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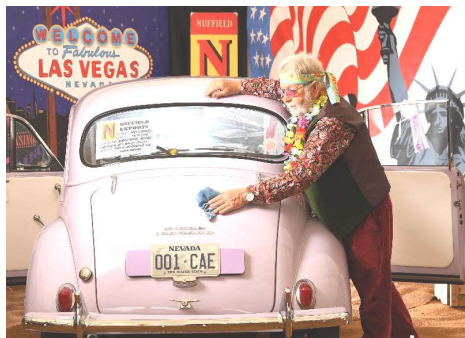
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Editorial

Welcome to the August edition ... traditionally the month of harvests and mellow fruitfulness, also lots more opportunities to join in all manner of classic car orientated meetings and events . The 2022 ' Jubilee Celebration Year' has seen our own favourite car presented to an amazing media audience at home and abroad (a 'Billion' plus total TV audience alone) who saw that group of Morris Minors being cheered on by thousands present on the day as their proud owners drove down The Mall - **Talking of national media 'exposure'** , I have recently been to explain by several club members "How was it you who's photo appeared on page 8 of the Sunday Telegraph recently ?" (triggering my own fleeting thought of one of the late Kenneth William's quotes - Infamy, "infamy, have they got it in for me") It all came about after seeing a photographer recently at the 'Breamore Steam Up' event together with his lighting assistant and due to all their equipment were obviously there taking professional shots of the event. (His big camera with detachable lenses would probably well exceed the insured value my Morris Minor) I was also taking a few photos in my more humble capacity for our own magazine when this photographer said 'Where have I seen you before recently ?' My reply was "Was it Beaulieu ?" "Yes of course" he said . "Im'e one of the free lance photographers that Beaulieu use" , he then recalled us meeting at past Moggyfests . I then took the opportunity to explain all about the Dorset branch's forthcoming Moggyfest and special celebration displays for the Millionth Minor production story from 1961. A few days later he contacted me and said one of his 'national's ' may possibly be interested in the story I had subsequently sent to him about the Minor Million , including highlighting the six special cars with owners we were expecting to attend . He said he had contacted Beaulieu and arranged to come along to our marquee, subject to the displays being completed by very early on the Saturday morning for a photo shoot. The request also included to be available in my 1960's costume .In reply I asked that the photo should contain one or two additional branch members and at least one of the car owners , I knew this was all possible having spoken to those concerned. On the Saturday morning Brian Wood and Nev Gerry were on standby in their '60's 'workshop coats and flat hats' to join me for the shoot with Martin Stoker's very special export LHD Minor Million car production no 001 - being the very first production car off the Cowley assembly line . That was the car that I intended and actually thought the story was to be all about and would be featured . After taking around 50 shots , asking for me alone, in and around this special '001' car the photographer wanted to take a few 'additional' of another Million owned by Dennis Suape outside—that was the final photo they chose to appear - and that's the gist of the story folks. Well in the end The very good news was that the Minor/Minor Million and specifically the Dorset branch MMOC were publicised to the Telegraph's weekend edition reader figure of 30,000



above, the Million production car 'no 001' (I assumed would have been featured)

Hope you like this months edition, due to time of year, with greater emphasis on events and the social side of the branch , including of course, our recent annual 'Jubilee Year' branch rally - (will return to include some of the usual ' Mechanical Stuff' next month)

ROGER



2022 RALLY TROPHY WINNERS - presented by branch Hon President John Jenkinson
BEST VISITORS VEHICLE -----BEST MINOR VEHICLE -----CHAIRMAN'S CHOICE

J4 Morris/Austin Motorcaravan **Minor 1000 Pick Up** **Morgan**
Carlo Pegoraro **Spud Taylor** **Mike Segeant**



Why should GODWOOD REVIVAL get all the fame when members of the Dorset MMOC are similarly very capable of creating that period atmosphere . With this month's '50's style star cover girl' Andrea Wallis and the musically talented Andrew Waltham's George Formby tribute act ! (Incidentally George Formby was the Queen's grandparents favourite 'musician comedian ' famously known to entertain from the early 1900's onwards , finally all through the 1950's , to 1961. Not sure who the



'50's character' was with the pipe, but apparently he often just appears when it's 'any excuse' to match in the given event era period look !!





