



East Antrim Old Vehicle Club

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Walter Stanford

Unfortunately since our last newsletter, we have lost yet another member. Walter Stanford passed away on the 18th May after a short illness.

Walter, pictured here with then club chairman Jackie Glover, celebrated his 80th birthday with the club last July, with a run organised by his son Lawrence.

Walter, a passionate supporter of our club, attended most meeting and runs until falling ill late last year. He will be sadly missed.

Our condolences go out to Lawrence and his family



Noel Thompson

As some of you may be aware Noel has been in hospital for the last month fighting an infection in his right leg.

Unfortunately the doctors had no alternative but to amputate part of it.

I'm sure you will agree Noel has not had the best of luck in the last few years so we would like to wish him all the best in a speedy recovery.

Entry Forms

Some members of the EAOVC seem to have a bad attitude to filling in entry forms. These forms are printed and sent out, at the expense of the club, for a reason.

They are required by the AOVV for insurance purposes. All events should have a record of all vehicles that participate, and be kept for three years in case of an insurance claim from the general public.

Where an entry form is posted for an event, please fill it in.

Help the organisers to run the events efficiently and correctly.

Portrush Cavalcade 2nd Aug 2015

The Portrush Cavalcade is getting close, with just the one more meeting to go before the event. All members were sent out entry forms and ballot books which need to be completed and returned as soon as possible to support this year's charity Lighthouse.

Lighthouse, a suicide prevention charity in North Belfast, supports those who have been bereaved through suicide, or another type of sudden death, and we are committed to providing support services to families who have lost loved ones and for individuals who are in crisis. Initially established in 2003 as a community response to a community problem (the exceptionally high incidence of suicide in North Belfast) Lighthouse has undergone various stages of growth and change; however, the core purpose of the organisation remains unchanged.

So please do your best to sell the ballot tickets or return them to us so that other people can sell them.

Congratulations

First of all, at the Ballyclare May Fair, with over 90 cars it was one of the biggest turn out for years. EAOVC member Roy Lappen from Whitehead won the Oldest Car of the Show. Roy was driving his immaculate 1930 Ford Model A. It was a last minute decision to go. I'm sure he was glad he did.

A few weeks later another EAOVC member took the honours at Mosney Car Show when William Robinson took Best Car in Class with his 1964 Humber Scepter.



Ford Model A (Roy Lappen 2010)

This car had its first outing at the June Meeting Run, after a two year restoration project by fellow club member William Peoples.

Congratulations to both Club Members.

June Meeting Run (4th April)

The June meeting was a car run. We met as usual at the Loughshore Hotel. There was a good turn out with over twenty cars for this mid week run

Willie Robinson took this opportunity to test drive his newly restored 1964 Humber Scepter before taking it down to the show at Mosney.

The route took us through Carrick, along the Coast and into Islandmagee. We then travelled along the Low Road and into Browns Bay. After a short stop, we then travelled back along the Middle Road, passing The Rhinka and on to the Magheramourne Boat Club For supper and a short meeting.

This run was arranged by our Chairman Norman Neill

Chip Shop Run (12th May)

May's mid-week run was a leisurely run to Ruby's in Larne for some fish and chips. There was a good turn out with more than 40 people attending.

We started off at the Loughshore Hotel, Carrickfergus heading up over the hills (this was really the only steep part of the run) heading to Straid. From there we filtered through the winding roads by-passing Gleno and on to the Larne Line at Millbrook. We then cut across the Roddens on to Ruby's on the Old Glenarm Road.

On arrival we had tea and coffee waiting for us until the main meal of Fish and Chips was served. At a fiver a head it was well worth the picturesque drive through the Carrick and Larne countryside

This being the first time at Ruby's they certainly lived up to their reputation and I would certainly recommend a return visit.

Late Members Run (17th May)

This year we assembled for our run at The Chimney Corner Hotel in Glengormley. The run took us Through Antrim, Randalstown and Toomebridge on to Ballyrowan for a picnic stop on the shores of Lough Neagh.

After a Lunch stop it was a relatively short trip to Springhill House on the outskirts of Moneymore.



Springhill House run by the National Trust, is 17th century plantation house with its walled gardens and walkways. We were given a guided tour of the old house with its fascinating collection of original portraits, furniture and the extensive collection of books. The guide brought us through the history ten generations of the Lenox-Conyngham family, including the Ireland's best documented ghost, Olivia.



After the the tour around the house we spent some time taking in the gardens as well as the old laundry house which has the celebrated Costume Collection, which features some fine 18th to 20th-century pieces that highlight its great charm and enthralling past.

We headed in convoy to Moyolla Park Golf Club, Castledawson, where we enjoyed a three course meal.

Before the meal we remembered what the run is all about, with a two minute silence for our Late Members. The trophy was donated to the club by the widow of Arty Adair and is presented each year to the best turned out car, this year chosen by Arty's sons, who were with us for the run.

Glen presented the Trophy to Michael Fegan for his left hand drive Morris 10/4. With all the cars immaculately turned out I'm sure it was a close run thing.

The early spring sunshine held on into the evening giving us all a pleasant drive home to finish of a very enjoyable day.

Many thanks to the organiser, Norman Neill (Chairman EAOVC).



Upcoming Events

Sat 20th June: Kilbroney Car Show. As usual the EAOVC will have a stand at this show. The gazebo will be up should the rain arrive (hopefully not), so please come early and support the club.

Sun 7th July: Terenure Classic Car Show. The club is putting on a Coach (52 Seater) to take down to Ireland's largest classic car show. Pickup points are at Chimney Corner, Glengormley and The Outlet, Bambridge. . After the show we will stop for an evening meal a The Monasterboice Inn for an evening meal.

This run is near full so contact event manager and check availability.

Fri 24th July: Lilian Bland Park. The Council are having an outdoor screening of the film 'Cars' along with other activities in the park. They have asked us if we would like to bring along a few cars for the event.

Sat 25th July: Whitehead Summer Festival. This is a static display at this festival with plenty of things for the kids. There will be tea and sandwiches provided for the drives free of charge as well as other food stalls at the event.

Sat 25th July: Donard CarFest. Members of the club have been invited to attend this event. The show will be held at the paddock, Donard Park, Newcastle and although entry is free, any donation on the day will go to support the Cancer Fund for Children's local holiday home in Newcastle, Daisy Lodge. See the club website for more info.

Sun 2nd August: Portrush Cavalcade, The annual Cavalcade this year will raise money for Lighthouse, an organisation committed to the prevention of suicide and self harm.

Sat 15th August: Rathcoole Funday. This is a fun day for all the family. More details will be available on the website closer to the event.

Entry forms will be available on the website or if you need them posted out please contact the event organiser or Andy 07778 939777

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