

## Correspondence

Dear Roger,
ANNUAL TOC RALLY
I think from memory, it was 1981 when we organised the Annual Rally at Stratford-upon-Avon, and I think most people who attended felt that it all went off very well.
Stratford has, of course, become a regular venue for the Citroën Car Club's Annual September Rally, and it seems to go from strength to strength.

One or two members of the TOC locally, namely, Simon Saint and Alan Kembury, have suggested that it may not be a bad idea to have another TOC Annual Rally at Stratford in, say, 1989. Because of the Citroën Car Club Rally in September, it would obviously be necessary to bring the TOC event forward to say, early June, but presumably this would be quite satisfactory.
These are just thoughts at the moment, and perhaps you could put them to your Committee and let me have your views in due course.
BestWishes for 1988.
Kindest regards, David Boyd.

## Dear David,

Thank you for your letter dated 14 th January. and having now recovered from the shock of receiving the first letter from a member actually offering to organise an event, I am delighted to say that we would be very pleased for you to arrange the Summer Rally in 1989.
Early to mid-June would be an ideal time, as it will be another busy year in the TOC calendar, as we will have the 2nd Tour of Belgium in May, organised by Club Belge des Ancienne Citroëns, the 4th Tour of Brittany with the Club Traction D'ille et Villain, and the 8th ICCCR in Holland, to name just a few events for that year.

Stratford-upon-Avon has always been a good venue due to its centrallocation and excellent facilities, and should be a success. We as a Club are sometimes accused of arranging events here in the south of England to suit our purpose. This is true to a degree but the fact of the matter is, as you will be aware, that you have to live locally in an area to arrange such events, as few, if any of us, can afford the time let alone the expense, to travellong distances to arrange events in other areas not well known to us!

We wish, you, Simon Saint and Alan Kembury every success with your event, and hope it will persuade other regional members to organise local or even national events, how about East Anglia, or Devon and Cornwall, Wales etc. ? Please let us know.

We look forward to seeing you in the near future.

Kind regards, Roger P. Dyer, Chairman Traction Owners Club


Dear Bob,
Enclosed is a photo given to me recently by a chap named Gordon Bayliss which I hope you find newsworthy so to speak for Floating Power.
The photo was taken in 1948 by Gordon's father-in-law Adolf Simon in Princetown, Dartmoor. The car is a Light 15 owned by Mr. Simon and purchased by him new in 1937. His daughter Joan, now married to Gordon Bayliss, is standing by the foal. The car was fitted with special suit-cases for the boot which Gordon has given to me and they are as good as new. Note also the stange rear bumper!

Adolf Simon is a remarkable man, now aged 93 , and has a marvellous collection of wartime photos and newsreels. He was once involved with Pathé News (of Cinema fame) and also filmed the Grand National in the 60 s using a Citroën DS!

Regards,
David Boyd, Redditch, Worcs.

Dear Bob,
It has taken me a long time to get round to writing to you but I hope it's better late than never. The Scottish Section has not been very active of late except in the realms of other makes ie; John Savelli's MGs. A picture of John's Big 15 towing a trailerful of MG is
enclosed which also shows a lovely part of the River Forth near to where I live.

On the Citroën front my Light 15 has had a new pair of 7 " sealed beams fitted to brighten up the long winter nights. This was a necessary modification since I am using the Citroën nearly every day while my Volvo is getting a new heart and skingraft after more than 250,000 miles. There is only one thing wrong with the Citroën - in winter it is cold. One other thing did happen to me and car, a racing Cavalier decided that my rear wing needed reshaping, not too much damage resulted however, and all has been restored.

The Fife Historic Vehicle Club, of which yours truly is vice-chairman, entered the Scottish Classic Car Show where Citroën KUA 444 was much admired and we won third place behind the might of Aston Martin and Jaguar car clubs, not bad for a small multi-marque club. I think that has exhausted the Scottish chapter for now so all the best to all club members.

Yours,
Alan Hay,
Fife, Scotland.
PS. John and Bryn at the Arch keep on turning up trumps and please keep Sam Wells doing those beautiful drawings. Oh how I wish I could draw like that!

John Savelli's Big 15 towing 1934 P type MG - see Alan Hay's letter.


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WITH THE RALLY season beingjust round the next bend, the news that all members have been waiting for is that the TOC Summer Rally will this year be held at Beverley Racecourse in North Humberside during the weekend of August 19th-21st. The normally difficult and protracted annual task of choosing a suitable venue has been avoided this year thanks to the kind offer of Beverley member Roger Williams, who suggested the site and offered to organise the main attractions. Full details of the planned event are included in this issue and it is notable that as well as the usual camp-site facilities the venue also offers alternative dormatory accommodation at modest cost for those who dislike spending the night beneath canvas. A pillow and sleeping-bag is all that would be required for members taking advantage of this, normallyjockey's accommodation, and I am assured that you don't need to have a horse's backside throbbing between your knees nor take part in the Novices Handicap over the jumps to qualify for a berth! With a Folk Group booked for the Saturday binge, buffet supper laid on, and all welcome including children, the evening promises to be one of traditional TOC family fun, frolics and bonhomie and definitely one not to be missed. If any members can assist with the organisation and running of the rally then please contact Roger Williams or Social Sec. Mike Wheals as soon as possible.

Having this year's rally venue agreed and organised by one of our members was a tremendous bonus, especially for the committee, but to have the 1989 Summer Rally venue settled at the same time was indeed the proverbial "icing on the cake'. The offer to hold the 1989 rally came this time from a trio of die-hard Midland TOC members, David Boyd, Simon Saint and Alan Kembury. With their experience of organising the highly successful annual Midland area $\mathrm{CCC} / \mathrm{TOC}$ combined events, the 1989TOC Summer Rally at Stratford-upon-Avon is in very
capable hands and is, therefore, assured of being yet another memorable and exciting TOC get-together and one to look forward to.

More good news recently was the revival of the Central Southern area meetings on a monthly basis at the White Hart in Whitchurch. This venue is of course, the adopted second home of that bearded-real-ale aficionado and Tractionist extraordinarius, Mike Wheals, to whom all enquiries concerning meetings should be directed.
The Northern section seem to be going from strength to strength and looking at their enclosed list of forth-coming area events it is not surprising. Liz andJim Rogers are doing a marvellous job in organising a varied and interesting programme of events, guaranteed to suit every taste and even including a technical talk. As Jim points out, however, an error crept into the magazine recently showing the Northern Section regular meetings on the wrong day. Our apologies for this mistake, particularly if any members made a wasted journey, and please note that the Northern Section meetings are held on the 4th Thursday of each month and not the Tuesday as we indicated.
Finally, I must humbly beg your forgiveness for the delay in producing and getting the March issue of FP out to you, due solely to my extremely heavy work commitments at present which leaves very little spare time to devote to my favourite pastime (let alone edit the magazine!), and for which I offer my sincere apologies - oh, how I like a good grovel! To overcome the immediate backlog situation, however, we have decided to make this magazine a doublesize issue to avoid the May issue of $F P$ being likewise delayed. Ihope that you will find this solution acceptable on this ocassion and be assured that the magazine will revert to the normal bimonthly production with the July issue.

Have a splendid Traction Summer,

than failed CSE! We talked for two hours and undoubtedly were hooked. However, we were in France for wine not cars and eventually made our way on with a promise to call back on our return a week later to the UK. On arrival at Chez Nous our minds were torn between Medoc AC and Traction AV but after two days of rain the Traction AV got the better of us and we decided to have a day out to Parthenay to view and test drive the Traction.

Following a phone call to the UK to a friend who had imported a car to find the legal aspect no problem (Ha! Ha ! read on) and another to M. Derit the dealer, to arrange a visit, we set off north again for Parthenay, When we arrived we spent some three hours chatting over apertifs and grease guns finally to make the decision that she was to be ours.

Two problems were not to be overcome:

1. Would it get me to the port some 200 miles away? This was no problem we were assured by M . Derit, and somehow I believed him. 2. We had no money! This appeared to be more of a problem. You may not believe this and British second-hand car dealers should take note, we agreed to pay by Eurocheque, but as we informed $M$. Derit the money was not in our account - but we could organise to transfer cash within three days whilst we were in France, allowing him to clear the cheque before we took delivery of the car three days later. "No problem" he said. He would not encash the cheque until after our return to the UK. I had to have another glass of wine, ably poured by his wife and have him repeat what he had just said. Surely something had been lost in the translation? He meant just that and wrote it down to prove it! I then began to wonder if problem 1 . was more important as the man must be desperate to get rid of the car, but by now, as all of you old experienced owners know, your first Traction gets you hooked and will not let go!

So off we went back to the Medoc having given our worthless cheque and armed with bills for all the repair works over the last ten years together with the TA manual which
was all part of the deal. The next three days were a mixture of sheer delight and sleepless nights worrying about what we had done! With the difficult task of trying to translate technical literature on the repairs carried out even the ' $A$ ' level began to wilt!

Friday arrived and off we set to be greeted on arrival by M. Derit with more aperitifs, road tax, insurance, eurocheque not banked, assurance that we would make it home; a quick test drive later and a fist full of documents for the customs, and we were off? The next four hours were the most enjoyable and fearful driving experience of my life. One hour ecstasy and novel excitement followed by two hours listening to every creak and knock, prayers at corners and road junctions and restarts after necessary stops, followed by one hour of sheer

delight again knowing that if any problems occured the BX and the towrope would get us home. The last half-hour was a bit hairy as the lights are not that great are they?, especially when you are left hand drive for the first time and are being followed by a convoy of BX and twenty lorries all itching to overtake.

However, I need not have worried as at sevenish Le Havre appeared and we arrived at the ferryport to find the ship had come in some three hours early. Soon we were told that the boat had been out all night riding the HURRICANE. A rapid phone call home assured us the house was still standing so we jointed the queue for England! At elevenish, after 200 questions on the quay as to what it was, how long had you had it, the usual my dad, my uncle, brother, aunt, etc. all had one, I drove rather relieved onto the boat and she rested reluctantly on British soil albeit a carferry! The French customs had proved not too much of a problem except that I gave them the wrong
documents but after producing the correct ones was allowed through.

7 a.m. dawned and we were called to our cars. She started better than most and I wason my way over the ramp and down through customs. We had decided that as there is not VAT on second-hand cars in the UKI need not declare the TA and just drive through the green channel in the normal way, only being expected to be asked who owned the car etc. because it was so unusual amongst all the modern traffic, and showing all the necessary documents from M. Derit. 'WRONG'. Lyn had gone on through and I was called to the 'we would like to have a word with you' enclosure. I was questioned by a very nice officer who informed me that he had seen 'Top Gear' last week where the TA had been featured as the Car of the Decade. Very nice chap, I thought, I showed him round and he was most interested. 'WRONG'. I was then called to the inner sanctum of the 'we would like a word with you' enclosure where after three hours of questioning I was required to pay VAT on goods over $£ 250$ clause. Having thanked them for the advice I thought I was free to leave. 'WRONG'. The car was now impounded and a fine had to be paid to release her. After some discussion I coughed up and left for home. The friend who I had contacted for advice on importing (he now has a black eye!) was also 'WRONG' but I now had her home and was itching to get underneath to start inspections. However, I had to spend the next two weeks sawing up trees which had fallen all over the garden during the hurricane.

That is all over now and I am the proud owner of a TA. I have just joined the Club (and paid my spares levy) and look forward to meeting some of you at various meets in the south.

Any import problems please contact: Robin Davison (French CSE), 12 Salterns Lane, Hayling Island, Hampshire, PO119PJ.

NB The cheque was presented a week later and the franc had gone down against the pound!

NB 1987 vintage (wine that is) has a very high water content. Probably not to be recommended.

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The fledgling leaves the nest

## BY INNES IRELAND

Iwas barely 17 when I came to love the rich, extravagant smell of new leather. I savor, now, an association, the memory that returns every time I sense it. Or perhaps it is the memory that is treasured, the smell merely the reminder. Whichever it is, the incident that created it comes back whenever 1 settle into a luxuriously leather-trimmed motorcar, although I recalled it the other night with something as simple as the new leather belt given as a gifl to a friend.