CHRIS TILLY organised a most successful raffle that attracted attention due to the fantastic prizes on display to be won.

Amongst interesting vehicle exhibits on display was a very rare Austin Morris J4 van based factory built motorhome by a specialist Basildon Essex campervan conversion company. It was a 1972 Canterbury Seeker' model . It's absolutely great

to see **CARLO PEGORARO's** excellent refurbishment to the camper allowing **CARLO and JULIE** to be enjoying regular use of this specialist conversion as it was originally designed for back in '72 ! Another branch member **DEREK HARPER** with **SALLY** brought his superbly all self converted Minor 'Day Van ' conversion (from a late original GPO van) from **Dibden Purlieu** , with a slightly extended body and even designated spaces for the stove/kettle and full tool set trays it's very impressive design by Derek.



Below bottom left shows visitor **NICK Mc GUIGAN** who brought his 'special' van conversion who dropped in from **Melksham, Wilts** for a few hours on the Sunday Sunday The engine capacity and unique finish



attracted lots of attention !

Branch member **CHRISTOPHER ROSS** pictured with **Anne and Jim Ross** (bottom right) brought their superb 1958 Series II Minor All it's life within the family and originally driven by **Jim** .

(I am hoping to cover more on some of these in further editions ED.)



National Motor Museum, 50 Years Since The Present Building complex opened in 1972 and the unveiling of 'The Story of Motoring in 50 Objects' special exhibit

Objects were carefully chosen from over 1.7 million items ! cared for by the Beaulieu National Motor Museum Trust . Curators reduced down items to a short-list of 150, then made the final choice of 50, to include the most historically important vehicles, motoring artefacts, film footage, images, documents and books from its archives. Visitors can see the full set of 50 objects in the National Motor Museum Beaulieu The exhibition remains on display until April 16th, 2023 (there's even a 'Smartify app' to scan objects to discover more information and stories on each)

Lord and Lady Montagu cut a cake of one of the '50 selected objects' at the recent event – the 1930 'Blower' Bentley . (Photo, Beaulieu Events)

(By the way Lord Montagu is also the proud owner of a Minor Traveller - and Beaulieu of course is the venue of our annual Dorset branch 'Moggyfest' event . Ed)



Dear Editor, Thank you so much to those who generously brought your classic vehicles to **FROGHAM FAIR** last Saturday. It was a wonderful capacity turnout, and the weather was on our side. There was such a positive atmosphere throughout the fair - in our display area there was something for everybody - veteran, vintage, classic, quirky and exotic machines of mechanical wonderment.

The public really embraced the display, everyone we talked to was very positive. When we came to open the voting box we were pleased to see so many slips of paper - 292 votes! Not everyone will have voted, so there must have been 500 + people who visited our display during the day, which goes to show how important the display is to the fair, and thereby what a huge contribution you all made to it - it made £20,500 gross for charities which is over £4700 more than the last fair in 2019, and this despite difficult financial times and malfunctioning card machines!

Regarding the public's vote for its favourite car, Mike and Enid's immaculate and cheerful **Minor Convertible** was the runaway winner with 41% of the votes! Mike thought public sentiment was that everyone could identify with the Morris,

and had friends or family who had once owned one. It was a worthy winner. Charles and I hope you all had a great time, and that you'd like to display your pride and joys next year - when we look forward to seeing you all again!

NICK CLARK (for Frogham Fair)



Chairman's Report



Hello everyone and welcome to the August edition of the newsletter. If you came along to last months meeting at The London Tavern I think you'll agree that it was a very good night with a good turnout of cars and excellent food. We are hoping to organise a run out in October finishing at the pub for Sunday lunch – watch this space. Tonight, of course, we welcome Phil along for our 2022 Antiques Roadshow night. Will this year see that very rare and valuable item come out of the woodwork? We'll have to wait and see!

