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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) <u>We meet on the first Wednesday of every month (7:30 for 8:00)</u> 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 Club Night 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.

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

2017					
7 th June	ne Club Night – Call My Bluff Quiz Night				
10 th -11 th June	Moors Valley Railway Summer Gala -01425 471415				
11 th June	Fort Nelson (Hampshire Rally)				
24 th – 25 th June	MMOC National Rally – Crawley, RH10 4PE				
24 th June	Ferndown Festival—More details at <u>www.ferndownfotg.org</u>				
25 th June	Classic Cars on the Prom, Highcliffe Castle BH23 4LE				
25 th June	WVPC Cream Tea Run, Durweston Village Hall				
26 th June	Dorset Area Midget and Sprite Club BBQ, 6.30pm, Corfe Mullen				
1 st —2 nd July	Route 66 Classic Car Show, Parley Lane				
	www.facebook.com/route66showsw				
5 th July	Club Night – Run Out—TBA				
8 th – 15 th July	MOT UK (MMOC UK Holiday) – West Yorkshire				
15 th July	Holdenhurst Fete, Holdenhurst Village				
16 th July	Poole Bay Classics, Braemore House, Fordingbridge				
16 th July	Classic Cars on the Prom, Christchurch Quay				
15 th – 16 th July	Classics at the Castle – Sherborne Castle				
23 rd July	Mid-summer Saunter – destination tbc				
23 rd July	North Wilts MMOC Rally—Swindon Steam Museum , SN2 2NA				
2 nd August	Club Night – Gardening Competition				
6 th August	Lymington Classic Car Show				
11 th – 13 th August	Purbeck Rally, Wareham				
20 th August	Classic Cars on the Prom, Highcliffe Castle BH23 4LE				
2 nd - 3 rd September	Beaulieu International Autojumble				
6 th September	Club Night – TBA				
23 rd -24 th September	Holnest Country Fayre, Holnest				
23 rd September					
4 th October	Club Night – AGM				
1 st November	Club Night – Photo Competition (more details TBA)				
6 th December					
30 th December	^h December (Saturday) - Mistletoe Meander				
2018					
6 th January	Dinner and Dance - Liston Hotel, Bournemouth				

(Don't forget to check the website for latest updates to events)

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

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



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



Brand new cross ply Waymaster Premium tyre (never been used). Size: 500/520 - 14. Fitted on cream painted steel wheel and balanced. £40 Contact Andy - 01590 674557/ 07765507150

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



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)

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June 2017 **MORRIS MINOR OWNERS CLUB** Volume 20 Issue 7 CLUB NIGHT ACTIVITY

'Call my bluff' Quiz Night

Editorial



Well hello everyone! What a fantastic Moggyfest we had this year, in which comradery stood central, symbolising what this club is all about. A huge amount of planning, organising and hard word is involved in making an event such as Moggyfest a success. For that we have to say a massive '*Thanks!!*' to our Committee and volunteers. A number of people have echoed this gratitude in the Editor's inbox. We were also very fortunate with the weather. For me personally this luckily meant my new blow-up tent came home bone-dry. © Ready for Pecorama. Result!

It was great catching up with people and find out what made them love their moggy so much. In future issues of this newsletter I will aim to bring some of those stories out.

When spending precious time with friends and loved ones, it's always hard to say 'goodbye'. This pain was sadly experienced in its extreme at this year's Moggyfest by our Regalia volunteers Dave and Jackie Walker, as their much loved friend from Belgium, Albert Puers, passed away whilst visiting Moggyfest with his wife and his Citroen 2CV. My heart goes out to them so much, and I'm sure you'd like me to pass on condolences on to them on behalf of all of us. A moving tribute to Albert and our club by Dave and Jackie can be found on the next page.

I've experienced my own personal heartbreak this weekend as I've had to say goodbye to my 21-year-old ginger feline boy named Jasper, who was put to sleep in my arms, as he was too ill, in pain and suffering. Despite my head saying 'He's had a good innings', the pain still feels real. Science backs this up. Multiple studies have found that the death of a pet can be as devastating as the loss of a human significant other. Apparently the pain we feel when losing a loved one is processed by our brain in the same area as when we're physically hurting. For me, I try to think positively, feeling lucky to have had something that makes saying goodbye so hard. And I believe that goodbyes are never forever, though I will miss my lovely Jasper until we meet again. I do hope Albert's wife, family and friends (incl. Dave and Jackie) can come to terms with their loss over time, finding solace in their memories to get through the grief and keeping Albert's memories and his love for classic cars alive.



