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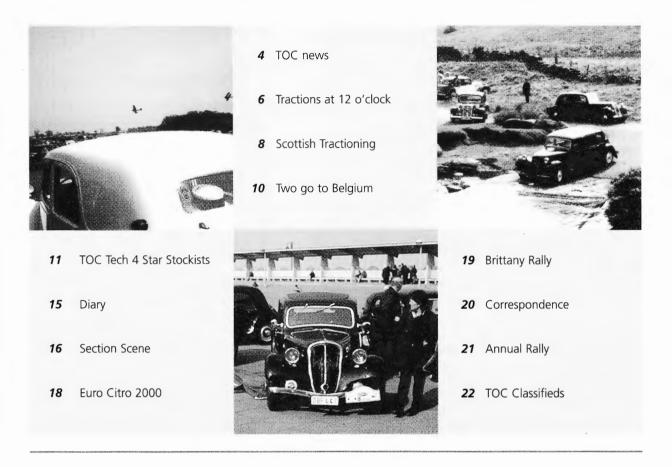
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## Editorial

The classic car season is now well under way with many interesting rallies and tours behind us and still more to come. There is no finer sound than the burbling of a Traction on an open road on a clear summers day. But can we still happily burble along wondering where our next gallon of 4 star is coming from?

Since the withdrawal of the widesprad availability of 4 star, it is appropriate to give details of garages still supplying leaded petrol for those who have not yet made the change to unleaded. In this issue we have included a list of stockists of leaded 4 star petrol broken down by county. This can be photocopied or pulled out and kept in the glove pocket so you will always know where there is a 'classics friendly' filling station in the vicinity of wherever you happen to be. Obviously this list will change with some dropping off and others added. To keep up to date see the website address and telephone number of Bayford Thrust on page 13.

Wishing you a great summer of Tractioning. Please send details and photographs of your adventures for inclusion in the July/August issue by July 14th - or sooner if possible.

Ed,

### Front Cover





Normale, Legere and Rapide at Duxford. Photo: Ian Nixon

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## tocnews

## toccommittee

#### May 2000

The Committee has met twice since the last report, the February meeting being closely followed in March because many people could not manage one or the other. Routine detail demands much time, but the following were prominent items discussed.

Ways of making some of the data about club membership available to other members was considered, taking note of the obligations of the Club in regard to the Data Protection Act. Our indefatigable volunteer, John Oates, was tasked with identifying which members were agreeable to their details being made available (which he has done through the renewal notice), and then how to present the data. The final product will be a simple document, and is on schedule for completion soon.

The TOC and its internet website was felt to be functioning well for all the world to see. A new venture has been invented now, an E-group, by which anyone involved can communicate publicly with anyone else involved; a sort of semi-public Email system. Helen Brixton had established a pilot scheme which, after some initial glitches, has been successful. It was agreed to open it to other TOC members.

The big issue remains spares and the spares system. The discussion is not about problems, but about improvements. Tony Hodgekiss is calling upon the knowledge of experts in the Spares Sub-Committee to make proposals which, after consideration, the Committee is usually keen to support. It would be nice to be able to report that The Wings Saga is now over but, alas, it is not. However, much more is now known about the manufacturer and the process, and Bernie Shaw no longer carries all the load. The Committee is determined that this will come to a satisfactory conclusion.

The AGM will be on 1st October, and we urge you to come along. Alec Bilney, Chairman.



## Chairman's Note

#### May 2000

#### Alec Bilney

By the time you read this, the year's rallying season will be well underway, and I expect that manufacturers of car polish will be even richer. There is surely no feeling quite the same as that of proudly driving a gleaming Traction along sunlit roads, preferably in company with other Tractions, and turning heads as you pass. I really believe the Traction is among the best proportioned cars ever made, and yet it is so functional it still allows a driver to mix it with the heaviest of modern traffic. There are many Club members whose Traction is their regular transport and who will attest that they need give way to no-one.

It sometimes seems too good to be true.

But TOC business must intrude, and I would draw attention to the notice about the Annual General Meeting to be held on Sunday 1st October. It would be very pleasant to see as many of the members as possible attending. Much of the business of an AGM is routine, but it is nevertheless an essential part of the Club's life, and a large attendance makes the committee feel that all the preparation work is worthwhile, so please put the date in your diary.

I will finish with another reference to the Club's 25th Anniversary, in July 2001. Suggestions are invited on how to mark the event, with a celebration of some sort. Fireworks over Big Ben, a river of fire on the Thames, bonfires from Land's End to John o'Groats, an enormous Annual Rally...?

## New Members

We welcome the following new members to the TOC and hope you enjoy meeting fellow enthusiasts and making new friends.

- **1650** C. Thornton, Blyth, Northumberland
- 1651 R. Knoth, Le Buisson-De-Cadouin, France
- **1652** B. McLeming, Abingdon, Oxon
- 1653 R. Griffiths, Kingston-on-Thames, Surrey
- 1654 J. Arriaga, Buenos Aires, Argentina
- 1655 V. McGeer, London, N5
- 1656 T. Morgans, Dolgellav, Gwynedd

## Membership Renewals

Club renewal forms were included in the last issue of Floating Power. Please be sure that you have renewed your subscription or you will be sad to hear that this will be the last copy of Floating Power you will receive.