July seems to have been a very month with events taking place every weekend. The first weekend saw both The Holdenhurst Village Fete and The Burton Scout Carnival taking place. The following weekend was our own Dorset Branch Rally at Wolvercroft. Numbers were slightly down this year

but a good weekend was had by all those that came. We have decided to change the date next year and are looking at August as there is always so much going on during July and especially the 2nd weekend of the month which is the weekend we have traditionally had. There will be a full report on the rally elsewhere in this newsletter.

Thanks to all of you who came along to The Poole Bay Classics Park Up and Picnic at The Holme Bush Inn. A good turnout from our club which would probably have been even better if the weather hadn't been so hot!

Poole Bay Classics have invited us along to 2 of their clubnights at The Hamworthy Club. Firstly, on 23rd August there will be a skittles match and secondly, on 27th September there will be a quiz night between various other local car clubs. Both of these evenings are at 7:30 for an 8pm start. Please let me know if you able to come along and support us.

As I write this we have just returned from the Hampshire Branch Rally which, like our own one, was slightly disappointingly attended. Lewis and I enjoyed our day there and even went in Sammy Millers Motorcycle Museum which is somewhere I haven't been into for years. They really do have an impressive display of bikes and whether you are a motorcycle enthusiast or not you cannot fail to be impressed.

I have arranged with Beaulieu for an MMOC dedicated display area again at this years Simply British Classics event on Sunday 26th September. Whilst I don't specifically need to know who is coming along I would appreciate some rough idea of the numbers who are coming. I have also just been told that the theme for classic cars attending the Beaulieu International Autojumble this year is 1950's vehicles so get in touch with them if you would like to attend.

Don't forget that next month is the annual gardening show so polish up those green fingers and see you all next month.

Happy Minoring,

Laurie.



With weather conditions at Alderholt more on a par to Alicante over the weekend !

It was absolutely perfect camping weather . Amongst the 'happy campers' pitched up on site was Hon. Branch President JOHN JENKINSON and ANNE in their newly acquired motorhome for the first time. IAN with his son ETHAN took quality time together enjoy 'proper camping' under canvas. ANDREW WALTHAM journeyed all the way from Wales after completing Minors On Tour UK . His faithful Minor named 'Blue Bullet 3rd 'towing his Eriba caravan (appropriately the Eriba Jubilee Edition Van model) MIKE POPE (top left) once again came long distance specially



to attend . Some of the other now regulars camping on site Karen and Steve, Martin and Sue (the couldn't resist the super plants again !) also Brian and Jacky and yours truly with Marilyn . Why couldn't it go on for a week this year they said !!





DORST BRANCH 'Jubilee Year' ANNUAL RALLY

Wolvercroft World of Plants, Alderholt, Dorset, was, once again, the lovely open countryside destination and setting for our annual branch rally that after the last 2 years was actually returning to a much more healthy number of visiting Minors as the wide angle site photos below illustrate. This year we celebrated Her Majesty's 70th Jubilee year in style. This included a street party style setting of a continuous run of tables and decorated club marquee, as the rally centre piece and main social gathering area that included the Saturday afternoon Jubilee picnic party upon return from an excellent road run. The Dorset branch are once again indebted to DANIEL GILBERT and the Gilbert family who own and run Wolvercroft's in providing us full use of their wonderful rally field and access to all the site facilities. The 'Wolvercroft World of Plants' is just that! as illustrated below the lovely flowering plants on display are grown on site. Photos lower row—meeting once again with knowledgeable garden centre staff, WILL and BERNARD, and lower right - Nurseryman STEVE at work in far background seen in the nursery greenhouses.