During World War II, no new cars were available in Great Britain as manufacturing plants devoted production to military machinery. My father had been in the habit of changing his car every year, but with hostilities commencing in 1939, he had to do with the one he bought in 1938: a Rover 12 saloon in silver gray with dark blue upholstery and spoked wheels. It served him well and he was pleased with it. although I never thought the brakes were up to much. Maybe this was because of the free-wheeling device fitted to make the petrol ration go a bit further. Brought into action by turning a large black control fitted high on the dash to the right of the steering wheel, it allowed the car to freewheel when you took your foot off the accelerator pedal. the engine dying down to tick-
over revs. Without engine overrun deceleration. it seemed to me you had to use the brakes harder, particularly if going fast. When the Rover had covered about 100,000 miles, it needed an engine overhaul. and, to smarten it up, the coachwork was repainted black with thin gold lines along its midriff.
With the war ended. new cars were few and far between, and, put off by an 18 -month delivery date, my father decided to soldier on with the Rover until cars were more plentiful. This irked me, for I was anxious for him to get something faster than the Rover; it was late 1945 and now with 140,000 on the clock, the car was getting pretty lired.
Looking through motor magazines at the limited number of cars being built. it seemed to me the Citroenn Light Fifteen was most suited to my father's needs. What impressed me most was that it accelerated from 0-50 mph in just 15 seconds and had a top speed of more than 75 mph . I had to drive the old Rover downhill to get it over 70, and it was a hell of a lot slower accelerating.
1 was a few months past 15 when I wrote to Gordon McAndrew's in Edinburgh, the nearest Citroën agent. Without a thought to the consequences. I ordered one "for delivery at your earliest


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convenience." I felt it imprudent to bother my father with this matter, feeling certain he had more important things to consider! My excitement was intense when a reply addressed to Miss Innes Ireland confirmed my order had been placed, listing a delivery date of approximately 18 months. Miraculous! They hadn't I wigged I was a penniless minor. I had a brand-new car actually on order. Still. I never had a thought for the consequences once the crunch came. although subconsciously my defense mechanism must have been at work. for I never boasted of my action at school nor mentioned it to my brother, one year senior to me. The secret was between me and Gordon McAndrew. That his correspondence was addressed to Miss Innes Ireland held no fears. for I had a girlfriend at boarding school in Stirlingshire who. forbidden to write to boys. addressed her letters to me in the same way: my parents would think nothing odd in it.

I'd been driving on the open road-illegally, being under agesince I was 11, taking my father on the rounds of his practice as a veterinary surgeon. It always surprised me that he gave such rein to my enthusiasm for driving, as in all other matters of discipline he was rather strict. Once, when the war had just ended, we were
making a family visit to Edinburgh. 100 miles distant. and as usual I was in the driving seat long before the baggage was stowed. Fifteen then. the best 1 could hope for was the 30 -mile drive to Dumfries, the eastern limit of my father's wartime area, But no, he didn't tell me to "Pull over, boy" when we reached the edge of town so on I drove. through Moffat and over the top of the hill by the Devil's Beefiub-60 miles and still no "Pull over, boy." There was the usual "Steady. boy" from him whenever I would attempt maximum speed on the straight bits. but I'd heard it so often I paid little heed: a momentary lift of the throttle seemed to satisfy him until the next "Steady, boy" was due

It's a funny thing-he kept up this "Steady, boy" routine whenever I was driving him even to his last days; even to the one time I took him in my aeroplane shortly before he fell off his perch. Taking off from a grass field. I eased the throttle to full power. and we hadn't reached 60 mph before I heard the familiar "Steady, boy!"I had to laugh-I was 35 years old by this time!

The outskirts of Edinhurgh appeared. Still no "Pull over, boy." Although I had no experience of city driving. I wasn't aboul to give up the wheel voluntarily. If he was game, so was I. As we $\rightarrow$


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progressed, the traffic became more dense with every mile and my terror of being apprehended increased. Finally we came to the center of town. the mile-long Princes Street. There were no traffic lights at the street junctions in those days, the flow being controlled by uniformed policemen. They all seemed to be 8 ft tall. staring at me as if to divine my age. When stationary, gripping the wheel hard. I looked straight ahead, heart pounding in my breast. dreading the rap on the window, the "Can I see your driving license, please?" from the law. It was almost a relief when we came to our journey's end.

At 10:00 a.m. on the morning of June 12, 1947, my 17th birthday. I presented myself plus Rover at the driving examiner's office in Castle Douglas. Fifteen minutes later, I drove off with a full license permitting me to conduct a motorcar on the King's highways. No longer would I live with the fear of being caught.

Very shortly thereafter, a letter arrived from Gordon McAn-drew`s-there had been other correspondence advising me of the progress of my car-but this one stated it was in the showroom and if I would be kind enough to forward my insurance certificate, they would attend to the necessary paperwork.

My moment of truth had arrived! Suddenly I was faced with the prospect of being on the receiving end of my father's not inconsiderable wrath. It was a daunting one I decided to face with the least possible delay. Before dinner that night. I bearded him in his den, McAndrew's letter in hand, my words carefully rehearsed.
"Father, since I knew you didn't like the idea of waiting 18 months for a new car, I took the liberty of ordering one for you." I stood there before him, shaking. Slowly he raised his head and looked al me.
"You did what. boy?" Here it comes, I thought.
"I ordered you a new car, Sir, 18 months ago, and it has arrived in the showroom now. Sir." That's it, get it off my chest, shit or bust. Steadfastly I waited for the rocket.
"What kind of new car did you order, boy? Not a Rolls-Royce, I hope." He actually smiled as he said it.
"No. Sir. A Citroën Light Fifteen," I replied, feeling the tension ease out through my feet.
"Are they any good?" he asked, still with a smile on his face. I couldn't believe it-this wasn't on the program I'd rehearsed. I supposed the rocket would come when he asked the price!

I positively bubbled with relier, giving him the technical details of the car, its specifications and performance. I sailed through dinner that evening as if in a dream, my father explaining how we would go about the necessary paperwork and the collection of the new car. He seemed as happy with the situation as I was.

I felt tremendously important as my father drove me to Kirkcudbright to catch the bus that would take me to Edinburgh. With his check for $£ 750$ in my pocket, and money for my bus fare, a cab to the showrooms. and petrol. I was richer than l'd ever been. But the real excitement was that he trusted me to make the journey on my own. to collect the new car and bring it home. It seemed, somehow, as if l grew up on that day.

The bus ride was interminable as it made its way ponderously through the hills, but finally I climbed down to hail a cab.
"Gordon McAndrew’s showrooms, please," I stated, hoping the driver might ask me if I was going to collect my new car. but he didn't! Trying to appear accustomed to riding in cabs, I paid the fare, adding his tip as father had instructed- 10 percent-and strode into the showrooms.
"Can I assist you?" asked a pleasant man in a smart suit who appeared from an office.
'Yes, please. I've come to collect my new car," I replied with as much self-assurance as 1 could muster, uncertain as I was about the correct conduct of such affairs.
"Ah! You must be Mr Ireland." It surprised me that he knew my name and did not seem deterred by my youth, but from that moment on, I was transported into another world. He whisked me away and with something of a flourish, waved his arm in the direction of a car. "There she is. Sir, your new car all ready for you."

Her black paintwork and glass positively glistened, reflecting
images from whatever passed by in the street outside, the depth of color exaggerated by the pure white letters on the number platesFWS 66. The man opened the door, bade me sit in the driving seat while he explained the controls. And as he did, I was struck by the waft of air laden with the heavy scent of the new leather upholstery. He showed me how the heater worked (the Rover didn't have a heater), where the spare whee! and jack were placed, the operation of the gear lever sticking out horizontally from the dashboard, and many other things. Then it was time to part with father's check in exchange for a receipt-and to drive, ever so carefully, out of the showroom to fill the tank with petrol. This done. I was ready for the road.

It was a glorious day and as I drove home, I had an intense sense of well-being: I was so happy and satisfied: I never wanted the drive to end: I wanted it to go on and on. And although it took me out of my way. I did go and drive around the streets of Kirkcudbright just in case any friends were walking about!

But above all. I remember feeling complete for the first time, for to me the degree of trust my father placed in me was of gigantic proportions. And, of course, 1 remember the smell of leather.
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From Idaho, Mike Anderson spins another yarn of everyday $\square$ Traction folk in sagebrush I ${ }^{\text {canary. }}$. FINE
MESH!

$I$WAS DRIVING my 1939 IICV Traction during the Payette Idaho Apple Blossom Days Parade. Nothing really made any peculiar sound, but I just caught the three speed transmission in between second and third gear. Seems my synchromesh brass ring was worn out and the transmission was hung up in third gear. Not a very healthy situation to be in during a parade - I'd say I was the main attraction of the parade!
In tearing down the transmission, a three speed affair, I thought this time I would leave the bell housing attached to the engine. Well that wasn't so bad, but getting the critter apart from those four drive shaft bolts on either side, was a real pain in the ass. Grasping the third member and trans together was unique to me, but then I got a wild hair up you know where. I thought why in hell couldn't I combine a four speed box to a three speed? Almost, but too many teeth on the crown wheel to mesh. Hello out there, not your Aunt Lizzie's Crown either!
Oh my God, here I am knee deep in 3rd member parts, ever tried to get a Traction 3 -speed transmission tore apart?, just to get the 2nd and 3rd synchromesh unit out. What a conglomeration of bits and pieces. Hey, did that slider face that way or this way? Oh what the hell, it's only a Citroen! You got to be kidding, never seen so many springs and little ball bearings fly off in so many different directions in all of my back yard tear me downs. Wait, yes even with the back porch light on. A lil glitter in the grass over there, says my honey.

Now mind you English members, I don't live in the mid-west of the US, where lightening bugs or fireflies turn on and off in their flight across a person's backyard at night. Nor do we have out here amongst the Sawtooth mountains, those nasty lil red crawling and biting critters, a-called Chiggers, as only the Ohio Valley and the
boys from the 'Show Me' state of Missouri have. Ha, thank you George Burns, God looked down upon us here amongst the tall sweet scented Sage Brush!

Wasn't I all thumbs some where on my knees? Got ya, ball bearing, Oh my gosh, you guys know what their doing nowadays with 365 used Rubbers? Seems they are melting them down and moulding them into a new tyre. Guess what they have decided to call it? A GOOD YEAR!!

Traction owners, ever try to locate either a new or used synchromesh brass ring? Oh let me tell you, it's pure delight. Well this ole mountain boy decided he could obscure a piece of round brass stock. But wait a minute, not just any ole yellow brass is going to cut the mustard in this gear-box. So off to the familiar irrigation Machine Shop I go a'trotting. Their comments were again, Ha, hey Mike it's our lunch time. get the hell out of here. Wait, what is that thing you've got there? Guess what you've got to have Mike, they so lovingly said.


Looking like they could have been designed by Fritz lang himself, these are the original German headights.

Marine brass, and there isn't any in this high and dry arid area!

You might try the Sugar Factory, they may have some on hand in their shop. Ever go back a few years later to some place, where you had told them, "Take this job and shove it!". Oh ya fellows, I'd kiss almost anything just to get my 1939 German made Citroen Traction Avant back on the parade route before the snow drifts in!

That reminds me about the Utah Pollock who went down to his neighbourhood Osco drug store and bought a pair of condoms. He pulled them over his ears, he wasn't going to catch hearing aids!

Man, what a Pollock I was for tearing down that 3rd member that sits underneath the radiator. Without a dial indicator, you're really fishing and not for Snake River trout. Now let me see, back to that dam slider again, which way do I put it, that way or this!

Believe me boys, try and install those synchromesh bearings and springs. If you don't locate a piece of round stock aluminium and angle it to a point, that can be a nasty chore in itself. But back a-ways, I got my marine brass round stock. Cut off a hunk, took a drill and drilled out several holes, then tore it out to almost the size I needed. Took a round file and a hack saw. then used a three pointed file, say this synchromesh ring isn't so hard to make after all. But bevel the end that enter courses with 2nd and 3rd, then use a 10,000 pound press and press the ring in, now take a punch and stake it. Not your Witch either, that lil hummer really connects. Sure glad for 90 weight gear case oil. Speaking of gear case oils, I ordered from the English Traction Owners Club, a gear case gasket set. They never came, they still never came, so I installed my


Mike Anderson displays 6 f ratliesnake skin in front of his 1939 German-built traction Headgear also by courtesy of rattler.
transmission and third member together with ole liquid silicone. Yes, I noticed a drip here and there, and would you believe it, those gaskets came by slow boat the day after. And my God the price, I'm still paying for them as they sit collecting dust in the shed. Oh well, what the hell, those English are most likely all on Socialised Medicine!

