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MORRIS MINOR OWNERS CLUB Dorset Branch NEWSLETTER



www.dorsetmmoc.co.uk

The MMOC Dorset Branch

was founded in 1980 by Graham Melly and chaired in the early days by Aubrey Batt. It is a Branch of the National Morris Minor Owners Club but has its own accounts and organisation (see Constitution for further details) **We meet on the first Wednesday of every month (7:30 for 8:00)** at the **Bournemouth Electric Club, Broadway Lane, BH8 0AA**. We have an active calendar of events throughout the year – particularly in the Summer months when we attend many rallies and other shows. The monthly Clubnight is an opportunity to meet the other enthusiasts and enjoy a presentation or other activity organised by the Committee. Please note that the Dorset Branch MMOC will accept no liability in respect of goods or services provided by advertisers. No recommendation is implied.

Membership currently costs £10 per year, £12.50 for joint membership.

Please ask Branch Secretary if you require a copy of the Dorset Branch Constitution. (Also available on website.) For more details contact Laurie Blewer on 01202 522673 or John Jenkinson on 01202 576690

Advertising: Cars or spares for sale or wanted £5 per entry (Free to members). Traders advertisements: £30 per year.

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Dorset Branch of the Morris Minor Owners Club

Helping to preserve the post war Morris Minor in the Dorset area and beyond

Forthcoming Events (see also www.dorsetmmoc.co.uk)

2017

5th April—Clubnight—Quiz
 20th April—Inter-club quiz—Hamworthy Club Canford Magna BH21 3AP
 30th April—Skills sharing: Club Servicing Demonstration, 10am—See page 12 for details
 3rd May—Clubnight—Phil Traves' Antiques Evening—Bring your interesting items!
 7th May—Classic Cars on the Prom—Bournemouth Pier
 13-14th May—MOGGYFEST and friends at Beaulieu Spring Autojumble
 21st May—Chairmans Run—Bowden Farm Wagon Collection
 28th May Pecorama Classic Vehicle Rally, South Devon.
 7th June—Clubnight— Call My Bluff Quiz
 11th June—Fort Nelson (Hampshire Rally)
 24-25 June—MMOC National Rally—Crawley RH10 4PE
 5th July—Clubnight—Run out
 8-15 July—MOT-UK (MMOC UK holiday) - West Yorkshire
 15th July—Holdenhurst Fete, Holdenhurts Village
 16th July—Braemore House—Fordingbridge
 15 -16 July—Classics at the Castle—Sherborne
 23rd July—Mid-Summer Saunter—destination tbc
 2nd August—Clubnight—Gardening Competition
 6th August—Lymington Rotary Classic Car Show.
 11-13-August Purbeck Rally, Watreham
 2-3 September—Beaulieu International Autojumble
 6th September— Clubnight TBA
 23-24 September— Holnest Country Fayre
 4th October—Clubnight AGM
 1st November—Clubnight Photo competition (more details TBA)
 6th December—Clubnight—Noggin & Natter
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For Sale & Wanted & Club Notices

Please mention where you saw the ad when you respond, thanks

I have got 1 pair of NEW steering legs in stock at the moment if anyone is desperate for one or both. As you may know, these have been unavailable for a while due to manufacturing problems. The retail is £118.80 and usual discount to branch members. Cheers! Brian

WANTED: VAN rear doors in good or repairable condition. Phone 07889 380760

Combined alternator rear bracket/ignition coil mount, nickel plated *exclusive to DMMOC* £12 each. (as seen in *Minor Matters*)

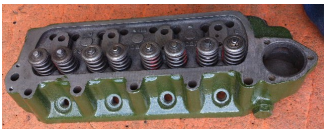


We also have some **reconditioned fuel pumps** for sale at £55 each (£50 to Branch Members) Postage is about £5. *Standard new SU ones are £83.88 from ESM*



Rebuilt **HS2 carburettors** for 948 and 1098 £105 each plus £25 exchange surcharge. (Others reconditioned to order—please ask Brian)

Unleaded 1098cc reconditioned cylinder heads now available. £210 exchange. (Small Stud packs £10 and gasket set £10.75) (Branch Spares). **JUST ONE LEFT!** (Suitable for 1098/948cc and NO temperature sender hole.)