JULY CLUBNIGHT HELD AT THE LONDON TAVERN, POULNER

July clubnight was a change of surroundings from our regular venue at Castle Lane. It was a lovely summer evening on the 6th July when Dorset branch members enjoyed a combined Road Run and evening meal at the London Tavern, Poulner. Landlord in charge Phil Hoyle did the Dorset branch proud with food and excellent service provided. With so many country pubs recently unfortunately closing it was great to see the London Tavern going strong as part of it's local community. In fact Phil has just recently received a national award - The

British Institute of Innkeeping's 'Heart of The Community Award'. This was in recognition of the Inn's exceptional support to local NHS workers and support to those in the local community during the period of the recent pandemic lockdown.



A very good number of Minors were driven out for the evening to the London Tavern and it certainly was a nice way to hold a clubnight evening with both good food and company.

Phil said "although filling a large part of the pub there was still room for the usual good numbers of regular customers, many of whom were very interested in the Minors in the car park.- Look forward to seeing you all again soon"



DORSET BRANCH MEMBERS (& NEW/OLD CARS TO THE CLUB)

THE STORY OF ZOE & MERVILLE GOVER'S 1966 MORRIS MINOR TRAVELLER



Zoe and I purchased the traveller (that we have yet to decide on a name for) on the 16th July 2021. This was after a two year search, needless to say we looked at many travellers and saloons during that time. It is always said that when you see the right one you will know, that is exactly what happened even though it was a none runner.

The owner of the traveller purchased it in 1969, he kept it ever since. Unfortunately he died in December 2020 aged 87. His daughter advertised it on Facebook they lived in Halsbury Plucknett. The history that came with the vehicle is quite extraordinary with every detailed expenditure and work carried out from the day he purchased it. We will continue this important history.

As I said in the beginning it was a none runner last on the road in 2007, so we trailered her home and immediately set to work over a good couple of days examining the car, it was soon obvious that he had been working on it when he became unwell as there was no brake shoes in the front drums.

So work began, new shoes new brake cylinders, new flexi pipes to all hydraulic pipes, changed brake fluid, (Zoe is very good when bleeding the brakes) a complete service of the engine new plugs, points, condenser, oil filter, oil change to sump, gear box and back axle, battery recharged which is surprisingly good.



Regular champion of the annual Burton Scout Carnival Jim Gerrard once again provided the centrepiece attraction of the procession with his steam traction locomotive, together with a selection of vintage tractors. Jim also exhibits at the Breamore 'Steam Up' that

the DMMOC also attend. He lives in Burton and happens to be editor of the national magazine for vintage agricultural machinery Heritage Tractors.

Another local vintage vehicle enthusiast (with a difference) who contributed great interest to the event was Martyn Jones who served 25 years with the Royal Artillery. Martin exhibited his Swedish built 'all terrain' vehicle a 4 tracked Hagglund BV206 articulated steered military unit (mid 1980's) The Hagglund personnel carrier also towed a n Italian built 105 pac Howitzer field gun. Martyn was delighted to allow interested youngsters to sit in the drivers cab and it was marvellous to see their fascination of this unusual vehicle.



BURTON SCOUT CARNIVAL ... Editors Photo Report

Saturday 2nd July saw the welcome return again of the Scout Carnival . With so many events taking place where classic cars are invited over the same weekend it is often a matter of deciding well ahead . Therefore a good number of Dorset branch members

remembered enjoying this popular busy event prior to the last two 'non event years' and decided to park up once again in The Fields at Martins Hill Lane in time before the carnival procession arrived . Dorset branch members Chris and Brian Tilley who live in Burton and long time supporters of the carnival welcomed branch members to the site and commented on how fantastic it was to see such large crowds supporting the event once again . They are confident that the carnival that has always been an important part of the Burton community spirit will be even bigger again next year !



So the day came two weeks after the car arriving at home, we pushed her out of the garage with much excitement all the neighbours gathered on the drive, I turned the key what a sound incredible as sweet as a nut, depressed the clutch tried to put her into gear what a racket the clutch had stuck,so with all the neighbours pushing and rocking she freed, it was soon obvious that the clutch was in need of replacement we ordered a new clutch which came next day so with a friend with the necessary hoists and lifts, engine out good inspection new clutch in all done in 36 hours.

