal tour of a local area or treasure hunt in the nearby village finishing with a disco. The Dutch often attend this event and we believe are actually organising the official Sunday tour this year so it should be interesting. Camping is available if you are interested please contact Alan Peatfield Kent Group Leader directly.

The 2003 concours and Classic Car Show Sun June 29th

Organised by the Brighton and Hove Motor Club, this car show is situated in the superb venue of Stanmer Park, Brighton. This beautiful park, complete with restaurant/café, museum and working farm, offers a rare opportunity to show your car in lovely rural surroundings. Entry is free to the public so the organisers do ask for a £5.00 admin fee per car to cover the running costs and a souvenir plaque. For an entry form please contact Chris Worsfold. Closing date is early June.

July

Argus Summer Motor Show Sun 13th July

Situated at Brighton Racecourse, the emphasis on the Sunday is Classic's. There are a variety of stalls and entertainment organised throughout the day. The theme this year is 'A day at the Races'. There are prizes awarded for overall best theme entry, best car of the day and best club stand. We have to be there for 9am. There is no charge for entry and all you have to do is let Chris Worsfold know how many passes you require by the 31st May as there is a club entry form.

Ardingly Vintage Vehicle Show Sun 13th July

The Ardingly Vintage Vehicle Show is jointly organised by the Horsham Historics and the Morris Register and has many classes of vehicles including steam traction engines, veteran, vintage and classic cars, caravans, motorcycles, fire engines, commercials, tractors and machinery. As well as direct entries in main enclosures there are many separate car club stands, trade stalls including autojumble and the famous CAMRA sponsored beer tent. For an entry form please contact Chris Worsfold. Closing date is early on in May. There may be a small admin fee.

Friday-Ad Motors Show at Bentley Motor Museum July 19th & 20th July

This show takes place at the Bentley, wildfowl and motor museum near Halland. The emphasis being on showing new cars with old. There are many stalls including a craft tents and autojumble, as well as huge amount of family entertainment. You will also have the opportunity to visit the museum and see the huge range of birds. Again there is no charge for this event however there is a requirement to enter as a club. So names and details to Chris Worsfold asap.

International – 25th to 27th July

Why not come and join your fellow SDG members to the annual TR Register event. Situated under the Malvern Hills there is plenty to do for everyone including autojumble, treasure hunts, runs, and even some shopping trips for the ladies. There is plenty of bed and breakfast hotels nearby for those of you who aren't keen on camping, but those of you who are intending to 'rough it' for a few nights why not make your way to the SDG campsite in the quiet zone. We will be waiting for you. Look out for further details in the TR Action.

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Shows for 2003 continued

Dates for your diary

July contd

Amberley Classic Car Summer Picnic – Sun 27th July

For those of you who can't make it to the International there is an event closer to home. Set in the grounds of the Amberley Chalk pits museum (you know -the one made famous by a James Bond film). This event allows you to park within the grounds and wonder all around the exhibits spread over a wide area. Entrance fee is £5.00 per car, forms can be obtained from Chris Worsfold. Closing date is the 30th June.

Aug

MG Weekender Event Sun 3rd Aug

We have been invited by the East Sussex MG owners group to attend their Country Weekender this year. Although the weather let the show down last year we did come away with a trophy and a chance to have a go in their 'gymcana'. If anyone is interested then let us know asap it is taking place this year at Plumpton Racecourse.

Battle Abbey Sun 10th Aug

This is one of the firm favourites in the SDG calendar. Set in the beautiful grounds of Battle Abbey with live music and a variety of stalls raising money for charity. The classic cars are invited to take part in a parade down the main Battle High Street at the start of the show before taking pride of place in amongst the grounds. It is a great chance to see one of the English Heritage's historic sights as well as the picturesque town. There is a £2.00 administration fee with your individual entry form, which needs to be sent to the organisers by 21st June.

Shoreham AirShow Sun 30th & Mon 31st Aug

Organised to raise money for the RAF association this show combines classic cars and an airshow of both modern and classic aircraft. There are a huge variety of stalls, a funfair as well as number of planned events. We need to enter as a club so names need to be forwarded onto Chris Worsfold by the end of July. There is a requirement for an £8 donation that will cover entry for your car plus 3 passengers for both days.

Hellingly Festival of Transport Sat 29th – Mon 31st Aug

Organised by the Eastbourne Historic Vehicle Club this show is aimed at all types of transport vehicles including steam traction engines, bikes, buses and classic cars. There is always a huge number of stalls including autojumble stands with a full arena programme over the three days. As the rally is very popular you will need to reserve your place early. Camping is available. Those interested can obtain a entry form from Chris Worsfold with the closing date being early on in July. There is no charge for this event.

Club Nights - Planned Events

April 8th - Speaker on Continental Car Tours

May 13th - 1st Round of the 'Best presented TR'

June 10th - Cannonball Run

July 8th - Treasure Hunt based on foot in Cuckfield

Aug 12th - 2nd Round of the 'Best presented TR'

Sep 9th - 3rd Round of the 'Best presented TR' and Bonnets Up Night

Oct 14th and Nov 11th - TBC & Dec 6th (Provisional date for SDG Xmas dinner confirmed by September)