The Branch Website has a **'Spares Shop'** which advertises (mostly second hand) spares. Why not browse the bargains or send me an ad or two with a picture.—Brian Wood—Spares Manager

Dorset Branch Newsletter

April 2017

MORRIS MINOR OWNERS CLUB

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CLUBNIGHT ACTIVITY:
Quiz



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The Dorset Branch Newsletter is published on the first Wednesday of the month and sent by post to paid-up members. It is also available for download from the Internet usually about 10 days before the Club night.

Editorial



Well G'day Poms! Coeee!! This is your very own newsletter editor reporting back from Down under in this dinky-di upside-down version of the newsletter. As you can see, I'm getting up to speed with the local lingo—fair suck of the sav!

Am I wearing my bathers and thongs? That'd be right! OK that's enough of the Aussie language. My motivation for wanting a Morris Minor first started in Australia, where my best friend had started a relationship with her future husband, and you guessed it: he owned an almond green Morris Minor (you can find their romantic story on page 9).

On a Friday night my friend and I would drive to Glenelg beach (Adelaide) in her boyfriend's Morris Minor with the windows rolled down and our heads bobbing along to loud Abba music - mocking all the 'boy racers' as they drove down the strip towards the beach to try and impress the girls.

That's probably 15+ years ago, and so I found it interesting to read on Melbourne-based Victoria MMOC's website, that they've noticed a change of membership over recent years. On their side of the pond fewer young people are joining or staying in a Club, while older people are starting to predominate. The days of young people buying a cheap 'Morry' (as they're known here) for transport seem to have gone. A significant number of cars are being scrapped. In addition, there appear to be fewer members using their Morry for every day transport. The interest of members appears to be moving to restoring cars for use on Club events. The cars in demand are the rarer models; convertibles, woodies and pick-up trucks (called 'utes' here). The car is now more likely to be owned by the serious collector and restorer.

On the parts side, there may be scope for Brian to branch out here. Whilst most parts Down-under are easily obtained, panel parts such as mudguards, doors, bonnets and boot lids are becoming scarce (both new and good second hand parts). I'm pleased to say that doesn't seem to be reflected in the UK. There are still enough younger people like me (or younger still!!!) who love driving these charming cars and wanting to know how to look after them. Speaking of which, there's an opportunity for a free car service—check out the article on page 12.

During my travels here, I'll try to track down some fine examples of Aussie Morries for use in the next issue. I'm even going to try to attend one of the local club's events. Who knows—we could partner up with them! *Reckon!* Enjoy reading this newsletter. I'm off for a Barbie! **Hooroo!**

Natasja

For Sale & Wanted & Club Notices

Please mention where you saw the ad when you respond, thanks

"For Sale MG TD (1951) Back Axle and Propshaft - £400 ono. I also have many other parts for a MG TD including Bonnet Panels. Please contact Mike Pattison at mike.pattison@tiscali.co.uk."

FOR SALE: New repro hood frame for Morris Minor convertibles (not splitscreen models). Powder coated in Old English White £245. New old stock pair of genuine Lucas rear lamp assemblies, not repro items, in excellent condition. £275 07748 154474 (T) 07748 154474 (T)



FOR SALE: Morris Minor Mini Champs 1/18th scale. Fully detailed interior and engine bay, opening doors, boot and bonnet. Both brand new, slight damage on one box. Selling on Ebay for up to £95 each. Asking £65 each or best offer. Will bring to next meeting so anyone can inspect up close. Nigel Seymour 07778385541

We have new stock of the bonnet stays which are now £32 each including postage or discounted to £27.50 to Branch Members (collection only). (Branch Spares—Brian W)



BRANCH REBATE SCHEME

You may be aware that the branch receives a financial rebate according to the numbers of national MMOC members who attend the monthly clubnights. We therefore need to update our records so that we can take advantage of this scheme. Please would you advise the Membership Secretary of your **MMOC membership number** and renewal date and make sure that you sign the attendance sheet at the clubnights. Thanks.

