THE TRADITIONAL CAR CLUB

Newsheet No. 2

Dear One and All,

Since writing last month, several new members have joined the ranks and we now total 31 members. This is most encouraging and we are very pleased to welcome all new members.

I am also heartened to hear that so many rebuilds are now in progress. It would indeed be pleasant to look forward to a 'Concours', before too long, although one realises that rebuilds do take rather a long time if the car is going to look something like. My own is progressing gently but I have my doubts as to whether or not it will be finished this year, although I have stated in a rash moment that the chassis will run by September! Mind you, I was goaded into by 'Honest John'.

Anyway, what's been happening, in case you haven't been to all the meetings.

Monday 4 March took the form of a noggin & natter night and was well attended as usual, and the conversation level was normal - LOUD! Ray, our Chairman, mentioned in his little chat at the end of the evening, that all members should feel free to make any suggestions with regard to the club programme, including the type of events we could put on, etc. A lively discussion arose from this, and continued even after closing time! So if you have any suggestions, please let us know, as the committee are here to serve this club, and we would like to try and cater for everyone's interest - within reason!

Monday 18 March was quite a night. It had been decided to have a slide show and everyone was invited to bring along what slides they had. Yours truly arrived at about 8.30 pm and found he couldn't get in through the doors as at the time some 40 other people had already arrived. It was slightly full, to say the least. Nevertheless, through the smoke and beery laughs one could see a screen, and with Raymond on the 'magic lantern' , we were well away. The quality of the slides was really excellent and most had been taken at various Concours Rallies etc., and a wide variety of makes and models was shown. Various commentators took the floor and some of them caused more than a bit of laughter. Amid this chaos and revelry several new members dared to brave the storm and enter into the swing of things. This was a thoroughly enjoyable evening and I for one look forward to many other such events.

As a point of interest, it is becoming increasingly obvious that the Salutation is becoming rather too small and I would mention that the Committee is at present endeavouring to find an alternative venue in the not too distant future. No doubt Ray will be speaking on the subject, but if you have any ideas, do let us know.

Monday 1 April was a noggin night, and took its usual course. Yours truly was not feeling too brilliant, and I regret that I didn't get there until rather late.

<u>Please note:</u> there is <u>no</u> meeting on Easter Monday, 15 April.

The future programme is as follows.

<u>Monday 22 April</u> - Discussion evening which should be informative. (Salutation)

<u>Monday 6 May</u> - Noggin & natter & fun! Be prepared for anything.

<u>Monday 20 May</u> - The 'Ins and Outs' of Insurance. A talk by David Watters. This should prove to be very interesting.

Further dates to be fixed.

We have tentatively arranged a talk by Mr Colin Pearce of Joseph Mason & Co. Ltd, who are paint manufacturers of very high repute. Rolls Royce use it - so! More details later, but if you have a painting problem of any description that involves technicalities, could you let either Ray or myself know before the day do that we can prime Mr Pearce beforehand. No Red Oxide pun intended! I personally can supply Mason's products and the usual wet or dry papers etc., but see suppliers sheet coming out later for further details. The provisional date for this night in 17 June (Monday).

What's On Outside the Club

Saturday, 20 April - V.S.C.C. Meeting at Silverstone.

Sunday 21 April - The Rallye Renault is being held at Mallory Park.

This event is organised by the Renault people themselves and there will be many museum pieces there as well as other old makes which have long since departed from Glass's Guide. Ray Reed is going with a car load, and he would be glad to hear from anyone that may be interested in going along. Please ring him at Doncaster 53685. It would probably mean an 8.00 am start, but this of course is nothing to the real enthusiast.

22-26 May is the time when the V.C.C. is holding the London-Edinburgh run. This will be coming up the Doncaster by-pass at some time and I understand that the Old Bell at Barnby Moor is providing the lunch stop on one of the days. I will let you all know as soon as I have some more information.

Barry Sherburn is now compiling a list of special tools which members have, and also spares that you may wish to dispose of. I am seeing to a list of suppliers who will be of help and assistance, and this you will have in a week or so.

All for now.

Keep smiling (and tinkering, of course).

Sincerely,