

# BMW Historic Motor Club UK



Newsletter Five

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## Munich Rally update

Everything is progressing very well with the arrangements, the programme for Munich has now been finalised and will include a visit to the new BMW Museum before its official opening in June. The rally bags containing the maps, rally book, rally plate etc will be sent out to entrants in early May to enable them to familiarise themselves with the recommended routes and arrangements and fix the rally plate to their car. 31 cars will be taking part.

There will be one car participating that was on the 1938 Rally, David Cottingham will be driving Colin and Alastair Crabbe's 327/80 GML 184, which Colin's father, Captain Crabbe, drove in 1938.

## Helmut Feierabend

We are sad to report the recent death of Helmut Feierabend. An obituary will appear in the Historic BMW issue No 5.

## Invitation to the Nash picnic

John and Pauline Malyan will be holding the 2008 Nash picnic at their home in Wisborough Green on Sunday 13th of July. All BMW HMC members are welcome even if they are not members of the Frazer Nash Car Club.

The event will start at about noon, please bring your own food. Our hosts will kindly provide ample beer to quench your thirst, so they will require notice if you are coming to ensure adequate beer supplies are "on tap".

There will be a fun driving test and afternoon tea will be provided. Kindly let John or Pauline know on 01403 700192 before 1st of July if you wish to attend.

## Membership updates

### Change of home address:

Dr Alan Shattock, The Stone House, Letternoosh, Westport Road, Clifden, Co. Galway, Ireland

**Errorum:** Kai Ottoson address, street number should read: Højstrupvej 73, not 74

### New email address:

Alec Macfie: amacfie@tiscali.co.uk

Carolyn Wilkinson: cmw.coytfield@zen.co.uk

Richard Wilkinson: raw.coytfield@zen.co.uk

## Register of Cars

From time to time I overhear comments from third parties about eligible members cars having been

bought, sold, or transferred. Unfortunately I cannot update the Register unless the relevant parties inform me directly of the changes. I shall be producing a new Register next year and I am anxious that it should contain up to date information about members cars. Kindly let me know of any updates you want to be recorded within the Register. You can send me an e-mail. If the car is new to the Register please fill in the relevant part (page 2) of the Application form (downloadable from the BMW HMC website or I can send you a copy). Thanks, Fabienne Muschamp on 01242 870417 or fmuschamp@clara.co.uk

## Competition results

**We have very few results to publish at this early stage in the season.**

**Alastair Pugh** gained a second class award at the VSCC Pomeroy Trophy held in February in his Frazer Nash-BMW type 328, registration number HTU 446

**Mark Garfitt** navigated by Dood Pearce was second overall and first in class on the VSCC Measham Rally, which was a night rally over 185 miles. I believe this was Mark's first competitive outing in his Frazer Nash-BMW type 319/55 registration number FMC 119, after its long and painstaking rebuild. Two Frazer Nash-BMWs (Mark Garfitt plus Graham Juffs driving his Frazer Nash-BMW type 327/80 Registration number FGC 512) plus a Bentley won the Measham Rally team award, the team being named The 3 "Bs".

As mentioned in newsletter number 4 - December 2007. If you wish your successes (or failures) to be published please forward copies of official results to Ken MacMaster, Insetton House, Dordale Green, Belbroughton, Nr Stourbridge, West Midlands DY9 0BA.

## 6th Grand Prix De Monaco Historique 10-11 May 2008

Race C Pre1953 sports and sports prototype cars  
All races at the Grand Prix De Monaco Historique meeting held on the full Monaco Grand Prix circuit are heavily over subscribed and so it is remarkable that members of our small club have secured 4 of the 35 entries accepted for the race for pre1953 sports and sports prototype cars.

### BMW Historic Motor Club Entries

Patrick Blakeney Edwards is driving Andrew Baker's ex-A.F.P. Fane Frazer Nash-BMW type 328, registration number JMP5.

David Franklin is again at the wheel of Ken MacMaster's Frazer Nash-BMW type 328 registration number EPP770

John Ure is driving Peter Mann's Frazer Nash Le Mans Replica Mk 2. This car finished second overall in 2004 and won in 2006 and is very likely to be a front-runner in 2008.

Richard Wills will be at the wheel of his delectable Ferrari 212 Inter.

### The entry list includes:

**Four - 328 BMWs.** The two Frazer Nash-BMW type 328s already specified.

Georg Alberti driving Albert Otten's BMW type 328. This car has been prepared by Steve Stanton, another BMW Historic Motor Club member.

Dieter Quester is driving his BMW type 328. I wonder if this is the same Dieter Quester who some years ago proved to be highly competitive in works formula 2 BMW.

