BERKELEY ENTHUSIASTS CLUB
BULLETIN

Chairman's Report

The Government's decision to extend the C19 restrictions until the 19th of July (subject to change) has had an immediate impact on at least two Classic Vehicle gatherings in our itinerary. These being: 'The Pied Piper Appeal', Higham Court House, Gloucestershire - was to have been 20th June, now postponed until Sunday 27th June - thus creating a clash with 'The Luton Festival Of Transport'. Secondly, 'Classic Stony 2021' - initially to have been on 4th July, now rescheduled for 29th August. As these two events are classed as 'low risk', being outside, I myself cannot see any reason for the reschedule, as other similar events are taking place all across the country!

I have been in contact with Ken Wright, the organiser of 'Wingfield Classic Car & Vehicles Day' who assures me that the event will be going ahead as planned on the proposed date of 18th July. South Beds Council has cleared the show as being 'Low Risk' as long as mandatory C19 regulations are abided by.

Also impacted by the Government's decision is your BEC Committee's ability to set a date for its long overdue AGM. It was unanimously agreed that any decision would have to be postponed until after 19th July when the Prime Minister will give his next update. Unfortunately this only exacerbates the problem further for us, as those of you familiar with the procedure know that usually a full months' notice is given of any proposed meeting so that you, the membership can forward any resolutions, proposals etc, to be included on the agenda. With this in mind, if restrictions on inside meetings are lifted on 19th July (and that is by no means certain) it would mean that the earliest anything could be arranged would be mid-August, or most likely later, thus bringing us into the awfully 'cramped' month of September, whereby every weekend has an event on with a couple of dates clashing. So then, realistically speaking, we will be looking at October.

As has been pointed out, due to this unprecedented emergency, our rules may have to be a little more 'elastically interpreted'. Your Committee has also agreed by majority to invite you, the membership, to express your views and concerns prior to any formal date being set for the AGM. This will have a twofold effect: firstly, some may be able to be resolved via your Committee and later ratified at the AGM; and secondly, those that cannot be may be tabled as resolutions on the agenda for when we are able to meet, also before a formal date is announced.

Lastly, and to end on a 'high note', most in the UK will have received their second edition this year ,of the BEC Quarterly Magazine, that being the 'summer issue'. A big thanks goes to our proposed Editor Terry for his efforts and to Dave Perrin for his production support. I hope you will find it an enjoyable read and with a nice nostalgic picture on the

front cover to boot! (Excuse the pun.)

Keep safe and keep Berkeleying.

Geoff (Bill) Toyer *geedadtee@ntlworld.com*

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NEWS

A message from the bulletin compilers

Please note the details for the Wingfield Classic car and Vehicles in last month's bulletin (May) were incorrectly typed. As in this month's Chairman's report, it should read 18th July 2021. Apologies for the error.

Invitation to the annual Dutch Dwergautoclub event 26th -29th August

The event takes place in the hilly South Limburg (See website of the DWAC for the location). A beautiful area with, unlike the rest of the Netherlands, no flat landscape. The routes therefore contain many climbs and descents. Be aware of gradients of 10% and more.

The campsite is close to the town of Valkenburg, where you can enjoy walking and there are so many restaurants that there is something for everyone. There is also a lot to do in the area in terms of activities and visits to museums.

TIP: On Friday there are two museums in the route; if you want to visit these, it is wise to agree on your time slot:

My Museum; Mijnmuseumpad 2, Heerlen, tel: 045-571 3707; www.nederlandsmijnmuseum.nl

The Black Gold; Daalhemerweg 31, Valkenburg; tel: 043-601 2491; www.steenkolenmijn.nl

Due to the limitations of the Corona measures, we were unable to determine the program and rate earlier.

The event is therefore slightly different from what you are used to. There is no joint dinner or BBQ, but you will receive a picnic box at the brewery on Sunday. You can eat this on the field at the brewery or take it with you on the go.

