

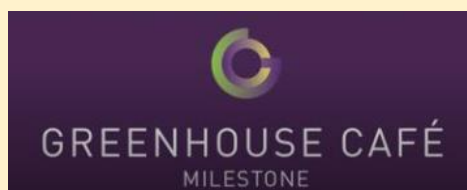


BVAC News

February 2020

Forthcoming Events

Second Sunday of the month means our regular informal breakfast meet – that's February 9th when all are welcome at the Milestone Garden Centre, Newtown St Boswells from 10 am until about noon. If your classic is still tucked away from the salty roads, never mind, come along anyway!



***** ATTENTION – CHANGE OF DATE ***** Owing to the non-availability of the venue on our chosen date, the film show this month has been brought forward to Tuesday 11th February. The venue is the Melrose Rugby Club and the fun starts at 7:30 prompt. The programme will start in the traditional way with some classic newsreels and a cartoon then a break for coffee or tea before the main feature 'Bullitt', the classic cop thriller starring a 1968 Ford



Mustang and a host of other period American motors. European car fans should try to spot the Rolls Royce and Porsche 'extras'. Nearly forgot, Steve McQueen's in it too!

Looking further ahead, the garage visit planned for March has been postponed to **April 8th** when we will be visiting Lloyd Land Rover's new facility in Kelso from 7 – 9pm. In another change to the published schedule, the May scenic run will be on the **24th** rather than the 10th to avoid clashing with other shows. The destination will be Dawyck Gardens which should be looking its best by then.

Recent Events



The January Milestone event was well attended as usual, with quite a few older cars out despite the season. Jim Holyoake's Austin and Donald Mann's Riley are pictured.

The following Sunday saw 29 of us in 15 cars back at Milestone for the start of our Burns Run. After the repair committee resolved an issue

with David Steel's MG, we followed a scenic route via Scott's View to the Lauderdale Hotel where the traditional Haggis, Neeps and Tatties were served, followed by some less traditional (but very tasty) puddings. Thanks to Fred Magill for planning the route and booking the meal. Just in case you were wondering, David and Judy made it to lunch!



Ken Grimes

Ken has been our vice chairman and manager of the Thirlestane show for many years, but has decided to take a well earned rest and resigned from both roles. He's done a tremendous amount of work for the club, organising several Drive It Day runs, promoting the regular Milestone meets and acting as chef extraordinaire at our summer barbeques, to name but a few. Thanks for all the hard work, Ken, and we hope we'll still see you around at club events.

Ken's departure does leave us rather short handed on the committee, with vacancies for both Chairman and Vice Chairman, so if any members would be willing to take on any jobs, little or large, to help the club run smoothly, please speak to any committee member.

BVAC Classic 2020



Planning is now well underway for the show on June 7th. To mark the start of the new decade, we're looking back fifty years to feature cars of the 70's. If you've got a car of the period, dig out the flairs and the kipper tie from the back of the wardrobe and dress the part to come along to the show. 1970 saw the launch of that marvellous



grand tourer, the Triumph Stag so that will be prominent. Other features we're hoping for will be the Wolseley Register marking the 125th anniversary of the marque and a display of classic rally



cars. More details in future newsletters as the plans develop.

There are already over 200 cars booked in for the show, so if you haven't done so already, get along to <https://bvac.org.uk/p/individual-entrants> and fill in the form.

With Ken's departure, David Webster has taken on the role of site manager (brave man!) and he'll welcome any offers of help during the set-up week, from 30th May.

Other Shows

The SVVF Yearbook is now published confirming the dates of many car shows around the country. Dennis Fortune has updated his list of shows we plan to attend in 2020. The full list is at the end of the Newsletter. If you'd like to attend any (or all) of them, download the form by clicking [here](#) and return it to Dennis. **Late news: it looks like we can have a stand at Moffat this year – let Dennis know ASAP if you want to go.**

VE Day in Lauder

Calling all members with pre-war designed cars! Alistair Smith of Lauderdale Land Rovers would like to get as many cars that could have been on the road during World War 2 along to an event in Lauder to mark the 75th anniversary of VE Day on May 8th. Early post-war cars which are similar to the pre-war models are welcome too. Contact Alistair on 07768 424 691 for more details.

FBHVC News

Last month, we published a link to the latest Federation of British Historic Vehicle Clubs News, but for anyone who's interested, they have an archive of all their magazines going back to 2012, just look at <https://fbhvc.co.uk/newsletter-archive>.

For Sale



summer fun, and yours for £2995. For more details, contact Fred at fredmagill@btinternet.com or 01578 718965.

And now for something completely different (as someone said once)...

Fred Magill wants to find a new home for his 'shorty' two seat open top Mini, complete with its matching barbeque in a trailer. Great as an advertising tool or just for some



All the best, and clear roads in 2020!

David H

2020 BVAC Club Attendance at Other Car Shows

No	Show Date	Show Event	BVAC Closing Date	Comments
1	Sun 10May?	Kielder Vintage & Classic Car Rally	TBC	New show - Location at Kielder Castle adjacent Kielder reservoir
2	Sun 17May	BVAA Kelso	Sat 18Apr	Always popular held in Springwood Park showground, Kelso.
Sun 07Jun		48 th BVAC Classic Thirlestane	For information only	
3	Sat 13/ 20Jun?	Edinburgh West End Classic	TBC	Cars displayed in closed off streets with lots of visitors/tourists.
4	Sun 21Jun?	Paxton House Vintage Rally	TBC	Always popular, held at Paxton House, Berwickshire.
5	Sat/Sun 27/28Jun	Moffat Classic Car Rally	TBC but Entries asap	BVAC is going to be able to mount a stand at this show after a gap of several years.
6	Sun 05Jul?	Chillingham Vintage Tractor Rally Wooler	TBC	New show, just outside Wooler.
7	Sat 01Aug	Berwickshire Show (Duns)	Sat 06Jun	Always popular, held in grounds adjacent to Duns Castle.
8	Sun 16Aug	Albion Biggar Vintage Rally	Sat 27Jun	New show, held in showfield, Edinburgh Road, Biggar.
9	Sun 30Aug	Linlithgow Classic Car Show	Sat 08Aug	New show, held in Linlithgow town centre.
10	Sun 6Sept	Bo'ness Revival Classic & Hill Climb	Sat 25Jul	Popular show, 2 day Hill Climb event as well as static car show on the Sunday.
11	Sat 19Sept?	NMF Wheels & Wings (East Fortune)	TBC	Popular show, held at National Museum of Flight, East Fortune airfield.
12	Sun 18Oct	NVTC Brunton	Sat 12Sep	Popular show, held on tarmac at old Brunton airfield, Northumberland.