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New Morris Minor Spares are available through the club. The current list is posted on the website under the 'New Spares' tab. *We can also order other items for you—usually saving the postage cost.*
Brian. 07411 116336



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Editor's In-Box



Could you escape?

Maverick TV are currently casting for a brand new engineering television show for Channel 4. They are looking for adventurous and charismatic mechanics and engineers who are associated with the most respected and credible brands in technology and the motor industry (you can see why we immediately thought of you!).

The show will be hosted by Ant Middleton (SAS Who Dares Wins!) and they will be dropping contestants into remote locations around the world with one ask to create an escape vehicle from the debris of a fictional crash site (anyone remember "The flight of the Phoenix"?).

Filming will take place during the summer of 2017 and participants will be required for 7-9 days.

This isn't a paid job – it's a once in a lifetime experience! Are you interested in adventure, action, engineering and survival? (well why would you drive a Morris Minor if you weren't!!)

The National Association of Motor Car & Bike Clubs (NAMCBC—who approached us) have a dedicated online application form which will be accessed directly by the 'casting producer' so if you're interested, please go to:
<http://namcbc.co.uk/general-news/tv-can-build-vehicle-escape/>



COULD YOU ESCAPE?

Channel 4 are on the hunt for top class engineers & mechanics to escape from a variety of catastrophic crash sites in hostile environments around the world.

If you think you have the skills, stamina, enthusiasm and ingenuity to build an escape vehicle salvaged from the debris of a crash site we want to hear from you.

For more information and an application form e-mail casting@mavericktvm.co.uk

Applicants must be aged 25 or over. Maverick TV will store your information in accordance with their data protection policy.

Secretary's Report

Good evening everyone and welcome to April club night. Thanks to Roy for last months talk on Rare Breeds. Tonight we will be having a quiz – as long as I've done it!

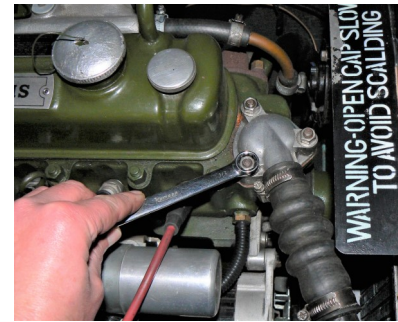


Finally the clocks have changed and the longer evenings are here meaning we can, at last, look forward to the summer and getting out and about in the cars. As you will see the events diary is starting to fill up now and you have got a couple of flyers with tonight's newsletter. The first one is for the Chairman's Run to Henstridge Carriage Museum after breakfast at Plowmans Garden Centre. The second flyer is for Classics at the Castle in Sherborne. I really enjoy this show and its one I'm looking forward to. There are many other events to look forward to this year. The forms are now available for The Lymington Show and some should be available here tonight. If you have printed your own off don't forget to write Dorset Morris Minor Owners Club on it so they know you will be on the club stand. If you hear of any other events that we don't know about please let us know.

Talking of events – don't forget Moggyfest and Friends at Beaulieu in May. You should all have got your entry forms in to Jacky by the end of March but if you haven't and still want to enter please get it in ASAP. It's looking like it will be an excellent show. We have lots of vehicles entered into the Pride of Ownership competition and several entries for the Concourse competition.