A large tent will be placed on the camping field which can be used by everyone and in which it is possible to offer parts on Friday afternoon. You are NOT allowed to set up your own party tent.

PLEASE NOTE: No catering on Friday and Saturday is included in the program.

The program looks like this:

- August 26th arrival day
- August 27th arrival day and possibility to drive a short Wine and my ride. If you want to visit the museums in the route, make sure you have reserved a time. The vineyards are free to visit.
- Parts market in the big tent (here you can offer parts for sale yourself)

- August 28th. A long tour in the Limburg countryside. Allows for ascents and descents of 12% and more. Take your time.
- August 29th. Short drive to the brewery, here you can pick up a packed lunch from 10:00. For the excursion you can register separately via the registration form

The DWAC website www.dwac.eu contains a link to the registration form.

On behalf of the board of the DWAC

Diana Klepper (Event coordinator)

A message from the Magazine Editor

You should have received the latest BEC magazine issue number 360 at the end of June.
If you have an article for publication in the next BEC mag then please send it to Terry Scott via e mail. I really could do with some more articles please.

Terry Scott *thebecmag@gmail.com*

A Message from the Classic Stony organisers

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT: Classic Stony

We're very sorry to announce that following Monday's ' Roadmap' announcement by the Government, our team realised that in order to be responsible, things had to change. So, it is with deep regret that 'Classic Stony' will now be moved to Sunday 29th August 2021.

If you have reserved a space on the Market Square - that's great - you'll be pleased to know no further action is required - your booking will be valid for the new date.

If you have booked a space and can no longer attend please let us know on: *info@classicstony.co.uk* - thank you.

Please be aware that despite this being an outdoors event we will be complying with whatever the government guidelines are at the time. There will almost certainly be some sort of social distancing in place. We will all have to respect these guidelines. Your health, safety and wellbeing is very important to us.

Until then, stay safe.

Classic Stony Team

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SPARES

Spares Update

Door lock keeps



The mid production Berkeleys covering the Sports SE492, B95,B105 and early T60, used a face fixed door lock arrangement. This had a shaped curved interlocking striker plate on the B post which accepted the lock plate guide as mounted on the door itself under the lock. Often the striker plate was chromed with a two bolt fixing. These and the locks and the guide plate are hard to find.

However a very similar striker plate as originally made by Everalls locks was used on coachbuilt cars and are still being offered as new old stock for sale by the Daimler and Lanchester Car club. If you need such a lock arrangement for your restoration please see UK Ebay items 143918717386 or 143918700126.
Note that the original striker blocks have two fixing screws, whereas these have three.





Back in stock



Wheel studs of the stepped variety which fit most models of Berkeleys except for the early Sports SA322s and SE328s (unless they have been adapted!) £5.00 each plus £1.50 P&P UK. Bulk orders P&P will vary.
Nigel Halliday

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Update: Membership Secretary Report

The following figures relate to the "current" membership as of 26th June 2021.

The figures exclude all members that expired at the end of May 2021 and beyond.

Subscribing members now total 208 plus 14 Honorary and Car Clubs resulting in 222 total membership, this is a small drop in numbers down to non renewals/late renewals.

- United Kingdom 149 subscribing members
- Europe 26 subscribing members
- Rest of the world 33 subscribing members. (25 subscribing members in USA)

The BEC welcomes one New Member this month:

#2766	Matthew Watkins	No car	Monmouth	Monmouthshire	UK

We welcome back:

#2676	Robert Wilkins	Foursome	Church Stowe	Northants	UK
#2438	Norman Reed	T60x2	Alton	Hampshire	UK

Currently 14 UK Members are receiving their Bulletins printed and posted each month, if you would like to get your copy posted rather than emailed please contact me and just send me stamps for the cost of postage.

The cost of the reprinted Magazines is £1 per copy plus postage. Payment is to The BEC by cheque or PayPal.