Now the real excitement, so with me and my wife Zoë we are off on our first trip down the road, you all know the thrill of that first drive, Zoë in her knowledge and wisdom



made the first positive comment, "it's not bad is it she said nothing has fallen off yet!" Well we laughed and enjoyed every moment of that first little outing, also I very soon realised I must be very careful when talking about my Morris as Zoë quite rightly informs me that it is OURS.



Now after several outings with new acquired and appropriate year picnic set, and dog bed for Dusty our cavachon in the back (needless to say as soon as she here's the burble of the Morris we are not going anywhere without her) I felt she was a bit noisy when pulling (the car that is). Zoe and I own a menswear, school outfitter and hire shop in Wareham,

Est 1926. I was serving a senior customer the other day when who knows why the conversation came around to Morris minors he informed me that he had served his apprenticeship on Morris minors, he knew everything, so I shared my thoughts of the noise with him and he said in his opinion the timing could be out, the next day to my surprise he came back into the shop and presented me with a strobe timing light, he explained how to re-time the engine, all is now fixed the timing was quite a few degrees out, now 5 % before TDC. Also it was apparent that the vacuum advance was not working, new one installed.

So as new members with much to learn, no doubt there will be more discussions and stories in the future. We look forward to meeting you all on one of the club runs very soon
Yours in Morris Minor , Merville & Zoe Gover (and Dusty)



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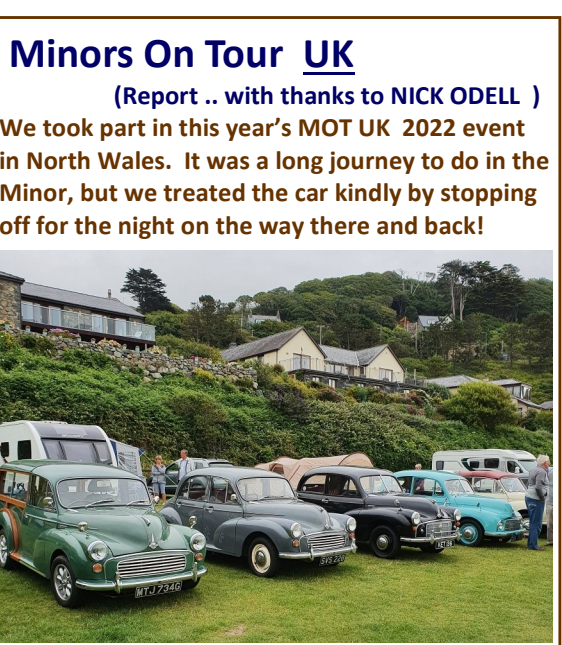
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We rented a Mobile Home on one of the three sites used by the group near Barmouth. In all there were about 50 cars, 40 of them Morris Minors. Taking part in the rally were about 80 to 90 people in all. Our mobile home had a lovely view of the sea, but being high up meant that



Minors On Tour UK
(Report .. with thanks to NICK ODELL)
We took part in this year's MOT UK 2022 event in North Wales. It was a long journey to do in the Minor, but we treated the car kindly by stopping off for the night on the way there and back!



that there was quite a steep slope for our car to navigate, but fortunately there weren't any problems. During the week we went on some trips which had been organised in advance by the organisers Bill and Lesley Hewlett. We particularly enjoyed a trip on the Ffestiniog railway and a day at the amazingly quirky, colourful and magical village of Portmeirion. We also parked the car on the beach at the vast Black Rock Sands which is not something we usually do! Unfortunately we had a bit of rain for the scenic Drive Out on the Tuesday but it had stopped by the end of the morning.

There was some cloud and light rain during the week but overall it was predominantly dry with some pleasant sunshine at times. During the evenings we took part in a Quiz, a Barbecue and a Farewell Meal in the campsite restaurant, which had a good range of dishes on offer during the week. There was also an Auction and Raffle which helped raise money for charities.

