

# North Devon Sports & Classic Car Club

October 2022



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# CHAIRMAN'S CHAT

It is with great sadness that I mark the passing of long term Club member Mervyn Barker. Mervyn and his wife Betty, were regulars at the monthly Nosh and Natter meets. In previous years they both enjoyed getting out about in their Jaguar and before that in a variety of American Classics. An accomplished chef, lover of Rock and Roll and a true "petrol head" he will be sorely missed. Our thoughts are with Betty and her family. The Club has made a donation to the British Heart Foundation.

The last month has seen the Club out and about a lot. Although technically in August the Bank Holiday Merry Harriers garden centre meet was a particular success with around 100 cars attending and about 50 belonging to Club members. Fortunately the weather stayed fine and it was great to see so many cars.....some of them leaving with shrubs and plants sticking out of windows, sunroofs and the like. Well done Robin and team. Next up was the Dulverton Vintage Fayre, a smaller event due to space constraints but still managing to field 18 Club cars. It was great to see so many of you getting into the theme and dressing vintage style. Although I suspect some of us were just recycling what has always been in the back of the wardrobe, I am certainly getting value from my pith helmet!

The treasure hunt was also a big success and I am told that all the drivers and navigators have at last resumed talking to one another! Some of our newer members have already told me that they will book in for the next one. Nothing to do with the breakfast start or the cream tea finish I am sure. Thanks to Ant and Clare Kane. The Children's Hospice run organised by Bob and Diane Harrison was on the same day as the treasure hunt so down a little on numbers. Nevertheless it was enjoyed by all those taking part and managed to raise much needed funds for the hospice.

Once again the weather stayed fine for the Big Sheep Show organised by Mike Simpkins. With around 85 cars on display it was great to meet up with so many of you and get to see some "new" old cars as well. Every year the mini contingent seems to grow, small cars with a big heart are always welcome though. Thanks for all your efforts Mike.

The Saturday Bideford Quay meets seem not to be as well supported as we would like, perhaps we should advertise them as a Saturday breakfast/brunch and shopping event. But we will probably continue them next year as a Saturday offering to members.

For the first time in 5 years it didn't rain on the way to the Castle Combe Classic, or on the way back or throughout the whole day. Perhaps bringing it forward a week was the answer all along. It certainly proved to be a great day out this year, the racing was captivating, the chance to peruse the paddocks interesting and the bacon baps welcome (thanks to Kate). So book early for next year when it is advertised !

We are now looking forward to the Autumn Run on 02 October, the run plans are all printed, the rally plaques have arrived, the breakfast meeting point briefed and the cream teas ordered (a theme runs through all our events.....calories). We have over 30 cars booked in and around 55 cream teas ordered. With a 35 mile trip in the morning and a 40 mile one in the afternoon it will keep everyone on their toes and the chance to see some great Exmoor vistas.

As some of you will have already heard our membership is now 200+, so as events are advertised book early to avoid disappointment! Its a great milestone to reach and a validation that your Committee must be doing something right! So a pat on the back to you all Committee and the membership, as its all you lot that make the club what it is!

Looking forward to seeing you all out and about and hoping to chat to as many of you as I can.

Cheers

Tim

# NDSCCC EVENTS CALENDAR— 2022

## **IMPORTANT - Please note:**

At all Club events, a member of the committee may take details of you and your car. This is for several reasons:-

- 1 — It allows the Club to check that your membership is current and therefore you are covered by our insurance
- 2 — It allows the Club to keep the database of vehicles current
- 3 — It allows us to track attendance to see how viable / popular events are

All information is solely for the use of the Club and no information is passed on to third parties.

We trust you will support us in this matter.

## **MEETING POINTS FOR EVENTS**

To keep things simple, the following meeting points will be used for events

Bideford – Affinity (Atlantic Village) Main Car Park, Clovelly Rd, Bideford EX39 3QU

Barnstaple – Homebase Car Park, Rose Lane, Barnstaple EX32 8PG

Tiverton—Homebase Car Park, Lowman Way, Tiverton EX16 6SR

South Molton – Eastbound Truck Stop on A361, South Molton EX36 4RZ

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We are always looking for volunteers to be the point of contact for events. This does not mean you have to organise it, attend meetings, or be on the committee, just be the named contact for a specific event.

Let us know if you are able to assist.

As you know, things can change very quickly, so please keep your eyes on your email and our Facebook page.