Bank Transfer also if copy of the transaction can be sent to me.

Please do contact me if you would like any reprints.

On a different note, Membership Renewals, the Club does offer the facility of Bank Transfers but as The Club does not have "online" Banking I have to request that if you choose Bank Transfer as a payment method then PLEASE do send me a "COPY" and not just advise me you have done the Transfer. This causes extra work to ratify the transaction.

Thank you.

Happy Berkeleying.

Geoff Dabrowa – Membership Secretary

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EVENTS

Due to the current public health crisis and UK Government directives, events over the next few months are likely to be either cancelled or postponed. Please check with organisers before attending any of the upcoming events that are not currently showing as cancelled or postponed

July 2021

Local BEC Gathering: Southern Area Meetings

POSTPONED

BEC Southern Area meetings are generally held on the second Tuesday of the month. Due to the current health crisis, meetings are cancelled until further notice

The Plough Inn Wingfield Classic Car Show - Sunday, 18th July from 12:00 -17:00pm

(Leighton Buzzard)

Refreshements, hot dogs etc. The Plough Inn will also be open. Proceeds from the day go to the Keech Hospice Care... A brilliant charity.

See website for pub details **Website :** *theploughinn.com/*

Silverstone Classic Event 30th July - 1st August 2021

Website: . *www.silverstoneclassic.com/welcome*

August 2021

'Specials Day' at Cotswold Wildlife Park, Burford, Oxfordshire. Sunday 8th August-from 10 am. .

An event principally for 1950s and 1960s specials and kits but Berkeleys usually welcome – A good day out for the family with interesting cars -

Website: *www.cotswoldwildlifepark.co.uk/*

Loxwood Microcar Rally, Fri 6th - Sun 8th August

The bi-annual rally not to miss ! Open to all with a large camping field and a village hall to boot for entertainment which should (if previous events are to go by) provide lots of silly games and one of Les's infamous quizzes ! Nice road run on the Saturday is assured.

Please note that there are no shower facilities in the hall. Gates open from: 12.00 on the Friday.

Venue Address : Loxwood Village Hall, Guildford Road (B2133), Loxwood RH14 0SF

Website *www.loxwoodvillagehall.org.uk*

13th Cheshire Microcar Rally Fri 27th - Mon 30th August

A long week-end event open to all microcars. Held over the August Bank Holiday, electric hook-ups & extra nights available, book early to avoid disappointment., gates open from: 12.00 on the Friday.

Venue Address: Sycamore Farm Caravan Site, Chelford Road, Soss Moss, Nether Alderley, Cheshire SK10 4TU

Contact: Andrea, 01625 860893, *andreasteggel@aol.com*

The Stony Stratford Classic Car Festival Sunday 29th August 9.30 am to 4pm (Milton Keynes) (Rescheduled from 4th July)

Now known as 'Classic Stony', has grown in stature over the years and now attracts an incredibly varied display of vehicles from concourse to 'well used'.

Run in partnership with Stony Stratford Business Association, as part of 'Stony Live week', this is an informal gathering of classic and vintage cars and motorcycles. The Market Square stage will host Live music throughout the day.

Spectators are free but the event is run in aid of Willen Hospice so there will be opportunities to donate to this incredibly worthy cause.

Website: *https://classicstony.co.uk/*

September 2021

Beaulieu International Autojumble 4th-5th September

It's back! The iconic International Autojumble will be returning for 2021, following its postponement last year. So join us on September 4th and 5th for the biggest outdoor sale of motoring items this side of the Atlantic.

Website: *www.beaulieu.co.uk/events/*

Gratibus 9th Meet up of Microcars and Three Wheelers 5th September

Annual meet up of microcars in Gratibus Northern France

Contact Herve On 0686444389 (France) for details

National Microcar Rally 8th-14th September

To be held at Wem in Shropshire.