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## Be Eternally Vigilant

#### Extracted from FBHVC newsletter, March 2000.

In his opening statement to the annual conference of the Federation of British Historic Vehicle Clubs (FBHVC), which represents over 250,000 historic vehicle owners belonging to some 300 clubs, its President Lord Montagu of Beaulieu recalled that this year the Veteran Car Club was holding a rally to celebrate the centenary of the 1900 'Thousand Miles Trial', which really introduced the new-fangled motor car to the British public. "Cars were reviled and hated then," he remarked, "and they are still reviled and hated by vociferous special interest groups after a hundred years. It's essential that the historic vehicle movement remains eternally vigilant!".

Delegates were keenly awaiting the presentation by the next speaker, Jonathan Turner of Bayford Thrust, one of the largest independent energy companies in the UK. His company is the front runner in supplying leaded petrol, holding over 80 per cent of the nationwide allocation (West Country Thrust Franchise Distributor BWOC Ltd was awarded almost 10 per cent in addition, giving Bayford Thrust 90 per cent of the market).

His ambition is to have a distributor in every large town and maybe two or three in major cities. Though the licence to sell leaded petrol was initially allocated only for one year, Mr Turner has been encouraged by recent discussions with the DETR, which implied that there was no obstacle to leaded petrol being available "for ever".

See centre pages for a list of stockists of 4\* leaded.

## Air Cut

#### Extracted from the Honest John column in The Daily Telegraph, 25 March, 2000.

An interesting story in Feb 12 edition of New Scientist reported that new cars cause more pollution than old, partly through "specification creep". I deplore the vitually universal fitting of power steering, even on small cars that don't need it, because this inevitably absorbs power and leads to more pollution. **A.K., Oxford** 

The National Institute of Public Health and the Environment at Utrecht University in Holland has produced figures which show that building a new car and recycling an old one creates more CO<sub>2</sub> than continuing to run the old car. This is compounded by the "specification creep" of which A.K. writes. The Institute's figures show that by reducing the average age of cars in the Netherlands by three years would actually increase CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by four per cent overall, although the effect would be lessened if people replaced large, inefficient old cars with small, efficient new ones. J.T. of Standlake adds that, during a 10-12 year lifespan, the average car will never use as much energy as was taken to build it.

## Stop Press

The following article allegedly appeared in "Le Monde", Monday 21 February 2000.

#### Paris - Saturday 19 Feb. Scots Target Retromobile.

Unconfirmed reports claim a small group of renegade Scots Tractionists have infiltrated Frances' premier classic car event. Suspicious characters, with very doubtful accents, have been spotted in and around the Porte de Versailles at the 25th Retromobile exhibition. The group, all believed to come from Perthshire, was seen thumbing catalogues around Citroën spare parts stands. They could be identified by their excited gibbering and frantic pointing. Police report that the group was good natured; there were few arrests.

Inside\_trac

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This is an online conference or meeting-place where you can read and respond to messages on any subject, Traction-related or social, from other TOC members around the world; or send your own comments, requests for information, help and advice, publicise events or even offer a car or spares for sale (private ads only).

To sign up for this service email your name, address and membership number to the Moderator, Helen Brixton, at:

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The "Super Modern" Traction Avant - still in the forefront of technology"



# Tally-Ho, Tractions at Twelve o'clock

#### Graham Jones rallies the troops to Shuttleworth Squadron



The tyres thumped over the joints in the concrete taxiway as we rolled forward out of the hanger and down towards the broad tarmac strip. Somewhere east of Leicester on a spring morning, traces of mist still hanging in the fields, birds scattering at the sound of our approach as the navigator called out the final checks "maps, picnic hamper, corkscrew". Then "choke away" as the engine note rose and with only a hint of clutch judder we shook off the ties of home and headed for our rendezvous point.

At precisely 0830hrs, or around half past nine anyway we joined a holding pattern of TOC Mid-Shires members circling the village green at Great Glen. There we opened our sealed orders and, with F Frankie and pilot Martin "Eddie the Eagle" Edwards leading the way, set our course, code named Amber Six, towards Market Harborough. The engine droned steadily now as we settled into the routine, would this be just another 'milk run' or would there be excitement waiting at the end of our journey? Our

wing tips almost clipping the hedgerows, we banked round the Little Chef at Kettering and headed south towards Bedford.

As we sighted the airship hangers at Cardington, we came upon "Big Bill" Wyman, a pathfinder from the South Midlands group, and made our final run in to the target together.

Situated a few miles south of Bedford, Old Warden Airfield is home to the Shuttleworth Collection of historic aircraft. Created by Richard Shuttleworth in the early 1930's it is one of the few all grass aerodromes still in use. Richard learned to fly in 1932 and subsequently started the collection that now numbers 40 aircraft, many of them the last surviving examples of their type. Killed in a night flying accident in 1940, Richard's memory is kept alive by the Trust established by his mother.

