



**Editorial** .... It's a New Year and already two events done! Turning the clock back to 4th January 1973 was most excellent, with many members taking a look at the table full of Archives. See report. The AGM (or AMM as it is now called) was well attended, followed by a tasty "Kick Off" lunch ....with a devious Quiz designed by Roger and Alison Payne, based on the year 1973. You will find words and photos of this day on the LVG website !

TRunnion does not need to compete with the immediate LVG news reports by Mike on our website. Add this to the messages on "What's App" plus the event emails broadcast to all ....and there is no excuse not to be fully aware of all that is happening throughout the year.

Without feedback, we can only assume that LVG members enjoy this read ....and certainly the fan mail for the Mutterings of Muncer has increased. Pete will be back again next month but advises that he will be away in March ...possibly in the outback chasing kangaroos.

I hope that TRunnion does not have to be devoured in five minutes and then forgotten ...and remember that back issues can still be seen on the website.

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Keep the text small, if possible: TAHOMA, font size 10 *PHOTOS : JPEGS of finest quality ...if possible ... please.* 

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### Meetings Venue and Small Print

Unless otherwise specified, all group lunchtime meetings are on **third Sunday of month** (from 12 noon) at The Cock Inn, Broom. Plenty of parking space behind the pub. This is a "lunchtime meeting" so food is optional. The kitchen at Ther Cock is very small so it **would be appreciated if those intending to eat could please call: 01767-314411 so that they have an idea of numbers.** 

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Welcome to the home of LVG .... The Cock Inn, Broom. Remember to book in advance for Lunch

## For the Calendar of Events 2023 ....just CLICK on link below:-

https://www.tr-register.co.uk/group/lea-valley/social-report/2022/02/1941/2022-events-calendar

# Drive your Triumph Day





Friday 10th February



LVG will once again be taking our cars out to celebrate Sir John Black's birthday and like last year, will meet up with our friends from Camb Followers. Do you want to join us??

We will leave Baldock Services - SG7 5TR at 11am to arrive at Scottsdale Garden Centre, Great Shelford - CB22 5JT in time for lunch, after which we will mooch around and drive home.

If you want to join us email :trr.lvg@gmail.com





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I would like to wish you all a very happy and healthy New Year and I hope to see many of you in our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year. Our 50<sup>th</sup> celebrations got off to an excellent start with the meeting at the Station Pub in Knebworth with about 50 people turning up. Many friendships were renewed and new ones made, an enjoyable time had by all. This was swiftly followed 11 days later with our Annual Members Meeting, with the Kick Off Lunch afterwards. A busy start to what looks like a busy year. Members will be sent a copy of the draft minutes and financial report in the next few weeks to keep you fully abreast of the committee makeup and financial position.

Alison Payne has left the committee as she and husband Roger have moved house and now live in Norfolk but they have promised we have not seen the last of them and in the famous words of Arnie "we'll be back". Alison and Roger have been terrific supporters of the club, not only in coming to events but in doing lots of work behind the scenes. We wish them luck with their new Group, Wensum's gain is our loss! Jon Evans has also stepped down from the committee, a new job means it is very difficult to make what Jon considers to be a proper commitment to the role. However, he will still help wherever he can, thank you Jon for your valued input over the last year. This does leave the role of "Raffle Master/Mistress" vacant, if anyone would like to volunteer for this important job please get in touch.

We still have a few copies of the 2023 calendar available which we can post or deliver to you. Also, if you would like a copy of the Anniversary Photo-book, please get in touch as soon as possible as it will shortly be going to print.

