



Devon Sevens

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Newsletter for

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The Devon A7 Club



More than 20 DA7C members were out in their cars for Drive it Day.

Andy was out train spotting at Williton,
Paul was enjoying the Cornish countryside
and a group of members met up for a drive around mid Devon.

More Drive it Day photos on pages 11,12 and 13.



Secretary's Notes

I am delighted to report that we exceeded the target of seeing 20 Members out with their cars on Drive-it-Day. We received reports and photos from 22 members who were driving their cars on the 23rd April. 20 were in Austin 7s and 2 were enjoying other vintage cars in their collections. A selection of pictures is on pages 11,12 and 13 and if you haven't yet sent in your photo, it's not too late. E-mail a copy to the editor with a note of where you went, and we will be happy to publish an update next month.



The stream of very positive reactions to the "Vintage Cars for Young Drivers" day held back in April is still coming in and I will hopefully soon have a date for the next event planned for the Autumn. Our friend Steve Dace has completed the editing of the video that he took on the day and this has been shared widely on Facebook, YouTube and Instagram. If you weren't able to get along to Re-Fuel for the event, click on this link and you will get a good idea of what was going on:-

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ROR54y_QCEU&t=155s

We are still looking for some members to step up and lend a hand with the operation of the Club and I would like to highlight two areas in particular where we could do with some help.

Firstly, it would be a great help to me if someone would take on the role of writing up the minutes of our monthly committee meetings. These are all held on Zoom and recorded, so there is no need to take notes. The recording can be easily played back on a computer and the minutes written up.

Secondly, we could do with having a 'Regalia Officer'. At the moment, we just have the various Club badges as listed on page 18 on offer, but we would like to add a range of badged clothing for members, and this will need someone to take charge of the operation. The system we are looking at will be all on-line with no stock being held but we will need someone to just be a point of contact for both the supplier and members.

Neither role is particularly onerous or time consuming, but as they say 'every little helps'. If you do think that you could help with either of these jobs, please give me a call.

The final date for entering your car in the Historic Vehicle Gathering at Powderham is fast approaching and space on the stand is filling up fast. We do still have room for a few more cars, especially on Sunday so don't delay if you want the opportunity of attending one of the very best shows in the West County if not in the whole country. Full details are on page 5 and an entry form has been sent with this Newsletter.

Happy Austineering.

David.

New Members

This month we welcome Bruce Barham to the DA7C. Bruce lives in Lapford and owns a 1936 Ruby in red. We look forward to seeing Bruce at events during the summer.

Thank you to recent new member, Nigel Coleridge, for sending us a photo of his Big 7 on it's first trip out. Nigel says that he has been unable to take it out before, as it needed a new clutch. We look forward to seeing you and your car out and about this summer Nigel.



Fox & Grapes – Lifton PL16 0AJ

D-Day Commemoration

80th Anniversary 1944-2024

Saturday 8th – Sunday 9th of June



- **Military & Classic Vehicle Displays**
- **Static & Live Fire Weapons Displays**
- **'Living History' Displays**
- **Military Charity Stands**
- **Daytime Activities & Events**
- **Evening Entertainment with**
FIVE STAR SWING
- **Remembrance Ceremony**

EVENING ENTERTAINMENT 8TH JUNE 2024

Hits from the Blitz with FIVE STAR SWING

Doors Open 6:00pm – Music from 7:00pm
Tickets £10.00 per person
Coronation Hall, Fox & Grapes, Lifton, PL16 0AJ



Camping available at £5 per pitch

For more information, to book tickets for the evening, camping or a stand, please contact us on 07909 102167 or e-mail: foxandgrapespub@gmail.com

Mid - Week Dartmoor Run

Wednesday June 12th

Following an enjoyable Drive-it Day on the moor, I am organising a circular mid-week run starting at the car park near The Motor Museum at Moretonhampstead at **10a.m.**

We shall be visiting The Bronze Age Village at Grimspound, Widecombe-in the Moor, Hound Tor, Bowerman's Nose, Manaton and Lustleigh. Bring a picnic and suitable footwear if you fancy a walk. Food is available at Widecombe if you prefer. If any member knows someone with a Pre 1950 car let's invite them as well and make a day of it.

Please phone or email me if you are coming 01271 375730 or valhawkins3@aol.com.

Nick Hawkins



Zoom Club Night

A chance to safely catch up with other DA7C members, without leaving the comfort of your own home

Monday 17th June 2024
7pm

The Zoom link will be sent out by e-mail during the week preceding the meeting.