On May 7th, sixty years on, Veteran Aeroplane Society members staged a special air show to commemorate the Battle of France. What could be better then than a sprinkling of Tractions on the ground to add a little atmosphere? We were joined at the field by other South





Know your onions!

Midlands members including "tail end Charlie" Jonathan Marten-Hale; but then he lives just round the corner so was bound to arrive last!

As the Mainline Big Band struck up in hanger 3 the first drops of rain fell. By the time they reached the vocals in 'Wrap Your Troubles in Dreams' it was a steady downpour! Had those met office johnnies got it wrong yet again? Never mind the White Cliffs of Dover, what about some blue sky here. Just as all seemed lost the cloud and our spirits lifted, the sun and the picnic tables came out and the flying display commenced.

Gloster Gladiator, Hawker Hind and Tiger Moth, Bucker Jungmann and Avro Tutor training aircraft, Mk II Hurricanes, Austers and Westland Lysanders the list was almost endless.

The scene was set, by commentator Mark Whall, at an airfield "somewhere in Northern France" in the spring of 1940. A British Army unit was encamped on the perimeter of the field to defend it from the German advance as Hurricanes were scrambled to support the Expeditionary Force on the battlefield. Then the airfield itself came under attack and finally fell to the invading army. As the remnants of the army unit were marched away the RAF Hurricane squadrons returned to England to fight another day.

All in all a superb display, a splendid afternoon, a chance to show off our Tractions, and an opportunity to meet some dedicated aeronautical enthusiasts.

Thanks go to the Shuttleworth Veteran Aeroplane Society for the electronic invitation and in particular to their

Hawker Hind

magazine editor Bill Grigg. Who says the Internet has no relevance to 'old car club' members? Not me!!

The Shuttleworth Collection at Old Warden Park, have a full calendar of events between April and October for both full size and aeromodel enthusiasts and highlights are detailed below:-

#### JULY

2nd	Summer Air Show
15th	Sunset Flying Display

#### AUGUST

6th	Military Pageant
18th	Tribute Concert
19th	Flying Proms 2000
20th	Vintage Transport Day

#### SEPTEMBER

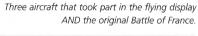
3rd Shuttleworth Pageant

#### OCTOBER

Autumn Air Show 1st

For details of these and other events contact them on 01767 627288 or www.shuttleworth.org

For information on the Shuttleworth Veteran Aeroplane Society contact: Membership Secretary Melvyn Wright, 17 Field View, Bar Hill, Cambridge. CB3 8SX.





1941 Hawker Sea Hurricane



1937 Miles Magister



# **toc**tours We'll take the low road

### Scottish section

Report by Julie Cocker

What can I say - TOC's best kept secret! The Scottish Tractions were out in force on Sunday 7 May. We had a misty morning start at Caithness Glass in Perth with a fantastic turnout of fifteen cars.

By the time that the mutual admiration had taken place the sun was shining through and the day got off to great start.

As the cars started out up the main A9 Perth - Inverness road then turned off past Battleby's amazing gardens with rhododendrons in full flower the Scottish scenery was at its best. We managed a short photo halt at Little Glenshee where the river runs from the mountains down through the glens and gave the cars the challenge of splashing through a "ford".



Tracing a route through Bankfoot, Waterloo following the river Tay up past Dalguise and through the beautiful Strathtay we could not have wished for a better day, carpets of Bluebells, Scots pines and Larch trees in their fresh spring green were a sight to behold. The added bonus was a convoy of Tractions winding its way



Some free time then to allow everyone the opportunity to "do their own thing" for an hour or so, like visiting the smallest distillery in Scotland at Edradour, taking in the shops in Pitlochry



As you can see much relaxing in the glorious sunshine with a small refreshment at the outside tables, again a very picturesque setting. In fact we are going to book the Birnam for next year - so if we can tempt any others from south of the border we would be more than delighted to extend a warm welcome. We already have Mick & Moira Holmes visiting on a regular basis and were thrilled that they took time to "come up to Scotland for lunch". Their commerciale looks splendid in its "new clothes!"



through the stunning countryside.

We all made it safely to the lunch halt at Moulin Inn on the outskirts of Pitlochry where the hotel has its own real ale brewery - all part of the appeal!

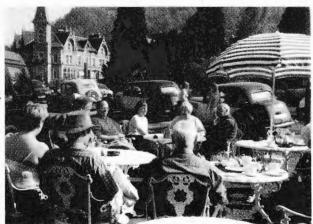


or a walk on the banks of the river, before meeting up again at the Birnam Hotel just next to Dunkeld.



Hope that this report and the photos show that we are very much alive and kicking and hoping to expand with maybe making it twenty cars next Spring.

Hope to see you then!



# toctours

## Two go to Belgium

#### Belgische Oude Citroën Club rally, 1/2 April 2000

The BOCC rally at Wenduine (1/2 April) was very well attended. Wenduine is on the coast just north-east of Oostende and near to Blankenberge. The weather was fine, but the wind cold.