**Two - Veritas type RS** The 4 328s are backed up by Paul Singer and Erich Traber who are driving their Veritas RS machines.

**Six - post war Frazer Nash's** Including Peter Mann's car and Stirling Moss driving his Le Mans replica.

**Five - Ferrari's** The most competitive of these is likely to be Michael Williams at the wheel of a very quick 340 America.

**Four - Allard J2** Following Albert Otten's great drive in his Cadillac Allard J2 in 2006, this year there are 4 examples of this Marque entered.

### Three C-type jaguars

Two will be front-runners. The example being driven by Nigel Webb is particularly powerful and will make a strong showing.

**Two Aston Martin's** A DB3 and a DB2.

### Single entries

Connaught, Gordini (driver Eddie McGuire, qualified 3rd on the grid in 2006), a Cooper MG T21 (driver Simon Duffey), a 1933 MG K3 (the oldest car in the race) and an Atalanta RGS

The small class includes examples of Osca, a Skoda 1101 Sport, a Nardi Danese, etc.

All in all a very competitive field. The red lights go out at 6pm on Sunday 11th May.

## Wanted

One 5.25 x 16 tyre preferably Avon Tourist.  
Julian Bittleston 01460 281993 anytime

## Welcome to the digital age

The Motor Sport Association (MSA) have regular digital newsletters available for download from their web site: www.msauk.org They are called 'Motorsports Now' and 'Wheels'. Just go to the MSA website and click on the 'MSA Publications' tab on the left hand side of the home page.

# Forthcoming Events

The following gives additional information on the events listed on page 7 of the Historic BMW issue No 4 (issued 2008).

## 19th – 31st May 70th Anniversary Rally to Munich

## 13th July Frazer Nash Picnic – Wisborough Green

## 13th July BMW Car Club North East Region Concours of the North, Harewood House, Leeds

We have been invited to join the BMW CC show on the North front lawn of Harewood House with our Historic BMWs. Normal Harewood gate price includes entry to house and gardens discount available online at [www.harewood.org](http://www.harewood.org)

For further Details Contact Andy on 07831 446864 or Steve on 07811 722742 or Nick on 07714 805804.

## 19th July Benjafields Racing Club Vaughan Davis Memorial Sprint Cornbury Park

Regulations are now available from Ken MacMaster, Insetton House, Dordale Green, Belbroughton, Nr Stourbridge, West Midlands DY9 0BA. Tel. Home: 01562 730798; Work: 08707 590799.

## 25th – 27th July Summer Social weekend incorporating Silverstone Classic Race Meeting

It's becoming the must-do-event of the year along with the Goodwood Revival Meeting, so the BMW Historic Club Committee are pleased to invite members and their cars to an exciting social weekend beginning on Friday 25th July, centred around the hugely successful Silverstone Classic Race Meeting. On Sunday, to round off the weekend we will visit the Shuttleworth Collection in the picturesque village of Old Warden in Bedfordshire.

### Programme Overview

#### Saturday 26th July, and optionally Friday 25th July

The Silverstone Classic is now firmly established as one of Europe's largest historic motor sport events and is regaining the former glory it enjoyed in the 1990s as the Coys International Historic Festival.

This year 8 decades of motor sport will be celebrated and many of the golden eras of Grand Prix, GT, and Touring Car racing will be showcased.

The packed race programme will include the BRDC 500 - a race for pre-war sports cars, and as in previous years Ken MacMaster will be leading a team of BMWs.

There will be a designated display area for all Historic Motor Club eligible cars and as last year we have secured a prime spot overlooking the Brooklands complex.

On Saturday the hospitality tent will be on site serving a buffet lunch and drinks all day.

#### Saturday evening, 26th July

Due to popular demand we will be returning to the Oriental Paradise Chinese restaurant for our usual fabulous meal in a private suite. As last year, we shall have live music after the dinner.

#### Sunday morning, 27th July

We will take a drive through the unspoilt Shires countryside to the Shuttleworth Collection at Old Warden Park in Bedfordshire. Along with the world famous collection of over 40 historic aircraft – all in flying condition, there is a Regency garden laid

out in the 1920s by Lord Ongley featuring many decorative and exotic structures.

#### Sunday lunchtime, 27th July

The official programme ends with a superb Sunday lunch at the The Plough Restaurant at Bolnhurst. The building traces its roots back to Tudor times and many original features create an intensely warm atmosphere. The true joy of this restaurant is the trinity of atmosphere, service and sumptuous food.