The week certainly gave us a chance to catch up again with people we already knew and to meet some new people. This is the last time that Bill and Lesley are organising MOT UK so they were awarded a special trophy at the Farewell Meal for all their hard work over the years ..

Nick and Angi Odell

Minors On Tour France Branch BBQ

(Report.. with thanks to TIM ROUSE)

Hants & Dorset, no not the railway but the branch BBQ in the Loire on the recent French MOT trip. Giles and I decided we would host the BBQ and invited all members of HAMMOC and Dorset to come and join us, this was enthusiastically welcomed and was followed by lots of offers of food and drink. More tables and chairs were needed to accommodate the 12 arrivals, and these were swiftly borrowed from a neighboring Eurocamp caravan along with another BBQ.



Food was no problem, as it appeared from all 4 corners of the campsite, nibbles, salad, meat, and wine. But not forgetting dessert ! Everyone pitched in and helped, so all had a good evening and went home happy, we thoroughly recommend if on MOT to join in the Branch BBQ for a great evening.... *Tim Rouse*



Secretary's Report

I hope everyone enjoyed the annual branch rally. I can't remember ever being so hot in a tent overnight. Ethan had a good weekend driving my Morris around the field every day, I have a very heavy clutch, so he did very well not to stall it. Dave Walker also let him have a go in his automatic Volvo towing a trailer. We had a good drive out on the road run, thanks to Steve & Karen brown for letting us tag along in their convertible with the top down and a nice cooling breeze. Ethan chose a car to receive a trophy, turns out he like pick ups.

After camping out for a couple of nights at our rally, I decided we would do the same on the Isle of Wight rally in September. Although staying over on the Island does make the ferry eye watering expensive at least the camping is free.

I've been suffering from a couple of sticking brake cylinders on my car. This seems to be happening on a far too regular basis, so I'm planning on giving it a good overhaul and switching to the silicone fluid to see if that solves the problem.

Sorry I missed the Hampshire branch rally at Sammy Millers, I was expecting the planned paddle from Studland to Swanage to be cancelled due to the strong wind, but we went out anyway! I was looking forward to breakfast in the café at Sammy Millers.

We have received the menu options for next year's Dinner & Dance, which are currently being whittled down to the final choices.

I hope that all the gardeners are taking good care of their entries for September's competition, keeping them well watered in this hot weather.

There are a few new entries in the events calendar, so please have a look. Poole Bay Classics have invited us to a skittles evening and a quiz night.

For those of you that have been missing the cakes at club night, Jackie Walker has kindly offered to step in and organise this so many thanks to Jackie, I'm sure it will be much appreciated by everyone.

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EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Dorset Branch MMOC organised Events are headed thus **DORSET MMOC**



AUG 3rd	DORSET MMOC AUGUST CLUBNIGHT Antiques Roadshow hosted by Phil Traves (Bring in your treasured old items for Phil to expertly appraise)
AUG 6th	Broadchalke Flower Show . Broadchalke, Wilts. from 1pm (Cars to gather on Broadchalke Village Sports Field) Please inform Laurie if interested in attending
AUG 7th	Rotary Club of Lymington Classic Car & Motorcycle Show Booking forms & details to follow re DMMOC club stand
SEPT 3rd/4th	Isle of White Branch Rally , White Steam Railway PO33 4DS Special rates for White Link Ferry for this event - visit iowmmoc.blogspot/p/events-diary for IOW branch rally info
SEPT 4th	Classic Cars on the Quay (Christchurch Quay) <i>Any entry or latest event details can be checked via CCOTP Classic Cars on the Prom/Quay/Farm) on their Facebook site</i>
SEPT 7th	DORSET MMOC SEPT CLUBNIGHT Gardening Competition - Entry rules reminder on opposite page . Entry Class categories see page 19 of last months magazine
SEPT 10th/11th	BEAULIEU International Auto Jumble (individual entry) Dorset branch MMOC do not have a club stand at this event.
SEPT 25th	SIMPLY BRITISH CLASSICS at Beaulieu (DMMOC probably will attend as club group again ,details TBC
OCT 5th	DORSET MMOC OCT CLUBNIGHT/ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
NOV 2nd	DORSET MMOC NOV CLUBNIGHT Subject TBC
DEC 7th	DORSET MMOC DEC CLUBNIGHT Seasonal Noggin 'N Natter
2023	
JAN 14th 2023	DORSET MMOC The Dorset Branch Annual Dinner & Dance Dudsbury Golf Club & Hotel (Booking forms available soon)
AUG 19th/20th 2023	DORSET MMOC Dorset Branch Annual Rally at Alderholt (Proposed date TBC)