You will read elsewhere in this edition of TRunnion that we have a packed year of events and meetings planned; this is being frequently added to as events are being announced, so please keep an eye on our Events Calendar which can be found under the Lea Valley Group pages on the TRR website at: https://www.tr-register.co.uk/ group/lea-valley/social-report/2022/02/1941/2022-Events-Calendar

I plan to be on the Drive Your Triumph Day on the 10<sup>th</sup> of February to celebrate Sir John Black's birthday, please come along and join me at Baldock Services in your TR for a scenic drive to Scotsdales Garden Centre in Great Shelford near Cambridge. A couple of days later on the 12<sup>th</sup> I will be visiting the MG & Triumph Spares Day, back this year at Stoneleigh Park. I don't need anything but I am sure I will come away with something. If anyone would like a lift, please let me know or if you are going, we can arrange a Group meet up there, you might need a hand to carry all your bargain buys!!!!

Lastly and very importantly, I would encourage you all to read the NEWS SPECIAL: "Keeping The Spark Alive" in the latest edition of TR Action. It details some significant changes that are being proposed in the way the TR Register will be run in the future. Like most classic car clubs, we are faced with challenging times and it details problems the club faces and the actions required to ensure we remain a healthy and successful club. At our next meeting in February, I will go through these changes with you and endeavour to answer any questions you may have. Alternatively you are welcome to contact me directly with any queries.

Happy and safe driving,

Phíl





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Welcome ladies and gentlemen, especially those that have travelled a long way to be here. For those that don't know me, I am Phil Sanford, current GL. If I have not spoken to you yet, please introduce yourself to me. It will come as no small relief to you all that I will not waffle on too long.

We have several GLs and past committee members present; indeed some at were the original meeting on 4 Jan 1973. Hands up if you were here. Thanks to you all for putting in the hard work to ensure the Group has made it to its 50<sup>th</sup>, a tribute to you all. Though with hindsight June would have been better month to start the Group as the weather would be kinder.

We have gone from 33 members to about 120 and some of the current members were not old enough to drive when the Group was formed, a

Phil Sanford



fantastic job has been done to keep the cars on the road, in many cases they are better than new. For some of you they were a daily driver, now a treasured possession, that the younger ones could only dream of owning.

There is some archive material around for you to browse through, if you have any photos you would like to donate to the Group, please let us know and we can arrange to collect it and add to our archive

Looking back through the archive you will see the group has always been extremely active, attended many shows and won its fair share of prizes. It is a big challenge to come up with something new but I can promise, no camping, much too old for that lack of comfort!

Now for the sales pitch, as you know I never like to miss a chance to make a sale. There is no raffle, so don't worry I will not be after you with my special offer of 1 for a quid or 5 tickets for a fiver.

Copies of our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary photobook to browse through are on the tables. If you want to order one leave your name and contact details on the form. Look through and see if you can recognise people, especially as we were slimmer and had more



hair, much longer for the gents. Thanks to all of you all who contributed photos.

Copies of the 2023 calendar are also on sale at £6.00, a bargain, although there is no discount yet as it is only 4 days old.

Special thanks go to Phil Titchner for compiling the photo book and as a token of our appreciation we would like to present him with a bottle of wine.

Now, we have a special award to Brian, who was at the first meeting and is still here at 50<sup>th</sup>, a feat of endurance. There was a bit of a gap in the middle but we will not worry about that. He has served in many positions, deputy GL, TRunnion Editor, committee member and archivist. He has put in a tremendous amount of work into the club for which we are very grateful.

As a token of our appreciation, we would like to present him with an engraved silver salver, well it is silver coloured, and a copy of the photobook.

Many thanks again for coming and making this a memorable occasion, please make sure you get some cake, we don't want to take any away. Eat, drink and chat away, thank you.









Phil.



From the left :-Paul Howell (1st), Phil Titchner (4th), Eddie Holden (3rd), Ian White (2nd)





25 years

1998

From the left :-Jon Marshall , Pierre Miles , Steve Doe , Phil Sanford , Phil Titchner , Ian White .

Group Leader's Log continues over .....