Loss also teaches us all that life is precious, short and worth living: we have to create our own memories and sunshine. So go out there with your moggies and enjoy life—this is not a rehearsal! Go out for a drive in New Forest and buy an ice cream. Keep them rolling!

Natasja

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

1966 Morris Convertible, new mot on purchase, Servo assisted brakes, a very nice car inside and out, with near new low noise tyres, Full set of seat belts fitted. Drives and stops very well. Could deliver by arrangement. £6250.00. Phone 07939.264653



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Two 803 engines that were in good condition when removed from their donor cars. Each one has been properly stored. They can be collected from just North of Swindon or can be brought to Beaulieu for your collection there. Cost £40 each

Call Ash Holmes on 01285 810524 and have a chat for further information

BRANCH SPARES DEPARMENT 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 <u>10%</u> 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).

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 Club Nights. 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 <u>MMOC membership number</u> and renewal date and make sure that you sign the attendance sheet at the Club Nights. Thanks.



CLASSIC CAR STORAGE

Are you looking for safe, secure, dry indoor storage for your classic vehicle? From only £60 per calendar month located approximately 1 mile from Poole town centre. Car washing facilities available. Light servicing permitted. Contact Bill on 07812491839 quoting Dorset MMOC

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



Special Tribute: Albert Puers

By Dave & Jackie Walker

Some of you have heard about the sad incident that happened on Saturday at our Annual Rally in Beaulieu.

Many of you know our friend "Albert from Belgium", a frequent visitor to Dorset's activities. He came over to the Moggyfest in his Citroen 2CV with his wife Monique, and was staying with us. Shortly after arriving at Beaulieu he collapsed and, despite the incredible efforts of the Medical Services, could not be resuscitated. He was pronounced dead at Southampton Hospital at 10:25 on Saturday.



Jackie and I would like to thanks everyone for their unconditional support and help in dealing with this tragedy. There is not enough space in this publication to mention everyone by name but from Laurie initially arranging for us to be found, Neville getting us out of Beaulieu in a time of prohibited vehicle movement and, finally, Steve Brown for driving Albert's 2CV back from Beaulieu, every possible help was given. Many other persons should be named, you know who you are, and we are sure that you will forgive us for not mentioning you personally

There was never any question of anyone walking away from the problem. Indeed, it was not a question of "let me know if I can help". It was: "what do you want me to do". You covered everything - from re-allocating our duties with regard to the Regalia to arranging for the safe keeping of Albert's car at Beaulieu.

We have always thought that Dorset Branch was something special but your assistance was totally beyond our hopes. On behalf of ourselves, Monique and Albert's Brother Bob, can we say a very grateful thank you. Without you we would not have coped. Monique and sister in law Lut drove the 2CV back to Belgium on Monday and we have had confirmation of their safe arrival back home at



about 11pm. As you can imagine, there are many formalities to be undertaken and we are slowly working through them.

Thanks again, you are not just acting as fellow Club Members it was truly something special and this will never be forgotten.

Albert keeping the third wheel firmly to the ground (Jehonville, 1993)



Editor's Inbox: Moggyfest Thanks

Below are some key messages of thanks to the DMMOC committee and volunteers on the day for all their hard work and preparation that made Moggyfest such a success in 2017:

I really wanted to say how much I enjoyed the DMMOC Annual Rally, and more importantly how grateful I was for the welcome that I and the two P6 Rover owners received. The club has a great feel and I feel privileged to be a member of DMMOC. Everyone associated with the to display the car and camp. I think we club helped to create a great show, atmosphere and thoroughly enjoyable weekend. How lucky were we with the weather though. Please would you be kind enough to make everyone who assisted in the organisation, planning and the operational running of the event just how great they made the weekend. Thank you again and hope to see you soon. Kind Regards, *Neville Amos*.