About 60-70 cars assembled on Saturday morning on the Rotonde (a circular concourse on the sea front). They were mostly Tractions, but with quite a few DS and some older models. Eric Vandamme's 1919 Type A was much admired, and an absolutely immaculate C6. Then we drove in convoy to the Atlantic Wall, using minor roads and carefully circumnavigating Oostende. That evening there was a cheese and wine party for about 100. The Elvis cabaret was quite a surprise, particularly it seemed for Jan Van Hecke.

On the Sunday morning groups of cars met at different start points for 5 trajects (sort of treasure hunts in convoys). We had chosen a route through the polders past 4 torrens plattes (towers that had had beacons on their flat roofs when the sea was much further inland). For about 30 miles we wound our way along tiny lanes, many of them cobbled. Across the canals and fields you could see the chain of Tractions progressing in great style. We particularly liked the picturesque villages of Sint Anna ter Muiden (which we almost missed) and Damme. The 2 cars which most stood out in our group were Walter & Noëlla Callens' 1934 7B (the oldest Traction in Belgium) and the beautiful Slough Big 15 Roadster (ex Fred Annells).

Back in Wenduine some cars not on the trajets were already gathering on the Rotonde, and by lunch-time there were some 70-80 cars neatly lined up. An excellent lunch was taken by 128, and the afternoon ended with a reception kindly given by the commune. We were made very welcome throughout the weekend, and extend our thanks and congratulations for an extremely well organised event.

Robin & Sue Dyke





Traction Attraction







Big 15 Roadster

An astonished Jan Van Heckke



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List supplied by Bayford Thrust. All these garages have joined the Federation of British Historic Vehicle Clubs. Please phone the garage to make sure they have stocks in place before your first visit.

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*Q8, Greenway Garage,* Quantock Road, Wembdon, BRIDGWATER, Somerset, TA6 7EH, 01278 423261

BWOC (Lympsham) Ltd, Bridgwater Road, Lympsham, WESTON-SUPER-MARE, Somerset, BS24 0BN, 01934 815062

#### SOUTH YORKSHIRE

Stadium Garage, Station Road, Stainforth, DONCASTER, South Yorkshire, DN7 5QA, 01302 841552

THRUST, Armthorpe Road Filling Station, Armthorpe Road, Wheatley Hills, DONCASTER, South Yorkshire, DN2 5PU, 01302 760273

#### SUFFOLK

*L R Wyard-Scott Ltd*, Great Green, Cockfield, BURY ST. EDMUNDS, Suffolk, IP30 OHJ, 01284 828209

Heath Filling Station Ltd, The Heath, Tattingstone, IPSWICH, Suffolk, IP9 2LX, 01473 328393

#### **TYNE & WEAR**

*JET, Thrust Ryhope (JET),* Ryhope Road, SUNDERLAND, Tyne & Wear, SR2 9SX, 0191 567 3916

#### WARWICKSHIRE

Popes Service Station, Rugby Road, Binley Woods, COVENTRY Warwickshire, CV3 2AY, 01203 542505

*THRUST, Campden Road Services,* Lower Quinton, STRATFORD ON AVON, Warwickshire, CV37 8LJ, 01789 720313

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FINA, Four Oaks Service Station, Clarence Road, Hill Hook, SUTTON COLDFIELD, West Midlands, B74 4LU, 0121 3520053 THRUST, Broomfield Garage, 232 Oldbury Road, Rowley Regis,

WARLEY West Midlands, B65 OQG, 0121 5591217

Ashfield Motors, Caroline Street, St Pauls, BIRMINGHAM, West Midlands, B3 1UG, 0121 236 1203

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THRUST, Thrust Harewood, Leeds Road, Harewood, LEEDS, West Yorkshire, LS17 9LN, 0113 2886378

*TOTAL, Thrust Swillington (TOTAL),* 35 Wakefield Road, Swillington, LEEDS, West Yorkshire, LS26 8DT, 0113 2320995

*THRUST, Monk Fryston Filling Station,* Selby Road, MONK FRYSTON, West Yorkshire, LS25 5EQ, 01977 683848

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#### UPDATES

Updates available on:

#### www.bayfordthrust.co.uk

Telephone: 01937 541111

# toctech

## Four Star Petrol News

By Geoff Smith, Chairman FBHVC, Jonathan Turner (Bayford Thrust) and James Milne (Futura)

Following the Federation's success in persuading the Government to approve the 0.5 per cent leaded petrol share of sales permitted under EU legislation, the number of garages stocking the fuel is increasing every week.

There appear to be two major holdups in completing a national network: some major fuel companies will not allow their frachisees to stock leaded fuel, while many garages that have agreed to take leaded are finding it difficult to empty their tanks of LRP!

It is unfortunate that in the three months since leaded petrol again became available that petrol prices have been raised due to increased crude oil prices and even higher taxation imposed on motor fuel in the Budget.