- 1. Paul Howell 1973(Jan) 1976
- 2. Ian White 1976–1981 (Oct)
- 3. Eddie Holden 1981 (Nov) 1994
- 4. Phil Titchner 1994 2002 (Dec)
- 5. Steve Doe 2003 (Jan) 2003 (Dec)
- 6. Phil Titchner 2004 (Jan) 2007(Dec)
- 7. Jon Marshall 2008 (Jan) 2013(Dec)
- 8. Julian Hensman 2014(Jan)-2016(Feb)
- 9. Pierre Miles 2016(Mar) 2021(Jan)
- 10. Phil Sanford 2021 (Jan) Present

### NOTES :-

Although not officially a Group Leader, **Chris Ord** covered for Eddie Holden for a time whilst Eddie was unwell. Chris is still a member and has a french blue TR6.

A note from **Phil Titchner :** I became GL in the early nineties and finally retired in 2007 with a break of about a year when **Steve Doe** took over. Steve stood down after about a year because of pressures of work and I took over again as GL. I later stood down due to ill health and nobody volunteered for the job, so **Jon Marshall** stepped into the breach, even though he had plenty of work as TR4/4A Registrar.

With thanks to Brian and Phil T. for this info.



**Julian Hensman** sends his good wishes from France. During his reign, he had the idea of the "Big 4" events ...and the "Buddy System" paired him with new member **Pierre Miles** who was to become next GL





Dear Ed,

RE: Anniversary meeting 4th January

Just a brief letter to thank all involved in making this meeting happen, especially Phil and Mike. It surpassed anything I envisaged when I first suggested a meeting on the actual anniversary. Given the time of year and possible weather and health issues, I thought we might get a dozen and that current members wouldn't be interested. How wrong I was! There was a good cross-section of members, past and present, many with their partners (which rarely happened back in the very early days). It's a pity my mobility, or rather, lack of it, prevented me circulating so I didn't get chance to chat with everyone that I would have liked to and there were several that I just didn't know or recognise that were active in the group during our couple of long spells of absence. Nevertheless, from our table in the corner we were able to see most of the action and it was great to see so many meeting up with friends not seen for a long time which was very much the intention. Who would have thought the group would have been going after half a century, with some of us original and early members still driving TRs?

I was surprised and touched (some say I have been for years) by the presentation of the silver salver and book. The salver is now proudly on display and I will enjoy looking at the book at leisure and seeing how many people and cars I can recognise. Phil has done a magnificent job producing the book - way beyond anything I could have done and something of which the group can be proud. I hope everyone had a chance to look at a copy and for those that weren't there on the day, I can thoroughly recommend that you get an order in as soon as possible.

Lynda has added ...

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...how very much I enjoyed the 50th Anniversary meeting yesterday ...47 yrs & 6 months approx since I attended my first LVG meeting at the Crooked Chimney ...what a long time ...thank you [Phil S and Mike], you did well organising yesterday's bash.

As I said to Chris Cunnington at Eddie Holden's funeral - the spirit of the TR Register is good & strong and something to be proud of ...words to that effect anyway!

Happy New Year !

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Lynda and I are both looking forward to whatever 2023 and the next 10 years bring for LVG.

Brian.



Brian Chidwick

### Attendees at the 50th Anniversary meeting included :-

Brian & Lynda Chidwick	Graham & Helen Shipman
Chris & Pat Glasbey	Ian & Liz White
Phil & Sharon Sanford	Paul & Julie Garvey
Mike Aldridge	Geoff & Hazel Brace
Pierre & Pat Miles	Graham Teeson
Phil & Miriam Titchner	Nick & Jo Theze
Pete & Sue Muncer	Jean Holden & Richard Ivory
John & Stella Richardson	Brian & Caroline Bullock
Stephen & Alison McCoy	Alan & Linda Burwood
Howard Pryor	June Hebditch
Tracy & Phil Core	George & Joke Whyment
Stephen & Thelma Doe	Dave Soloman
Paul Lovell	Nelson Moody
Peter Bradley	Apologies from: Ian Cornish + David & Pat Dawson

*Everyone enjoyed this special day. June Hebditch sent message to Phil on LVG gmail:-*Hi Phil,

Just a quick note to thank you for organising the 50th Anniversary bash! What a lovely day it turned out to be.....and so good to catch up with people from my era of activity with the Club. They were such good days. We were young and enthusiastic and really had the best of times. Thank you for helping me to relive some of the memories.