National *Austin Seven* Rally

Beaulieu - Sunday 30th June 2024

The largest annual gathering of Austin Seven enthusiasts, vehicles and trade suppliers.

Special Displays:

**Opals & Pearls, Swallows,
and Long-Distance A7s**



Entry forms available on the PWA7C website

www.pwa7c.co.uk

Rally Organiser - Ian Nelson
ian.s.nelson@btinternet.com
07803 888585





HISTORIC VEHICLE GATHERING POWDERHAM Castle, Nr Exeter.

13th & 14th JULY 2024

Organised by the Crash Box & Classic Car Club.



One of the major events this year will be our Club stand at the Historic Vehicle Gathering at Powderham Castle, Kenton near Exeter. The club will once again pay entry fees for DA7C members who display their cars on our Stand.

You can exhibit on one or both days and cars can be left on the stand overnight on Saturday or driven to and from the venue. Space is also available for trailer parking.

The show is organised by the Crash Box & Classic Car Club of Devon Ltd, and is widely recognised as one of the very best in the country. It offers a huge range of attractions and displays for all members of the family. Have a look at their website www.historic-vehicle-gathering.info, it really is a great day out.

July may seem a long way in the future, but with the amount of planning necessary for an event of this size, entries need to be in early and the latest date for reserving a space on our stand is **Friday 31st May**, so please don't delay.

An entry form has been sent with the newsletter and should be filled in and sent to Richard Bishop, 40 Feltrim Avenue, Exeter, EX2 4RP e-mail rchrdbshp7@gmail.com as soon as possible.

If you would like any more information, just drop Richard an e-mail or telephone David on 01626 852259



Don't delay - the deadline for reserving a space on the DA7C stand is fast approaching!

Vintage & Classic Weekend

RHS Garden Rosemoor

July 27 & 28 2024



The DA7C will again be at Rosemoor for their Vintage and Classic Weekend. If you are the owner of a Vintage or Classic car, tractor, motorbike, caravan, bicycle, Rosemoor would love to welcome you to this great weekend.

Now in its 14th year the weekend has proved to be one of their most popular events with Vintage Vehicles, Motorcycles, Tractors, Caravans and Steam Engines, and in 2023, the event attracted over 2400 visitors a day. The event will again be at the Arboretum Lawn on Lady Anne's side of the garden, which will give a beautiful backdrop to the amazing vehicles on display. There is a small café and toilets available at this side of the garden, or it is a couple of minutes' walk to the visitors building where the main restaurant is located.

This is a free to enter event for vehicles, which will provide you with entry to all of Rosemoor Garden for you and a guest. Rosemoor will supply an exhibitor's pop up beverages tent, where you will be able to enjoy free teas and coffees and separate portable toilets will be available just for exhibitors. Onsite overnight stays are available for those of you that have caravans or camper vans etc. There will be a professional security person on site over the weekend. If you wish to stay onsite on the Friday, Saturday and (or) Sunday, please remember to state it on the vehicle entry form. There are no shower facilities but there is a toilet block you are welcome to use. You will be issued with an overnight pass and given instructions on where you are able to pitch up your vehicle.

Please contact Nick Borst-Smith or David Aylmore for a vehicle entry form, and be sure to let Nick know if you plan to attend, so that he can ensure there is space for your vehicle. (contact details on back page)

Please note that it is RHS policy of strictly **no dogs** unless they are registered assistance dogs.

Sidmouth Chamber of Commerce in partnership with the
Crash Box & Classic Car Club of Devon present

THE SIDMOUTH CLASSIC CAR SHOW

at The Sidmouth Cricket Club, Fortfield Terrace, Sidmouth EX10 8NT

on Saturday 21st September, show opens at 11am

(Cars must be on display by 10.45am, and for Health & Safety reasons cannot leave before 4.30pm)

More details of the show can be found on their website - www.sidmouthclassiccarshow.co.uk

This is always a lovely day out with entertainment all day and just a stroll into the nearby town centre.

Entry form available from David Aylmore (contact details on back page), or through the website above.

PLEASE NOTE - In accordance with the organisers' arrangements, there will NOT be a Devon A7 Club stand at this year's show, so members will need to send their entries directly to the organisers.

DA7C member Barry Sangster who lives in Sidmouth has kindly suggested that members who would like to park together at the show, could meet up at his home and drive to the showground in convoy.

Once you have your entry confirmed, contact Barry Sangster at marionbarry@icloud.com if you would like to take him up on this offer.



Entries must be in by Wednesday July 31st, but you are advised to book as soon as possible as the show is very popular and usually fills up quickly.

New rules for filling an under bonnet petrol tank.