The lion's share of the leaded permit allocation has been taken up by Bayford Thrust and its Franchise Distributor BWOC.

The good news is that there are already over 100 sites retailing leaded four star. The legalities were easier than the realities. Response from historic vehicle owners has been huge and as a result many more filling stations hope to be selling leaded petrol in the near future.

Bayford Thrust have been talking to the oil companies, as many of the sites have supply contracts in place. Permission has already been granted on selected sites by such major brands as TotalFina, Jet, Texaco and Q8, plus some smaller brands like UK, Power and National.

The logistics have been another obstacle, as the fuel is currently sourced from the Thames. Bayford Thrust are hopeful of achieving their target of nationwide coverage, although until the network builds to a sensible level this is proving difficult. Sometimes filling stations requiring deliveries may be as much as 200 miles from each other! In most cases they are also ordering quantities of 4000 litres when the normal load size would be 32,000 litres.

Bayford Thrust's web site is receiving regular hits (over 1000 last week!) and they are getting about 100 emails a week, plus countless phone calls from owners of classics wanting to know where their nearest site is. Bayford Thrust are convinced that local car clubs and classic car enthusiasts asking their local filling station to stock leaded petrol is working! So get out and knock on some doors and tell your petrol retailer to contact Bayford Thrust on 01937 541111 or www.bayfordthrust.co.uk

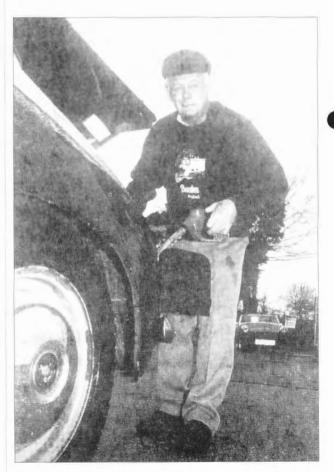
Futura Petroleum has joined Bayford Thrust and BWOC in joint enterprises to supply leaded petrol under the DETR permit scheme to meet the needs of classic car owners whose vehicles cannot satisfactorily run on unleaded plus additives or lead replacement petrol.

Futura is an operating subsidiary of Forum Oil and Gas OY -Finland's premier energy group. Operating in the UK for over five years, it has its own gasoline blending plant on the Thames where its leaded petrol is manufactured.

Whilst Futura has been at the forefront of introducing cleaner automotive fuel to the UK, the company has long expressed a commitment to the DETR to produce leaded fuel to meet the needs of minority interest groups.

In respect of lead content and octane numbers, Futura leaded petrol meets the requirements of the old BS4040 Four Star specification, but is more environmentally friendly. All petrol now sold in the UK has to meet Year 2000 EU requirements, so that levels of sulphur, aromatics, benzines and olefins are reduced from those allowed under the old specification.

The Futura company states; "Note that the derogation from the EU to limit leaded sales to 0.5% of the overall petrol consumption is indefinite, as is the DETR's permit scheme. At predicted levels of consumption, Furtura is committed to maintaining manufacture, supply and distribution, so that classic owners should have no doubt about our, and our distribution partners', long-term objective of keeping leaded petrol available on forecourts".



FBHVC President Lord Montagu filling up with leaded four-star at Beaulieu

# tocdiary

### 2000 National & International club events

The Sixteenth Annual Brittany Tour Rally Entry fee 700 ff per adult (please contact Patrice Crusson for children's prices). Price includes three nights camping and evening meals, entry fees to places of interest, entertainment and a rally plaque. Please make your own hotel bookings if required (not included in the price). Rally starts in Rennes at 09.30 on July 13th and finishes at 17.00 on July 16th at Lillebonne. Entry form on page 21 or telephone Tony Latchford, Social Secretary on 01245 328009

July 20-24th Champagne & Chocolates TOC Millennium Tour Now fully subscribed. Contact Richard & Esther Hooley for informtion on 01664 840453.

#### August 18-20th EuroCitro 2000

July 13-16th

Amicale des Clubs Citroën, Circuit du Mans. See ad on page 18 or email: eurocitro2000@worldonline.fr

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Please Book Now, Yes Now, so Barrie can book tables at the Jarvis Greyhound Hotel.

#### August 2000

**Citroën Car Club Rear Drive Register** Proposed trip to France, late summer 2000, to visit Depanato at Nogent le Retrou. It is proposed that a visit be organised towards the end of August 2000 for those CCC and TOC members having, or having an interest in, rear drive Citroëns. Travelling in a rear drive model is not mandatory but the schedule of the visit will be organised with these cars in mind. As yet there is not an itinerary, nor any costings, but both will be

	budget prices. In the first instance send a large SAE to: John Potter, 88 Norwich Road, Costessy, Norwich, Norfolk, NR5 0EG.
October 1st	Annual General Meeting Please try to come along to our Annual General Meeting at the Solihull Borough Rugby Club, Damson Parkway, Solihull. Business commences at 2.00pm. For further details please contact Andrew York on 01932 787593.
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based on travelling to Nogent le Retrou, a visit

to Depanato and staying at Campanille hotels

which offer good accommodation and cuisine at

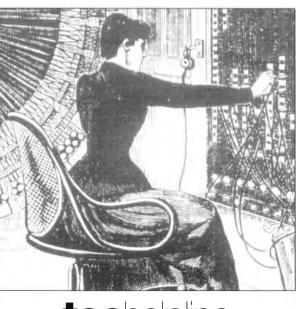
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June

#### The Midnight Sun Tour

A one week trip to Norway to tour the North and see the Midnight Sun. Please contact Mick Holmes for more details on: 0870 012 2002.