You know when you instal a traction trans back in, it's really simple. Jack up one side, then jack up the trans, slip those four bolts and nuts on and keep the grease cert even with the other side, now do the same over there. Simple Simon, now you're ready for the radiator support and the tin.

The next Traction I restore is going strictly Street Rod, Cadillac Eldorado, Torsion Bars and V-8 to boot. Won't that make that parts car in all its rusty colour
zoom down the open stretches of sage brush lanes, with dust billowing up from the holes in the floor board. There won't be any caution on the curves, strange sounds from the front end, nor meshing of gears. Come to think of it, I don't have that any more either, now. I even drive at night when the bugs come swooping in from beneath the open English style 'Wind Screen', ya our six foot Rattle Snakes have to have something to snap at during a Cool night on the desert.

Would you believe, I was out scrounging for a Covered Wagon and spotted one from the airplane Sunday afternoon. Now granted this was not in the ordinary sage brush, but amongst Owyhee Mountains and Junipers, Jack Rabbits, Jack Pine and high lofty sweet scented Sage Brush. As I crested a knoll, here lay what seemed to be
a Horseless Carriage. Man did my heart throb. Then I said, what Dip Shit would be up here with such? Well I was one, I was up there! But the mistake was a gold smelting rig Steam Boiler from an age gone by.

Sitting there looking at my crude hand drawn map. I directed myself off that lovely hard Lava Rock and there was the treasure chest. That ole dilapidated Covered Wagon. Oxen skull and all, even had Brass Hubs now turned green. See what you guys miss by not living out amongst the tall Sage Brush. Oh yes, I got a Rattle Snake, it measured in just over six foot, $41 / 2$ inches wide, and had 13 rattlers. Those Pioneers had long gone a foot.

Now what else can go astray with this dam Citroen?


Turn and stop lighits on rear wings are ex-Studebaker.

> MORE NEWS from the SPARES SEGTION little balls that fit in the gearchange linkage. They look like small steering rack balls. H32 at $£ 1.70$ and $£ 1.95$.

Engine mounting blocks (the rubber one at the back that fits into the hole in the bulkhead) are more easily obtainable and we reckon to keep some in stock. F41. (A significant cause of clutch judder if it is perished.)

On the other side of the coin we are experiencing some difficulty getting hold of more mundane parts. Common old brake cylinder overhaul kits are causing our supplier a headache. Fronts are OK, but the small one-inch kits for the rear seem to have disappeared. Yes, we are trying other soures but, at the time of writing, are down to two sets in stock. Some things remain out of stock simply through lack
of time and opportunity to search for sources. These include metal clips for securing trim, and small electrical parts like dynamo brushes. However we feel that in an emergency - or meet a deadline most members can find a make-do remedy to get the car moving.

Exhaust systems have got lower or runout lately due to cessation of manufacture by the people who have supplied us for years. We have commissioned more and they should be through soon. Stainless and mild steel. As a plug for the former, I have recently had to take off my stainless system for access to
other buts and was amazed at the genuinely perfect condition of it all. It is only three years old, it is true, but a mild steel system would have been a messy job - I did not even get my hands dirty - and it would have disintegrated as I did it. This system has a deep lustre now and I can without hesitation recommend it. The cost is not prohibitive, in the whole scale of the car, and since it will remain clean to the touch forever it is marvellous. One could have it chrome plated, or perhaps copper

Finally a word of explanation. If you are one of several members who have recently waited some weeks for your parts it was not an intentional thing. Spring is the time when young men's thoughts turn to love and TOC members' thoughts to getting the old bus mobile. Orders flood in in March, April and May. Peter and I are also busy in spring - we have nine older vehicles between us to get ready; we both have wives (one each I hasten to add) and homes we wish to give attention to, and I will have had a month's holiday in the USA by the time this appears. However, we know that everybody does get their stuff in the end, and most within a few days. We hope to continue the process.

Alec Bilney

## THE NEW

TEN SALOON Car. Riding Comfor Performance of an Interesting Four-cylinder Car. Riding Comfort and Ease of Control are Outstanding Features
 sreat general interest which created now being built in This car is numbers at the in considerable slough, and we citroën works at a representative recently subjected thorough road test. example to a Although pa test
the car is considerably Citroen Ten, are most $10 \mathrm{~h} . \mathrm{p}$. models bigger than base is actually 8 dels; the wheelthus allows really $8 \mathrm{ft} .10+\mathrm{ins}$., and to be fitted. The saloon boachwork steel monopiece saloon body is of mounted on a chassistruction, and is exceptional strength, so that quite when the car is drive so that even erceedingly rough roads speed over or rattles can be produced. "Flouting Power" Engine
"Flouting Power" Engine Mounting towards silent running is fontributor mounting, which is ing is the engine floating power is carried out on Chrysler licence principles under of the enginegearbor Thus, the meight entirely carried by two is almost lated anchorages two rubber-insuplaced behing the one of which is the other is supported gearbox, while bracket in front of by an "A" block. Each is fitted the cylinder pads bonded to the adjuth rubber surfaces by a vulcanizingent metal there being no metallic cong process, The engine is allic connection. able degree of movement a considersulated so thoroughly by this is inthat at no point of the speed system are vibrations made manifest within
the car. This complete freedom from coachwork is something the steel triumph for modern is soming of a principles.
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## Good Gearbox Features <br> This brings us to another

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Towards the end of this the of the lever a slight resis movement perienced, which indicates that ex-

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brake pedal, one can simultancously declutch with the left gear, it change down ins to operate the being unnecessary arain, hills can accelerator. Then, again without any be coasted in neutral to reengage doubt as to one's abilitys should the top gear without delay need arise.

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left) The four-Cyhe steel container at
(Above, right) The
recalled that the side-menbers of the frame are reinforced by welded plates to form a box section of great stiffness.

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Steel Container for Luggage
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## Practical Features doors

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Price: $£ 198$.



## Fifteen in full flight

We had just filled up outside Dreux when a Traction whizzed past the garage in the direction we were travelling. We hastened to the car, imitating an early Le Mans start. This was the first Traction we had seen that was travelling in the same direction (typically, the other sightings had been of Tractions rushing past on the other side of the central barrier, when indentification was impossible!)
I thought we would catch the Traction easily and have a chat (not un chat!) with the driver, "Bunjewer, jer swee ern member der ler Tea Oh Sea; common sarvar?" However, I had not allowed for the laden state of the BX, ie; bicycles, tent, kitchen sink, family etc., because hard as I tried, it was impossible to catch this Traction. Traffic was light so we were able to get near enough to the quarry to recognise it as a small boot Quinze!

Sacré blue, I thought, as I tried in vain to pass so that photographs could be taken. We pulled alongside and stopped at traffic lights, as Carolyn leaned out of the window to photograph . . . exposure right, beautifully lined up, press shutter button, nothing happens, film not 'wound on', gnashing of teeth, brief matrimonial dispute, lights change, Quinze disappears! "Fiddlesticks", I said now that Rachael is three years old and repeats everything.
We follow in hot pursuit and my wife salvages the marriage by leaning out of the window at 60 mph to take a rear view shot. We has tried waving at the driver, but so accustomed was he, lucky fellow, to the admining gesticulations of the non-Traction owning population, that he ignores our attempts to flag him down. We carried on like this for about 25 miles breaking nearly every rule in the book, but fortunately it was

## by RalphDrouin

lunchtime and the gendarmes were otherwise engaged. Soon we reached Evreux and at a set of traffic lights, Carolyn nipped out, dropped the lens cap and took full frontal and rear views before jumping back in as the lights changed. The driver just saidy "Bye bye", and waved to Carolyn as he carried straight on and we turned left to Lisieux and Cherbourg. Rachael had spent the entire chase talking about the black car we were

following, which was like her Matchbox model and also trying to photgraph it with her toy binoculars!

Crumbs, if a modern (and admittedly laden) car had difficulty keeping up whith a Quinze, what must it have been like in those desperate days of 1939 to take delivery of the latest high performance product from the Citroen factory in Paris? Will CX GTi Turbos command the same respect in the year 2032?

VERY FEW CAR batteries are replaced because they stop working, in almost every case the battery is replaced because it doesn't work well enough any more. What is not generally realised is that something can be done at this stage which may well prolong the useful life of the battery - quite often by many years, and that the same treatment carried out earlier may well have stopped the symptoms from occurring in the first place.

To understand what can be done requires a simple appreciation of how a battery works. All lead-acid batteries are a series of cells; the most common is the 12 v battery which is simply six cells in series. Each cell consists of a plate oflead and a supported plate oflead (V) oxide, both immersed in fairly concentrated sulphuric acid. The lead (IV) oxide plate is the positive pole, the lead plate is the negative pole. As the battery discharges, electrons flow from the negative to the positive pole; when we charge the battery, we simply drive electrons back in the opposite direction.

The reason for a battery failing to work properly any more is due to the chemical processes which take place within each cell. As the battery discharges, the positive plate can react with the sulphuric acid to produce some lead ions. The negative plate on dissolving can also form lead ions in the process which finally leads to the battery's complete failure.

It is the lead ions which are incidentally formed in the discharge cycle which cause problems. They combine with sulphate ions in sulphuric acid to form highly insoluble lead sulphate. When this coats the piates of the battery, it fails to deliver enough power to be of use. The battery may well be thoroughly serviceable in every other way - only the "sulphating" stops the battery delivering enough power to be useful.

The sulphating can effectively be removed, or prevented, by adding to each cell a chemical called tetrasodium ethylenediaminetetraacetate (often abbreviated to tetrasodium EDTA or just "ETDA"). This chemical forms co-ordination compounds with many metal ions, including the lead ions formed in the discharge cycle of a battery. The compound formed by lead ions and EDTA ions is not particularly stable in the acid medium of a battery, but when it breaks down again any lead sulphate regenerated drops to the bottom of the cell where it lays harmlessly since it doesn't conduct electricity. Any regenerated EDTA ions are free to continue their work.

As can be seen from above, treating a battery with "EDTA" is likely to be most effective when the battery spends periods when it is not fully charged, and so contains too many lead ions. This is likely to occur if it is used for short trips, is infrequently used, or suffers from an inefficient charging system.

To treat a battery with "EDTA" you simply add the powder to each cell - the exact amount is not critical, but an average size car battery needs about one heaped table-spoon full divided up between its cells. After addition of the powder, the battery needs some form of agitation for a day or two (just using it normally is sufficient), and then a thorough charge to build up on the cleaned plate areas. On the assumption that sulphating has been effecting the
performance of the battery, an increased performance will be noted from here on.

The electrolyte in a battery is suphuric acid at a concentration about mid-way between the dilute and concentrated acids which you may have met when at school. As such, you have to take care when handling it. The one thing you must never do is get the acid in contact with your eyes. Don't peer into a cell if you are charging the battery with the caps off, the spray from the fizzing can get into your eyes and will cause permanent darnage if it does. Remember that the gases given off during charging constitute an explosive mixture - if they are as much as sparked by even static electricity, the explosion which occurs can splash acid out of the battery all over your face. If you think that there is ever any possibility of the acid getting into your eyes then wear goggles whilst you work close to, or with, your battery or its acid.

Battery acid spilled on you or your clothes will cause burns if left for very long - the treatment for acid spillages wherever they occur is always the same - wash down with large amounts of cold water.

Beware of where you keep old or new batteries - think of what could happen if one were to fall off a high shelf, split, and deposit acid all over the garage and you. If you store battery acid, do so in only glass or thick polythene screw-topped containers, leaving a space for air at the top. Label the containers permanently, keep them out of the reach of children, and store where they can't fall, and nothing can fall upon them. All this should apply to batteries too.

