



# Malvern Hills Branch Newsletter

July 2018



Welcome to the July edition of the branch newsletter.

## Dates for the Diary for 2018

### Tuesday 10th July

Branch Bar b Que (at Naunton Beachamp near Pershore see newsletter for details)

### Saturday 11th August

Drive out to Bromyard (see newsletter for details)

### Tuesday 11th September

Branch meeting at the Huntsman PH Green Street at 8pm

### Tuesday 9th October

AGM at at the Huntsman PH at 8pm.

I had planned to just send out an email listing a few up and coming events as I am away a lot at the moment. However there is a lot going on at the moment so hence this newsletter. We may have to change the meeting day as the pub was closed in June, so we drove to another nearby PH. The July and August meetings are away from the Huntsman, firstly a Bar B Que at Lou's and Steve's



See map insert and also directions on the Treasurer's report.

I have had a request for a wedding car

For August 25<sup>th</sup>. The wedding is at Yarpole and they are setting off from Weobley. Costs are being offered as well as a donation. Please contact Mark on 07791984305, the bride is a wheelchair user but can transfer across to a seat ok. I also had an enquiry from a lady asking about a garage with 20

morris minors near Great Witley, though I could not help with that as I did not know of any. Anyone else know where they could be. Dave

## Treasurer's Trivia

Hello everyone,

Those of you who came to our June meeting will know that we had a problem that happened to us once before; the Huntsman was shut! With a large contingent of members and Minors having arrived we decided to head to the Anchor in Kempsey where we were able to utilize the bar area for our meeting. Although it was a bit makeshift I hope you were all able to still enjoy the evening. I think we will have to consider again the day of the week when we meet. The restaurant is open at the Huntsman from a Thursday to a Sunday so clearly the pub would always be open then. This will be something to discuss again at the AGM in October. We were delighted to welcome 2 new members to our branch. John Lawrence and his wife have moved to Harvington, near Evesham, from North Devon. It was great to meet them briefly at our June meeting and we look forward to seeing them in their 1970 2 door. Also, joining us was the very well-known face of Dave Radburn. Dave has rejoined after many years of not being able to come because of work commitments. He has owned his Traveller for 25 years now and is a real Minor enthusiast. You may



be interested to know that we have 34 members in our branch now which is one of the highest numbers we have had for a long time. The phot shows members cars at the June meeting before leaving for the Anchor.

### **Branch meetings in July and August**

As you will know our July branch meeting on the 10th will be our annual barbecue to be held by kind invitation at the home of Steve and Lou Reeves at 3, Seaford Lane, Naunton Beachamp near Pershore. Steve and Lou will provide all the cooking facilities, just bring your food and drink. This has always been a wonderfully enjoyable evening and I know many members will be looking forward to seeing Steve and Lou again. Arrive for about 8.00pm. Steve normally puts some signs out to help people find their property and the postcode for those with SAT NAV is WR10 2LN.

Our August branch meeting will be held on Saturday August 11<sup>th</sup> at the private railway we visited between Bromyard and Tenbury last year. Those of you who came last time will recall we had a memorable afternoon riding the trains and relaxing in the grounds adjacent. Not normally open to the public this is well worth coming along to. Do remember that the owners of the railway do not wish photos of the railway to be transmitted on the internet for privacy reasons. As Chris has mentioned, meet up in the car park adjacent the Conquest theatre in Bromyard at 1.30pm. Provided the weather is good, Sandra and myself are planning on visiting Brockhampton in the morning and having a picnic at lunch time before meeting up in Bromyard. If any members would like to join us, meet up in the Lower car park at 11.00am. We plan ourselves to visit the grounds only before lunch but of course there would be nothing to stop any member visiting the house as well if they so wished. Our plan is to head into Bromyard about 1.15pm.

**REMEMBER- THERE WILL BE NO MEETINGS AT THE HUNTSMAN IN JULY AND AUGUST AS THESE ARE REPLACED BY THE ABOVE.**

Steam Rallies- We are very much moving into that time of year when there is a rally on somewhere not too far away every weekend. There are, of course, a variety of Morris Minors usually to be found. In July we have the Stourport rally on the 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>, Much Marcle on the 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> and the largest of the 3, Welland on the 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>. I usually go to Much Marcle on the Saturday and Welland on the Friday as I love having a mooch around the

auctions and have sold a few items at them myself. At Much Marcle branch member Richard Crane will be in attendance with his stationery engines and I know he will be very pleased to say hello to anyone from our branch.

One of the delights of living near Upton Upon Severn is not just the fact that it is such a delightful little town to visit. It is home to some of our branch members which means Morris Minors! I usually park in the Old Street car park opposite the church and very often see the lovely Traveller of branch member, Tim Toman, parked outside the church or see him arriving or leaving in it. Then when I walk into town I am regularly transported back into the 1950s by what goes by me when I walk along Old Street or the High Street. I am, of course, referring to the unmistakable sight of Bob in his late Series 2. Whenever I hear the distinctive sound of an A series it can with 90% certainty be only one car; it's Bob! A few days ago I was saying hello across Old Street to Tim and who should come along but, you've guessed it, Bob. It really is a smashing car and quite rare with the 4 doors. So when you are visiting Upton again you know what to look out for!

See you at the barbecue.

Dave

## **Other Events**

Classic Car & Bike Show at The Swan pub (field behind pub) High Street, Chaddesley Corbett DY10 4SD. Bank holiday Monday, 27 August 2018 from 10.30am. Live music. BBQ available.

It's a bit steep at £10 per car but proceeds all going to Kidderminster & Worcestershire Prostate Cancer Support Group, so a good cause which ties in well with the Club's chosen charity for the year. 100+ vehicles expected.

Pre-booking not needed. Further info available from John on 07976 427248.

Cheers.

Tom B.

From Bob

Members,

I have been contacted by Paul Eden of Shakespeares Rally Promotions who has invited us and other motoring organisations to attend the following events:

*11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> August: Tortworth Vintage Rally, Wickwar, Gloucestershire GL12 8LF*

*15<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> September: Stoke Prior Steam Rally, Little Intall Fields Farm, Bromsgrove, Worcestershire B60 4LF*

All events are open to all makes and types of Classic and Vintage Vehicles, Tractors & Machinery. Full details and entry forms are available from the website:

### **WANTED**

Hello I re-joined the MMOC a few months ago and hope to come along to your meeting on 15th March.

I previously had a Morris Traveller which I had to sell a few years ago and am now hoping to buy another one. Do you know if any members of the Malvern Hills branch or other branches have a traveller for sale now or will do soon? I would need one in good condition and good working order as my technical skills are limited!

Can you advise what is best in terms of brakes - eg discs or standard brakes with a servo?

Many thanks and best wishes Nicole Willett

### **WANTED**

Michael Jefferies is looking for a 2 door saloon Morris 1000. Please contact me and I will forward the information across to you.

### **FOR SALE**

Doug's convertible, see Chris for details

Happy Motoring

**Use Full contacts**

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