

# North Devon Sports and Classic Car Club



May 2019



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Tuesday 30th April— Westward Ho!

Some NDSCC members (and potential members) line up at Seafield House for the opening leg of “Relay for Life” organised by NDSCCC members Debbie Gibbs and Tom Adamson of Evoke tours in aid of Cancer ResearchUK. Leg one was to Newport, Wales, via Porlock Weir (To test clutches and brakes after the winter lay up!)

The round Britain tour ends at Westward Ho! on 21st May and members are invited to the finish point at Pig on the Hill, Abbotsham.

# CHAIRMAN'S CHAT

It's good to start seeing the sports and classics out on the road again, yes it's still relatively early weather wise but we have managed a few days of good and reasonable weather.

The April Nosh and Natter was well attended and the sun even brought out a few sports and classics. Thanks go again to Geraldine / John and Nick / Sandy for all their organisational efforts.

Drive it Day was a big success with around 25 cars attending, although 2 failed to get past the pits with fuel pump issues.....probably one of the few times an MGB and an Aston have something in common! Thanks to Pete Westaway for keeping us all on the route.

I even managed a trip up to Weston Super Mare over the Easter Weekend for the annual transport gathering on the beach lawns.....Kate nearly got left behind in the cells!

It is going to start getting busy now as the season gets into full swing, there will be a trip down to Bude Motor Club on the 12th May (keep an eye out on FB for when or where to meet up or E mail me for details), 19th May sees us down at Exmouth for a visit to the Museum of Country Life.....it's all in the mag so book in as spaces are filling up fast (especially Powderham!).

One of our members (Johnny Woods) was involved in a photo shoot for Octane magazine with his Pantera and accompanied by an Iso Grifo and an Interceptor, hopefully the article will be out soon and maybe a picture will make next year's NDSCCC calendar.

Kate and I are off to visit an Aunt this weekend near Salisbury, we shall keep clear of park benches and honestly the fact that there is a car show put on by the Downton Motor Club has absolutely no bearing on the visit.....I think it will be a BMC heavy show with lots of Minis and MGCs! Then it's the Uffculme Show on the Bank Holiday Monday, great to keep busy!

Cheers

Tim



## NDSCCC Drive It Day—April 2019

25 Club cars took part in the annual Drive It Day outing on the 28 Apr. The start was from Homebase Barnstaple and took in Dulverton and Exford before looping over Exmoor to Lynton and a lunch stop at the Cliff Railway.

If you have any photos and would like them to be considered for next years calendar, please forward to the Editor at [ndsccc.newsletter@gmail.com](mailto:ndsccc.newsletter@gmail.com)



# NDSCCC Drive It Day—April 2019 Continued



## NDSCCC Nosh & Natter—April 2019

Around 25 members attended the April Nosh and Natter at the Stags Head near Filleigh. The early April sunshine meant that a few even brought their sports and classic cars along.



# Relay for Life



Just a few photos from the start of the Relay for Life.





Each month we will review the Federation British Historic Vehicle Clubs website and select an item or two that you may find of interest.

## BREXIT CHECKLIST

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The Federation recognises that you might be considering taking your historic vehicle across the Channel, or into the Republic of Ireland, this year. You might be concerned about what will be different if the UK should leave the EU without any deal having been achieved. In anything concerning this subject, in the first instance you should consult Government websites. As departments develop their plans, information is posted online on a regular basis.

The following are areas which the Federation considers you should think about if you are intending to travel, either as a driver or passenger.