Hello all, just a huge thanks to all those involved with the organising of the Moggyfest at Beaulieu. Including all those who managed the spares, refreshments, bric-a-brac and tombola. It was just great! as with all these events it is what goes on behind the scenes to organise, sort, ensure everyone knows what is going on, set up, clear away, all the paperwork, dealing with people and then ensuring everyone has a good time. Well, we did and we are so grateful. Thank you again, how wonderful you are. *Helena* & Kate, Lymington

DMMOC committee for the weekend at Beaulieu. We were also running the Wessex Vehicle Preservation Club stand with Christine and David, and what with Paul's auto jumble etc. didn't get a chance to come over and thank you for allowing us got a bit muddled with the location of the camping, but it all worked out OK. I am sure the Morris Minors had another very successful show, it certainly seemed like a very good turnout. Thank you again! Kind Regards, Janet and Paul Palmer

Thanks so much for allowing us to be guests at "Moggyfest" vesterday. Sorry that others from my club couldn't come, but they had another event on that day. Me? I can never resist Beaulieu anytime. A superb day, well organised, some fantastic cars on show and the sun shone at the right time. My wife and I enjoyed ourselves very much, and hope that we can meet up again sometime, work permitting of course. Please pass my thanks on to all concerned with the organisation. Happy motoring! *Tim Hill* (The Ford Consul owner)

I just wanted to say well done to you all and thank you, we had a lovely time at the Moggy Fest. We were so lucky with the weather too. See you all next year. Regards David Arnold

I reckon the air filter was trying to filter exhaust fumes and had become blocked—causing an over-rich mixture due to lack or air (rather than too much fuel—as had been anticipated in view of the worn needle and jet). I have never had that one come up before—so that's another one for the 'experience library'. It just goes to show that you should always carefully consider the evidence and not get distracted by other things that *might* be wrong.

Classic cars are usually pretty good at telling you (a) that there is a problem and (b) what that problem is. You just need to read all the signs and service them regularlv



Speaking of servicing, I was pleased to see a few of you at the servicing morning on 30th April at Verwood. We thank Nigel for the use of the facilities and the club for the hot tea and coffee.



I got the Traveller out of storage a week or so ago, so that I could do its annual service, check it over and get it ready for the show season. For many years it has been in need of another coat of varnish on the wood frame. Ideally, this job should be done every few years, but I think it could be about 9 or 10 years since the last time!

The starting of small black patches is a good indicator of where the varnish has failed, so I have done it now and it looks better. I know a lot of owners use teak oil, but I am not convinced; my personal view is that varnish looks better. It shouldn't be too thick though, as it only needs a few coats (a thick layer will lift off and allow moisture beneath).

Notes from the Spares Department

by Brian Wood

I have made a *tiny* bit of progress on the convertible this month—having got the engine to run But only for a few seconds! Not sure what is going on, seems like a fueling issue.

I was somewhat distracted for a short period by a problem that one of our fellow members was having with a recently serviced late fifties 4 door saloon. It would run at tick over and up to about 25 mph - but that was it! I cleaned the plugs (which were a bit black), fitted a new rotor arm and it ran a little better, but still not right. There was a horrible rattling from the front of the engine and the exhaust flange from the manifold to the exhaust was leaking but these were not deemed to be particularly important issues.

However, the next day the car re-appeared on the end of a tow rope. We agreed that a new timing chain would be needed and there was a slight possibility that the cam chain had jumped a tooth—causing the lack of power?? Not convinced, but worth a try. After a new duplex timing chain and carburetor needle and jet, it ran more quietly, but still significantly down on power.

The next day, it arrived back again (on a tow rope). This time, I resolved not to send it back again until fixed. Having checked the electrics about three times, I decided that there must be something wrong inside—so it was decided to take off the head and check for gasket or valve problems. The black plug issue was still prevalent despite replacing the worn carb needle and jet. Hmmm! Anyway there was nothing wrong with the head, valves or gasket, so I put it all back together. Sadly, it would still not do more than 25mph.

I then thought that the only thing I hadn't replaced completely was the carburetor, although I could not envisage what the problem might be with it. I had another reconditioned one I could fit—just to eliminate this possibility and so I took off the air filter. Then there was the faint glimmer of light at the end of the tunnel. I noticed, that the (only recently fitted) air filter was very black on the outside. I then tried the car without the air filter and ..guess what, miraculously, the problem was solved!

Yes, that's all it was—a choked air filter. If you think about it, the air intake is quite close to the manifold exhaust flange—which was leaking (see above).

Secretary's Report

Good evening everyone and welcome to the June Club Night. I hope you all enjoyed last months "Antiques Roadshow" with Phil and we'll have to do that again next year. Tonight will be another "Call My Bluff" – as long as I've done it, of course! Next month we will be having another of Kevin Patience's excellent talks.