The slightly better weather has given me the encouragement to get back out into the garage to finish the wood panelling I started last autumn. With any luck by the time you read this I will have finished the majority of it and will be on to the finishing touches. I hope to get the "museum" finished by the spring! There are several jobs which have to be done to the Traveller before the season starts in earnest, namely the brakes need a good sorting out and the heater pipes need to be replaced as they have now started to crack and break up with old age. The 8 will also need some jobs doing to it but at the moment I can't even see it as its become completely buried by all sorts of things while I've been doing the garage! That's about all from me for this month, so until next time

Happy Minorng—Laurie



may well be corroded to its studs, making removal a painstaking business. Fortunately new housings and studs are readily available via the Club's spares department.

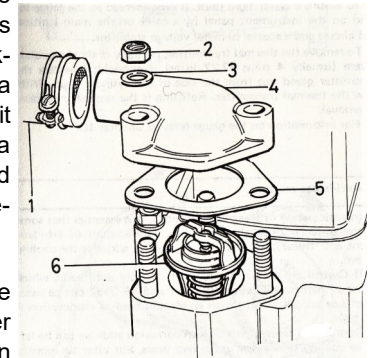


A thermostat may be tested in a rather rudimentary fashion by dangling it in hot water (fig. 5) Boil the kettle and drop the thermostat in. as long as the water is near boiling point the thermostat should open, as in fig. 2. On removing it from the water it should begin to close immediately. If it opens in water which is well below boiling, it is faulty, as is a thermostat which does not begin to close as soon as it is removed from the heat. The opening temperature is usually, but not always stamped on the body of the

thermostat as in fig. 6. That illustrated is 82 deg. C which should be regarded as a minimum figure for a replacement, with 88 deg. as a maximum.

Whilst the coolant is drained it may be advantageous to detach both heater hoses at the engine end and flush the heater through in both directions with a garden hose. Cover the distributor and HT leads before doing this as water is bound to be spilt. Sometimes a surprising amount of silt can be dislodged from the heater, but often nothing comes out; it's worth a try though.

An engine with a correctly-functioning thermostat will warm up quickly, run more efficiently, and the heater has a better chance of working well. Three most desirable attributes which may be gained from a comparatively small outlay of time and money.



1 Radiator top hose
2 Nut
3 Plain washer
4 Thermostat housing
5 Gasket
6 Thermostat



Blowing Hot and Cold- by Brian Wood

"If two lie together they keep warm; but how can one keep warm alone?" Ecclesiastes 4.11

Since time immemorial Man has sought to keep some kind of even temperature, particularly in Winter when a source of warmth is always appreciated. Internal-combustion engines like to be kept evenly warm too, the ideal temperature is fairly close but not too close to the boiling point of their cooling water.

Allowing an engine to overheat will have the obvious consequence of boiling, a danger sign which must not be ignored. Engines which run too cool will be wasteful of petrol, performance will not be at its best and wear will be accelerated.

The motor car has long relied on a heat-sensitive valve, commonly known as a thermostat to control the flow of water through the cooling system, thus controlling the temperature of the water immediately surrounding the engine, keeping it within the optimum limits. The physical presence of the thermostat forms a useful restriction to the flow of water, creating better circulation within the engine's waterways which helps to obviate air pockets and actively promotes circulation through the heater. The thermostat is one



of those vital components which is 'out of sight and out of mind' and rarely receives any consideration. In cold weather and in the early stages of any journey it is continually adjusting the flow of water in the cooling system, and its usefulness should not be underestimated. Like any other component, thermostats can go wrong - often without the driver's knowledge. If a thermostat sticks in the closed position (fig. 1) water circulation will be restricted and boiling will soon occur, generally a very obvious problem which must be dealt with immediately.