By far the most common problem is what to do with a battery during a period of inactivity, or if it is superfluous to needs, what needs to be done to store it for future use. If you can't get into the habit of charging it regularly and often, it must be stored dry and following procedure can be adopted. Firstly, the electrolyte must be carefully removed from the battery. The simplest way of removing it is to take off the cell caps, turn the battery on its side with the terminals uppermost, and then completely upside down, over a plastic bowl. Never do this over a metal container, the acid may react with it the battery also still works at this stage and any dead short across the terminals may well burn a hole through the container. The electrolyte will probably be re-usable, even if it looks dirty, so if it is caught in a bowl it can be kept for future use. An average sized battery contains about $1 / 1 / 2$ litres ( $2^{1 / 2}-3$ pints) of electrolyte which should be stored as described above.

After the battery has been emptied, it should be washed out with copious amounts of cold water. Don't stint on this, keep filling and tipping out until the last trace of sediment emerges. If you don't remove all of the acid at this stage, it will cling to the plates and coat them with lead sulphate, leading to all the
familiar problems associated with sulphating. Store the battery on its side with the cell caps removed.

When the battery is to be used again, the acid can simply be poured straight back in followed by a recharge. Before that the plates can be cleaned of any sulphate deposits which may have built-up during its working life by using tetrasodium EDTA. Add about half a teaspoon of the powder to each cell, and then top-up with hot water. As I explained earlier "EDTA" works slowly in battery acid, but extremely quickly in alkaline solutions, so leave the "EDTA" solution in the battery for an hour or so, shaking it occasionally, and then remove and wash out well with water. After the "EDTA" treatment, put the acid back in and recharge. If you are short of electrolyte (you shouldn't be if it was drained properly), get a little from your local battery suppliers. If they won't co-operate, ask your local chemist if he will make you up a little 4 M sulphuric acid ( 1 part concentrated sulphuric acid to $41 / 2$ parts water).
Batteries which are completely dead, or more commonly have one dead cell, can sometimes be rescued, depending on how and why they failed. Checking the voltage may not tell you very much - a reading in the range of 13 to 14 volts is nearly always obtained. Testing the speciffic gravity with a hydrometer can also be misleading, different manufacturers use slight differing acid concentrations and so the "red and green" areas on the scale are a bit arbitrary. As a rough and ready guide, a battery which suddenly and spectacularly failed, or fails to start a car after a long static charge, might as well be thrown away. Those most likely to be resurrected are ones which were in good condition but have stood neglected for some time. These need the electolyte removing and a treatment with "EDTA" as described above. In one albeit spectacular case, someone recently claimed to have returned to use a battery which was 14 years old and had laid out of use for 10 years!
Distilled water is not strictly necessary for topping-up, and it certainly isn't worth the cost if you have to buy it. If you have a fridge or a freezer, you can collect the frost that forms due to condensation of water vapour in the air and use that. Failing that, you can use tap water which has been boiled and allowed to cool, but it is better to prepare yourself a topping-up solution. To do this, put about a quarter of a tea-spoon of the tetrasodium salt of EDTA in a jug and add a pint of hot water, allow it to cool, and carefully decant the water off any sediment which might fall to the bottom. Preparing yourself a topping-up solution like this is far more economical than continually buying distilled water for batteries and has the advantage over distilled water in that the solution you are adding has something in it to prevent sulphation of battery plates.

Finally, I am very happy to try and answer any queries which you may have about batteries, but please do include an s.a.e. If you cannot track down any "EDTA" locally, I can provide you with enough to treat an average-to-large car battery for $£ 1.50$, inclusive of postage, packing and instructions. My address is: K. L. Martin, 19 Brookmead, Meppershall, Shefford, Bedfordshire, SG175SA.


IRECENTLY HAD the chance to visit Peacock Engineering in Loughborough. There have been several references to them in Floating Power lately, so I was pleased to be able to see for myself what is available for the tractionist. The general increase in facilities for the owner of older cars is typified by this establishment.
The premises are a disused railway station. The establisment is run by Mick Peacock himself, who takes care of the bodywork side, while his father Lawrence is responsible for the high precision engineering work. Sid Ross provides all round assistance and Caroline Peacock attempts to control the paperwork.

The biggest project in hand, and of which they are proudest, is the complete fabrication of new Traction roadsters: Light 15, Big 15 and now Big 6's. This if of course the most desirable of the Traction range. Every car is manufäctured in new steel and the buyer can be involved throughout the build. Alas, it is not a car that the average TOC member will rush out to buy, at $£ 7000$ minimum for a bodyshell to which much of an original saloon needs fitting. However it will be a hand-crafted replica of assured quality which the owner can look after like a baby from new. Mick assured me that the display at Loreley has produced his first orders from abroad.

But of more immediate interest to club members is the bread-and-butter repair and renovation service provided. This includes
replacement door outer skin panels and the lower portion of the inner frame. The panels attach just above the waistline of the car and the joint is undetectable when fitted correctly.
Also manufactured are complete sills, and all monocoque panels to exact tolerances. Particularly, as a result of the roadster project, any replacement panel for a roadster can be supplied. I would think this must bea first-class investment for an owner of one of these cars.
Reconditioning of gearboxes is Peacock Senior's speciality. It is a delight to see all the special tools shown in the manual: stands, mandrels, clamps, have come to life on his workbench. The boxes are stripped, worn parts are replaced and clearances are adjusted, resulting in an as-new gearbox. The price is not cheap, starting at $£ 460$. though that includes new bearings and bushes. The alternative is doing the job yourself, possible, but . . .!, or getting another old gearbox from somewhere. My own gearbox has not been disturbed internally since the car was new in 1954, and it can certainly manage another year or two. It will need doing one day, but if we say 35 years and a quarter of a million kilometres, the investment above seems worthwhile for the same again.

Another line Mick is pursuing is accessories. He has a very pretty luggage rack with hinges to go on the back of a small
boot car. It is a pressed steel grill in the correct style of such things in the middle of this century.

Renovations to customers cars' obviously constitute a high proportion of their work. Major restorations are the norm, not the exception. They had five in hand when I visited. These ranged from a Big 15 roadster for Holland to Allan Sibley's prewar racer (as unusual a Traction as it is possible to imagine). Simple running repairs to cars are not their forte, they do not wish to be a garage.

Finally I was shown the assembly line that I had really come to look at, and which I think is the major achievement of Peacock Engineering - the completely new driveshafts. These are such a revolution that frankly I am surprised they have not been advertised worldwide and sung about from the rooftops. The research and development necessary before starting production, and the investment made in materials and tooling is truly impressive. There is no doubt in my mind that it has all paid off and that this is the future for Tractioning. Only people building cars for Concours d'Elegance prizes are going to insist on the original double-Hardy-Spicer universal-joint type in the future.

These new style are the same at both ends so fit existing cars without modification. But in their middle they have a constant velocity joint utilizing floating balls, as used on the Range Rover, and other vehicles with steered driving wheels. For their efficiency look at the number of front wheel drive cars now on the market. Citroen's Traction Avant suffered from being the first in its field. Now the Achilles heel of this incredible car has been cured at last.

It also helps in another area, the turning circle. Because a greater lock can be achieved without stressing the CVJ, the Traction's appalling record of eleven point turns can be reduced to seven point turns, and a U-turn can be contemplated.

My tour ended with a discussion of the future. There is no reason to suppose that the interest in Tractions will diminish. Peacock Engineering look set to do for us what, for instance, Cox and Buckles do for TR owners. A dedicated commercial firm is long overdue. The reason for the creation of the club spares section was that no commercial operation existed to cater to tractionists.

I very much enjoyed my visit and think that the ownership and running of Citroen Traction Avants is going to be much eased by the advancement of this firm. I do hope they advertise their services, since if TOC club members don't know what they offer, what hope is there for non-members?

I add, I hope unnecessarily, that I have no connection with the firm, financial or otherwise. I have written this article for the information of members. Anyone wishing to know more should contact the firm, not the club. Peacock Engineering, Old Hathern Station, Normanton-on-Soar, Loughborough, Leics. (0509) 842560.


> New member Mark Wheatley from North Dandalup. Western Australia, sent us the following article telling of an extraordinary pioneering trip back in the Twenties. Mark is pictured above with his 1954 Light Fifteen.

ON AUGUST 4th, 1924, two intrepid motorists, the late Neville Westwood and co-driver Greg Davies, set out to drive from Perth to Darwin - their car, a 1922 boat-tailed Citroën of 7.5 hp ( 5 hp French), very similar in appearance to a "cloverleaf' model. This little machine had already built itself something of a reputation, being the first car to climb Monument Hill, Cottesloe, WA, and in addition holding the WA Petrol Consumption Test Record, having obtained 97 mpg under RACWA supervision and driven at the time by Norm Garvey.

Off the duo set on the waggon-trail north. Unfortunately the narrower track of the Cit. meant that one tyre travelled in a wheel rut while the other beat a rougher track through the Spinifex grass. (For the uninitiated, let me describe this flourishing grass of drier Australia. Picture a pin cushion of grass a meter across, whose mother was a giant anteater and whose father was a coil of barbed wire and you have Spinifex!) Needless to say, this didn't go too well with our travellers. However it is said that 'Necessity is the Mother of Invention' and so it was in this case. The convex disc wheels were reversed and the resultant wider track very nearly fitted that of the waggon ruts. Thus, possibly Australia's first "widies" came about; but as with wide tyres today, the travellers had trouble with the back guards fouling the tyres. Regulations in those days
were more relaxed and the policemen were busy dodging native spears, so off came the guards. Punctures were now a little less frequent but experimental methods with rubber patch and sticky solution gave considerable headaches and at one stage nine miles were covered in twenty-four hours.
At Hall's Ck., site of WA's first gold rush in 1886, the second gear pinion gave trouble. Not to worry - Dick Smith, the publican, assured Neville and Greg that there was a blacksmith at Moola Bulla Station some twenty miles distant, who could do expert repairs. "All very well," replied the travellers, "but how do we get there?" In reply they were shown a "T" truck and told that if they could get it going, they could use it.

It appears that the " T " had gone so well in its first few weeks, that the owner had decided to shout it a wash - and as a result it had never gone since. An overhaul of the electrical system and away they went.
At Moola Bulla Station they were well received and were the guests of the manager for three days while the smith "filed" a new pinion. Neville's father had managed stations in Qld. and SA for Sir Sydney Kidman and the mere mention of his name was an "Open Sesame" to all stations. Finally, the job complete, off they went. So skilfully had the part been hand made, that it was never replaced.

Despite the improved track, a stage was reached when only two tubes remained serviceable. These were saved for the back wheels and the front tyres were packed with spinifex. This soon ground to a powder and escaped through the valve-stem holes. Neville Westward was a man who was never beaten. Material from Mallee trees was packed as well as possible into the tyres and the couple reached Wave Hill Station.

A beast had recently been slaughtered at the homestead and the hide was given to Greg and Neville who cut it into long strips, twisted it into roll's as best they could and packed the front tyres. Once more they were mobile and the further they went, the harder became the tyres. Perhaps these were the first self-inflating tyres because, as that green hide "matured", no doubt those tyres became "higher" and "higher".

As the motor suffered quite a hiding as a result of pounding of those solid tyres. overheating forced Westward to restrict travelling during the heat of the day.

Finally "Pigeon Hole", an outpost of Victoria River Downs Station, near the WA-NT border, was reached. The stockmen were asked if by chance the homestead owned a Harley Davidson motor-bike as these tyres would fit the Citroën. There was a cycle, they replied, but what make it was they were unsure. Greg and Neville were lent horses and off they set on the forty miles to
the homestead. Fortunately the horses knew the way. By next mornng they had reached the Station to find the bike was not a Harley but there were two new Ford tubes ( $30 \times$ $31 / 2$ ) and there was a vulcanizer (about which no one knew anything). Neville set to work immediately, cutting and sleeving the tubes to 27". After eight hours of experimenting he had one tube which would hold air. Another soon followed and back they went. One day and two nights without sleep, eighty miles of horse-riding and temperatures rising to $114^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$.

Darwin was reached safely but it was decided that, rather than return southward down the desolute west coast, they would push on to Brisbane. Before leaving, they met Mike Terry, FRGS, who was promoting the sale of "Guy Roadless Trucks" - vehicles similar to war-time "half-tracks". (This venture apparently was doomed to failure as the fine sand and dust of central Australia very quickly penetrated bearings, necessitating frequent overhauls.) Among other colourful characters, Greg recalls meeting the "Sanguine Scot" of "We of the Never Never" fame.