The Petrol Retailers Association (PRA) has issued a Technical Update to all their members about the refuelling of classic cars.

This issue relates to the filling of portable containers. The Petroleum (consolidation) Regulations 2014 require only suitable containers to be filled, which are specified. It is an offence to allow the filling of unsuitable containers.

The site operators' guide, The Red Guide, also makes it clear that the filling of a container in the boot (or bonnet on some rear engine cars) not only prevents the bonding to earth of the container, which is done by standing it on the ground, but also leaves a boot full of flammable vapour and high risk of fire or explosion if ignited.

If the bonnet or boot are open, it is impossible to see a container, and an open boot or bonnet would suggest to the forecourt attendant that a container is being filled.

With certain classic cars, such as early A7s, this is a legitimate case of filling a vehicle tank, and the issue should be easily resolved by a discussion taking place between attendants and motorists by way of the Tannoy.

The PRA would suggest to the motorist that before attempting to fill the vehicle, to alert the attendant to the need for a raised bonnet or boot lid, and access would be granted.

Musings of a Mascot

It was a great honour to me when my human came home from the AGM of our splendid club and told me that Sam Barker's human had presented me with lifelong membership of the club and nominated me to be the club's mascot - a job that Sam had so ably carried for so many years. I will do my very best to carry out my duties in the tradition that Sam Barker has so ably set.

Sam Barker being a rather larger breed than me, the tabard had to be considerably reduced in size meaning I had to put up with my human trying it on several times during the course of him altering it for me.

I think you will agree it was quite a good fit when finished.

Here I can be seen at the refuel meeting waiting patiently for any customers to take a ride in Annie. At one time my poor old human had to unload all his tools, spare oil, petrol and so on out of Annie when a family of three wanted to take a ride together. I must say I was quite surprised that not many people wanted to take a ride in such a dear wee car.

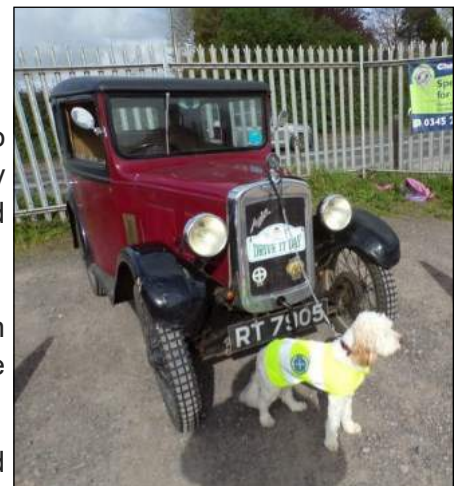
Whenever we gave people a ride they were profuse in their thanks and appreciation. Speaking personally I always enjoy a ride in Annie and when we go each month to lunch with our Morris chums we always enjoy the ride together.

Apparently on Sunday next there is a hill climb in prospect, where I would only be allowed to stay in the car park on my lead. So I will be going down to see my friends David and Sharon and their dog Rupert for the day. I think it's because my human wants to be able to make his way to the beer tent, as well as watch the cars sprinting up the hill! I hope my human wears his straw hat with our club badge on it, as there will be no Mascot wearing his tabard to advertise us.

Well that's all for now folks.

Happy Austineering,

Max





Important message from the Federation of British Historic Vehicle Clubs.

DVLA consultation on historic vehicle registration processes, how to answer it and ensure your voice makes a difference.

The Department for Transport (DfT) and the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency (DVLA) have launched a call for evidence around the existing policies and registration processes for historic, classic, and rebuilt vehicles.

The move follows 18 months of dialogue between the FBHVC (Federation of British Historic Vehicle Clubs) and representatives of the Department for Transport and DVLA, which sought to draw attention to the current challenges and inconsistencies surrounding the historic vehicle community's interaction with their policies.

The announcement was made at Bicester Heritage on 9th May, and the DfT and DVLA say they aim "To seek expertise and knowledge about whether these policies need updating to reflect evolving technologies that support the restoration and rebuilding of these vehicles."

The consultation now offers the FBHVC's member clubs the opportunity to shape the creation and evolution of policies to preserve our ability to restore, register, and use historic vehicles efficiently and fairly for tomorrow's roads.

The document is complex, and the questions cover many topics that require a detailed understanding of the issues and technicalities involved. Furthermore, the historic vehicle community must work together to create a consensus that accurately reflects the community's requirements.

Therefore, the FBHVC will be innovatively publishing our positioning statement to give everyone a voice and make completing the consultation document less onerous.

The positioning statement will be split into sections relating to each part of the official consultation document that we will complete on behalf of the community.