Long may the Lea Valley Group continue. Thank you again. Best Wishes,





Following a very successful Kick Off Lunch, the LVG website has been updated with proposed meetings, events and venues for the coming year. This early in the year, it can only be a draft document and we urge members to visit the website when wanting to see the latest proposals.

https://www.tr-register.co.uk/group/lea-valley/social-report/2022/12/1941/LVG-Events-Calendar

To give a flavour of what you can expect, the current draft is added below. We will still e-mail event details ahead of each one and also use WhatsApp to ensure good communication. The next event is a drive out on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February to celebrate Sir John Black's birth. Sir John is attributed with being responsible for organising Standard's purchase of Triumph after WW11 and therefore fundamental in the existence of the wonderful TR's we all drive today.

Nelson Moody has also since come forward to offer his house in Connemara, West of Ireland as a venue for a TouR. A flyer was available at the recent lunch and Nelson is only asking for members to cover some of the cleaning and heating costs, which substantially reduces the overall cost. We are seeing if we can agree a date that works around other commitments, but want to thank him for his offer and we are sure we will get something away in the medium term. Let us know if this would be of interest.

We hope to organise a Summer get together to specifically celebrate the fact that 2023 is 50 years since LVG was formed. Over 50 people attended our birthday event on 4<sup>th</sup> January, but a Summer gathering would be really nice with warmer weather and lots of TR's in attendance. Perhaps even 50 TR's!!

If anyone has a big garden that could be used for a BBQ, get in touch. We have money to cover the cost.

Remember, we don't expect members to attend all the things on the list (unless you want to), but it would be great to see you at some point throughout the LVG 50<sup>th</sup> year.

Phil & Mike LVG Events



TRs at the AMM/KO lunch .....imagine the colour you wish, not necessarily red !

## Visit the LVG website for Draft Plan of all 2023 ...

# Draft Plan for year is on website ...

## **February**

Sat 4th - Sun 5th - Shuttleworth Engineering open day.

Fri 10th - Drive your Triumph Day. LVG will take a drive out, venue TBA.

\*Sun 12th - MG & Triumph Spares Day, Stoneleigh Park\*

Sun 19th - Sunday Lunchtime Meeting - Cock at Broom at 12 Noon https://www.tr-register.co.uk/...

Fri 24th - Race Retro Stoneleigh Park Warwickshire

Fri 24th - Sun 26th - London Classic Car Show Olympia London

## March

Sun 19th - Sunday Lunchtime Meeting - Cock at Broom at 12 Noon

24th-26th - Practical Classic Car & Restoration Show. NEC Birmingham. use Discount code MAR23CC149

# April

Wed 5th - Midweek Pub meeting. Venue TBA

\*Sun 16th - TR Register AGM, British Motor Museum, Gaydon. Registration required to attend. https://www.tr -register.co.uk/...

Sun 16th - Sunday Lunchtime Meeting - Cock at Broom at 12 Noon

Sun 23rd - Drive it Day. LVG will take a drive out to Buckinghamshire Railway Centre, Quainton, https:// www.bucksrailcentre.or... get a rally plate now and support Childline. http://www.driveitday.co.uk/sh...

https://www.tr-register.co.uk/group/lea-valley/social-report/2022/02/1941/2022 -events-calendar



Pete Muncer

Obviously this is the quiet time of year for TR activity, so this month's Mutterings will be somewhat briefer than usual (cue sighs of relief all round) – for the next couple of months there may be even less Mutterings (cue loud cheers). Anyway I trust you all managed to cope with the excesses of the festive season, and are looking forward to exercising your TR in a few weeks' time.