All went well to Brisbane where the Cit. was overhauled by the "Brisbane Equipment Co", the then agents for Citroën in Brisbane. (At this time, John Gilbert was the Australian agent). On they pushed to Sydney, the only problem being a very muddy co-driver each time he pushed the guardless Citroën through a creek bed.

Leo Salmon, the NSW agent, hosted the boys to a wild few days in Sydney, then they were off, westward. Perth was reached in
 motorists to "circumnavigate" Australia. In 1929, the Citroën with its same two drivers, took a proud and prominent place in the Western Australian Centenary Procession, as the first car to travel round Australia.

FOOTNOTE: The title of this story is a tribute to the late Neville Westwood whose favourite song while driving was the few bars "On the road! On the road!! . . "Greg Davies, we met quite by coincidence, at Mundaring Weir and heard this story first hand. As we were leaving Perth next day, I declined Greg's kind invitation to visit his home to see photos of the epic journey. However, by the next evening, then at Mandurah, some sixty road miles south of Perth, in a typical Brooks manoeuvre, I decided to return especially to visit Greg and his wife. What a character. What a collection of photos and what an experience. I hope, in reading this, fellow club members can realize some of the thrill and pleasure it was for my family and me to meet this man and to write this largely unpublished story. We feel honoured to have met and talked with such a motoring pioneer.

Kevin Brooks

Crossing the Fitzroy River at Fitzroy Crossing.

## DRIVESHAFT REMOVAL

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VERTICAL SECTION THROUGH R.H. FRONT HUB
LEFT-HAND FRONT SUSPENSION AND DRIVE


1. Split pin
2. Hub nut 25 mm (38 mm across flats)
3. Wheel nut and stud
4. Hub \{assembly
5. Brake drum)
6. Stub axle (LER)
7. Outer oil seal
8. Woodruff key
9. Duter locking ring
10. Locking tab
11. Locking screw
12. Outer bearing $32 \times 72 \times 17 / 19$
13. Spacer to suit (36 or 34)
14. Inner locking ring
15. Locking tab washer
16. Inner bearing $35 \times 72 \times 17$
17. Inner oil seal
18. Seal adapter-ring (pre-1938)
19. Driveshaft (outer) assembly
20. Outer (constant velocity) joint
21. Inner (cardan) joint
22. Grease nipples
23. Felt seal
24. Split seal retaining ring + (fit both sides of felt)
25. Drive flange bolt
26. Grease retaining welsh plug
27. Upper suspension ball joint
28. Lower suspension ball joint
29. Swivel housing/hub carrier
30. Brake backing plate
31. Brake wheel cylinder
32. Suspension arms
33. Essential clearance to avoid bearing damage
${ }^{+24 a}$. Seal retaining ring

## SPECIAL TOOLS



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| LIGHT 日ULBS |  |  |  |  | VOLTAGE Regllators |  |  |  |  |
| 041 042 | 12v Side light bulbs (single filanent) $5 v$ 12v stop/tail bulbs (double filenent) $5 / 2 / v$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.20 \\ & 0.28 \end{aligned}$ | 0.23 0.32 | 0.20 0.20 | $\begin{array}{\|l\|l} 202 \\ 023 \end{array}$ | Ducelier regulator 82597 for Hcv 12y regulator (1ate) | $\begin{aligned} & 23,80 \\ & 20.97 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 27.37 \\ & 24.11 \end{aligned}$ | 0.75 0.00 |
| - ${ }^{143,2}$ | 12v lestoon stop livy | ${ }^{0.22}$ | - 0.26 | 0.20 | starte |  |  |  |  |
| 044, | Gy festion rear 5 watt (for originality) | 0.56 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0446 | Sv festoon stop 18v (our (er | 0.67 | 0.77 | 0.20 | 时 | 12v starter soienoid (bulkhead) | 3.36 | 3.86 | 1.25 |
| -044, ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | 6v festoon bulb rear louatt (for brightness) | -0.36 | 0.41 0.64 | 0.00 | ${ }^{\text {dio }}$ | 12v starter brushes (post var) | 1.38 | 1.58 0.64 | 0.35 |
| 016 | 6v Bayonet 21 watt indicators | ${ }_{0}^{0.56}$ | 0.64 1.00 | 0.20 0.20 | ${ }^{068}$ | Ducelliter Starter Brushes | 2.97 | 3.41 | 0.00 |
| head light bulbs |  |  |  |  | 038 039 | 12y Starter Solenoid (on starter) | 2.80 2.80 | 3.22 | 1.25 |
|  |  |  |  |  | 065 | 6v Ducellier Bendix | 2.80 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.60 0.00 |
| 011, ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 6v 3 pin headlanp bulb yellow | 3.40 | 3.92 | 0.35 |  |  |  |  |  |
| D40' ${ }^{\text {d }}$ |  | 3.51 | 4.03 1.13 | 8.00 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8406 | 12 v headight buib late as o40c yellov | -0.99 | 1.13 | 0.85 | D90 | 12v Reconditioned Dynano exchange | 22.40 | 25.76 | 0.00 |
| 040c | 12 v headlight bulb late 42/36\% | 0.99 | 1.13 | 0.65 | ${ }^{691}$ | 12 R Reconditioned staster wotor Exchange | 22.40 | 25.76 | 0.00 |
| Lamp parts |  |  |  |  | 093 | 6v Reconditioned 5 tarter erctor | 22.40 22.40 | 25.76 25.76 | 0.00 |
|  |  |  |  |  | K32, ${ }^{\text {k }}$ | gynamo pulley Paris | 11.20 | 12.88 | 0.00 |
| 029 | 7. Slough headlanp glass \& reflector |  |  |  | k32, | bynano pulley (5lough) | 11.20 | 12.88 | 0.00 |
| 025, ${ }^{025}$ | Lucas sidelight-single filament | 0.00 | 13.36 0.00 | 0.45 | six cyilmoer cars omy |  |  |  |  |
| 079 | Slough (sallf boot) tail itight | 8.62 16.80 | 19.322 | 0.45 |  |  |  |  |  |
| - 236,18 |  | 16.80 | 19.32 1.96 | 0.20 | $\begin{aligned} & 021 \\ & 034 \end{aligned}$ | Qucelier regulator $83087 / 15 \mathrm{cy}$ 12V stapter bush \& pinion 6 cy | 23.80 6.72 | 27.37 7.73 | 0.75 0.75 |
| 226,c | Indicator lens AxO (orange) Paris ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 1.76 1.70 | ${ }^{2} .02$ | 0.20 | CLuTCH |  |  |  |  |
| 054 | French Rear light base (Ei6 boor) ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 1.00 | 4.69 | 0.20 | cuth |  |  |  |  |
| -035a | French Rear Light Cover (left) | 5.23 | 6.01 | 0.60 | E1 | Rebuilt Clutch Pressure Plate (exchange Only) | 47.51 |  |  |
| ${ }^{0554}$ |  | 4.08 | 4.69 | 0.60 | ${ }_{\text {E2 }}^{\text {E }}$ | Clutch Friction Plate (exchange only) | 30.54 | 35.12 | 0.00 |
| 066 | French Indicator fitting | 15.28 5.23 | 17.57 6.01 | 0.60 0.60 | ${ }_{\text {E }}^{\text {E } 28, ~}$ | Clutch Return Spring ${ }_{\text {dil }}$ Hell for clutch Thrust dearing 10 en nut | 1.36 | 1.56 | 0.00 |
| 067 | Pillar Parking Lights | 4.54 | 5.22 | 0.00 | E29, ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | Oii hell for clutch Shrust Bearing l2an nut | 0.11 | 0.48 0.48 | 0.20 0.00 |
| 859 | Replacenent 612 ass \& Reflector (french) | 16.72 | 19.23 | 0.00 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 070 | Marchal Headlayp Bulb Connectors | ${ }_{3}^{2.36}$ | 2.58 | 0.35 | crimo | mend phris |  |  |  |
| 050 | Lucas heddight catch spring | 0.26 | 0.30 | 0.20 | E4 | Valve Springs 14ti5cr (each pair) |  |  |  |
| 050, a | Lucas headight rit spring | 0.22 | 0.26 | 0.20 | E5 | valve springs 7 Pre-var | 0.00 | 2.67 | 1.00 |
| HIRIMg Shitches relays |  |  |  |  | EE, a | Valve inlet for lib | 4.57 | 5.26 | 1.50 |
| 81 | Spark plugs Chapion H10 each |  |  |  | E6, ${ }_{\text {E6, }}$ | Valve inlet for llo | 4.009 | 5.63 | 0.00 |
| 051 055 | H/T washers lor coil ${ }_{\text {H/I }}$ | 0.02 | ${ }_{0.03}^{1.61}$ | 1.00 | E6, ${ }^{\text {E }}$ |  | 2.24 2.24 | 2.58 | 0.00 0.00 |
| 855 | Cooplete viring lors loon P.v.C. to order | 0.06 | 0.06 | 0.20 | E9 | Yalve Guides 7orifer (unreaned) each | 2.07 | 2.38 | 1.00 |
| 057 |  | 5. 32 | 0.00 | 0.00 0.45 | E21, | Valve Seals (each) | 0.13 24.64 | 0.15 29.34 | 0.18 1.00 |
| 060 061 | Angled Suppressor plug caps | 0.74 | 0.85 | 0.35 | E29 | Cylinder head tubes for 1 cyl | ${ }_{3}{ }^{4.08}$ | 39.34 | 1.00 |
| 062 | Rubber fingers for distrib.caps with top pushfit | 0.45 | 0.52 0.13 | 0.35 | BOTTOM EMD PARTS |  |  |  |  |
| 063, ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 6 F flasher Unit | 10.83 | 12.13 | ${ }_{0.35}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8071 | Indicator Svitch French | 2.65 | 3.05 | 0.00 | E11 | Pistons Liners 1 lor 15 cr Set of 4 | $147 \cdot 17$ | 169.84 | 8.98 |
| 97 | Push to Start switch (Slough) | 16.97 1.12 | 19.51 1.29 | 0.00 0.00 | E25a | Prem Mistins tiot washers Each | 0.11 | 30.13 | 0.35 |
| ${ }^{081}$ | 0il Pressure Suitch | 2.18 | 2.51 | 0.00 | E25, ${ }^{\text {E }}$ | Big end tab vashers | 0.11 | 0.13 | 0.00 |
| 895 | gattery Isolation Switch | 3.44 | 3.95 | 0.35 | E10 | Tining Chain 7orlicy | 7.84 8.96 | 9.02 | 1.50 |
| 886 |  | 5.82 | 9.02 | 0.00 0.00 | ${ }^{3} 3$ | Tiving sprocket crank shaft | -8.96 | 10.30 25.37 | 0.00 |
| DTMAMO PARTS |  |  |  |  | E38 | Iab vasher, tiving sprocket nut, crankshaft | 0.71 | 0.81 | 0.00 |
|  |  |  |  |  | ${ }^{\text {E18 }}$ | Oilpuasher Spring shorttilbet engine) canshaft | 0.00 0.60 | 0.00 0.70 | 0.00 |
| 047 | 12v Eirly dynano contact | 1.05 1.96 | 2.21 | 0.35 | E24 | Suep plug copper vashers Oilpuap Gears (pair) | 0.39 17.25 | 0.45 19.84 | 0.00 |
| 669 | Ducellier Dynadd Brushes | ${ }^{1.97}$ | 2.25 3.11 | 0.15 0.00 |  | Oilpuap gears (pair) | 17.25 | 19.84 | 0.80 |
| distributar parts |  |  |  |  | HIER 1 PETROL PUMPS |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | $E 16$ | Spindte for yaterpump, late type (no gland nut) | 11.87 | 13.65 | 0.00 |
| D048, ${ }^{\text {Dig }}$ | Distributor drive dog | 42.43 2.24 | 48.79 <br> 2.58 | 0.00 0.35 | ${ }_{4}{ }^{19}$ | Sanbeft | 3.23 <br> 3.51 | 4.71 | 0.60 |
| ${ }^{0} 89$ |  | 0.28 | 0.32 | 0.35 | ${ }^{k} 3$ | Tued puap'r epair kit Ald | 3.67 | 4.23 | 0.35 |
| $0{ }^{2} 9$ | Lough istrocap (replaces 4003162) | 2.80 | 3.32 | 0.45 | ${ }_{\text {k }}^{\substack{\text { ka }}}$ | Fuel Pupp repair kit SEY | 2.77 5.10 | $\stackrel{3.88}{ }$ | 0.35 |
| 836 | Lucas Distributor cap 409635 | 7.00 |  | 0.45 |  | Heat shield lits under carburettor 4cyl |  | 5.86 |  |
| 078 | Slough Distributor Cap Replaces 422905 | 3.33 | ${ }_{3}^{3.82}$ | 0.15 0.00 |  |  |  |  |  |
| -893 | Typet 63 Distributor Cap | 4.37 | 5.02 | 0.00 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0330 | SEV cap 3385 | 4.31 | 4.96 | 0.45 | ${ }_{\text {E233 }}$ | Core Plugs (25n) Core Plugs (30n) | 0.53 | 0.61 0.90 | 0.35 0.35 |
| 031 | ${ }^{5 E V}$ ceap 8631 | 4.31 | 4.96 | 0.45 0.45 | E23c | Core Plugs (31n) | 0.53 | 0.61 | 0.35 |
| ${ }_{\text {de2 }}$ | ${ }^{\text {Breni }}$ Distributor Cap (8392) | 5.01 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Distributor Cap Spring Brush | 0.22 | 0.26 | 0.00 | Cardurettor Parts |  |  |  |  |
| COntact meeaker points |  |  |  |  | E13 | Solex 32P8 Carb (erchange only) | 33.49 | 38.51 |  |
| 03 | Slough points (replaces 420196) |  |  |  | E14, ${ }^{\text {E }}$ | Solex 32 Jet hain 35 | 0.45 | ${ }^{0.52}$ | 0.35 0.00 |
| 84 85 | Slough points (replaces 423153) | 1.01 | 1.616 | 0.20 0.20 | E1, ${ }^{\text {che }}$ | Soler 32 jet dein 120 | 0.45 | 0.52 | 0.00 |
| 05 | Slough points (replaces 407050) | 2.81 | 3.23 | 0.20 | E14, ${ }^{\text {E }}$ | Solex 32 jet pitot ${ }^{270}$ | 0.45 | 0.52 | 0.00 |
| 812 | Ducelier points 71990 9004, | 1.54 | 5.22 2.02 | 0.20 0.20 | E4, |  | 0.56 0.56 | 0.64 | 0.00 |
| O13 014 0.15 | Oucelier points 71133 | 1.20 | 1.38 | 0.20 | E14, | Solex 32 nede ${ }^{\text {che values }} 2.5$ | 0.56 | 0.64 | 0.00 |
| 815 | Ducelier points 71970 | ${ }_{3}^{1.73}$ | 1.75 | 0.20 0.20 | E14, ${ }^{\text {E }}$ | Solex 32 Pupp filter | 0.22 0.56 | 0.26 | 0.00 |
| 074 | SEV points DD21177A | 4.09 | 4.87 | 0.20 | E14, | Solex 32 spindiet butterliy | 10.49 | 12.07 | 0.00 |
| 075 | Points R8950) Re9454 $11543,71958,16932 \mathrm{~N}$ | 1.16 | 1.34 | 0.00 | E14,1 | Solex 32 lloat toggle | 0.22 | 0.26 | 0.00 |
| 076 | 7131 Ducellier Points | 1.168 | 1.34 | 0.00 0.00 |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{077}$ | 71132 Ducellier Points | 1.68 | 1.93 | 0.00 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 888 | breal 1653 Points (709670) | 3.64 | 4.19 | 0.00 | - ${ }_{\text {K16 }}$ | Clutch pedal spring LHD | 1.46 | ${ }^{1.67}$ |  |
| ROTOR ARHS |  |  |  |  | ${ }^{\mathbf{k} 17^{\prime}}$ | Distributor spring | 1.16 | 1.34 | 0.35 |
| 87 | Slough rotor (replaces 400052) |  |  |  | ${ }^{120}$ | clich | 4.65 | 5.35 | 0.60 |
| 016 |  | 1.160 | 1.34 | 0.20 | K31, $K 45$ | Thernostat for top hose ( 4 y ${ }^{\text {a }}$ ) | 27.15 39.20 | 31.22 45.08 | 0.00 |
| -18 | duchler rotor 49440 | 1.00 1.00 | 1.15 | 0.20 | K5 | minainiun rocker cover (acyl) | 39.20 |  |  |
| 819 | Ducelititr rooror 905014 | 0.49 | 0.57 | 0.20 0.20 | SII Cylimoer chrs dxly |  |  |  |  |
| 073, ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | 6Y DR490 rotor | 1.16 | 1.34 1.34 | 0.00 0.00 | E15 | Solex 35fpal carb (exchange only) 15 cv | 33.49 | 38.51 |  |
| COMDELSERS |  |  |  |  | $\stackrel{\text { cea }}{ }$ | Valves exhaust or 6 cylinder 15 cy | 3.36 3.36 | 3.86 3.86 | 0.00 |
| 832, ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | 6 c condenser 1203(Late) |  |  |  | E17, | Rocker shatt 6 cyl | 35.00 5.10 | 40.25 5.86 | 1.00 |
| 033, 0 |  | 1.27 | 1.46 | 0.30 | E20, 6 | Fanbelt is Sadi | 4.37 | 5.02 | 0.00 |
| 833, ${ }^{\text {03, }}$ | (i2v condenser (early) | 5.95 | 6.84 | 0.30 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 23,b | Lir condenser (late) | 1.06 | 1.22 | 0.30 |  |  |  |  |  |
| IENITIOM COILS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 122, \mathrm{a} \\ & 122, \mathrm{~b} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 12v Coil } \\ & \text { bv Coil } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 8. } 31 \\ & 9.46 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 9.56 \\ 10.88 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1.50 \\ & 1.50 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |


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| dS EMGIMES OMCY |  |  |  |  | FRONT SUSPEMSIOM |  |  |  |  |
| E6, ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | Valves Exhaust for 110 | 4.89 | 5.63 | 0.00 | ${ }_{\text {H1, }}^{\text {H2, }}$ | Ball Joint Top | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| E17, | Rocker shaft 110 | 24.73 | 28.44 | 1.00 | ${ }_{4}^{41}{ }_{4}{ }^{\text {H }}$ | 8al joint mothon Bail joint adjusters(Does avay vith shins)each | $\stackrel{7}{7.64}$ | 72.46 | 0.00 |
| E18, ${ }_{\text {E2, }}$ | Oilpurp spring long (110, engine) $i 10$ shells big end $0.50 a$ | 8.36 | 1.56 | 0.20 0.60 | ${ }^{4} 120$ | Iop bail point outer nut | 0.28 | 0.32 | 0.00 |
| E22, | IID shells Mains 0.5 sa | 15.68 | 18.03 | 0.60 | H11, | Exa change lishoone (right side) | 31.92 | 36.71 | 0.00 |
| E22, | iid sheli bearings win std | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | H11, | Exchange Mishbone (left side) | 31.92 | 36.71 | 0.00 |
| E22, | IId shell bearings mains 0.25 an under size | 14.32 | 16.47 | 0.00 |  | Wishlone Shins (various each) | 0.06 | 0.06 | 0.20 |
| E2, ${ }^{\text {c/d }}$ | 110 shell 5 big end 0.2508. | 8.68 | 9.98 | 0.60 | Steering | YSTEM |  |  |  |
| E22, | ${ }_{0} \mathrm{C}$ Crank Pluge an | 2.91 | 3.35 | 0.65 |  |  |  |  |  |
| E31 | Dengine con rod bolts | 1.75 | 2.01 | 0.00 | ${ }_{43}^{42}$ | Rack Inner Pin \& Mylon Mut | 20.36 | 23.42 | 0.65 |
| RENR WHEEL DRIVE CARS |  |  |  |  | ${ }_{\text {Hi3a }}$ | LIIT steering rack plate | 6.79 | 7.81 | 0.00 |
|  |  |  |  |  | ${ }_{\text {Hex }}$ | Midites forering rack cover plate | 5.60 0.34 | 6.44 | 0.00 |
| $\mathrm{EF}_{6}$ | Valves 77P 1922/26 | 3. 36 | 3. 86 | 0.00 | ${ }^{\text {k }} 116$ | ctips for steering rack rubber 5 | 8.51 | 9.79 | 0.00 |
| E35 |  | 33.94 | 3 B .64 | 0.00 | ${ }^{427}$ | Inner Bush lor Iop of Steering Colume each | 0.58 | 0.67 | 0.00 |
|  |  | 33.60 |  |  | $\underset{\text { H29 }}{4}$ | Outer bush for Top of Steering coluan each | 1.03 0.58 | ${ }^{1.18}$ | 0.00 |
|  |  |  |  |  | $\mathrm{H}_{2}{ }^{2}$ | Track Rod End Kit | 39.49 | 44.27 | 0.00 |
| ${ }_{516}$ | Steering rack gaiters (pair) LeATHER | 21.00 | 24.15 | 1.00 | DRIVE S | It Parts |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{FH}_{2}$ | Rack piin mounts (pair) | 0.67 | 0.17 | 0.20 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 52 | Ball joint cover Rubaer | 2.04 | 2.34 | 0.35 | H5, ${ }^{\text {H }}$ | Exchange drive Shaft (right side) LTIS | 78.96 78.96 | 90.80 90.80 | 0.00 0.00 |
| ${ }_{512}$ | gail joint cover LEATHER | 10.64 | 12.24 | 0.35 | 45, ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | Exchange Drive Shaft Big 15 (right side) | 78.96 | 90.80 | 0.00 |
| ${ }^{1} 13$ | Shock Absorber mounting (1 pair) | 0.56 | 0.64 | 0.35 | H5, ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | Exchange Drive Shaft gig is (left side) | 78.96 | 40.80 | 0.00 |
| GEARBOX \& RADIATOR |  |  |  |  | H6, ${ }^{\text {H }}$ | Exchange Inner Cardan (ean holes) | 26.88 | 30.91 | 0.00 |
|  |  |  |  |  | Kib | Hyloc nut for cardans bum | 0.16 | 0.18 | 0.00 |
| ${ }_{5}{ }_{19}$ | Engine Mounting Rubber, Rear Gearbox Hbunting Bush | 16.97 | 19.51 | 0.00 0.35 | ${ }^{138}$ | Inner cardan 10an, nuts each | 0.29 | 0.33 | 0.00 |
| F40 | Sedi for Carb Air Filter (Post Har French) | $3.36{ }^{\text {- }}$ | 3.86 | 0.00 | H21, | Carden spline screv cover | 2.24 | 2.58 | 0.00 0.00 |
| $\underline{12}$ | Redidator hose top lith engine. | 3.15 | ${ }_{3}^{3.63}$ | 1.25 | H21, ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | Orive shatt nut (left hand thread) | 3.40 | 3.92 | 0.00 |
| k! | Radiator hose botton lib engine | 2.69 | 3.09 | 1.25 | K14 | Moodruff key front hub | 0.39 | 0.45 | 0.20 |
| uinoscreen rubbers |  |  |  |  | $k 43$ 419, | Inab yasher brake back plate front inner bearing relaining nut ( T /hand thread) | ${ }_{2}^{0.22}$ | ${ }^{0.26}$ | 0.00 0.00 |
|  | Windscreen Surround (per 10/t) |  |  |  | Hi9, ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | Front inner tearing retaining nut (1/hand thread) | 2.80 | 3.22 | 0.00 |
| 75 | Windscreen Glass hounting (per 10FT) | ${ }^{6} .65$ | 2.70 | 0.35 | K13 | front wheel inner bearing tas washer | 0.17 | 0.19 | 0.20 |
| ${ }_{56}{ }^{5}$ | Yindscreen ir aught Rubber (per 10FT) | 3.70 | 4. 25 | 0.45 | DIfrere | IAL PARTS |  |  |  |
| ${ }_{524}$ | lindscreen Drain Tube | 0.50 | 0.58 | 0.35 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | French vinuscreen knob kubber Cover | 1.15 | 1.34 | 0.2 | H7 | Crovm Wheel and Pinion | 89.09 | 17.45 | 0.00 |
| doar rubers |  |  |  |  | H10, ${ }_{\text {H }}$ | Diff Thrust Mashers (3.00n) | 0.72 | 0.82 | 8.15 |
| 525 | Rear Bumper (Saall Boot) Rubbers per pair |  |  |  | H10, ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | Diff Thrust Washer ( 3.10 ma ) | 0.72 | 0.02 | 0.00 |
| ${ }_{529}$ | Scuttle lent Rubbers | 7.53 | ${ }_{8.66}$ | 0.45 | H10, d | Diff Thrust Vasher (3.15m) | 0.72 | 0.82 | 0.00 |
| 59 | Door Surround 18ft(fits 4doors) | 7.06 | 8.11 | 0.65 | H10, | bift Thrust Vasher ( ${ }^{\text {a }}$ (3.20as) | 0.72 | 0.82 | 0.00 |
| ${ }_{5}{ }_{5} 9$ | Flat rubber door vindov sedl aft (lits 4 doors) | 1.79 | 2.06 3.12 | 0.00 0.20 | H10,9 | Diff thrust lasher ( 2.85 sam ) | 0.72 | ${ }^{0} 0.82$ | 0.00 |
| ${ }_{5}{ }^{53}$ |  | 1.12 | 1.25 | 0.20 0.45 |  | Diff Thrust wisher (2,900) | 0.72 | 0.82 | 0.00 |
| F39 | Sheet Rubber for botton ol doors (50'vide) per it | 2.24 | 2.58 | 0.00 | ${ }_{\text {H10 }}{ }^{\text {H2, }}$ | 0ifl thrust vashers (2.95an) | ${ }_{0}^{0.182}$ | 0.82 1.00 | 0.00 0.00 |
| PEDA \& BOOT RUBBERS |  |  |  |  | H25, ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Celeron washer 3015012.8 | 0.29 | 0.33 | 0.00 |
|  |  |  |  |  | H25, ${ }^{\text {H25 }}$ | Celeron washer 30x50x2.6 | 0.29 | 0.33 | 0.00 |
| F7 | 8ig Boot Botto rubber Peber | 10.19 | 11.72 |  | ${ }_{\text {H21 }} \mathrm{H2}$ | ceeron yasher $30 \times 50 \times 2.5$ Housing for differential | 19.25 | 22.14 | 0.00 0.00 |
| $\begin{gathered} 76 \\ F 27 \end{gathered}$ | Clips for lig boot botton Ruber Sall Boot Surround (10 FT) | 0.50 3.02 | 0.58 3.48 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.35 \\ & 0.35 \end{aligned}$ | H31 | Housing for differential | 19.25 |  | 0.00 |
| 520 | 日ig goot Top Rubber | 2.91 | 3.35 | 0.65 | 6EARB0X | arts |  |  |  |
| F21 | Connerciale Tailgate Top Rubber (per fi) | 0.50 | 0.59 | 0.35 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fio | Cherron pedal rubber | 2.91 | 3.35 | 0.35 | H14, ${ }^{\text {a }}$ H14, | Ball for gear selector gate Spring lor Dash Selector (each) | 1.70 | 1.98 | 0.00 0.20 |
| LIGHT BASES |  |  |  |  | ${ }_{\text {H7 }}{ }^{\text {\% }}$ | Gearbor Lock Hashers | 4.08 | 4.69 | 0.00 |
| F12, ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | Handles, headl aaps, etc Big Boot | 6.79 | 7.81 | 0.35 | HB | Synd \& 3rd Gear \& Synchro | 99.12 207.00 | 113.99 236.05 | 0.00 0.00 |
| ${ }_{512}$ | Lucas sidelight base rubber | 0.34 | 0.39 | 0.20 | H9 | Gear gushes per set | 11.92 | 13.70 | 0.65 |
| ${ }_{5}^{537}$ | French AxO Indicator (Rubber Base) | 1.76 | 2.02 | 0.20 | ${ }^{2} 23$ | Kounting bracket for Gearbox Svivelpin each | 1.46 | 1.67 | 0.00 |
| F38 | French rear light (rubber base) Big Doot | 1.70 | 1.96 | 0.00 | 424 $H 15$ | ${ }^{\text {Gearbor svival mount ing pin }}$ Cover for gearbox starter dog | 2.91 | 3.35 | 0.00 |
|  |  |  |  |  | *22,b | Silent ilock sets front bigis | 224.00 | 257.60 | 0.00 0.00 |
| ${ }_{514}$ | Rear Mud ${ }_{\text {Raps }}$ (pair) | 17.42 20.36 | 20.03 23.12 | 1.50 1.50 |  |  |  |  |  |
| F15, ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | Heater Tube kubber Front | 7.12 | 8.19 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| F 515,6 | Heater Jube Rubber Rear | 7.12 | 8.19 | 0.65 | K9 | Shock absorber front 4 cyl cars | 11.88 | 13.67 | 0.00 |
| ${ }_{\text {F17 }}{ }^{28}$ |  | 0.26 3.05 3 | 0.30 3 3 | 0.35 0.35 | ${ }_{\text {H22, }}$ | Shock absorber reat, all cars | 11.88 224.00 | 257.67 | 0.00 0.00 |
| F18 | Filler Pipe Rubber (Small | 3.40 | 3.92 | 0.35 |  |  | 28.00 | 25.00 |  |
| HIPER PARTS |  |  |  |  |  | Grease nipple ( ${ }^{\text {che }}$ degree) Silentalock for rear axle set of four LTI5 | 0.28 70.00 | 0.32 80.50 | 0.00 |
|  |  |  |  |  | E36, ${ }^{\text {Eje }}$ | Grease nipple (straight) | 0.13 | 80.50 0.15 | 0.00 |
| ${ }_{5}^{526} 5$ | Slough Hiper Pegs (pair) <br> Wiper Gironets (straight) Slough Big Boot | 0.56 1.23 | 0.64 1.42 | 0.20 0.20 |  | drease nipple ( 45 degree) Silentblock for rear axle set or four bigis/6cy | 70.28 | 00.50 | 0.00 |
| [33, ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | Hiper Gromets (sloping) Slough snall boot cars | 2.12 | 2.76 | 0.20 | DS ERGIMES OKLY |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 001 \\ & 002 \\ & 002 \end{aligned}$ | D523 Drive shalt <br> DS23 Clutch friction plate | 33.60 5.60 | 38.64 6.44 | 0.00 0.00 |
| ${ }_{5} 535$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Tyres } 165 \times 400 \\ & \text { Inner Tubes } \end{aligned}$ | 50.00 6.72 | 57.50 7.73 | 0.00 0.00 | $002$ | 0.23 Clutch friction plate | 5.60 | 6.44 | 0.00 |
| F34, ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Orive Shart Metal Protectors Each | 2.46 | 2.83 | 1.00 |  |  |  |  |  |
| [44, ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Drive Shalt rubber protectors each | 5.10 | 5.96 | 0.45 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Rubber buap stop for front lover ars | 5.10 | 5.66 |  | ${ }^{1} 3$ |  | 0.09 0.38 | 0.10 | 0.00 0.00 |
| SIX CY | hater cars oaly |  |  |  | ${ }^{3}{ }^{24}{ }^{\text {a }}$ | Fur fler Do raght Excl Red foot) | 0.47 | 0.54 | 0.00 |
| K1 | Radiator hose top Six-cylinder | 2.69 | 3.09 | 0.00 | ${ }^{\text {J }}$ | Furflex Draught Excl grey(foot) | 0.73 0.47 | 0.84 0.54 | 0.00 0.00 |
| four cylinder cars |  |  |  |  | J42 | Seatcloth lor french ${ }^{\text {Car }}$ (ar Grey Hedilining Cloth per Yard | 70.00 9.46 | 80.50 10.88 | 0.00 0.00 |
| 61 | Mild Stee! Silencer | 31.49 |  |  | door P |  |  |  |  |
| 62 | Stainless Steel Silencer | 137.76 | 159.42 | 0.00 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 63a |  | 12.31 | 14.16 | 0.00 | $K 37$ $\times 15$ | French big boot hinge pair | 16.97 | 19.51 |  |
| 636 64 |  | 12.31 48.61 | 14.16 55.90 | 0.00 0.00 | ${ }^{12}$ | dor hinge pins each | 0.91 0.50 | 1.04 | 0.00 0.00 |
| 64, ${ }^{6}$ | Stainless steel Dounpipe bigis Mor male | 48.61 <br> 8.61 | 55.90 55.90 | 0.00 | J4 | Yindov Support Channel ${ }^{\text {a }}$ (b) ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 3.43 | 3.94 | 1.20 |
| 668 | Stainless Steel Through pipe | 48.61 | 55.90 | 0.00 | ${ }_{315} 1$ | Door Panel Clips (10) | 1.16 | 1.34 | 0.35 |
| ${ }_{6}^{660}$ | Stainless Steel Through Pipe | 48.61 | 55.90 | 0.00 | J47, | Ketal | 12.55 | 1.78 14.09 | 0.35 0.00 |
| 672 |  |  | 9.933 |  |  |  | 10.58 | 12.17 | 0.00 |
| 676 | Mild Steel Through Pipe | 8.64 4.70 | 9.93 | 0.00 |  | Aluminue Door Trim Set of 4 | 9.24 | 10.63 | 0.00 0.00 0.00 |
|  | 俍 | 0.50 | 5.56 | 0.35 | $\begin{aligned} & 556 \\ & 560 \end{aligned}$ | Door striker plates <br> Screvs for door hinges | 4.20 0.28 | 4.83 0.32 | 0.00 0.00 |
| K2 ${ }^{\text {¢ }}$ | Stainless steel Nuts for exhaust manifold d/pipe | 1.40 | 1.61 |  | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{J} 60 \\ & \mathrm{K22} \end{aligned}$ | Door aounting rear viev aippors | 8.75 | 10.06 | 0.15 |
| SII CYLINOER CARS ONLY |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 68 | Mild Stee! 6 Doum Pipe | 56.00 | 64.40 | 0.00 |  |  |  |  |  |