The Federation's team, led by Chairman David Whale; IT Director Tim Jarrett and his team, Legislation Director Lindsay Irvine and DVLA Liaison Manager Ian Edmunds, have formed a provisional response to each section and question, that all members of the historic vehicle community can now read and indicate support for through an electronic survey. If you disagree, a further box requests more details to incorporate those views into the final response.

Once the feedback is collated, a formal consultation response document will be published and submitted, representing the responses received. As submissions are judged on the number of people the views represent, this will ensure a more impactful and consensus-driven response than would be possible if submissions were all made by individual people or clubs.

David Whale, Chairman of the FBHVC, said, *"This is a unique and hard-won opportunity after our many months of dialogue with DVLA and DfT to address our challenges around the current systems once and for all. We welcome this opportunity to create and evolve a policy that will have a long-lasting impact on our freedoms and abilities to preserve and use transport heritage."*

"But it's imperative that we put forward a consensus and make our needs clearly understood; this is why we have chosen to address the consultation via a questionnaire in this way to represent as many voices from our community as possible in a single, consistent response is essential for success."

The more views the FBHVC can capture and represent, the higher our chance of genuinely shaping the future for historic vehicles and evolving flawed registration and licensing systems, so we encourage everyone to respond via the FBHVC mechanism in the first instance.

Complete the consultation response here: <http://evidence.fbhvc.co.uk> and ensure your voice makes a difference. The more people who respond to us the better, as this will ensure that our collective voices will carry considerable weight.

Thank you.

Mel Holley - Secretary, Federation of British Historic Vehicle Clubs Ltd

Out and About



Steph and Doug joined several other A7s recently at Wiscombe. Steph says, "We had a wonderful drive both there and back and stopped for a picnic on a country lane near Broadhembury on our way home. Over a hundred miles of glorious motoring in the sunshine!"

Despite the forecast rain, Michael and Max took Annie to their monthly meeting for lunch with their Morris chums at the Cat and Fiddle near Exeter.



Three Austin 7s, including Anne and Tim Whellock's Chummy, made it to the Somerset Sevens weekly Sunday morning coffee gathering at Upton Bridge Farm near Langport.

PUZZLE PAGE

by Julie Eddles

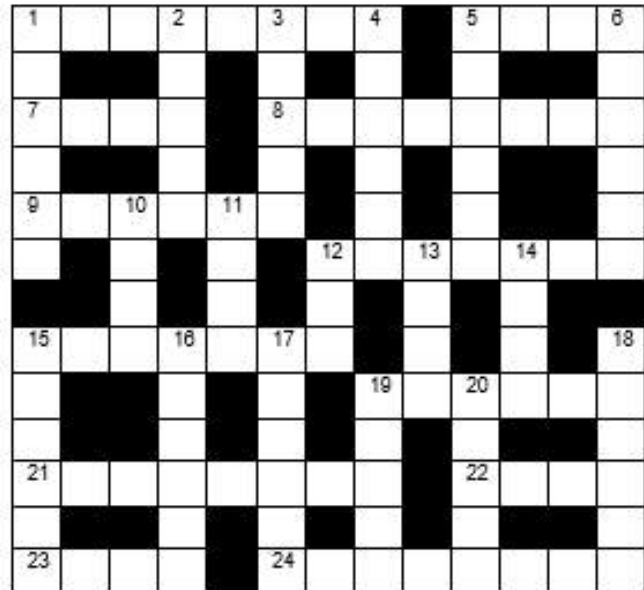
CRYPTIC CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1. Clambers for a way to cook eggs (8)
5. Peruse some rare advertisements (4)
7. Right with assistance for sudden attack (4)
8. Lobs vases over and clears of blame (8)
9. Turns over the 'open' sign (6)
12. Journalists in Dorset I fancy (7)
15. Stuck around here, Dad? (7)
19. Takes over to spur us somehow (6)
21. Resists calculators and bars (8)
22. Magma rising from a bit of upheaval (4)
23. Woman had an outhouse (4)
24. Dilute at about aircraft height (8)

DOWN

1. Glued around recording, made a hit (6)
2. They help with new ideas (5)
3. Money for a section of an orchestra (5)
4. Sue and Ned together followed on (6)
5. Give in concerning a prelude to Easter (6)
6. A part of a band is costly for dances (6)
10. Sworn statement from goatherd (4)
11. First lady right always (4)
12. Some fiendish finish (4)
13. Kins turned over writing fluids (4)
14. More than finished (4)
15. Counting frame as a cub might make (6)



16. Andree worked and made money (6)
17. Church with complicated maze is rash (6)
18. Tea-set for the country pile (6)
19. Amid the coup, setting off to disrupt (5)
20. Dim. until corrected (5)

SPORT

The vowels have been removed from these groups of words, the spaces closed up, and the consonants grouped into fours, so that PRIDE AND PREJUDICE JANE AUSTIN would become PRDN DPRJ DCJN STN. Can you work out these sports venues and the sport?