- You should consider your insurance, both vehicle and personal.
  - The Insurance Directive will cease to be effective and there could be changes to how claims would be dealt with. Ask your motor insurer.
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  - You may require a Green Card to visit EU countries, and not all EU countries accept the same Green Card. Your motor insurer should know the various rules
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  - Your European Health Insurance Card will no longer be of any effect. Thus you should consider establishing that your insurance cover includes full health insurance, including, if required, cover against the occurrence of existing medical conditions.
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  - You may need any driver to acquire an International Driving Permit
  - You will require to show a separate GB plate even if your vehicle is identified as being registered in the UK by the EU 'GB' number plate.
  - The Roadworthiness Testing Directive will no longer apply. You may wish to submit your vehicle to an MOT test, even if it is exempt, so that you will be in possession of evidence that the vehicle has passed a roadworthiness test if local law enforcement requests.
  - Not all local Low Emission Zones currently exempt historic vehicles. There may be some which exempt only historic vehicles from the EU. You will need to check locally.
- This advice must not be regarded as complete or accurate; it is offered only as a useful checklist. If you have specific questions, we will try to help, but in the current uncertainty, we will not necessarily know the answer.

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# NDSCCC EVENTS CALENDAR

See Website for further details / entry forms ([www.ndsccc.co.uk](http://www.ndsccc.co.uk))

Date	Event	NDSCCC event	Contacts
4-6th May 2019	CMC Riviera Run Torbay	No	Chris Grant — Cornish Mini Club <a href="mailto:cmcrivierarun@gmail.com">cmcrivierarun@gmail.com</a>
5th May	Merton Village Vintage and Classic Rally Around	No	1200—1700, Clinton Hall, Merton EX20 3EQ
6th May 2019	Uffculme Show	No	John Phillips — Exe Valley Rotary Club <a href="http://www.exevalleyrotary.org.uk/classic-car-show">www.exevalleyrotary.org.uk/classic-car-show</a>
9th May 2019	Nosh and Natter 12:30 for 13:00 Bell Inn, Chittlehampton EX37 9QL	Yes	John Kenyon 01409241460 <a href="mailto:kenyonvirothy@aol.com">kenyonvirothy@aol.com</a>
12th May 2019	Bude Motor Show Bude Rugby Ground	No	Just turn up at Bude Rugby Ground before 09:30. See Facebook for updates
19th May 2019	The Country Wildlife Park Show Exmouth	Yes	Clare Kane <a href="mailto:Claresy28@gmail.com">Claresy28@gmail.com</a>
21st May 2019	Classic Relay for Life returns to Westward Ho!	No	Arrive at Pig on the Hill. Abbotsham. Watch emails / Facebook for updates on timings.
26th May 2019	Pecorama Show Beer, Dorset	Yes	Tim Hatcher <a href="mailto:timhatcher@talktalk.net">timhatcher@talktalk.net</a>
1-2nd June 2019	South Molton Vintage Rally	No	Ian Kennedy — South Molton Vintage Rally Club 07513 119923
9th June 2019	Lyn Valley Classic	No	Jenn Williams, Minehead Motor Club See website / Facebook
16th June 2019	Ilfracombe Show	Yes	Glenn Merritt <a href="mailto:glennmerrittif@gmail.com">glennmerrittif@gmail.com</a>
23rd June 2019	Big Sheep Show Abbotsham	Yes	Chris Arscott <a href="mailto:chrisarscott@ymail.com">chrisarscott@ymail.com</a>
30th June	Calvert Trust to Castle Hill, Filleigh Road Run	Yes	Tim Hatcher <a href="mailto:timhatcher@talktalk.net">timhatcher@talktalk.net</a>

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13-14th July 2019	Powderham Torbay	Yes	John Whitehead <a href="mailto:johnandjoanw@gmail.com">johnandjoanw@gmail.com</a>
1st September	Fremington Childrens Hos- pice Car Run	No	Diane or Bob Harrison 01271 860914
7-8th September	Chapelton Steam Rally	No	Chapleton Barton, UMBERLEIGH, North Devon, EX37 9EB

## NDSCCC - New events

Entry forms may be downloaded from the website  
[www.ndsccc.co.uk](http://www.ndsccc.co.uk)