Website: *national-microcar-rally.co.uk*

Micro Marathon 2020 10th -20th September

Microcar rally through the Pyrenees and Northern Spain run by the organisers of the Liege - Brescia - Liege - Rallies and the 2019 NMCR (Malcolm & Helena McKay).

Email: *LBLrally@aol.com* **Tel:** 0044 (0)7711 901811

Website: *www.classicrallypress.co.uk/*

Sywell Classic - Pistons & Props 18th - 19th September 2021

Classic vehicle displays, vintage and classic traders, family entertainment and aerial displays. Great fun for all the family!

Website: *www.sywellcassic.com*

Goodwood Revival 18th - 19th September 2021

The only historic race meeting to be staged entirely in period dress, the Revival sees a return to the halcyon days of Goodwood as the spiritual home of British motor racing. It's a celebration of bygone days, vintage fashion and wheel-to-wheel racing around this classic circuit, which remains unchanged since its heyday.

See website for more details **Website:** *www.goodwood.com/motorsport/goodwood-revival/*

Kop Hill Climb 25th-26th September 2021

Kop Hill climb festival with categories for Veteran, Vintage and rare or interesting cars up to 1980,

See website for more details **Website:** *www.kophillclimb.org.uk*

MARKETPLACE

For Auction, Berkeley 328 (Seen on Berkeley Car Owners Facebook Page)

The 'Automobile ' Magazine's Berkeley 328 is for sale by auction at Brightwells on 5th August 2021. Recently recommissioned by Graham Higgs , only fault awaits fitting of new front offside hub supplied with sale. 4 SPEED GEARBOX FITTED , Summer fun then take it apart as a winter project if you want it pristine. All enquiries through the magazine or the Auction House.



For Sale, Berkeley Foursome (Seen on Berkeley Car Owners Facebook Page)

I am reluctantly selling my Berkeley foursome. She is well known to the BEC. 492cc Excelsior Triple.1961. Lovely little car but the truth is I hardly use her £8750.

Based in Northamptonshire NN7

Please PM me for details - **Contact :** Bob Wilkins (via Facebook messenger)



For Sale - T60/4

After 16 years of storage and nothing happening it is time to get done by the new owner. This is T60-4 number T604-31 with structural work done by previous owner in the UK. It is done very well though I would replace nuts and bolts for rivets. Body flex is taken care of. It has the original engine and unique hood frame. Evidence of an across in front of the backwheel exhaust still there. Engine needs work, no piston rings and contact points as far as I can tell. Windscreen glass is there no cracks.













Except for a bad repair at the right front corner the bodywork is good. Electrics and brakes need full rebuild.

Collection only near Amsterdam Netherlands

Looking for offers near 3000 pounds.

Contact : Simon Bouwmeester **Email :** *s.c.j.bouwmeester@hva.nl*

Wanted - Column Gear Change Selector Parts

I am looking for some original Berkeley floor or column gear change selector components in the UK - Namely:

- Gear rod cover MB111/8
- Gear lever knob MB1047/3
- Compression spring MB313
- Gear lever bracket MB1166/15 or Gearchange assembly MB1166
- Adjusting sleeve MB1054
- Gear lever MB1166/9
- Shackle pin MB1166/13
- Gearchange tie rod forward MB1166/5
- Gearchange tie rod rear MB1166/5
- Gear lever hub MB1166/2
- Gearbox drop arm MB1166/2

It's a long list, but even if you only have one part it would be helplful..
the part numbers come from the T60 part of the parts BEC MANUAL pages 7 and 8
but I am sure they will fit an SE 328.
Thanks, Terry

Contact: *terryscott.ams@gmail.com*

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NOTE: Event News, For Sale/Wanted, etc.

Please contact Ian & Mel Danaford (*m.danaford@gmail.com*) if you wish to place a News Item, Event or an Advertisement in the BEC Bulletin, or have any queries about an item or advertisement that has already appeared. Please send any items before **Tuesday 20th July** for inclusion in the July 2021 bulletin.

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