

# WETHERBY CLASSIC CAR CLUB

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July 2022 to September 2022



# Concours night at the Bridge

Meetings are held at the Bridge Inn, Walshford, North Yorkshire LS22 5HS Phone:01937 580115 On 2nd Tuesday each month 8.00pm, presentations at 8.30 Special price Carvery available from 7.00 pm for members and visitors

### Wetherby Classic Car Club 2022 programme.

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July - July Jaunt - Run to a pub lunch from the Bridge. Organised by David and Anthea

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July -** Evening drive from and to the Bridge Hotel. Organised by David and Caroline.

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July** - Newby Hall classic car show. One of the biggest shows in our area. Only cars registered before 31<sup>st</sup> December 1979 can be displayed. Club stand for WCCC.

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July - Ripon Old Cars Classic Car Show at Ripon Racecourse. WCCC Club stand as usual.

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> August** - Tockwith show. Our local classic car display at the Tockwith show. David and/or Bob judging!!

 $Tuesday 9^{th} August$  - Club meeting with a presentation by our own member Ged Lavin about "Properties abroad"

**Wednesday 17th August** - Summer frolics run to a picnic. Organised by David and Anthea.

**Sunday 21**st **August** - Burley in Wharfedale summer festival classic car show.

**Friday 9th - September -** Club Barbecue, Location Collingham and Linton Sports Association – with a brand new BBQ. Bring your own meat or fish or veggie and enjoy the club buffet [£3 per person] and CALSA bar service. Start at 4.00 pm, BBQ alight at 4.30 pm.

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September -** Otley Extravaganza, our usual club stand.

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September -** Presentation - Yorkshires Vanishing Coastline by Malcolm Brooke.

Sunday 18th September - Knavesmire YHVG classic car show.

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September -** Short run to fish and chips, make your own way to Murgatroyds, Harrogate Road, Yeadon, LS19 7BN for 6.30 - 7.00 pm. If the weather is good we can proceed to the Chevin to eat in the open air, and maybe drinks after at the Royalty pub. If wet, we shall stay at Murgatroyds.

 $\textbf{Tuesday 11}^{th} \ \textbf{October -} \ \textbf{Club meeting with a presentation and video "my flight in a spitfire" by Richard Gibson, a local Wetherby man, and former MG MGB owner, who flew a spitfire as his birthday treat.$ 

**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October -** Halloween Outing to a pub for lunch. Organised by David and Anthea.

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November** - Club meeting with a speaker. [Speaker finder needed!!!].

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November -** Last Gasp outing to a pub for lunch. Organised by Bill and Margaret.

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December - WCCC Christmas dinner at the Bridge Hotel.



## Past events

**April fools run** - 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2022 - Tony and Simon had planned a run through the lanes and villages of the West Riding of Yorkshire, from Wakefield to Holmfirth. We are always amazed at the variety of



countryside throughout Yorkshire, and we do not see the southern



part of the West Riding very often. 4 WCCC cars joined about 30 others for the run, and 52 classic car club members stayed for lunch at the Carding Shed / Oil Can. The venue is interesting, a combination of motoring museum, restaurant and restoration workshop.

There is a very large collection of bicycles, motoring memorabilia and a small number of cars, mainly Jaguars, some of which are on

sale. The sale cars included a nice looking Rover P3 for a mere £11675. The collection is interesting, probably not worth a trip to Holmfirth just for the museum, but worth a detour if one is touring in the general area. The food and service may have been overstretched by our group of 50+ and the main restaurant fully booked, but there are plenty of nice looking pubs on the route nearby.

Sunday 24th April - National Drive it day. The idea was to meet with other local clubs at



The Motorist, Sherburn in Elmet, This was a very disappointing event, 200 or so cars of which about a dozen could be accepted as classics. The food truck had a very limited menu and a long queue.

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April - National Drive it day** A few members drove to Lastingham and lunch at the Miners Arms. They had a pleasant drive, and a nice lunch. Next year I think we should all head this

way.

