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ASSOCIATE MEMBERS –

PLEASE attend the forthcoming Sunday &/or Saturday guidance sessions at the **SAINSBURYS CAR PARK** as listed in 'What's On'.

If this causes any difficulty, please contact **Bob Stone** on **01246 568894** so that other arrangements can be made. New joiners are welcome to come along at anytime during the morning for a free assessment drive, or you can phone Ray to arrange a drive at any suitable time.

It is a fundamental part of your on-going training that you attend at least one, if not both of the guidance sessions each month. So please try to attend.

WE THANK THE MANAGEMENT OF SAINSBURY'S SUPERMARKET FOR ALLOWING US TO USE THEIR CAR PARK FOR OUR GUIDANCE SESSIONS



Forge Museum Visit
Thursday 16 July, 7 – 7.30 p.m.

Following Doug Bradbury's very successful visit to the group Social Night in May, we have arranged a trip to his Forge Museum in Clay Cross on the above date. He can only accommodate up to 20 people in the museum, so it will be a case of taking down names and it will be first come, first served, so to speak. Once we reach the 20 limit we will have to close the list.

Please let Bob or me know if you wish to attend a.s.a.p.

Yvonne, Editor

Sad to see that more than 600 models of a bygone age are now on the brink of extinction. Figures from “Recover Me”, reveal 638 models, including some sought after classics could disappear altogether.

Just 360 Austin 1100s remain from a peak of 1.1 million manufactured. Austin Maestro down to 183 from 325,000. The Austin Metro, the replacement for the Mini , only 518 remain and 2,018 of the Rover version are still around from a peak of 2 Million. Good news for the Ford Cortina though, 3,509 remain from half a million produced.

Now for a bit of fun!

Have just come across 3 lists I made many years ago, as an answer to a request by an auto mechanic student re: how many cars have in the past been named after their maker’s surname.... I found 38... here are a few to give you a flavour.....Henry Ford (of course), John Delorean, Bruce McClaren, the Opel brothers et al. See if you can match , or better my list of 38.

If you want to take this idea further, I found 26 “animal/birds etc ”names.....Dodge Viper, Riley Kestrel, Reliant Kitten [what a choice!] et al, and 8 vehicles using just initials....TVR.BMW et al. {Full list of all three sections available if you are slightly interested!}.

Now the better weather is here.....writing this during the three really nice days this month....perhaps it is a good time to give our vehicles a good valet. Yes I know there are specialist firms out there, but more satisfaction is to be gained by a DIY approach. Not only does it make the vehicle more respectable, it also helps keep the value to the top end of the “book price” and can make you aware of any cosmetic work that could be missed on the bi-annual wash!!!! [Tongue in cheek!]. It has been known, present company excepted, for Observers to have to move empty drinks cans, crisp bags, sweet wrappers – and the rest – before a guidance session. Not the best advert for a conscientious driver.

Any comments?

Stay safe and happy

Mike.

Lunch Club at the Inn at Kelstedge – Thanks for Michele and Bob for the photos



Tony Pope receiving his pass certificate from Roger Bates

The 'Force' is with Selwyn as he signs up two new recruits at Guidance!



July 2015

Hopefully everyone is taking full advantage of the few days of sun we seem to get this time of the year? What've you all been up to?



On the 14th June the group attended 2Stroke Sunday at CMC Motorcycles at Clay Cross to promote the IAM to those there. We gained a number of leads and had quite an enjoyable day, with a little rain! I must give thanks to those who helped us throughout the day, Ray, Colin, and Tommy from Matlock.

I've just returned from a weekend in central London to see Taylor Swift perform at British Summer Time in Hyde Park with my Girlfriend. We drove down on the Friday, and parked up outside the hotel just north of Hyde Park. The hotel we stayed in didn't cost too much, but the extras can soon mount up! Parking was (thankfully) only £10 per night, other hotels charge about £40! Air conditioning in the room, if you want it on after 8pm until 10am the following morning the charge is £5, if you want it on a little earlier, anytime before 8pm until 10am the following morning, the charge is doubled to £10! At least breakfast was included eh!

Saturday we walked to Hyde Park to start queuing from 10:30, until the priority gates opened at 2:30, then the day would end at about 11pm. More high prices once you're inside, £2 for a bottle of Pepsi Max?! And of course you're only allowed to take in a 500ml bottle of water in... Overall a fantastic day, but shattered by the end of it all we walked on back to the hotel.

Sunday morning we awoke and rushed to catch the last of the breakfast before checking out. We were going to get the tube into Oxford Street, but once we saw the prices (£12 each), we decided it would be far cheaper to

drive and use the Q park for two hours. Squeezing the car out of the parking space without touching anything was tricky, but I managed it no problem, with a bit of spotting by Rosie. Getting through central London to Oxford Street was easy, plenty of spaces in the car park. We spent a while in Oxford Street perusing the seemingly endless line of shops before heading back to the car and heading home.

Overall a long and difficult but very enjoyable weekend.

Hope you're all enjoying the sun, please do write in and tell us all about it!
Dom



40th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

You may be aware that January 2016 is the 40th Anniversary for the Chesterfield Group of Advanced Motorists

The committee are organising an evening meal with entertainment to celebrate this occasion. Everyone is welcome, past and present members, and their family and friends.

If you are interested in attending this celebration would you please let me know, along with numbers, as soon as possible so a venue can be booked.

At this point we do not know the cost involved but will advise you when a venue has been organised.

Looking forward to hearing from you shortly.

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Diary Dates

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Sunday 5 th July	Guidance	Sainsbury's Car Park 9.30 a.m.
Saturday 11 th July	Guidance	Sainsbury's Car Park 9.30 a.m.
Wednesday 8 th July	Lunch Club 1 p.m.	Three Merry Lads, Main Road, Cutthorpe S42 7AJ
Thursday 16 July	Visit to Doug Bradbury's Forge Museum in Clay Cross PLEASE SEE ADVERT	7 – 7.30 p.m.
Sunday 26 July	Group Caravan at Clay Cross Motor Cycles	
Tuesday 28 th July	Committee Meeting	Chesterfield Library Café, 7.30 p.m.

August Guidance:
Provisional lunch club
August Committee Mtg

Saturday 2nd, Sunday 8th
Wednesday 12 August
Tuesday 25th