#### June 23 -24th TOC National Rally John Ogborne and the West of England Section will be organising this event. Telephone 01749 870501 for more information.



**tochelpline** 0870 012 2002 from abroad 0044 115 911 0960

## tocsection scene

### Mid-Shires section

**July 8th** - Support Droitwich in Bloom week by displaying your car in the Spa Autoclassics 2000, parked in the forecourt of the Worcestershire Brine Baths Hotel. Lots going on: Morris dancers, a handicraft market and a County Beer, Cider and Wine Fest. Another event for which you need to book early.

July 9th - Visit to Bletchley Park, near Milton Keynes.

July 11th - View the variety of vintage vehicles at Somerby again.

July 20th - 25th - The long awaited Chocolates and Champagne Millennium tour, stopping at Bruges, Reims, Epernay and Le Touquet. Viva La France - I'll drink to that!

**August Bank Holiday Weekend 25th - 28th** - The TOC Annual Rally at Astley Green near Manchester. Barrie Longden is organising this so you'll be sure of having a great time (and lot's of great black pudding)! For details see toc diary.

**August 28th** - St John's Ambulance Invitation (only) Classic Car charity fun day and parade at Grimsthorpe Castle. Please let me know if you wish to take part.

September 10th - BBQ at Bernie and Pearl's.

October 8th - Treasure hunt en-route to Gaydon Motor Museum.

**November 4/5th -** NEC Classic Car Show PLUS separate event for the ladies.

December 2nd/3rd - Christmas Bash, Walsall (£99 per couple)

**December 10th -** Mid-Shires Christmas Lunch, Donington Manor Hotel.

Helen Brixton Evington, Leicester. 0116 220 1095 email: mid-shires\_toc@upaloft.co.uk

### South Midlands section

July 15th - So far only 3 or 4 of us are hoping to attend the Annual Steam Rally at Woodcote in South Oxfordshire. We are planning to be there on Saturday 15 July. Woodcote is just off the A4074 about halfway between Wallingford and Reading. Besides steam engines there are classes for tractors, lorries, horses, veteran, vintage & 1940-1965 cars and motorcycles. Entry for exhibitors is free if we book in advance. Last year the judging and parade for the younger cars was on the Saturday. If anyone else wishes to go, please let me know as soon as possible so that I can send you the entry forms.

Not enough people have shown an interest in the rally at Kingston Bagpuize on Sunday 16th July. There is however a CCC Southern rally at Breamore House near Fordingbridge on that day to which I hope to go.

Robin Dyke Tel: 01865 858555 email: robin\_dyke@compuserve.com

### Peak section

**August 6** A Barbecue at James & Jaynes home in Westlands, Staffs. I need numbers wishing to attend by the end of July. There will be a charge to cover the food & drink.

**August 25 - 28** Annual Rally in Manchester. Do support our own Barrie Brick.

October 1 Any ideas?

**December 3** Christmas Bash in Walsall We probably won't meet in December if the Walsall event happens.

Bev & John Oates 01629 582154 Email : peak.toc@virgin.net <mailto:peak.toc@virgin.net>

### Ireland section

**August 6** - The Eighth Annual Irish Citroën Rally will take place on Sunday 6th August 2000 around Lower Lough Erne, near Enniskillen, Co. Fermanagh.

Michael Wood Ballygowan, N. Ireland 02897 528221

### London section

Tuesday 27th June - Club Night, Rose of York

Tuesday 25th July - Club Night, Rose of York

Sunday 13th August - Selbourne/Water Cress Line

Tuesday 29th August - Club Night, Rose of York

For information on anything listed please contact Pete or Sue Simper - Day 8am - 6pm: 0181 560 3267 or Eve 8.30pm - 10pm: 0181 891 1093.

### Welsh Borders section

**July 8** - Our Welsh Mountains tour will explore some more remote Welsh lanes with a couple of stops along the way. We will find you some more enchanting views and finish at the Spout House for supper.

**August 12** - Lower Nash Farmhouse again for Boules and Barbeque, don't miss it this year! To show interest please ring Roland or Anne on 01584 810128.

For our third event of the year would someone like to volunteer to organise one more. It will be entirely up to you, ring me to give me your ideas!