| DDOR \& BOOT HANDLES |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| 17 | Slough Interior Door Handle |
| 18 | Slough Interior Winder |
| 19 | Slough Interior Escutcheon |
| J25 | Sloughn Exterior Locking Handie |
| J26 | Slough Ext Non-Locking Handle |
| J63 | Slough Big Boot Handle replacement |
| J17, ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | French Big Boot Handle (without lock) |
| J17, ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | French Big Boot Handle vith lock |
| J20 | Key Barrel Sets (3) French Cars |
| J21, ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Locking Curly Handle vith Escutcheon(no lock)left |
| J21,6 | Locking Curly Handle with Escutcheon(no lock) right |
| J27, ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | Mon-Locking Curly Handle (no Escutcheon)left rear |
| J27,6 | Non-Locking Curly Handle (no Escutcheon)right rear |
| J22 | Snail Boot Handles (French) each |
| J35 | Door Ext. Escutcheons |
| 559 | Screus for door handles |
| J65 | Windov vinder French |
| BADGES |  |
| 510 | Citreon Boot Badge |
| 558 | Citroen badge for rear buaper (French) |
| J11 | French Transfer - Miofiltre |
| J12 | French Iransier - Votes |
| J13 | French Transler - Lockheed |
| J61 | Transler for glove compartaent french cars |
| K40 | Floating pover ving's for grill |

GONHET \& GRILL PARIS

| ${ }^{16}$ | Bonnet Stay Springs (each) |
| :---: | :---: |
| J66 | Bonnet support aris |
| J14a | Chrone Bonnet End Iris (each) |
| J14b | Chrome Bonnet End Tri* Support |
| J! ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | Bonnet Strip 7/1l |
| J52 | Handles for pre yar bonne! Ilaps (each) |
| J30 | Pre-Har Bonnet Handle Coil Springs (each) |
| J34 | Post-War Bonnet Handles Chroued (Pair) |
| 144, ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Aluniniun Grill Surrounds 11 cv Legere (pair) |
| J4, ${ }^{154}$ | Aluainiua grill surround 11 cy normale (pair) |
| 154 | French grill chevron kits |
| 132 | Light 15 Chroeed birille Crest |
| J33 | Big 15 Chrosed Grille Crest |
| K41 | Cover starter hole in Morale grill |
| J29 | Pre-Har Bonnet Flap Springs (pair) |
| J28,6 | Early-Type Raduar lick plate rear left |
| J40 |  |

PEIROL CAPS
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { J23,a } & \text { Petrol cap ,locking, sall boot, chroned } \\ \text { j23, } & \text { Petrol iap locking, igig book, chponed }\end{array}$
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yING TRINS
J28a Eafly-Type Raduar Kick Plates front each
J28c Early-Type Raduap Kick Plates Rear right
Kick plate rear left SECOND HAND

HEADLAMP PARTS
J31 Chroned Slough Headlanp Rie Clips
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## WHEEL : HUBCAP PARTS



UIKDSCREEN WIPERS
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IX CYLImDER CARS ONLY
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From EPA in France - publishers of many specialist motoring books we've had advance notice of a new release which will undoubtedly become a treasured reference work to many of us. Entitled 'Le Grand Livre CitroenTous les modèles', it's penned by none other an authority than Olivier de Serres, who some years back authored the indispensible 'Le Grand Livre de la Traction'. Anyone who purchased that volume will, we're sure, not be disappointed by this new work. Taking the same format as the Traction book, its 500 pages cover all Citroen models from the Type A to the AX, including commerical vehicles and such oddities as the autochenilles. At a quoted price, in France, of 490F, it's certainly not going to be cheap here; but we have a feeling that this is going to be the definitive work on the marque, and as such it'll certainly be worth mortgaging the cat (maybe even the gerbil as well).