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## MIDWEEK INFORMAL MEETS

We have set up mid week meeting venues for any members who wish to get together outside the formal event calendar.

These are a “just turn up and natter” and no booking in is required, however if you require food please contact the venue direct to book a table.

All venues have large car parks

The meeting points are:-

1st Wednesday of the month	- Williams Arms, Wrafton, Braunton EX33 2DE	01271 812360
2nd Wednesday of the month	- Anchor Inn, Exebridge TA22 9AZ	01398 323433
3rd Wednesday of the month	- Crealock Arms, Littleham EX39 5HN	01237 477065
4th Wednesday of the month	- Portsmouth Arms, Umberleigh EX37 9ND	01769 561117

We welcome your feedback on whether these are successful or not.

## 2022 Calendar of events

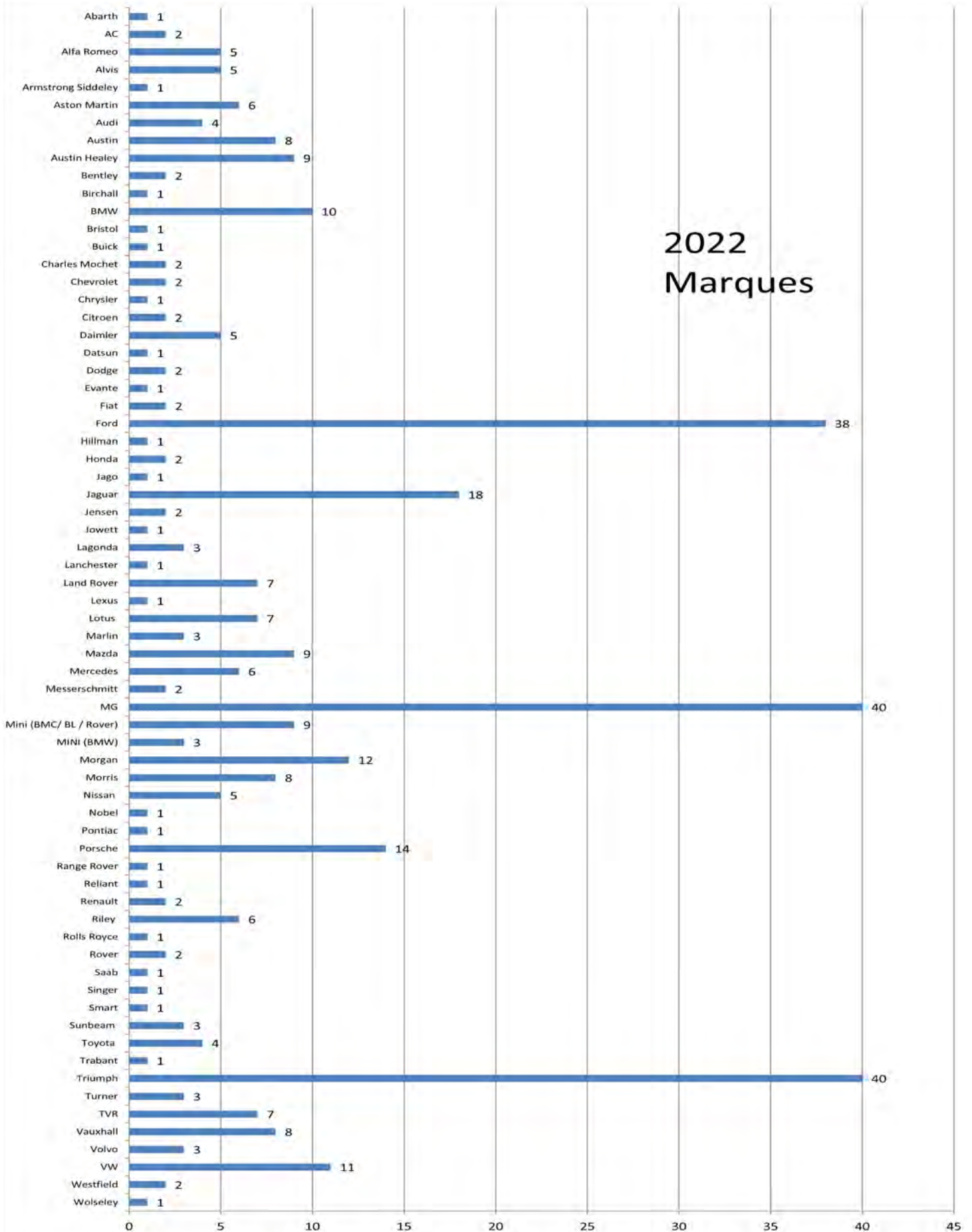
On the following pages is the 2022 event calendar. Please note that some of these are still provisional. In all cases please register interest with the nominated event leader.