Well, Moggyfest has now been and gone and I hope you'll

agreed with me that it was a very successful event. I won't dwell on the tragic events of the Saturday as I'm sure you all know about that by now but needless to say our thoughts are with Alberts wife, Monique, at this very sad time.

Moggyfest was very well attended by both Morris Minors and visiting classics with some truly magnificent cars on display. I'm sure you all saw the outstanding Minor Million owned by Ted Drake from Wales. The condition is out of this world but if Morris had made cars like that they would never have had time to make a million of them! I had a good chat with Ted over the weekend and he said the novelty of owning such a good car is wearing off. He plans to use it as it currently is for another year or so and then smother it in Waxoil underneath and actually enjoy using it – after all that's what it was made for in the first place!

It was good to see our regular visitors from "up North" who always make the pilgrimage to Beaulieu when we hold an event there as well as all our usual friends and many new ones as well. The stalls in our main marquee were very well supported and thanks to Roger for "dressing" the walls again this year – without the backdrops the marquee would look very plain.

Thanks to the National Concourse team for coming down to judge the concourse vehicles and thanks to our old friends Richard and Christine for coming down to judge our own Pride of Ownership competition.

The winners of the Pride of Ownership were:

1st: Lyn Hammerton with her fantastic Wolseley 1500, 2nd: Norman Reynolds with his Rover P5B and 3rd: Mike Sheppard with his Minor Series MM.

Well done to everyone who entered.

Continued...

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By the time you read this the Chairman's Run will have taken place on another sunny and dry day, which I hope you've enjoyed! Some of us will also have been down to Devon for the Pecorama Classic Car Show and I'll report back next time on these events. The National Rally takes place this month in Sussex. Being so close to us, we have no excuse not to go this year so several of us are making the trip to Tully's Farm. Lets hope for good weather and a good turnout.

On the Monday following the National Rally – 26th - we have been invited to a barbeque by the Dorset Midget and Sprite Club. This will take place at one of their members houses in Corfe Mullen (please see me for the address) from 6:30pm. They will provide the heat and you supply the meat. There will be an informal Pride of Ownership competition with some of us judging their cars and some of them judging ours. This could be a good opportunity to make friends with another local car club so please let me know if you would like to come along.

Lots of other events are coming up so please check the events diary for updates and the signing in table for any entry forms.

That's all from me for this month so until next time, happy minoring!

Laurie

Moggyfest Winners







(As published in "Sunday Times - Driving" section on 20 April 2017 by Danny Scott)

Her love of the outdoors led her to rock climbing but, sadly, the 3-series wasn't built for off-roading. "I went completely the other way and got a Land Rover Defender. This was before 4x4s became trendy, but we get a lot of snow in Scotland and I used to love sailing past all the cars stuck at the side of the road."

In the late 1990s Texas enjoyed a resurgence in popularity with two No 1 albums — White on Blonde and The Hush — and a string of hit singles. Back then, Spiteri was in a relationship with Ashley Heath, a magazine editor, and the couple had a daughter — Misty Kyd — in 2002 (before parting in 2004). Having fallen out of love with the Defender — "the suspension felt a bit harsh, especially when I was pregnant" — Spiteri bought her first Mercedes G-class, and still owns one today.

She loves her motors and can't understand drivers who don't lavish a bit of care on their cars. "Treat it with a bit of respect!" she exclaims. "I cannot stand it when you see crap all over the seats and sweets stuck to the carpet. It was tough when my daughter was little but I'd rather have her sitting on a rubber mat than have jelly babies on the upholstery."

Spiteri recently became engaged to Bryn Williams, a chef, and had often told him about Mrs Dickie's old Morris Traveller. On Christmas morning, 2015, she found one on the driveway, a gift from Williams. "I was cooking Christmas dinner and couldn't work out why everyone was being so cagey. My sister kept saying, 'Look out the window,' and there she was, Moggie. Totally original, even the woodwork.

"Driving her is unlike anything I've ever experienced ... the smell of the leather, the wing mirrors actually on the wings. Cars might not be living, breathing, emotional beings but that doesn't stop us falling in love with them."