## Coriresponidence



Dear Bob,
Please find enclosed a photocopy of a Light 151938 Open Tourer, registration number FBH 240, which a colleague of mine owned some 30 years ago. He is very interested in tracing the whereabouts of the car, and I would be obliged if you would insert an enquiry in Floating Power with the possibility of tracking down the vehicle.

Hoping you are able to help.
Yours sincerely, Robin Davison. Hayling Island, Hants.
Have checked the Club Register of Tractions, Robin, but alas nojoy. There are not that many Traction Roadsters about of course, so maybe some member can throw a light on the fate of FBH 240.

Dear President,
We are two brothers, 32 and 21 years old, and we have a Citroën Big 15 (IIB) of 1953 working perfectly. We are also members of the Citroèn Club of Nimes.

We would like to have a relationship with persons who have a car like ours, and to invite them to our home on holiday for a week or two. We would drive them in our car to visit our nice area of South of France, and the next year we would go to that person's country. If you agree to this propostion, would you please give us addresses of persons who would be interested by this kind of relationship.

Expecting your answer.
Sincerely friendly.
Peirre and Michel Clemendot 30 Rue Saint Guilhem, 34000 Montpellier. France.
Well, that's it lads, it's off to the South of France for next year's hols. We'd better not all go at once though as they may have sent this letter to all the Citroën clubs in Europe! Seriously, if any member does take up the offer do write and tell us all about this unique exchange visit.


## 12th Annual TOC Rally Beverley Racecourse, 19, 20, 21 August

The rally will be held at Beverley Racecourse where there is a choice of accommodation and facilities:

1. Tents or caravans $£ 2$ per night.
2. Bed and Breakfast prices from $£ 9$ per night - contact Roger Williams (0482881220) for further details.
3. Self-catering canteen - free. This small canteen with fully equipped kitchen has seating for 20-30 people and will be available for our use.
4. Stable lads' dormitories $£ 2$ per bed per night. The dommitory block is split into ten separate rooms: 2 with 3 beds, 4 with 5 beds, 1 with 8 beds, 1 with 9 beds, 1 with ten beds and 1 with 18 beds.
5. Hot showers/drying room - free.

## SUGGESTED PROGRAMME

Friday: Arrive, settle in, pub evening at Rose and Crown (excellent food at $£ 2$ ).

## NORTHERN SECTION NEWS

The Northern section of the club has now been meeting for some time at the White Hart, Rooley Lane, Bradford, and I am pleased to write has now got a regular, well established, membership. There are five or six Traction owners who regularly attend, in addition to other members who come on occasion. So if there are any members out there who are not sure whether to come along or not, please try one of our events you will be most welcome. Please note that our regular meetings are on the 4th THURSDAY of each month, and not the Tuesday as recently advertised. In November the club visited Peter Black's private collection of cars, along with friends from CCC and 2CVGB.

The collection contains over 120 cars spanning the majority of the history of the motor car. Not all the cars are kept in mothballs permanently, as vehicles are often loaned out for television work etc, and take part in local events.

There are, of course, Citroëns in the collection, including a Clover Leaf, a 20's delivery vehicle, a Kegresse, a Traction and a ripple bonnet 2 CV . I am sure that all who came enjoyed the vast selection of interesting vehicles, and also the pint and

Saturday: Explore Beverley and surrounding area. At 7.30pm, Folk Group and Buffet Supper at the White Horse Inn (Nellies). Nominal entrance charge - children free. Sunday: Driving tests, games, concours, Club Shop etc.
There is plenty to see and do in and around Beverley, and the local Tourist Information are providing a hand-out pack of map and booklets etc for all participants. The emphasis will be on seeking your own entertainment, except for Saturday evening, although there can be organised convoy drives if people really want them. Some of the things to see are:

Army Transport Museum: excellent for children as well as adults - you can climb all over the exhibits of tanks, trucks etc.

Beverley Minster: fine mediaeval minstertrips can be arranged up into the roof and maybe the bell tower as well.
Beverley town: very pleasant and picturesque market town with pedestrianised centre.
chat in the local pub after the event.
A list of forthcoming events, which are run jointly with the local 2 CV club, is included below:-
Friday to Sunday, 10th to 12 th June Camping Weekend - Haworth Farm, Skyreholme, Appletreewick, Nr. Skipton, North Yorkshire. Thursday, 23rdJune
Convoy Drive to a local pub
for supper - start White Hart.
July, to be confirmed
Traction Engine Rally - Masham.
Thursday, 28th July
Technical demonstration on vehicle - White Hart.
Friday to Sunday, 2nd to 4th September Camping Weekend - Ripon.
Thursday, 25th August
Boules night - all challenges
welcome - White Hart.
Further information about any of the above events available from Liz and Jim Rogers on Bradford (0274) 545600. All Thursday meetings start at 8.00 pm at the White Hart, Rooley Lane, Bradford - which is on the ring road just off the M606, and is very easy to find! Look forward to seeing you there.

May 30 (Provisional date) Norwich Union - RAC Classic Car Run. More info when available.

June 11-12 Concentration Le Touquet (Fiftieth Anniversary of the $15 / 6$ ), more details to follow.

July 1-3 Citroën Car Club Annual Rally Billing Aquadrome, Northamptonshire.

June 11-12 Concentration Citroën Le Touquet. (50th Anniversary of the 15/6).

July 14-17 Third Tour of Brittanny with Club Des Tractions D'ille et Villain. The route includes Rennes, Mont St. Michael, Erquy, Tregastel, Le Conquest, Huelgoat, St Martin sur Oust, St Erblon. More details to follow or ring Mike Wheals on 0256 896876.

July 31-August 27 Raid Franco Acadien. A tour starting at Halifax in Canada and visiting Quebec, Montreal, Monpelier, Boston, Providence, Newport, New York, Philadelphia, Washington, Knoxville, Nashville, Memphis, Baton Rouge, New Orleans, Lafayette, Houston, Entry limited to 40 Tractions. Cost approx. $£ 2500$ inc. shipping of cars and all hotel accommodation.
Applications must be in by 31 st March. Application forms available from Mike Wheals.

August Annual Rally. Date and venue to be arranged.

September Camping weekend at Stratford Racecourse.

More details of any of these events will be in the magazine where possible. If you want info please contact us.

Classifici
For sale
1952 Paris-built Normale, small boot. In limited but regular use, no expense has been spared in keeping this car in excellent condition. All work has been professionally carried out, most of it within the last 18 months, including rebuilt 11D engine, rebuilt gearbox and steering rack, new 12 volt electrics throughout including new dynamo and starter motor, rebuilt radiator and water pump, new shock absorbers - in fact, it would be difficult to find a better example of this relatively rare model for sale. Priced at a tempting $£ 5750$. Ring Sam Wells on 01-755 2280 - if I'm out, leave a message on the horrible answering machine.

## For Sale

Twin side-draft Weber Carburettors and Manifold to fit ID head. Contact Jim Conlin, Gold Hill, Boulder, Colorado 80302, USA. Tel: 010-1-303-449-7775 (but remember they are 7 hours behind us!)

## For Sale

4 Wheels for C4F circa 1928 with four stud fixing. Sound condition but rusty. $£ 4$ each.
For Sale:
2 Doors for C4F. Very sound with some fittings. $£ 20$ ono each or W.H.Y?

For Sale
LHD Spanish built Dyane, 1978/9.
Regd. in UK, new MoT, excellent condition. Special spec. engine rebuilt. $£ 475$.
Contact: Roger Dyer on 0753-
686414 (office) or 0483-223890 (home).

For Sale or Swap
I have the following parts to sell or swap, preferable swap.

For Sale
Standard wheels Light 15 Front Grille 12 Volt Dynamo 12 Volt Starter Lt. 15 Front Brake Drums
Lt. 15 chrome
headlights 1951 Engine Also For Sale: Light 15 Driveshafts, Steering Rack, Wishbones and Spindles.
Also Wanted: One Familiale Folding Seat plus Bracket for Starting Handle. Contact Mick Boulton on 093928254 or write to: Ivy Cottage, Grinshill Hill, Clive, Shrewsbury. SY4 3LF

## Service

4-speed gearbox conversion complete with gear change mounted behind dash as per original. Contact Roger Williams, 35/37 Wood Lane, Beverley, North Humberside,
HU17 8BS. Tel: 0482-881220.

## Garage Wanted

I would like to hire/share a lock-up garage (with electrical supply if possible). Ideally would like to share with Tractionist who similarly enjoys tinkering of a weekend. South London environs most suitable. Contact Rob Davison, 60 Deodar Road, London, SW15 2NJ.
Tel: 01-870 8176.

## Wanted

Anyone in the Cheshire area who would be willing to use their Traction as a wedding car for us in September 1988. Either private or commercially. Please telephone Mr I. Smalley on 0270-216535.

## For Sale

New Traction Driveshafts, as manufactured by Peacock Engineering. Fit and look like original shafts but have greater strength, are longer lasting and are maintenance free. Now also available from Classic

## Club Tools for Hire

Front hub and outer bearing puller
Deposit: E25 Hire: E2 50
Top ball breaker
Deposit: $£ 15$ Hire: $£ 150$
Bottom ball breaker
Deposit: E25 Hire: E2 50
Inner bearing unit
Deposit: E15 Hire:E1.50
Hires are for nominal periods of 7 days, although earler return is appreciated Deposits are refundable only on SAFE retum Any damage to tools will be deducted from deposits. Person hiring fetches and returns Prior booking ensures availability ALL AVAILABLE FROM PETER SIMPER. 215 Whitton Road, Twickenham. Middlesex TW2 7QZ

## Workshop Manual Loan Service

The Club has Light 15. Light 12 and Big 6 manuals for loan, please send details of your car, with name, address, work and home phone number together with a deposit
cheque for $£ 25$ made payable to the
TOC - this will be cashed but your deposit will be retumed if the manual is sent back in a complete and good condition Please also send a separate postal order for E2. 50 for postage. made payable to A. Hodgekiss. Enclose a SAE for return of your deposit. Manuals available from Tony Hodgekiss, 94 Oving Road, Chichester, West Sussex PO19 4EW.
Club Shop price list and ordering details
Greetings Cards
Pack of six
€1.50
Mugs
Traction with Citroen logo ................. 1.99
Framed Prints
$19 * \times 15$ "Traction prints (each) ...... $£ 1500$
See Sept '87 mag for designs
Posters
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"Traction Avant"
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CENTRAL SOUTHERN SECTION MONTHLY MEETING
On the first Sunday of each month the Central Southem Section meets at The White Hart Hotel in Whitchurch, Hants. Whitchurch is situated half way between Winchester and Newbury just off the $\mathbf{A} 34$. The meetings are lunch time meetings commencing at noon. Food available.

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