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DORSET MMOC BRANCH CLUB SPARES DEPT. PAGE

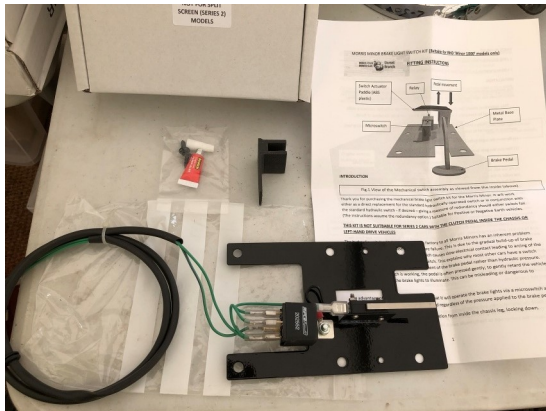
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(New E10 Ethanol compatible—special order -£100)
(For reference, new pumps are £130 from Burlen in Salisbury)

Auxiliary Brake Light Switch Kit



This is a kit which overcomes the inherent problem of the weakness in the conventional hydraulic brake light switch fitted to the Minor. This switch kit works in parallel to the original switch which can be left in place and utilises a micro-switch and relay to operate the brake lights as soon as the pedal is touched. This increases safety as the lights are illuminated sooner and are not subject to the common problem of arcing and burning-out of the existing switch under the radiator.

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Available from Brian Wood (07411 116336)
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- Air filters
- Starting handle
- Ash trays (late)
- Axle stands (folding)
- Bonnet hinges
- Extending Bonnet stay (plated)
- Bottom hose
- Brake back plates (8")
- Bump stop (RH)
- Distributors
- Marina type column and switch
- Chrome door handles (various)
- Front Grille outer panel
- Gearbox floor cover
- Jack
- Front side/indicator units (late)
- Marina pedal box
- Books/Manuals (various)
- Quarterlights (painted/stainless)
- Rocker box covers
- Sliding boot stay
- Speedo heads
- King pins/good trunnions

An Invitaion from POOLE BAY CLASSICS CAR CLUB (Please let Laurie know if interested)

Tuesday 23rd August at The Hamworthy Club

Skittles evening - Teams of up to 6 or individuals can join another team 7.30pm to start at 8pm - raffle

Saturday 3rd September at Beccles Close, Hamworthy

Super Scout Saturday 10am - 4pm (cars on site for 9.30am) A local lad has been selected to represent Poole/Dorset at the World Scout Jamboree 2023 in South Korea. He needs to raise £3750 to be able to attend, so he has organised a Summer Fete and would like some classic cars to create a mini car show. There is no set charge but a donation towards his fundraising would be much appreciated.

I'm looking for up to 5 cars, so if anyone is interested or would like anymore info they can contact me (Zena Brown, Poole bay classics) on 07729 237148.

Tuesday 27th September at The Hamworthy Club Quiz Night - Teams of up to 6 or individuals can join another team 7.30pm to start at 8pm -raffle.

September 7th Clubnight Gardening Competition

ENTRY RULES

Members wishing to enter show please have their exhibits in place by 8.00 p.m. Please register before placing in selected class Each exhibit will be issued with a number and cup to be placed next to each item.