If, on the other hand, the thermostat sticks in the open position (fig. 2), opens much too early or has been removed, the consequences are less obvious but equally undesirable. The entire amount of coolant is immediately in circulation and the radiator is doing its best to dissipate any heat that comes its way. The engine will require choke for longer than is normal, which wastes petrol and a contributes significantly to bore wear. The heater will take forever to warm up, and will not do so at all on a short journey. Water vapour generated within the engine will condense internally instead of remaining as vapour and escaping through the crankcase breather. Signs of this can be found by removing the oil filler cap on top of the engine. Water and oil don't mix but combine to form a greyish deposit not unlike mayonnaise which will be found on the underside of the cap. Cool engines need a richer



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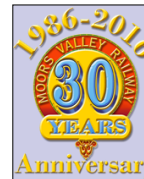
Branch Rally

TOMBOLA

Please can you bring along suitable items for the club Tombola stall at our Branch Rally in May. Christine and Margaret are starting to collect the items NOW. Entry forms are now available; you should get one with the newsletter or you can download from the website on the 'Branch Rally' Page.



Moors Valley Railway Summer Gala



10th and 11th June 2017

If you would like to attend this event, phone the Moors Valley Railway on 01425 471415 and they will send you a form.

BRANCH SPARES DEPARTMENT For the benefit of newer members who may not be aware of it, the Branch operates a Morris Minor New Spares service. From the year 2015-16, we are introducing a discount scheme whereby *most* purchases by paid up Branch Members will get **10%** discount applied to the price* (unless already on discounted offer or not available to us with discount). We usually have some spares at the monthly branch Club nights and we have a presence at some shows (particularly the Branch Rally and the Beaulieu Autojumbles). Spares are available most other times from Brian on 07411 116336. The spares are mostly sourced from ESM (East Sussex Minors—who support our branch rally also) and the prices charged generally reflect their prices. The advantages are availability of parts and *usually* no postage charges. Some locally made and reconditioned items are also available, such as bonnet props, fuel pumps, and carburettors. (*subject to fair use).

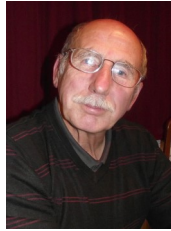
Did you know?

The Tamil Tigers, a militant separatist organization in Sri Lanka, would remove Morris Minor drive shafts, and use them as rocket launchers, after which they'd reinstall them and drive off.

Garden Competition - by Eddie Pateman



Dust off the gloves. Dig out the spade. Clean up your veggie or flower patch. Whether seasoned gardeners or first-timers, now is the time for all you budding gardeners to start planning and get ready for this year's Garden Competition.



It will be held at **Club night on Wednesday 2nd August '17**. All winners will be announced on the night and receive a rosette. Best in show will receive a trophy.

We have categories for people with green fingers as well as green thumbs . Whether you've got a strip, a patch, a plot or a pot, you can enter one of the following classes:

| Flowers | | |
|------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1 | Dahlias | One vase of three blooms any variety |
| 2 | Sweet Peas | One vase of five stems any variety |
| 3 | Fuchsia | One potted plant any size |
| 4 | Mixed Flowers | One vase of any mixed flowers |
| 5 | Potted Plant | One potted plant any type |
| Vegetables | | |
| 6 | Runner Beans | One set of three beans |
| 7 | Potatoes | One plate of five one variety |
| 8 | Tomatoes | Plate of five cherry type |
| 9 | | Plate of five medium to large |
| 10 | Cucumber | One of any type or shape |
| 11 | Onions | One plate of five onions or shallots |
| 12 | Marrow | largest marrow |

You may not win, but you may have plenty of gardening pride. So get growing!

See you on 2nd August!! *Eddie*

DMMOC Events Word Search

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| Clubnight | Bowden Farm | Holdenhurst Fete |
| Inter Club Quiz | Pecorama | Poole Bay |
| Classic Cars on the Prom | Fort Nelson | Classics Lymington |
| Moggyfest and Friends | MMOC National Rally | Purbeck Rally |
| Beaulieu | MOT UK | Holnest |
| Chairmans Run | Sherborne Castle | Mistletoe Meander |

Is there such a thing as a FREE Morris Minor Service?