1. WMBL DNTN NS
2. SCTH RSRC NG
3. SLFM NTTR CMTR CYCL RCNG
4. STND RWSG LF
5. WMBL YSTD MFTB LL
6. SLVR STNC RRCN G
7. TWCK NHMS TDIM RGBY
8. TRFB RTNC YCLN G

GROUPS

Group the models of cars in the columns below into groups of four under the manufacturers of which there are eight.

GOLF	OXFORD	ALLEGRO	RAPIER	STAG	GHOST	HERALD	MAGNA
VITESSE	ESCORT	MAGNET	COWLEY	SCEPTRE	POLO	MONTEGO	GIPSY
CAMBRIDGE	PHANTOM	PASSAT	DAWN	WESTMINSTER	ZEPHYR	MUSTANG	TIGER
ALPINE	MIDGET	ISIS	CONSUL	SANTANA	WRAITH	MARINA	SPITFIRE

Answers can be found on page 17

Drive it Day



Group Captain Wingspan says "Took Dot the Austin 7 out on Drive it Day and we decided to go for a good ramble about, and stop for some grub up at Horner - but the cafe was closed despite being advertised as open on their web page!! Still, made for a good run out and let the dogs have a good walk. Popped into some churches on way back and here's a photo of us at Hexworthy church.

What a playground we have here, I sometimes think of other classic car owners who have to put up with traffic in other parts of the country, we are so very lucky here.

On returning home I found, to my horror, that we had lost a core plug, possibly ten miles back !! What is it about A7s that they seem to get you home no matter what.

Good time had by all, Group Captain Wingspan, Out!"



Liz and John took Fanny, their 1929 Mulliner Sports, for a trip around the Mendip Hills on Drive It Day.



Julie and Eddie had a lovely day at The Lawns in Dawlish, and Dick Bessant drove to Dunkeswell Airfield

More Drive it Day pics on page 12



Thank you Anthony for this photo taken near Barnstaple at the start of a Drive it Day run. Front car is the Morris of Doug and Steph, then Anthony's Austin Ten, Nick's Ruby and finally Jim's Morris.



Martin Wright with his 32 RN van on Drive it Day closely followed by Clean it Day (see below)



David preparing to take Ernie out to meet up with other DA7C members for a drive.



Despite breaking down on Friday, Dave managed to repair his RK on Saturday and he and Pam had a great drive around their local area on Drive it Day.

Michael Tabcart had a busy Drive it Day. First of all he drove Annie to church as he had to attend the annual church meeting after the service. This meant that he was unable to join his Morris chums on their Drive it Day outing. Instead, he collected Max, our mascot, and drove to the Ship Inn in Axmouth, one of Michael's favourite locations for Sunday lunch.



Reflecting on Refuel Young Drivers' Day

I really enjoy these Refuel days. I had been a bit worried about the car as last time out she had trouble starting and had to be bumped. I hadn't had a chance to establish the issue so decided to get a new battery and coil beforehand. I didn't have a chance to fit them and trailered the car early in the morning to Cullompton, joined by friends Jan, Stephen and Alan. We got the car out, fitted the battery and off she went. Brilliant!

I taught my two children and my wife to drive and love the feeling you get of being out of control. I can't reach the clutch from the passenger side, so these kids have to drive! I try and explain the balance between clutch and accelerator and to hold the clutch when it begins to bite. I am amazed how quickly we get going. Hats off to the younger generation. How I wish I was one of them. The original course was up and down the gravel, but this quickly became an excursion around the field for all of us, mainly so we didn't have to turn around in a short space. The car was happy off-roading apart from a dip coming off the gravel where my weight made the car bottom out. No worse than the roads in South Hams I suppose.

Special highlights were Sidney, and Bethany and Alex. Sidney and his family had travelled down from Kent specially to do the event. Sidney has his own Austin 7 and required no driving instruction. He was off. Great driver. He involved himself with David and Richard's engine rebuild and looked at home there too. Bethany and Alex came with their parents, and all had a go. In the end, Mum, Laura, took Bethany and Alex around the track. They had a great instructor, but I think dad ran a driving school. I also think they signed up as members on the day so welcome to them.

I will definitely be at the next time.