### Merton Vintage & Classic ' Rally Around '

Hog Roast & Afternoon Tea

Fundraising for

**Cancer Research UK &  
North Devon Hospice**

*In Memory of*



**Chris Laughton**

**SUNDAY 5TH MAY 2019 12<sub>NOSH</sub> - 5<sub>PM</sub>**

**at The Clinton Hall, Merton (EX20 3EQ)**

### Chapelton Steam



## Rally



**7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> September 2019**

Steam Engines ~ Tractors ~ Stationary Engines

Classic Cars ~ Motorcycles ~ Commercials

Ring Events ~ Food and Refreshments

Wood Sawing ~ Military Vehicles



**Chapleton Barton, Umberleigh, North Devon, EX37 9EB**

**Stay on A377 and then follow signs to rally**

Adults £7.50

Children Free

## NDSCCC Golden Pencil Award

Members are invited to submit a short article for the chance of winning a prize at the 2020 AGM

### This month— My Car and Me –The Editor's Triumph Stag

The Golden Pencil award (announced via email late last year ) is made to one author selected at random from any club member who contributes a personal article & picture to the club magazine in the year between AGMs.

We are will be rolling out a new award for 2019, so please put pen to paper or finger to keys and tell us a story via the club magazine for a chance to win this valuable prize.

Templates for the 3 categories will be sent via a separate email from the editor. and can be found on the website.

Launched in June 1970 the Triumph Stag injected a taste of luxury into the Triumph sports convertible range following the themes of the 2000 series. The 2+2 featured sleek lines and a distinctive 'T' roll over bar which contributed significantly to the car's overall rigidity. Perhaps the car's most (in)famous attraction, the brand new 3 litre V8 engine, unfortunately also proved to be its most notorious, as neglected or not yet understood servicing requirements caused well reported problems which included stretched timing chains, cylinder head corrosion and overheating leading to warped cylinder heads and blown head gaskets. Stags were supplied with either a manual or automatic gearbox and when fitted with a hardtop the soft top neatly stowed beneath its lift-up cover. Production ceased in 1977 after 25,939 had been built.

My car, WYO575M was built 25<sup>th</sup> April 1974 and despatched on 2<sup>nd</sup> May 1974 to Henley's Limited in London. It was first registered on 26<sup>th</sup> June 1974 and I acquired it in 2016 having known the car for 3 years. In 2008 the body was taken back to bare metal and all the chrome work was re-chromed. An aluminium fuel tank and a new mohair hood were fitted in 2016. A walnut dashboard and interior were fitted and the clock was replaced with an Oil Pressure Gauge (or worry gauge as its known in the Stag) which is essential in monitoring that Triumph V8. A complete engine overhaul took place in 2009 to solve low oil pressure due to 2 broken main bearing caps and one unusable head. Racing type main bearing caps were manufactured and line bored to prevent further failure of this known weak-spot. A 12-vane water pump and 4 core radiator were fitted together with twin electric cooling fans. Electronic ignition was fitted and the original twin Stromberg carburettors were changed to a twin-choke Weber in 2017, giving a smoother and more efficient engine. Following coolant leaks in 2018 from the head gasket, the Evans Waterless coolant has been replaced with standard coolant and a header tank fitted. The original Borg Warner Type 35 3 speed auto was replaced in 2014 with a ZF 4 speed auto from a Jaguar. This has transformed the car, as previously at 70mph it was pulling 3500 rpm and now only 2200 rpm. In 2016 the original universal jointed drive shafts were uprated to CV joints to prevent the splines winding up and anti-tramp bars fitted to cure the "Stag Twitch"

The car is used for shows and general summer use and I have only recently noticed it features on Rimmers website! Whether this is acknowledgement for the vast amount spent over the years I do not know!

The Stag is a great car to drive with a fantastic V8 burble, and drives more like a modern car than one of 45 years of age. Maybe it's the colour, but it attracts attention wherever it goes. Having recently been on the Relay for Life, I discovered that Porlock Hill is more than a match for my brakes, the pedal was solid but stopping power was minimal with a very strong smell of burning friction pads - so maybe that's the next upgrade.