We hope you will join us on this event, but as places for Saturday night and Sunday lunchtime are limited, please return the entry form together with your cheque as soon as possible.

(In the event that we are oversubscribed, we shall allocate places in order of receipt of your form and payment).

If you require an entry form, please email David Williams: [david.williams@vwcv.co.uk](mailto:david.williams@vwcv.co.uk)

## 26th – 28th September Second Anniversary weekend South Yorkshire

Howard Walker gave a brief preview of the second anniversary weekend at the AGM. Provisional details follow:

Hotel: The West Retford Hotel at Retford in North Nottinghamshire.

Dates: Friday 26th September until Sunday 28th.

**Saturday** Drive through the lanes (36 miles approx) following a route card. See the twisted Spire of Chesterfield on the way to our venue at Chatsworth House, where the cars will be displayed. Tour the grounds, eat at one of the many eating places, or have a picnic (food available on site). See the splendid residence and gardens, or visit the Farm Shop and purchase their quality supplies.

Follow a route back to the Hotel (about 40 miles) Black tie Dinner in our own private room with bar and after dinner speaker.

**Sunday** Casual drive to a BBQ in North Derbyshire. Afternoon wend your way home.

## 31st October Pre-Goodwood Sprint Dinner to be held at:

Comme ça Restaurant, 67 Boyle Road, Chichester (7.30pm for 8pm)

Since 1998 the Club have organised a Pre-event dinner for drivers, members and their spouses. For the last five years the function has been held at the Comme ça Restaurant, Chichester and has proved so successful that we are returning there this year.

We have agreed that you can join us for dinner; if you can get a party together so much the better. Please make a note of the date in your diary and, if you are interested, contact Ken MacMaster as soon as possible. His office telephone number is 08707 590799.

We have agreed with Michel Navet, the joint Proprietor of Comme ça Restaurant, to provide final numbers on Friday 16th October. The total price for the evening which includes a three course dinner, coffee and petit fours together with service charge will be approximately £33.00 per head.

## 1st November AC Owners Club Goodwood Sprint

Once again the AC Owners Club has agreed to provide a separate class for Historic BMWs at their 2008 Goodwood Sprint Meeting.

Our own club will provide a trophy for the best performance by a Historic BMW on handicap, in order to encourage entries from members driving less sporting machinery.

For further information please contact Ken MacMaster at Insetton House, Dordale Green, Belbroughton, Nr Stourbridge, West Midlands DY9 0BA. Tel: Home: 01562 730798; Work: 08707 590799.

## 2009 Events – Stanley Cup

Provisional date October, further details to follow in due course.

# Parts and new blocks from TT Workshops

Having been in the industry supplying bespoke components for all types of historic and competition cars for many years, it was always been my intention to develop the new component side of TT Workshops when I took over the company in 2005. When it came to large components such as engine blocks, I made a rule in my head that when the cost of buying and machining used blocks got to 50% of the cost of producing new, that would be the time to embark on this new venture.

Original 326 blocks are now regularly selling for between £3,000 and £4,000 depending on condition but it is very much 'Caveat Emptor' If you are considering buying a used block (other than frost damage) the original blocks are very prone to cracking down the pushrod cut outs and worst of all along the main bearing webs, so always try to buy pending pressure and crack testing before you part with any money as good quality stitching can cost £100 per inch, and if the main webs are cracked then the block is scrap anyway. I not recommend to try welding cracked BMW blocks.

Now that the used blocks are fetching over £3,000 you have to remember the cost of any repair and the machining needed prior to being rebuilt. All in all, if there was ever a time to manufacture new blocks that time is now.

The whole project is been carried out with the best quality in mind from pattern maker, foundry and machinist. The patterns have been made at Crosthwaite and Gardiner, who were my first choice for this project, as I know very well that their quality is with out question. A foundry with the reputation for teaming large quantities of the highest quality cast iron with excellent constancy throughout the casting has been chosen in the midlands.

We have increased material thickness in key areas, having reliability very much a priority with other modifications to produce a more flexible casting where machining is concerned should there be the need for any variation in the dimensions of the mechanical components. For example it will be possible to machine the castings as to the original specifications, or to machine to take thin wall shell bearings and modern thrust washers as with a Bristol engine. Orders can be taken prior to machining to the individual needs of the customer within reason.

In conjunction with the BMW blocks we are a long way down the line in producing Bristol 100 series blocks, rocker gear and cylinder heads. Although both projects will have modifications with reliability for race and road in mind they are being produced within the spirit of the original.

The manufacturing of all components is being carried out in the UK for ease of following progress and quality control. Please contact James Harris at TT Workshops with your interest: 01373 823603.