**Please DO NOT email the Editor .**



# NDSCCC Membership

## Table of Members Vehicles as of Sept 2022



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## A Precautionary Tale—By David Vogler

Thanks to David for sharing this tale. I am sure we all can learn from this.

Bank holiday Monday I opened my garage door to get out our bicycles for a little ride and found that we had had a garage fire.

I could have cried.

Everything was black.

The seat of the fire was a plastic workshop bin and, by good fortune, the burning plastic seems to have smothered the fire after a while. However, as you can see from the pictures, our losses were bad enough.

The reason? The only conclusion that I can come up with is an oily rag had spontaneously combusted.

Like many people interested in old cars/motorbikes/machines the 'oily rag' is very useful as a method of cleaning up something that looks a little 'tired'. I used one and just dropped it into the bin after I'd used it. Yes it was a warm day and the cotton rag was well soaked and dirty.

This is a well known phenomenon and I should have known better so just a reminder to you all. GET RID OF OILY RAGS OUTSIDE. I'll also never have a workshop bin again.

And yes...that is my zoe yellow Alfa Romeo Spider.

TAKE CARE ALL.....DAVE VOGLER





# NDSCCC - Where we've been Dulverton





# NDSCCC - Where we've been

## Treasure Hunt

Over 40 members enjoyed a fun drive around the North Devon and North Cornwall roads for this years Treasure Hunt.

The Treasure Hunt started with a cooked breakfast and finished with a cream tea at the Merry Harriers Garden centre. The service in the restaurant for both the breakfast and the cream tea was second to none and we thank Lorna and the Mad Hatters team.

The route was enjoyed by all despite a few hiccups on route with an unplanned road closure and a few minor errors in the question and answer sheets. All but one (due to a mechanical failure) arrived back safely and in good spirits.

As a way of saying thanks for taking part we had a prize draw.

First prize awarded went to two of our youngest club members, Tom and Fred Williams, who helped their dad and grandad successfully complete the route, both winning a toy car each.

Second prize of an afternoon tea hamper went to Gill and Arthur Buckler.

Third prize of a bottle of Prosecco and a bottle of Rose wine went to Rob Smith and Jamie Saunders.

Fourth Prize of an Oldies Gnome Couple went to John and Ann Whitehead.

Despite this being a free to enter event, members dug deep in their own pockets by way of donations and we managed to raise £106 for the Clubs Charity Care for kids North Devon

Thankyou to all that came and we look forward to hopefully seeing you all at the Treasure Hunt in 2023.