While writing, I thought I'd include the QR code for my Austin 7 on the Facts Disc site (article in last newsletter). I use this site to record the history of the car (I have updated it with it's day out at the Refuel event). We have negotiated a discount for members, and I have the QR code in my tax disc holder so that people can look at the history of the car without asking. I have seen many people scan the code.



Thanks Nick for organising the event and nice meeting his grandson, who had a go in the car with me and his grandad.

Steve Wise

Driving in France

To reduce CO2 emissions in France's major cities, the most environmentally damaging vehicles are now banned from driving in certain urban areas called Low Emission Mobility Zones (ZFE-m). Vehicles not registered in France must also display an ecological sticker called Crit'Air.



What is the Crit'Air sticker?

The certificate is a round sticker that corresponds to a class of vehicle defined according to the emissions of atmospheric pollutants. There are 6 categories of certificates, each with a different colour, to encourage the least polluting vehicles. The Crit'Air sticker concerns all vehicles: private cars, two-wheelers, tricycles and quadricycles, light commercial vehicles and heavy vehicles including buses and coaches. Once acquired and affixed to the vehicle's windscreen, the sticker is valid for the entire life of the vehicle.

Which zones require a Crit'Air sticker?

The Crit'Air certificate is only compulsory in certain places. Several large cities have set up low emission mobility zones. Those concerned are: Paris, Lyon, Aix-Marseille, Toulouse, Nice, Montpellier, Strasbourg, Grenoble, Rouen, Reims and Saint-Étienne. From 2025, all cities and agglomerations with more than 150,000 inhabitants will be required to introduce a Low Emission Mobility Zone.

What are the regulations in force?

All Crit'Air 5 vehicles or vehicles without a sticker are subject to traffic restrictions in Low Emission Zones. In some cities, Crit'Air 4 vehicles are also affected. Please note that a driver of any offending private car will be fined 68€.

How do I get a Crit'Air sticker?

There is no option to buy a sticker in France, so you must order one before you leave. Order the sticker online on the website of the Ministry of Ecological and Solidarity Transition (the only official site authorised to issue them, beware of scams!): <https://certificat-air.gouv.fr> The cost is 3.70€. The delivery time is 5 to 10 days.

More information on the official website of the Crit'Air certificate:

<https://www.ecologique-solidaire.gouv.fr/certificats-qualite-lair-critair>

How does this apply to my Austin Seven?

Not all vehicles require a sticker – cars registered before 1997 are all excluded from the scheme **and can't be driven in zones when restrictions apply.**

Therefore, you will need to check the restrictions for each city that you intend to visit, as they are all different. For example:

In Paris, the restriction affects all areas inside the city's orbital road, known as the Boulevard Périphérique. It is usually in place between 8am and 8pm, Monday to Friday, but excluding bank holidays. **Your Austin Seven doesn't qualify for a vignette, so you can only drive there outside these hours.**

For Sale and Wanted

For Sale

Austin 7 engine servicing stand. 340kg max.
Complete with brackets specifically for both the crankcase and gearbox.

£20.

Collect from Bude. Tel. 07771544390



More 'For Sales' on page 15

For Sale

Austin Seven Special. Was built for classic road trials, but due to ill health sadly for sale. Based on a 1934 AUSTIN Seven, ulster style fibreglass body professionally made using moulds made by Chris Gould. Standard 747cc engine and 4 speed gearbox (best for trialing). Custom made alloy fuel tank, new wiring harness with LED headlamps and converted to 12volt.

This car has not been trialed and has only been driven for road testing since completion.

Price - £9500 ono

Happy to provide more information, or any questions ring Pete on 07879 483529



For Sale

Indoor Airchamber approx. 4 m long and suitable for A7. 4 years old but unused, not even unpacked.



This is the link for the current model:-

<https://www.carcovershop.co.uk/airchamber-protection.php>

Open to any reasonable offer. Can be viewed/picked up from near Widecombe in the Moor. The owner is an ex-member and he tells me that it will shortly be advertised elsewhere but he would prefer a local cherished A7 owner to enjoy it if possible. So don't delay if you are interested. Initial contact to David Aylmore please. – details on back page.

For Sale

1927 Chummy. Only 3 owners from new. Bought by the present owner in 1988 and was little used before being laid up in 2016. Recently undergone a "health check & light re-commissioning" at the Haynes Museum workshop and now runs well. The car will need a comprehensive check over before being used in view of its time in storage. Overall, this is considered to be an honest and largely original unrestored car.



£11,995 ono. Contact David Aylmore (details on back page) in the first instance for more information.