Well it seems so!! Here's a chance for you to get your Minor serviced for free OR to find out how to do it yourself (if like me you don't know already).

The club are planning to hold a Servicing Demonstration on **Sunday 30th April** from **10am-1pm** at **Nigel Seymour's workshop at Verwood**.

Volunteers to have their car serviced are invited to apply and if more than one comes forward we will select the successful one with a draw. Spectators will be welcome

to come along and view the proceedings and perhaps help out - so bring overalls along. Light refreshments will be provided by the Club.

I personally think this is a fantastic way of members sharing skills and passing them on to 'the next generation' of Morris Minor admirers. So go on! Get involved!!

If you would like to have your car serviced, or just come along and watch, please **let Brian know before 23rd April** - see contact details below:

When? 30th April '17, 10am-1pm (approx.)
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A Story of Love—by Natasja Dumay



We all have our own special reasons why we have so much love and affection for that lovely little 'Moggie' (or: Morri down under). This is the story of my best friend Heather—who lives in Adelaide. And it's also how I fell in love with moggies.

One sunny afternoon Heather was driving her mum to her brother's house and on the road they passed a cream coloured Morris Minor . Heather said to her mum: 'That car would look perfect in my driveway - but not cream- maybe green would look good.' They arrived at her brother's house and what was resting on the driveway? You guessed it: a Morris Minor in almond green. As if it had been placed there for her. Her mum told Heather that the car belonged to one of her brother's friends—Paul. Heather responded 'Well –I will now have to ask him out on a date!' And the rest is history. 15+ years later they are still together and have since got married, and had a son, whom they named Morrison—inspired by the little car that brought them together in the first place.



Heather & Paul's green Morri looks a bit worse for wear these days as the harsh sunshine plays havoc with the paint. But Paul has plans to restore it to its former glory, so that it has another lease of life.

Your Love Story...

I would love to hear your stories and reasons for loving this understated little car so much. Please share them with us—drop me a line: natasja.dumay@gmail.com
 Maybe we can make it a regular feature in the newsletter.

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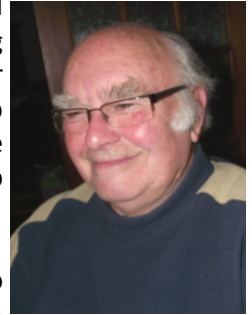


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Good evening and welcome to April's club night. As a Londoner, I thought the talk on rare breed hens and pigs was very interesting so I would like to thank Roy for his talk last month. If any other branch member has an interesting hobby or had an unusual job and would like to tell us about it please let one of the committee know. We are always looking for interesting subjects for club nights.



Thanks to all the branch members who supported us at the recent Skittles evening at the Hamworthy Club. We won the trophy with the high score. Also Norman Kimber and myself won a bottle of beer and a bottle of wine both for the highest score. This month, Eddie (Welfare Officer) has sent out a few more bereavement and get-well cards so I hope that the members who haven't been too well are feeling a lot better!

The Chairman's Run on the 21st May will start from Plowman's nursery, Parley from 09:00. After an English Breakfast, toast and a hot drink we can have a look around the garden centre (open after 10:00am). We will then have a run out to the Cart and Carriage Collection at Henstridge, (other side of Sturminster Newton) Bowden's Farm, SP8 5EE. Then we will go on to the village hall for a little drink.

Moggyfest at Beaulieu is looking good with cars booking in for the weekend – over 100 so far. So if you have not sent in your form yet, you only have until the end of March. Don't forget Margaret and Christine are collecting prizes for the Tombola stall, so please help if you can. Raffle prizes for the Saturday evening function would also be gratefully received. Sue Gale will be running the Bric-a-Brac stall, so any items you think might be suitable, please see Sue.

I enjoyed the first Branch Newsletter edited by Natasja, so big thanks from me for taking over this job. That's all for now, Happy motoring,

John Jenkinson (Chairman)