## NDSCCC - CLUB SHOP

### Club Logo Mugs and Pin Badges

We have had some mugs printed, they are available from the Chairman via email. They are £5 per mug and can be collected from a show or posted for extra cost. We also have our pin badges. Made out of metal with an enamelled face displaying our logo. A nice high quality item, priced at £5 plus postage or collection from a show. The Caps are £10 and we also have some remaining calendars in stock which can be purchased for £3 each.

Available from REGALIA SECRETARY Rob Martin— [robjohnmartin60@gmail.com](mailto:robjohnmartin60@gmail.com)



### CLUB T SHIRTS AND FLEECES ETC

A local company has agreed to produce, pack and post T shirts, Fleecees and caps etc with the Club logo on.

This saves Committee members having to organise it and paying up front out of their own pockets. The website address is as below and the prices are the same as we have paid before albeit there is now a post and packing charge.

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or speak to REGALIA SECRETARY Rob Martin— [robjohnmartin60@gmail.com](mailto:robjohnmartin60@gmail.com)

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### For Sale, 1978 Triumph Spitfire 1500 with overdrive.

Colour – Mimosa yellow

£7800.00 or reasonable offer.

The car is now over 40 years old, it had a nut and bolt restoration back in 1999 and soon after winning an award at the Footman James 2002 classic car show in Bristol.

Both seats were restored 2 years ago with foam and Leather covers from Park Lane Classics.

It has a full service history has been serviced regularly by a local classic car mechanic and the owner never hesitates to spend money on the car if it is needed. All the Service and parts Receipts are available. There is a box file of paperwork dating back to when the car was new.

The soft top and paint are in very good condition and polish up well. The engine is strong, drives really well and with overdrive it can more than cope with modern traffic.

Recently the Odometer decided to stop working at 50,000 miles. A second hand one was fitted which is now showing 78,000 miles. The Garage that fitted it has drawn up a letter stating the miles of the car when it was changed. The last MOT also shows the mileage at 50,000 miles. In the pictures you can see the new one fitted and the old one stuck at 50,00 miles.

There is also a hard top of which is never used. The paint and the rubbers are in very good condition. The head lining is still attached, and the hard top is more than useable.

The car is now MOT and Road TAX exempt, but the car does come with 12 months MOT.

The underside is straight and clean and there is no rust on the underside or body of the car. The chrome around the car is also in very good condition.

The car is based in Bideford.

Call Anthony 07823447469—if no answer please leave a message or you can email on [antkane25@gmail.com](mailto:antkane25@gmail.com)



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**For Sale. Mk1 Triumph Stag 3.0ltr V8 manual with overdrive.**

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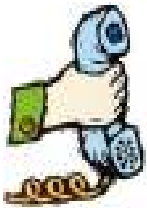
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## **MENU**

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Rodizio de Carnes,  
various cuts and styles of  
Beef Steak, Lamb, Chicken,  
Pork and Sausages,  
all carved at the table.  
Feijao (black bean stew),  
Farofa, Tomato Salsa,  
Rice, Casava (Yucca),  
Mini Potatoes  
Selection of Salads

Vegetarian Options,  
Saiten "chicken Style" by How  
on Earth, Vegetable Moqueca  
(coconut milk stew)

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Fresh Pineapples, steeped in  
Rum, sprinkled with  
Cinnamon sugar, barbecued  
and served with Tennacott  
Farm ice cream and mini  
churros.

Our Brazilian showcase menu will start with Salgados (Brazilian Canapes) and the main meal will be Rodizio de Carnes, a traditional meat feast where various spit roast barbecued meats are carved from the skewers at the tables onto sharing boards and accompanied by side dishes, salads and sauces, our signature dessert will follow.