Austin 7 related items Wanted' or 'For Sale' can be advertised in Devon Sevens free of charge. Items will be removed from the listings after 3 months unless you have notified me that you would like the advert to continue.

2024 Events

The following list of events is for information only and implies no recommendation from the Devon Austin Seven Club. Before entering any event, members should ensure that they have read the terms and conditions on the entry form and are willing to comply with them.

- Sat/Sun June 8th & 9th** D. Day Commemoration, Fox & Grapes, Lifton – PL16 0AJ Camping available and a full weekend of entertainment & activities. Full details on page 3.
- Wed. June 12th** Mid Week Dartmoor Run—full details on page 4.
- Sun. June 16th** Fathers' Day Classic Car Show, Morwellham Quay, PL19 8JL. For details see - www.morwellham-quay.co.uk or email: admin@morwellhamquay.org, Tel: 01822 832766
- Sat. June 29th** Haynes Motor Museum. Yeovil BA22 7LH. More details to come but provisional timing is to meet at 10am for a tour of the museum and a pub lunch to follow. – Contact Derek Vertenten. 07553034013 for more information.
- Sat. June 29th** Coldridge Fete & Vintage Rally, Flower Festival & Dog Show, EX17 6AX, 12noon until 5pm - a fun day out for all the family. If you wish to take your A7, vintage motorbike or tractor, please contact Wendy Harmsworth on 01363 83302 or 07802 223589 or e-mail: vintagecfete2024@gmail.com
- Sun. June 30th** National A7 Rally at Beaulieu organised by the Pre War A7 Club, details on page 4.
- Sun. June 30th** Axminster Carnival Vehicle Extravaganza - contact Bryan Ball, e-mail axminster-cve@hotmail.com Entry form also available from David Aylmore.
- Sun July 7th** 'All Things Morris' (And Friends) Classic & Vintage Car Show on Ilfracombe Seafront, 11am – 4pm. More details at www.allthingsmorris.co.uk. Entry form from 'Marnie' on 07970258149 or email events4ilfracombe@gmail.com
- Sat/Sun July 13th & 14th** Historic Vehicle Gathering, Powderham. Full information on page 5.
- Sat. July 20th** Honiton & District Lions Club Classic Car Show. More details and an entry form from www.honitonlions.org.uk/classiccarday.html, or contact Michael Tabart.
- Sat/Sun July 27th & 28th** Rosemoor Vintage Weekend, Great Torrington EX38 8PH, see page 6. Contact - Nick Borst-Smith
- Fri/Sun Aug. 2nd - 4th** Torbay Steam Fair. Dartmouth Road, Churston Ferrers, Brixham, TQ5 0JT Entry form available on the Club Website or at [Exhibitors – Torbay Steam Fair](#) More information to come but we hope to link up with the Devon Vintage CC as we did in 2023.
- Sat. Aug. 10th** Ideford Vintage Fayre. Entry forms available from David Aylmore.
- Sun. Aug. 11th** North Devon Festival of Transport. – Contact Don Adams. 07525 000866
- Thurs. Aug. 15th** Chagford Show. Full details and entry form from www.chagfordshow.co.uk
- Sun. Aug. 25th** Seaton Carnival Classic Car Show – Contact Michael Tabart.
- Sun. Aug. 25th** Chanters Carnival Classics. Chanters House Ottery St. Mary. More information and entry form – email chanterscarnivalclassics@gmail.com or Tel. 07791 686546
- Fri/Sun Aug.23rd-25th** Silverstone Festival, full details of the event at: <https://www.silverstone.co.uk/news/2024-silverstone-festival-tickets-going-sale>
Details of the Car Club Display Package at: www.silverstone.co.uk/classic-car-clubs,
The code for Austin 7 Clubs' Association Car Club Display Package is **151CCDP24**
- Sun. Sept. 1st** Barnfield Crescent Vintage Car Show - Revival 2024. More details to follow, but put the date in your diary now.
- Tues. Sept.10th** Widecombe Fair. Contact David Aylmore.
- Sat. Sept. 21st** Sidmouth Classic Car Show. Full details on page 6.
- Fri/Sat/Sun Oct. 4th/5th/6th** Riverside's Beer, Cider & Music Festival. Vintage Tractor & Classic Vehicles. Camping & B&B accommodation available. South Molton, EX36 3HQ. To display your A7 call 01769 579269. More information at exmooriverside.co.uk

