



BRUNEL TRs
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Group Leader's Ramblings

I think that I must start by apologising for the somewhat sporadic appearance of a newsletter. I will not bore you with excuses but just to say that my mother passed away recently and as most of you will appreciate there is a lot to sort out. Another reason is that Viv and I now have a home in Penzance where we will retire to in a few years and spend as much time as possible there at the moment. This means that I am not available for a lot of local events. My commitment to the TR Register remains unabated though and I will continue in my role as South West Director and stand for re-election at the November AGM. I took up this role with the aim to be part of change and I think that as a Board of Directors we are achieving this and making tremendous strides forward in putting this club on a sound and sturdy footing which should stand us in good stead for the years ahead.

It brings to the fore and reiterates the need for a willing volunteer to take over my role as Group Leader. I was very moved and indebted to Elf who mentioned to me recently that she has instigated a request amongst you and her and others concern that Brunel must continue. The group is not about me, it is for all of you and I want to see it continue. New blood is definitely needed and ideally sooner rather than later. We have built a fantastic group and I only want to see it continue. I know that I said that I would stand down at our 2017 Annual General Meeting but there is no reason why that could not be brought forward should anyone wish to take over the reins now.

On more relevant matters, I met with the Social Committee recently and numerous suggestions were discussed for this year and more importantly for next. The general consensus of opinion was that for whatever reason, we might have taken our eye off of the ball event wise. With great respect to Elf, she appreciates this and has grasped the mettle, to coin a phrase, and has come up with a lot of ideas. She just needs your support, which I am sure you will give here.



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Of recent events, I hope that you enjoyed the talk on the Matthew as much as I did. I thought that it was an extremely interesting and entertaining talk. Our thanks must go to Les Weekes for instigating this one. Which leads us on nicely to our proposed trip on said ship down the Bristol Channel to the Avon Bridge and return. This has been set for the afternoon of Saturday 27th August.

The TR Register International Weekend takes place at Lincoln next month and I am once again managing the arena activities. If any Brunel member would like to offer assistance for a couple of hours ether day collecting and marshalling cars into and out of the ring I would be most grateful.

And finally, it has been great to see a splendid turnout of TR's at our last two meetings. Keep it up chaps

GT6 Spares

Some of you may remember that Carolyn Mandell-Lynn donated Bruce's GT6 Spares to the group. It has taken me a while to sell them via Ebay but I recently received the sum of £100, which has gone to group funds. My thanks go to Carolyn for her kind donation.

Brunel Website

Those of you who visit our website will see that Dave Green is now looking after the site and making a pretty good job of it too. The website was something that I was not doing justice. What he needs from you though are articles and photos, much in the same way as needed for the newsletter. I am sure that you will do your best to help him.

New member

At our last meeting we welcomed Bill Selway from Ubley who now owns the ex Mike Lake TR3A. Welcome Bill and we hope to see you out and about in your TR.

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Social Scene

This weekend is the Bristol Classic Car Show at Shepton Mallet where I think that we will have our best display of cars ever, Rob Lovell's Italia and TR250. We are in Mendip M12, which is the same position as last year. It would be good to see s many of your there, as possible and it would be appreciated if you could spend some time on the stand.

The classic car calendar seems to be rather compact this year and unfortunately there are two more events this weekend that we would normally hope for some Brunel attendance. These are the Bath Festival of Motoring and the Berkeley Castle Classic Show. If you cannot make it to Shepton Mallet I hope that you can pop along to either of these. The former being a lovely event and for a very worthy cause indeed.

You will see from the Events Calendar that we have set a date for our trip on the Matthew. I understand from Elf that all places have been taken for this one but please contact Elf to confirm.

Events Calendar

New and revised dates highlighted in red. Website details included where available.

June

Wednesday 15th - Monthly meeting, The Jubilee Inn, Flax Bourton

Saturday/Sunday 18th/19th – **Bristol Classic Car Show, Shepton Mallet**
<http://www.carsandevents.com>

Saturday/Sunday 18th/19th – **Bath Festival of Motoring**
<http://www.bathfestivalofmotoring.com>



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Sunday 19th – **Classic Car Show, Berkeley Castle**
<http://www.berkeleyclassiccarshow.com>

Wednesday 15th – Monthly meeting, The Jubilee Inn, Flax Bourton

Tuesday 21st to Saturday 25th – **Brunel French Trip**

Sunday 26th – **Chipping Sodbury Run**

July

Saturday/Sunday 9th/10th – Powderham Historic Vehicle Gathering,
Exeter <http://www.historic-vehicle-gathering.info>

Fri/Sat/Sun 15th/16th/17th – **TR Register International Weekend, Lincoln**

Wednesday 20th – Monthly meeting, The Jubilee Inn, Flax Bourton

Fri/Sat/Sun 29th/30th/31st – **Silverstone Classic**
<http://www.silverstoneclassic.com>

August

Saturday/Sunday 6th/7th – **South Gloucestershire Show, Westerleigh**
<http://www.southglosshow.co.uk>

Wednesday 17th – Monthly meeting, The Jubilee Inn, Flax Bourton

Saturday 27th – Trip on the Matthew (see above for details)



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September

Sunday 4th – **Tetbury Classic Car Show**

Wednesday 21st – Monthly meeting, The Jubilee Inn, Flax Bourton

October

Saturday 1st – **Autumn Classic Meeting, Castle Combe**

Wednesday 19th – Monthly meeting, The Jubilee Inn, Flax Bourton

November

Wednesday 16th – Monthly meeting, The Jubilee Inn, Flax Bourton

December

Saturday 10th – Brunel Christmas Dinner, Alveston House Hotel

Wednesday 21st – Monthly meeting, The Jubilee Inn, Flax Bourton

Note

Events in bold are where we plan to have a Brunel presence



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Elf's TR4 at the Weston-Super-Mare Classic Show



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