Happy Motoring John Worthing 01584 831239

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### South West section

March 26th - On Saturday 26th March the SW group had a gathering at 'The Welcome Stranger' Bickington (just outside Newton Abbot). Martin Vickerstaff brought along his lovely pre-war Light Fifteen, Simon Crewe brought his Onze Normale and I was in my Light 15. Martin and Simon's cars are in everyday use: mine is normally used every weekend. Also in attendance were Gordon Smith (still working on his Traction), Walford Bruen (lovely photos of his new Goddess) and John Martin (car being prepared). There were a few apologies but I fear many members in the area failed to make it. Lots of viewing and discussion took place and there will be some representation by us at the following events (any other members are welcome to turn up)

July 2nd - Bishopsteignton Rally (near Newton Abbot) July 8/9th - Powderham Castle Rally (near Exeter) July 15/16th - Devon Coastal Run (Bovey Tracey)

**July 16th** -Wadebridge Rally (Royal Cornwall Showground) There is more coming up but no details as yet. Call me if you want information.

I thought we might want a run so I arranged a trip out onto the moors and a visit to an interesting local garage 'Haytor Sports and Vintage' (tel 01364 661514) to see the present stock. This included the usual host of old MG's a lovely Austin Seven Special and an exceptional 1925 Citroën. They have used it for weddings only in recent years and it has just had a driveshaft replaced hence the wheels off view in the picture.

After the run it was back to base for a pint and lunch, which we all found most agreeable both in quality and price.

Many thanks to all who attended, including their wives and friends who put up with the Traction talk.

Malachy Bell: 01626 351303 email: Bell@malachy89.fsnet.co.uk



## Scottish section

May 7 - Spring Lunch Run. This was an outstanding success, blessed with excellent weather as well - see our report on page 8.

July 15/16th - Dalmeny House, South Queensferry. We are now beginning to organise the Club Stand for this "Wheels of Yesteryear" weekend and look forward to seeing around six Tractions on the stand. Any volunteer helpers please get in touch.

**August 4 - 6th -** C.C.C Scottish Section Rally (formerly Doune Weekend), Stirling Rugby Ground, Bridgehaugh Park, Stirling. As usual an invitation is extended to all TOC members for this famously social event including stalls, raffle and ceilidh. Proper bar, full shower & washing facilities (heaven if you're camping) loads of space, and Saturday evening ceilidh will be in the function room rather than a "barn". Further information/bookings tel: 01330 823911.

**Future Events** - It is hoped to organise a joint social event or short run with a few members of the Scottish Rally Enthusiasts Club - any venues, routes or organisers will be welcome.

I know, also, there are a few keen golfers in traction circles perhaps a camping or hotel weekend with a round of golf would be supported?

Kenny Cocker 01821 650436 or email: ken@hillfoot.fsnet.co.uk

## AGM 2000

### Sunday 1st October

The Annual General Meeting of the Traction Owners Club Limited, will be held at the Solihull Borough Rugby Club, Damson Parkway, Solihull on Sunday 1st October 2000, commencing at 2.00pm.

This is the same venue as we have used for several years, but it used to be called JB's Restaurant, Solihull. The name changed just before the 1999 AGM. In view of its proximity to the Land Rover production plant, it may yet change again.

Please do try to get along; to reassure the Committee that the work is worthwhile.

## Southbound

### **Motor Trimmers**

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Front & rear seats - Full leather LT15	£1180	Retrimmed	
Front & rear seats - Leather/Vinyl LT15	£1090	Retrimmed	
Front & rear seats - Vinyl	£978	Retrimmed	
Front & rear seats - French 11BL OE Cloth	£795	Retrimmed	
Door Panels, set of 4 - Leather, LT15	£328	Supply	
Door Panels, set of 4 - Vinyl, LT15	£287	Supply	
Door Panels, set of 4 - OE Cloth, 11BL	£262	Supply	
Carpet set 10 piece edged - LT15/11BL			
Complete with fittings and adhesive - wool pil	é £271	Supply	
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Furflex - Door Draught Excluder	£4.50	/metre	
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TOC Golf Umbrella	£15.00
Mugs with Traction Decoration	£1.50
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Poster Les Traction	£2.50
Poster 3D Traction	£2.50
Poster Traction Avant (bas relief)	£2.00
Greetings Cards (pack of 5, without envelopes)	£1.00
Sports Shirt TOC Motif (S. M. L. XL.)	£14.00
Sweat Shirt TOC Motif (S. M. L. XL.)	£15.00
Tee Shirt TOC Print (S. M.) Tee Shirt TOC Print (L.XL.)	£6.00 £7.00
MODEL	64.50
Autosculpt Traction (pewter like finish)	£4.50
A range of hand made Hallmarked Silver Items.	Silhouette Tractions

large or small boot as tie pins, brooches, or pair of earrings. Also old type Citroën Chevron badges as tie pins or brooches. Enclosed in Gift Box. Price £15.00 each. Please allow 28 days for delivery.

#### **POSTAGE & PACKING**

This is charged in addition to the above prices. Please allow for sufficient. Note: I have not yet had to send an umbrella through the post. It would be interesting to try and pack one if you insisted!