# NDSCCC - Where we've been Treasure Hunt Questions

NDSCCC 2022 Treasure Hunt In Support Of Care for Kids	
Leave Merry Harriers Car Park and turn Right	
1	At the Crossroads, direction sign on the left. <b>A couple of Dollars with the Mills?</b> Go straight on
	At the T Junction turn left sign posted Parkham
	At the next Junction turn right sign posted Alminstone
	At the T junction go straight on (T Shere Hire) on the right
	At the T junction turn right. Heading towards Bradworthy
	At the T Junction turn left and drive into the Car Park. Look for the Memorial Cross
2	<b>Thomas Gilliat Meautys Rank in World War 2?</b>
	Turn right out of the car park and proceed passing the Bradworthy Inn on the left
	After Lufflands Caravan Park, turn right at the Crossroad sign posted Kilkhampton and
3	passed Wooda Lakes. <b>Where on a sign, you will find an electrical address for this country __?</b>
	After Wooda Lakes take the first left
	At the T junction turn left on the A3072 heading towards Holsworthy
	Turn the first right off the A3072, sign posted Bridgerule
4	At the T junction turn right, <b>Where a Chapel could be in a 90degree _____?</b>
	Take the next left opposite the Bridge Inn
	At the T junction turn left on to the B3254, sign posted Launceston
	Take the next right off the B3254, sign posted Titson
	At the T junction Turn right, sign posted Marhamchurch
	In Morhamchurch, The building next door to the Village Shop.
5	<b>Where a group? (of Women also) Can be seen above eye level _____?</b>
	Carry straight on passed the Church and at the T junction turn left on to the A39
	At the third right junction, turn right off the A39. Sign posted Widemouth Bay, Bude (Coastal Road)
	At the 90degree bend before the sea view.
6	<b>A place to eat for big mouthed Gentry _____/_____?</b>
	Carry on this road and into Bude (Toilets in the main car park on the right)
	Turn left at the Round About and look right for the fast food shop
7	<b>With a Hip &amp; Trendy Chicken _____?</b>
	Drive through Bude Town Centre, bare left off the one way system carrying on passed the Church on right and onto Poughill.
	At the T junction, turn left
	At the T junction turn left and drive down into Coombe Valley
	Drive over the stone bridge and turn left, sign posted Duck Pool (narrow road with passing places)
8	<b>In the car park look at the Map/Info Board to find a little bird on the Beach _____? (toilet if open)</b>
	SMILE FOR PICS
	Turn around and drive back to the T junction and turn left. At the top of the hill, on the left
9	<b>Past the Communication HeadQuarters owned by the _____?</b>
	At the T junction turn left sign posted Morwenstow Church to Rectory Tea Rooms. Park up and go in through the Church Gates, down the path and opposite the bench
10	<b>The name of the Ship associated with the white Figure Head _____?</b>
	Turn around and head back the way you came, passing the 13th Century Bush Inn
11	<b>offering _____ for weary travellers?</b>
	At the Forked junction, Fork off to the left, sign posted Gooseham
12	<b>At this junction a sign where you can buy Groceries _____?</b>
	At the Crossroads go straight on, sign posted Eastcotte
	At the T junction turn left on to the A39, sign posted Bideford. Drive past the first/last pub in Devon
13	<b>Name the direction of this Country Inn?</b>
	Shortly after the Inn Fork off to the left leaving the A39 on to the Moor, sign posted Elmscotte, Docton Mill. Stop at the first Lay By for a clue on the Moor Information Board
14	<b>Name the flying insect on the info board _____/_____?</b>
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# NDSCCC - Where we've been

## September Treasure Hunt

### Questions

	Carry on and turn left at the first junction, sign posted Lutsford
	Carry on this road and bare to the right, sign posted Elmscott, Milford
	Take the next right, sign posted Hartland
15	At the T junction turn left, sign posted Hartland Quay and _____?
16	At the T junction turn left, sign posted Hartland Quay. Colour of the Communication Box ___? On the left.
	Follow the road around to the left and pull in to the ST Nectan Church car park
17	Look for the Green sign stating what type of War Graves are here _____?
18	Opposite the Curch gate the house with a name of an edible plant _____?
	Turn around heading back to Stoke and onto Hartland
19	Where at Hartland Fire Station you will see a green, and a sign saying that Children may be _____?
	At the T junction turn left, sign posted Clovelly on to the B3248
	At the next T junction turn left on to the A39, but before you do!
20	Name the junction that is Clarks _____?
	At the Rounabout go straight on passing the Filling Staion.
21	Where Clovelly residents are also a "little bit angry" _____?
	Turn right at the next junction, sign posted Woolsery
	At the next Crossroad turn left, sign posted Kennerland
	At the T junction turn left and then immediately turn right
	Turn left at the next Crossroads, sign posted Bucks Mills
	Merry Harriers is on the left
22	Where you'll find a restaurant that Alice might frequent ___/_____?
23	In the shop, a Scottish Mill that you could wear ?
<p><b>When complete please make your way back to Merry Harriers Restaurant for the prize draw</b></p> <p><b>Any problems please contact</b></p>	

The route should take approximately 3.5 hours and is approximately 60 miles long.

There is **NO** prize for coming first.  
Please enjoy the drive, take your time and enjoy the scenery.





# NDSCCC - Where we've been Treasure Hunt





# NDSCCC - Where we've been BIG SHEEP





# NDSCCC - Where we've been Castle Combe





# NDSCCC - Where we've been Bideford Quay





# NDSCCC—Caption Competition Just for Fun



# NDSCCC—FHBVC NEWS

## HIGHWAY CODE



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The new print version of The Highway Code is available to buy.

Updated to include recent changes.

The new printed version of The Highway Code is available in shops and online.

You can also buy the new printed version from our official supplier -

[www.safedrivingforlife.info/shop](http://www.safedrivingforlife.info/shop)

The new print version includes the recent changes to the Highway Code including:

- self-driving vehicles
- hand-held mobile rules change
- changes to sentencing for driving related offences

Since January, The Highway Code has included improved guidance on taking responsibility for one's own safety and that of people around you, based on their relative vulnerability.

