Bristol Spring Eastern Region Newsletter

It finally feels like we may be heading towards some drier warmer weather, and the list of events is building up. A Big Thank You to everyone who has notified me about events, and those who have organised Bristol get togethers in the region. Very much appreciated.

I hope you saw the article in the March issue Classic and Sportscar as the 405 featured is a Norfolk based car, quite an adventure on the Bristol Owners Club 2022 Turkey (I think I should really say Türkiye) Tour. Hope we see Frieda at one of our local gatherings!

BOC members got a Bristol Heritage Trust DVD - a film about the story of Bristol. Really interesting, but it had its sad and poignant moments which I guess is to be expected with any company that suffers the indignity of bankruptcy and new ownerships.

We got some good action shots of Paul Woolmer in the Pomeroy trophy race at Silverstone in February. Did he remove the spare wheel to save weight?



Early next month will be Brightwell's 'Lifetime of Bristols' auction - a good chance to add to your garage, or at least for getting some parts for the rebuild. You can bid online.

A number of events coming up - hope you will be able to get along - Bristol specific events on blue.

We will need some cars on our stand at Burleigh House, Stamford in July so please let me know if you are willing (see below)

Bristols Coffee & chat 10.30 April 15th

The Angel, Larling (near Snetterton racing circuit, just off the A11)
Please let me know if you can make it cmdady@btinternet.com 07780 550047
If you wish to stay for lunch and join the Bristol table at 12.30 please let the Angel know direct on 01953 717963 - an excellent 7 cars booked so far

The BEST Party (or the Bristol East Spring Tea)

Sunday 7th May 2:00pm to 5:00ish Hou Hatch, Brentwood Essex, CM14 5QU Bristol-propelled couples are invited to Bob & Maureen Findlay's country home five minutes from M25/A12 junction #28, to gossip about cars and royals the day after the coronation. A leisurely stroll round the gardens or lake followed by tea, cakes and chatter, perhaps with a tipple or two. To help Bob & Maureen plan, please confirm cars and occupants in advance to houhatch@gmail.com or phone 01277 375700

At Silverstone on the 27th May there is the HSCC meeting with a Bristol 403 celebration and a Bristol lunch - I will be taking my 403 across. Watch out for details - but you can send a note that you intend to attend to Michael Barton (mwb0605@gmail.com or 07801 538170) who has kindly agreed to make the arrangements with the BRDC

I have booked the BODA stand at the event below on 2nd July, to which East area BOC members are also cordially invited. Please send me a note cmdady@btinternet.com if you could display your Bristol on the stand - ideally we need about 6 cars, and I will bring my 403 along. You will need to buy an entry ticket - £13.50 per car with proceeds to charity. There will be lots going on, and things to do for those not so keen on cars, book via https://festivalofthedead.uk/



25th-27th August Silverstone Festival

The new name for the Silverstone Classic, the Festival promises historic motorsport, incredible music, family fun and amazing food all in one weekend. Book online via this link https://www.silverstone.co.uk/events/silverstone-festival/ticket-types/car-clubs, codes are: 23CCD101 (tax exempt – pre-1983) and 23CCD102 (non-tax exempt – 1983+) More details of the Bristol presence at this event will be available in due course. Manuel Hughes will be coordinating so please contact him on BOCSilverstone@oldfox.co.uk if you can help or want more information.

Update on other events of interest with Bristol Owners attending / Bristol interest

Oakham Wheels Show - Rutland Show Ground Sunday 21st May 2023 Note the Saab Sonnet - I had one of those, it was like an aeroplane on the road. Fantastic. I had a Cortina too when it was a student - looks like a good show!



Newport Pagnell Vintage Event - Saturday 3rd June 2023. Pre 1960 cars. To obtain an application form contact Mandy via web@newport-pagnell.org.uk

Culford Classic Car Show at Culford Hall near Bury St Edmunds 16/7

Layer Marney Cup 13th August details on next page, sounds really interesting

That's it for now - watch out for more on the Forum and through the club websites and newsletters

Hope you all have a Happy Easter

Chris

Petrol Consumption Trials

Dedicated to Jeanne and Rex Byford who had the Cup in their Attic

Layer Marney Cup

Originally held on 6th June 1914

109th Anniversary to be run on

Sunday 13th August 2023

from

Tilbury Fort to Layer Marney Tower

There will be classes for cars from each decade since the original trial

Cars may join the rally without being part of the trial

For more information please contact: sheila@layermarneytower.co.uk

Start: 10.30am

Tilbury Fort, Tilbury RM18 7NR

via

Ingatestone Hall, Hall Lane, CM4 9NR

to

Finish: c.4pm Layer Marney Tower

distance c. 70 miles