

Malvern Hills Branch Newsletter

November 2016



Welcome to the November edition of the branch newsletter.

Dates for the Diary for 2016/7

Saturday 5th November

Drive out, Meet at Huntsman Ph at 12 to drive to the Blue Bell in Guarlford road, Malvern

Saturday 10 December

The Branch Christmas Meal is at 12.30 at the Sun and Slipper at Mamble, contact Dave Smith tosay if you are going.

Saturday 14th January

Drive out to Croome Park, meet 12 at the cafe.

Saturday 11th February

Drive out to Rowberrys Garden Centre at 12.

We had the branch AGM at the October meeting, more on this in the treasurer's report, though we are basically unchanged from last year. Though Dave will need some help on the rally organisation. Which brings me to the question: Does anyone know of a venue where we can hold a rally for say 50 cars in early May, or late April?

Treasurer's Trivia

Hello everyone

After the disappointing attendance to our scheduled AGM in September, thankfully, attendance was much better for our October meeting and we were able to hold the AGM. The committee has changed slightly; Steve Reeves has stepped down whilst Dave Bennett has become a committee member as well as continuing in his role of branch contact. Before going further I would like to thank Steve for all he has done for our branch over many years and hope it is not long before we see him and Lou again at our meetings. Chris remains as chairman, Bob as secretary and myself as treasurer with Jeff remaining as a committee member. We are moving the AGM to October next year as it does

appear better for people to attend. We had quite a long meeting with a lot of topics covered. Bob will have copies of the minutes available in due course.

NOVEMBER MEETING-Although many of you will already know please do not forget that our November meeting (Saturday daytime) is a week early in the month on the 5th to take account of people attending the classic car show at the NEC the following weekend. Meet at the Huntsman for 12.00 and we will have a drive over to the Blue Bell in Guarlford road, Malvern.

MALVERN SHOW- I had originally planned to go as an ordinary visitor. However, following a phone call from Clive, myself, Clive and Jonathan went in our Minors. We did not pre book and had decided to only go if the weather was good. We met up in Hanley Swan at 10.00 before going to the show. We had quite a good day. The sun shone all day which of course makes all the difference. I am not sure why it is but unlike Toddington where you seem to have people coming to talk to you all day only the occasional person ever seems to stop to talk to you at the Malvern show. Perhaps it is because Toddington is a much smaller event. There were some very good cars on show with an especially good Morris 8 parked close to us .It was interesting to note how late this '8' was as the information by the owner indicated a manufacture date of November 1948 which is a couple of months after the first Series MM was built. I wonder when the last actual '8' was built? My dad had a Morris 8 Series E which he always claimed was a quicker car than the Series MM. Based on looking at the one at Malvern I can see why William Morris was so keen to continue with the Morris 8 as it was a super looking car.



CHRISTMAS MEAL- If by the time you read this you have not booked for the Christmas meal and want to come it may be still possible. Please contact me

for the current position. Either email me or ring 01684 593390. Can everyone coming to the Christmas meal advise me of your menu selection as soon as you can so that I can let Mary know. The November meeting to let me know will be fine if you are coming.

MARIE CURIE APPEAL- Following our fund raising in Malvern the committee decided to add a contribution from our branch rally. Therefore I was able to send a cheque to MMOC at Derby for 300.00.as our contribution to the fund total. Thank you everyone for all your help in raising the above sum for such an excellent cause.

Finally, I was very humbled and to be honest slightly embarrassed to be voted by members at the AGM again as branch member who has contributed most in the past year. There are members who I thought deserved it far more than me and have done a lot for the branch over the past 12 months. I can only say thank you and repeat what I have said in the past; I am just one small cog amongst others who tries to ensure Malvern Hills branch thrives and is something Morris Minor owners can enjoy and benefit belonging to.

See you at the November meeting.

Dave

Other info

MORRIS 1000 LOOKING FOR A GOOD HOME

After 40+ years of owning Morrises (3) and approaching 300,000 reliable miles we regret the time has come when we have decided to sell. John had to surrender his driver's license shortly before moving to Malvern due to sight problems and Bridget now finds the Morris difficult having become used to P.A.S. J. now finds it difficult to polish (ask Jonathan!)

Some of you may remember the car- a 1967 Trafalgar Blue 2 door, genuine mileage approaching 25,000, MOT just obtained. We recently had an acceptable offer 'as seen' which fell through at the last moment. If any member is interested in this car please contact us by phone (sorry not on line)

John & Bridget Ripper (Malvern)

01684 569433

Simon from Hereford needs an axel and diff for his 1970 Morris. If you have got a spare one you can sell him. Can you contact him on 01432 839312.

All the Best and Happy Motoring Dave

Use Full contacts

Chairman Chris Perfect

Treasurer Dave Smith

Secretary Bob Prophet

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Here is the Christmas meal menu.



Sun & Slipper Inn

Christmas and New Year Menus



Christmas Fare

Leek and potato soup
Creamy garlic mushrooms served with toast
Chicken liver parfait served with damson chutney and toast
Smoked fillet of trout with avocado, prawns and Maine-rose sauce
Cantaloupe melon with raspberry sorbet
Tomato and mozzarella salad with basil

Traditional roast turkey served with homemade chestnut stuffing and cranberry sauce
Roast sirloin of beef with Yorkshire pudding
Pan fried breast of pheasant with bacon, shallots and mushrooms cooked in red wine sauce
Poached salmon steak in white wine with cucumber, prawns and cream
Vegetable and chestnut cutlet served with tomato and garlic sauce

All main courses served with fresh seasonal vegetables and potatoes

Christmas pudding with brandy sauce
Dark and white chocolate terrine
Sherry trifle
Bread and butter pudding
Various ice creams
English cheeses with biscuits and grapes

Freshly brewed coffee
with mince pies

£21.95 including vat
£17.95 for 2 courses