Regular Monthly Meetings

- 1st Thursday monthly, 8pm** Combined BSAOC Tamar Valley Group/DA7C/CA7C meet at the Fox and Grapes, Lifton (landlord is DA7C member Philip Hockin) Contact Philip for details: philip.hockin@gmail.com
- 2nd Wednesday monthly** The North Devon A7 Group have an evening run out or visit in the North Devon area. If you would like to join them please contact Chris Hartnoll on chartnoll@icloud.com for details.
- 3rd Monday monthly, 7pm.** Members Zoom meetings with a Guest speaker every 3 months if possible.
- DA7C members are invited to join the Somerset Sevens at their regular gatherings for all types of cars. Contact Anne Whellock on 01460 66434 for more details:**
- 3rd Wednesday monthly,** Meet at the Lamb & Lion, Hambridge, TA10 0AT at lunchtime and in the evening around 7.00 p.m.
- 1st Wednesday monthly,** Evening meet at Dinnington Docks, TA17 8SX.
- 1st Sunday monthly,** North Down Orchard, TA18 7PL, 2pm - 5pm. Off the A30, east of Crewkerne.
- 3rd Tuesday monthly,** Lunchtime (12noon - 2.00pm) gathering at Eli's Rose and Crown, Huish Episcopi, TA10 9QT.
- Every Sunday morning,** Morning coffee gathering at Upton Bridge Farm, Long Sutton, TA10 9NQ, from 9am - 12noon for a Cars and Coffee gathering.

ANSWERS TO PUZZLES ON PAGE 10.

CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1.Scramble 5.Read 7.Raid 8.Absolves 9.Closes 12.Editors 15.Adhered 19.Usurps
21.Counters 22.Lava 23.Shed 24.Altitude

DOWN

1.Struck 2.Aides 3.Brass 4.Ensued 5.Relent 6.Discos 10.Oath 11.Ever 12.End
13.Inks 14.Over 15.Abacus 16.Earned 17.Eczema 18.Estate 19.Upset 20.Unlit

SPORT

- 1.Wimbledon Tennis
- 2.Ascot Horseracing
- 3.Isle of Man TT Race Motorcycle racing
- 4.St Andrews Golf
- 5.Wembley Stadium Football
- 6.Silverstone Car racing
- 7.Twickenham Stadium Rugby
- 8.Tour of Britain Cycle race

GROUPS

VOLKSWAGON Golf Passat Polo Santana
MG Midget Magnette Magna Montego
SUNBEAM Rapier Alpine Tiger Sceptre
FORD Mustang Escort Consul Zephyr
TRIUMPH Herald Vitesse Stag Spitfire
ROLLS ROYCE Phantom Ghost Dawn Wraith
MORRIS Oxford Isis Cowley Marina
AUSTIN Cambridge Westminster Allegro Gipsy

Keeping in touch with the Devon Austin 7 Club

Remember that as well as the Monthly Newsletters you can keep in touch and up to date daily with both our Facebook Page: Devon Austin Seven Club and the Website: www.devonsevens.co.uk



Also of interest:

www.austinsevenfriends.com - the one stop web site for Austin 7 enthusiasts across the world. Austin 7 news and events throughout the country and beyond!

Useful Facebook Groups:

Austin Seven
Austin 7 Spares/Cars for sale Group



DA7C badges for sale

Car Badge.

There is a choice of 2 styles of Car Badge. Both have the same Green & White motif with black lettering.

1. A small windscreen self adhesive badge which is ideal for a "Modern" if space for a larger external badge is not available. - £1 each
2. A high quality Chrome & Enamel external badge as shown in the Illustration.
1 badge £13.50 inc. 2nd class post, 2 badges £25 inc. 2nd Class post.

Embroidered Badge.

We also have a very smart embroidered club badge available. It is 3 1/4" (80mm) in diameter and is, as shown in the picture, very similar in design to the car badge.

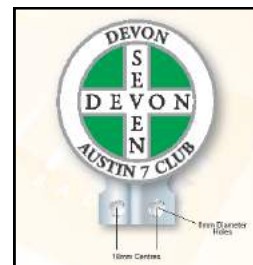
Cost is £3.50 (plus 50p postage)

Lapel Badge.

These metal badges measure 25mm diameter, and the cost is a very reasonable £2.25 inc. p & p.

All badges can be purchased by contacting David Aylmore by phone or e-mail or can be collected from any club event.

Contact details are on the back page.



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Please send your letters, comments, articles and photos to devon.sevens@hotmail.co.uk or by post to Janet Aylmore, Corner Cottage, Ideford, Newton Abbot, Devon, TQ13 0BG.

Copy for inclusion in the July 2024 issue should be with me by **Wednesday June 19th 2024** and the newsletter will be distributed on or before **Wednesday 26th**.

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Many thanks. Ed.

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