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## Editors Column

Winding down for the long winter nights where you contemplate on whether you really need to take out and rebuild that engine or even go as far as right back to the chassis. But that is half the fun of having a classic car, so I'm told. Myself I much prefer being the passenger although this year for the first time I got the chance to drive my husbands TR7. No I did not crash it but I'd rather stick to modern cars with power steering. We've had a real good year so far with bumper crowds at the summer shows as well as our monthly club nights but it's not over yet. So if you are getting frustrated with the bodywork or that screw you knew you had before you took the car apart, then pop along to one of the events mentioned overleaf. On a more serious note our AGM is also planned for early November. Do you like how this year was run, could we do it better or do you want to get involved, then why not come along?

Till then see you all soon  
Jane Worsfold

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# South Downs News

## THIS YEAR'S NOT OVER YET

What a busy summer we had. In all we attended over 10 different shows in the local counties and the majority were well attended. Perhaps the lure of a few beer tents helped as well. For some like Battle Abbey, which fell on the hottest day in U.K's history, it was just too hot but by the time Shoreham airshow loomed it was perfect. Being the last official event we beat all our previous records and put on an excellent display of ten cars.

A few weeks later at the Brighton speed trials our own Gregg took part I believe in his dad's, yes Ian's, lovely Pantera. Luckily no damage was inflicted and a respectable time was clocked up. Well done. Perhaps next year the course record. The rest of our members worked hard in marshalling both the paddock and the holding area at the end of the quarter mile. Although it's exhausting they always enjoy themselves. If you want to get involved next year then speak to Chris Worsfold. Put your name forward early, as spaces are limited.

The first trophy of the year was awarded in September to the owner of the best-presented TR. This competition was well supported and ran throughout the summer and I must say John Hopkins really deserved this prize. Another three trophies and their winners are due to be announced at this year's Xmas dinner planned for the 9<sup>th</sup> December. Why not come along and see if you are in the running it's not too late. Further details regarding the menu and the price for this fabulous evening will follow soon.

### Important notice

#### **2003 AGM**

**is being held on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> November  
at 'The Royal Oak' Barcombe  
from 14.00hrs onwards**

**Your chance to have a say in how the group is run and  
the election of committee members for 2004.**

## Club Nights – Planned events

**Oct 14<sup>th</sup> Club night**

**Oct 26<sup>th</sup>** Joint event with the Goodwood Group. We have challenged them to a skittles competition, to be held at the Royal Oak Barcombe. Starting at 13.00 moving on possibly later in the afternoon to see the notorious 'Spitfire Car' with the Merlin engine.

**Nov 11<sup>th</sup> Club night**

**Dec 9<sup>th</sup>** Xmas dinner 4 course meal at Five Bells Chailey (further details to follow)

### TR7 Parts for Sale

- ❑ Engine, Good complete with all furniture, carbs, manifold, clutch etc £75
- ❑ G/box, Good £65
- ❑ Axle, o.k £30
- ❑ Steering Rack £20
- ❑ Instrument cluster complete £30
- ❑ 1 x brake master cylinder 320
- ❑ 2 x master cylinders complete with servo
- ❑ 1 x sub frame £40
- ❑ 2 x head light assembly complete with motors £25 each

Also seat frames, tail and sidelights, interior door lights, Gearbox cross member, some brown plastic trim including centre consul, brake shoes, new seat belts, engine and gearbox mountings, pedal box etc.

If you are interested phone Roy 01273 400711

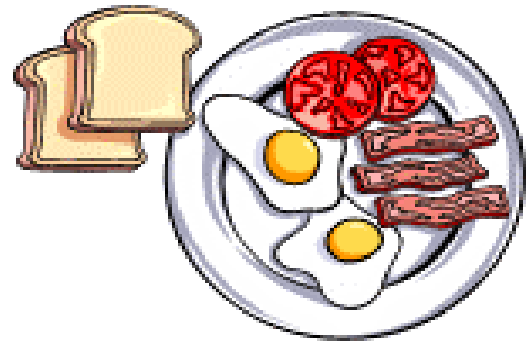
Have you got a story to share perhaps a restoration project or an event you have attended or even if you want to sell a few items. Then we love to hear from you.

Please send articles to me:

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### B/B/Q Breakfast on 2<sup>nd</sup> November



Why not join us for a Breakfast B/B/Q at Staplefield Green on Sunday the 2<sup>nd</sup> November and watch the veterans, Classics, and Odd ball Cars on their way to Brighton from 08.30am until approximately 1pm.

We will bring the B/B/Q, Pans, Oil, Bread and Butter and all you need to bring is your own bacon eggs sausages, plates eating irons, tea, sugar etc.

Further details from  
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