To start on a rather sad note, I was very sorry to hear that John Burningham, former LVG member, has suffered an injury which has resulted in his being unable to drive any more in the future – so his TR and his road car are for sale. I recall that John's TR was always immaculately turned out, so the new owner will be getting a good `un. Having to give up driving for whatever reason is not something any of us would want to deal with, so my commiserations go to John. Just before Xmas we received another sad piece of news, concerning an old mate who had passed away – Chris Castro was one of the "gang of four" (Tim, Chris, Kip and yours truly) who launched an autocross team over 50 years ago, and spent the summer weekends charging around grass tracks – happy days.

Now back to TR matters. I collected a new radiator for my 4A from Moss just before Xmas – this is a standard item, so should just drop into place without problem (yeah, right). An aluminium version is available, but at a higher price, and as I am intending only to drive very gently around the lanes on various tours (to keep the navigator happy), I think the standard item will suffice – time will tell. The next TR possible upgrade I am contemplating could be some LED lights – further research required.

Unfortunately our trip to Moss at Feltham coincided with a) the start of the Arctic weather interlude and b) the Skoda's heater deciding to cease functioning – the rest of the day's drive down to see the family in Christchurch involved us wearing hat/gloves/coat/scarf – but probably still warmer than if we had been in the TR. I have no idea why the heater packed up – a few days later it was chucking out heat as normal – perhaps it was a strike day (or does the Skoda need a new rad as well?).

Planning of various tours continues – the routes for the LVG 50 Tour (date T.B.A.) and the CACCC Springing Up Tour (April 28<sup>th</sup>) are sorted now, so the next step will be carrying out the route surveys (A.N. Other is likely to be checking the LVG 50 route). The route for Tibbles Tour (June 25<sup>th</sup>) is on the map, apart from the first few miles, depending upon the choice of start venue. The Falling Down Tour in September (date T.B.A.) is likely to be based in the Norwich area, but in a quiet village location away from the hustle and bustle of the city – more info on all these tours in future Trunnions.

Talking of tours, I was chatting to Mike Mercer-Deadman at the CACCC Xmas lunch, about the trip to Sicily which Nick Theze described in his mega article in last month's TRunnion. Although not in his own car, as a TR4 owner Mike was pleased to report that of the three cars on the trip (TR4 / TR5 / TR6), only the 4 ran without any problems over the 3000 miles, both the 5 and the 6 suffering some relatively minor issues which could be rectified without too much trouble. I have to say that I was very impressed by the way in which the "boys on tour" (boys?) confidently set out on the trip, which I would not contemplate these days in my TR – having said that they are all somewhat junior in years to yours truly (even Mike), and certainly much more capable of dealing with any problems on the way – apparently Mike can even ask for O-rings in Italian (parliamo-ring Inglese?). Well done chaps – 3000 miles in one trip is more than many of us can achieve in a year I suspect.

I had not realised that Chris & Pat Glasbey had been so closely involved with the Sporting Bears M.C. in the past – the club has generated more than £3 million since 1989 for various charities, a fantastic achievement. The Carpenters Arms Classic Car Club has been in operation for at least 25 years to my knowledge (although my involvement in helping to organise tours has only been for about 15 years). I have no idea of the amount raised by CACCC over the years, although I doubt it would approach the Bears total. I know that each year significant donations go to various charities – I must chat to my co-organiser John Tarbox who does all the admin. Anyway, driving your classic car and supporting charities – what's not to like?

The deadline for this TRunnion is around the time for the first of the LVG 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary events to take place, at Knebworth, followed by the AGM/Kick Off Lunch later in the month. In early February the TR TouRists group will be having their reunion in a Bewdley pub – whether I will be able to recall any of the weekend's happenings is debatable (and probably not suitable for publication anyway). Not long after that we will be off on our visit to the colonies "Down Under" for a month.



# Archives .... Deputy Editor writes in December 2000 :-

Well, what a surprise! At the Group's AGM on Nov. 5th, none of the "escape committee" got out through the tunnel (all the rain had flooded it), so the old crowd are here again. Personally, I think Big Ed's chances of squeezing through the tunnel, never mind yumping over a barbed wire fence on a BMW bike, would be even less than Steve McQueen's anyway.