Please send orders to: KEITH FEAZEY 21 Paris Avenue Westlands Newcastle-under-Lyme Staffordshire ST5 2RQ Tel/fax: 01782 618497 If you don't want to cut up your precious copy of Floating Power, photocopies of this form are acceptable.

## entry form

## THE 16th ANNUAL BRITANNY RALLY

**CLUB DES TRACTIONS AVANT DE BRETAGNE** 

### July 13-16th 2000 Entry fee 700 ff per adult

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Price includes three nights camping and evening meals, entry fees to places of interest, entertainment and a rally plaque. Please make your own hotel bookings if required (not included in the price) *Details available from Tony Latchford on* **01245 328009** 

The Rally starts in Rennes at **09.30 on July 13th** where each crew will receive the Road Book and all other relevant information and finishes at **17.00 on July 16th at Lillebonne.** 

On the night of July 13th we will be staying in Villedieules-Poelles in Normandy and on the 14th and 15th, Caudebec-en-Caux also in Normandy.

Please complete the application below and return to Patrice Crusson with your cheque made out to:

"Club des Tractions Avant de Bretagne" to:

Siege Social President Patrice Crusson "Lourme" 35230 ORGERES France

Only Eurocheques, International Bank Drafts or cheques drawn on French bank accounts can be accepted.

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## toccorrespondence

#### Dear Richard,

One point, the numbering system for volume/issue appears to have gone wrong. I have received as follows:

July 1999	Volume 24	Issue 1
October 1999	Volume 24	Issue 2
January 2000	Volume 25	Issue 3
March 2000	Volume 25	lssue 4

The latter two publications should be part of volume 24, please check.

#### R. Stevenson

Long Preston, North Yorkshire

Thanks to Robert and apologies to all. The gremlins crept in and kept very quiet, This issue is numbered Volume 24 Issue 5. Next issue will be Issue 6, followed by Volume 25 Issue 1.

Ed

#### Dear Richard,

The events for the year look good, and on thinking about how the years have passed I thought maybe it is time the story of how the beginnings of the Club came about. Perhaps other founder members would contact me so we can discuss it. Keep up the good work

#### Kind Regards

Fred Annells, 36 Main Street, Dyke, Nr Bourne, Lincs, PE10 OAF.

Sounds like a geat idea to record the background to the foundation of a great club.

Ed

#### Richard,

Could you please send me an 'I found John Gillard' badge.

I was in central London; with what I thought was time to spare. I needed to procure some parts for the car therefore what better opportunity to visit 'Classic Restorations'. Unfortunately it took me so long to find that I exchanged only a few words with John (purchasing some trim) before rushing off.

However what a treat, to behold so many lovely cars and to see some of John's handywork ahh.

I will be back John.

Kind Regards

Malachy Bell, Newton Abbot.

#### Dear Members,

Am going to France in the Traction, July 11th August 1st.

Needed to buy insurance for foreign recovery and repair so shopped around for quotes.

Euro Assistance will not cover cars over 11years old!

AA wanted £114, discussion brought this down to £99. Basic price £79 + £35 older car supplement. Last time we used  $5*^{r^*}$  they waived the extra cost if we were members of a recognised car club. TOC became recognised at that time. AA would budge on this. Said that it was a special offer at the time.

RAC total cost for a very similar service. £63. No extra charge for TOC or the Citroën car club. Would have been 10% cheaper if I had been a RAC member.

Moral, shop around for a better price and always indicate that you are a member of TOC.

Best Wishes Julian Taylor "New member Andrew Rolph has sent these pictures which whetted his appetite to have his own Traction ...... we look forward to hearing more from him later in the year...." Ed.

I did photograph last Spring a Traction in a street in Lucerne. Her very dark blue livery was beautifully shiny in the rain, she was called 'Charlotte' and registered SZ.28094 - and about to be given a ticket by two Swiss policemen!

A colleague has also photographed a Traction recently seen in Dresden with a advertising placard astride its roof.

Andrew Rolph, Horley, Surrey.





#### Dear Richard,

Enclosed are pictures of this strange caravan I've found. I am informed that it was built in the early sixties as a van that could be towed by a mini, but I'm not so sure. It has glass double glazing and goes together like a lego kit, it is so easy to tow I think it will be ideal for my new Onze Normale to pull around France in the

Summer. Has anyone ever seen one of these? My enquires have so far drawn a blank. *Regards* 

Malachy Bell Newton Abbot, Devon. 01626 351303





## Annual Raly Friday 25th August to Monday 28th August 2000

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#### Contact Barrie Brick for further details on 01565 873092 or 07940 561321

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# tocclassifieds

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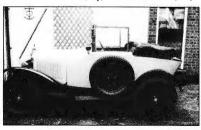
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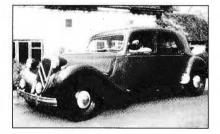
I believe every panel and component has been on the car since it left the factory, apart from cream Pilote wheels and the twin SU carbs. which were fitted four years ago using period SU parts and conversion diagrams. Original wheels and carbs. available. The car still has a unique(?) key-operated anti-theft system fitted when new plus, spare key!

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