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Me and my motor: Sharleen Spiteri, Lead singer of Texas

The singer's Moggie is the cat's whiskers

"I AM SO excited about this interview," laughs Sharleen Spiteri, lead singer with the Scottish rock band Texas. "Most of the time I get asked all the usual stuff about the new album but now I finally get the chance to talk about Moggie." Moggie is Spiteri's 1970, "old English white" Morris Traveller, a car she first fell in love with as a schoolgirl in Scotland.

"Neither of my parents drove until I was in my teens," says Spiteri, 49. "We took the bus everywhere. My granddad loved his cars, though, and he had a gorgeous



Riley Pathfinder. But the car that made the biggest impression on me belonged to my grandparents' neighbour, Mrs Dickie. As soon as I saw it, the Morris Traveller became 'my car'."

Spiteri was born in Bellshill, near Glasgow, but the family later moved to Balloch, at the foot of Loch Lomond. After leaving

school, she worked as a hairdresser and, inspired by idols ranging from the Clash to Diana Ross, she also formed Texas. She needed a car for carting guitars to gigs. "At 18, I took one of those week-long driving crash courses, then failed my test on a stupid right-hand turn," says Spiteri, still fuming. "I was so annoyed, I burst into tears. Thank God I passed second time and got myself a second-hand Volkswagen Golf."

The band's 1989 debut single, I Don't Want a Lover, was a global hit. Although only 21, Spiteri ditched the day job, became a full-time musician and bought a brand new BMW 3-series. "When I told my insurance company, they just said, 'Sorry, luv. This is going to cost you.' Insurance companies still think all musicians are drunks and drug addicts."

It was at this time that Spiteri fell in love with driving. "For some people, it's all about travelling from A to B as quickly as possible, but I get off on the actual drive itself," she says. "A bit of Echo and the Bunnymen's Ocean Rain on the stereo. Yes! I feel so focused that it totally clears my head."



The **North Wilts MMOC** would like to invite DMMOC members to their Annual Rally on Sunday 23rd July at Swindon STEAM Museum. The rally fee is £7.00 per car, incl. a



plaque and the site opens at 10am. Booking forms are available through Gillian Waters (gillian.waters@outlook.com). In the meantime if you have any queries, contact Bill on 01666 822388 or bill@euclidvillas.co.uk. We hope to see you at STEAM in July.



The **Dorset Area Midget and Sprite Club** would like to invite DMMOC members to their June'17 Club Night BBQ at Corfe Mullen. We traditionally bring our classics, some meat to cook etc., and chairs! The

venue is in a small paddock and we cook our own food on provided BBQs. We also have an informal 'pride in ownership' judging and if some of your members would like to join us they would be welcome. They could even judge our cars! We in turn will judge any Minors which come along – a relaxed and informal evening, starting at 6.30pm – and we guarantee sunshine – well not really, but we are generally lucky. Please let Laurie or myself know if you would like to attend.

John Gully, Chairman, Dorset Area Midget and Sprite Club, 07876 334949





Chairman's Report

Good evening and welcome to June Club Night.

First of all I would like to thank all the members and friends for all their help over the club weekend Rally at Beaulieu – especially to my committee for all their hard work leading up to the weekend and afterwards with packing up and loading the van with all the club equipment, parts and catering bits. So thanks again for that.



It was nice to see a great turnout of Morris' and other makes of cars. Beaulieu management were very pleased with the display of

vehicles over the weekend. I have had mixed comments on the Saturday meal, but the Land Girls seemed to be very popular. It was the first time that Anne and myself used our new caravan – it towed very well but we had a problem with the gas. Apart from that it is a good little caravan. Also I would like to thank Nigel for letting the club use his facilities for the servicing morning last month. I heard it went very well.

The Chairman's run on Sunday 21st May has 35 members booked in for full English Breakfast at Plowmans Gardening Centre. On 17th June at Kings Park there is Classic Car Show from 10:00 to 4:00pm all in aid of the British Heart Foundation and the Asperger's local group. All exhibitors will get free food. For more information please give a call.

Don't forget the Gardening Competition at August Club Night and get those greenhouses and gardens stocked so that the Club Night will be full of veg, plants and flowers!

Finally, over the last two months, the club has lost four of our members and friends, who some of you will have known. Jill Cox (wife of Arthur Cox), Terry Kingston from Henstridge, Alan Sheppard from Burton and Albert Puers, one of our good friends from Belgium. Our thoughts go out to all of their families.

Good motoring,

John Jenkinson (Chairman)



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> John Jenkinson, Chairman Morris Minor Owners Club, Dorset Branch



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