You can review a list of all the [recent changes on GOV.UK](#)



# NDSCCC Member's Cars n Film BY JAMES FIDGE

Matt Rowe and his TVR Chimaera!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dWet037MAq4>



Caroline Bramwell and her Mazda RX7

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rH-Y\\_kdiDBU](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rH-Y_kdiDBU)



Alex Hatcher and his Maestro Van

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4m8\\_C\\_lfOeA&t=80s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4m8_C_lfOeA&t=80s)



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## CLUB SHOP



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**T-SHIRTS & FLEECES**

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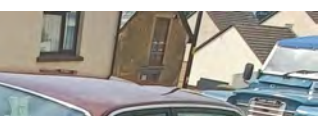
# NDSCCC - Members Advertisement

## 1994 Jaguar XJ40 V12

Members are invited to advertise here free of charge.  
Adverts will run for 3 issues unless the Editor is contacted to renew.  
Anything car / garage related – for sale or wanted.

1994 Jaguar XJ40 6.0 V12 in Regency Red metallic tan leather interior .Comes with full service history ,service handbook pack and original tool kit and showroom brochure.85k miles recent 2 new tyres and battery everything works and fully loaded with air con ,cd player etc and superb interior and body work .Will be sold with new MOT .Last serviced in 2020 and new coils ,air filters etc Exceptional car to drive 4spd auto with sport mode switch and J gate change system .First registered to Ford Motor Co only 60 left in UK this was one of the last off the production line very rare car £7500

Contact Hugh - Tel 01271 858696 e mail [hroberts@mtltd.com](mailto:hroberts@mtltd.com)





## NDSCCC - Members Advertisement

XJ6/XJ8 weatherproof car cover for sale

Not having the XJ6 anymore, the cover swamps small cars.

Cover shown on Mercedes C Class Estate

£40 as it is in good nick!

Contact Nick Peace

[nick.xk120@btinternet.com](mailto:nick.xk120@btinternet.com)



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Anything car / garage related – for sale or wanted.

## WANTED

Any automobile related signage, suitable artefacts etc. for my "man cave".

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Stock photo – not really Tim's Man Cave



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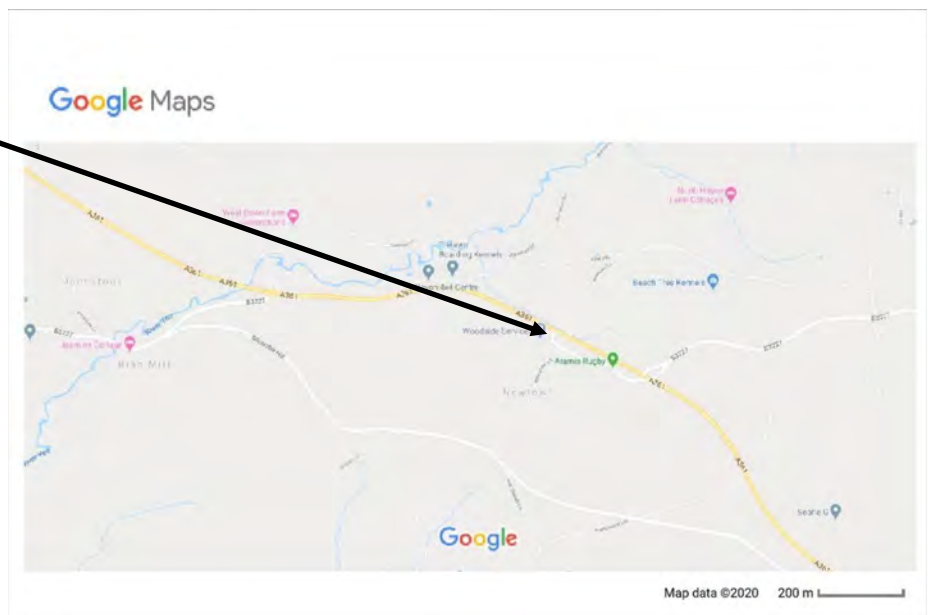
# NDSCCC - CLASSIFIEDS



Woodside Garage  
Newtown  
Bishops Nympton  
South Molton  
Devon  
EX36 3QP

A small petrol station built in the 1950s, on the old route of the A361.

The road was realigned in the 1980s, and re-joining the road when heading east requires a short detour.





# Hobbs Auto Electrics

Peter Hannam (HOBBIT)



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