CLASS CATEGORY JUDGING — (To commence at 8.15 p.m.) *All members wishing to judge the classes please collect counters from the show table. Place ONE counter into the cup next to the exhibit you have judged to be best in that class (Please note—One counter per class)*

BEST IN SHOW JUDGING — *The 3 Garden Team Judges will select a shortlist of 3 on the night, out of which a winner will be proposed, an 'honorary' casting vote will then be invited to be made by Eddie Pateman or in his absence decided between the three judges.*

1 Flowers	Dahlias	One vase of 3 blooms
2 Flowers	Sweet Peas	One vase of 5 blooms
3 Flowers	Mixed flowers	One vase of any type/size
4 Flowers	One potted plant (Flowering or Foliage)	One potted plant of any type/ size
5 Flowers	A 'perfect' Rose	One specimen bloom any variety
6 Garden Fruit	Any Soft Fruit or Top Fruit (any dessert fruit in season)	One set of 3 soft fruit or top fruit
7 Vegetables	Runner beans	One set of 3 beans
8 Vegetables	Round podded beans	One set of 3 beans
9 Vegetables	Potatoes	One plate of 5, of one variety
10 Vegetables	Tomatoes	One plate of 5, of any size or type
11 Vegetables	Cucumber , Courgette , Squash	One of any type
12 Vegetables	Onions , Shallots	One plate of 5 onions or shallots
13 Vegetables	Marrow	The largest in show
14 Vegetables	Peppers/ Chiles	Any Pepper or Chile Set of 3 (or assorted of any type)
15 Vegetable/Fruit (novelty class)	The most 'Unusual or Wonky' shaped vegetable or fruit	Any type of Vegetable or Fruit (May include any New Variety)

THE 'BRIAN WOOD' REPORT



Some of you will know about the Morris Minor that was kindly donated to the MMOC (not the Dorset Branch) by a lady in Blandford. Jacky and I were asked to go and have a look at it a few months ago to see if it could be recovered and put back into use economically. It had been stored in a lock up since early 2020 when the owner was confined due to the coronavirus pandemic and it was no longer used. It didn't look

too bad, so after approval from the owners club, my son, Stewart and I went to fetch it back to Bournemouth on his trailer. After fitting another battery and fuel pump, the car started up and ran reasonably well. Understandably, the brakes were a bit precarious and the clutch was found to be on its last legs. However it was still driveable so we got to work on it straight away. It looked fairly presentable after a quick power wash under the bonnet and on the bodywork. It is a 1963 model that looks like a 948 but is actually an early 1098 in Trafalgar blue. It was made during the 'split-personality' period of production when the engine and gearbox were uprated but everything else that distinguishes most 1098's was added gradually on subsequent cars. So it did not have trafficators, but had the 8-way relay system for the indicators/brake lights, 'clap-hand' type windscreen wipers, no glove box lids, etc.

I believe the club often has cars offered to them and I guess some are more of a liability than others. The purpose of its acquisition by the MMOC is to use it as a loan car. They have several Minors which are loaned out to prospective owners to encourage more people to use them. They keep them for a while and when they get too many, they are sold off. Unfortunately, there is not much benefit to our Branch members from this service, as Derby is a long way from Bournemouth. However, anything which promotes Morris Minors to others for future ownership cannot be a bad thing.

At the time of writing, I have fixed up the brakes and got a good second-hand battery and a couple of part-worn tyres to replace the ancient cross plies on the front. The next job will be the clutch replacement which I will get done over the next couple of weeks... More progress updates to follow.



The 3D printing 'department' has been fairly busy lately. Following the experience of a Traveller owner – mentioned in a previous report, I have now come up with a plastic sleeve to be inserted into the fuel filler neck to prevent mis-fuelling with diesel fuel. It is currently in the prototype stage and being tested in our cars (and the gentleman with the Traveller). If anyone would be interested in one, please let me know.



The split trunnion seals (above) have been selling well on Ebay with about 20 sets sold so far. They should be available from ESM in the future.



I have also made some more of the indicator covers – of which I have now sold a few more. I have recently supplied the variant which includes the wiper switch on the left hand side of the steering column as well as the indicator/horn/flash switch on the right. **BRIAN**