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May - Tadcaster Show** Several members went to the local show in Tadcaster and reported that it was lively with a good display. Tony, Roland and co presented a cheque for £360 to the Yorkshire Air Ambulance, the proceeds of last winter's quiz nights.



**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May - May Marine Run** 7 club cars set out for Bridlington from the Bridge Hotel. We used a route from the archive to take us as far as the Stone Trough at Kirkham Abbey. June and I were bringing up the rear, and watched the group ahead take the first right turn after the Aldwark toll bridge. This revived memories from 2014 when several members took this wrong turn. Nonetheless, after a few miles we resorted to following the Satnav, and found new, very nice routes and villages. On arrival at the Stone Trough, the group decided to stay there for lunch rather than carry on for fish and chips. The staff were very helpful, and we enjoyed a nice meal before a few of us carried on to visit Don at home.

Wetherby Ings Platinum Jubilee Classic Car Show Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2022.

11 cars from our club were on show, along with 8 from the Harrogate MG club, 6 from the Historic Military vehicle group, 3 AC Cobras, a couple of Subaru Imprezas and 3 other cars.

The weather was a bit poor, but not as cold as the Saturday evening for the "Last Night of the Proms". A few of us sat around our cars and enjoyed a chat and picnic. Surprisingly, one of the Military Vehicles was flying it's Union Flag upside down. It used to be treason to knowingly fly the flag upside down, unless it is a genuine sign of distress. It is also "lese Majeste" (which means: insulting the Crown), and is theoretically still a crime in the UK and its commonwealth!



**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June -** Yorkshire Rover Club show at Oakwell Hall, Batley. Again several members took their cars to the Yorkshire Rovers Show, organised by our own Dave Perrins and his team.



Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June - Platinum Jubilee Concours night at the Bridge Hotel. 2022 allowed us



to have a near normal concours night. The weather was good. 28 cars, including several from visiting clubs, were on display. 18 members and visitors had a carvery meal. The overall club winner was Mervyn with his Austin Litchfield. Joint second

were Colin with his "new" Lomax, and Mike and Libby with their Rover P6.

Almost unanimously

voted winner of the best Jubilee decoration was Jeff and Elaine's Hillman Husky, with the queen apparently at the driving wheel. [The only vote against was by Jeff himself]. Best visitors car was Rob Bowhill's VW



Beetle, a car which has been in his family from new. One of the visiting group from "Square Wheels" classic car club.

## **Chairmans Rant**

2022 so far has been very enjoyable, such an improvement on the last two years. At WCCC we have maintained a programme as far as was possible within the Covid regulations, and now members are coming back to our runs and outdoor events. Numbers are still down compared to pre-Covid, but improving all the time.

The Bridge Hotel have indicated to us that our numbers taking dinner do not support the free room and other facilities that we enjoy. If they decide to charge us the going rate for hire of the room, this would be £100 per evening for 10 meetings a year. The direct result would be about £25 added to the annual family membership fee. The alternatives are either to boost the numbers taking the carvery dinner each month. Or seek an alternative venue. We will need to discuss the risks at future meetings, in the meantime can we ask members to partake of the carvery dinner as far as possible. The Bridge have altered our discount to be a reduction of one, two or three course meals with coffee, effectively a low cost coffee.

Any club such as ours relies on it's members taking part in the running of the club. Right now we need a speaker finder. This is not an onerous task, for anyone with internet access there are web sites with lists of speakers and their subjects, fees, availability etc., The need is to find about 8 speakers per year, as other nights are pre-determined for Xmas dinner, AGM,

February party, Beetle drive etc. Please think about the clubs future, and let any member of the working group know if you want to find out more about the contribution this role can make.

A run in support of Cancer charity, Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September - At last month's YRC meeting, there was some interest shown in attending this Bradford to Morecambe run which is in aid of Cancer Support. This run will make a nice change to the 'polished & parked in a field' events. The run is on the 4<sup>th</sup> September, entry deadline 31<sup>st</sup> July, The plan would be to meet up together at the start and travel in a convoy, stopping for an optional T&P (& possible bacon butty!) en route.

Contact Bob or Dave Perrins by email for an entry form.

#### **FHBVC News**

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