Talking of Hollywood stars with a taste for motor racing (how's that for a contrived link!), I read recently that Paul Newman is contemplating a return to Le Mans, not as a spectator, but in the driving seat - not bad for a 76-year-old! This led me to reflect that in the Lea Valley Group, we also have an individual of similar mature years, with experience both of single-seaters (in the form of a 1958 F2 Cooper-Climax), and of performing confidently to camera (very important in this PR-conscious era). So how about it Eddie - now that the chances of a Triumph competing at Le Mans presumably have gone for good, the obvious team to join would be Bentley, who are returning to Le Mans next year also. Unfortunately, thoughts of a 4.5 litre "Blower Bentley" thundering past the pits will be out of order - as Bentley are currently part of the VAG empire, the 2001 car will be based on last year's winning Audi, with coupe instead of open bodywork. Let's hope that they have some British drivers in the team anyway.

For the first time in years, no major work on my TR is contemplated this winter (not unless Cranners-the-Spanners discovers something 'orrible when he next scrutinises the car). So I can simply look forward to driving the car when the "summer" comes (well, I can hope, can't I?). My 2001 calendar no doubt will include some of the regular events, such as the Haynes 2-Day Classic, MSA and Falling Leaves tours, etc., but as yet no firm conclusion has been reached regarding any major trip by the Lea Valley TouRists. It seems that further pouring over maps (well, accidents can happen) must take place, before we can come to a decision, although Northern Spain may be a non-starter. Watch this space.

The Xmas and New Year festivities are almost upon us, and I trust that you will receive the

things you asked for in your Xmas stocking. Actually, I've been asking for Michelle Pfeiffer in stockings for years, but nothing has happened - maybe as an expectant grandfather I'm supposed to be past all that sort of thing (what sort of thing? - dunno, can't remember, must be Alzheimer's kicking in). Anyway, we shall be celebrating the "real" Millennium this year (apparently last year was just a rehearsal), so there's every chance that Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> will be a "low-activity-level" day

once again. Plus ca change etc (that's your actual French).



LVG 25th Anniversary Meeting at Knebworth

Finally a suggestion for a 2001 resolution - "Drive a TR, for fun in '01". (*No iambic pentameter this - Big Ed*). Hippy Crumble and a Muddy Nude Year. *Pete Muncer* 



Photos: Chris Glasbey

# John Burningham

John ...Best wishes to you and Val from all at LVG

A few weeks before Christmas, John sustained a very bad injury to his head when a very heavy garage door fell on him. It would appear the injury was more severe than he first thought as he had a bleed on the brain. He was rushed to Addenbrooke's Hospital from his local hospital in Norfolk for emergency surgery. He was discharged a couple of weeks later ...but a few days after going home, had to go back into hospital with Sepsis and was discharged just before Christmas.

John is now on the road to recovery, although he is unable to drive at the moment but hopes to get his licence back later this year. He has, with a heavy heart, decided to sell his lovely TR5 which is in Jaguar Regency Red (the same as Inspector Morse's car). It is a well sorted car and if anyone is interested **please contact Phil Sanford and he will put you in touch with John.** 



# Farewell Roger & Alison



We are going to miss you both + your TR7 ....as you have now moved to Norfolk.

However, nowhere is far in a TR and we look forward to seeing you at some events this year.

## **Archives ...** Editorial from the TRunnion of January 2000 :-

#### **Big Eds Bit**

Having just received an invitation to renew my Vehicle Excise Licence for another year I was reading the leaflet that came with it and noticed that as from 2000 VED will be graduated according to the  $CO_2$  emissions of ones vehicle. It looks as though this will only apply to new vehicles so I hope that any of you out there hoping to register your TR in the coming year will not be affected by this proposal. There has been so much written about the end of four star that TRunnion readers should be taking it in their stride. If in doubt then the Trunnion offers you the following:

#### Going Unleaded -

If in doubt - whip it out (the LRP pump nozzle that is)

Additives - Make your decision and stick to it.

Don't mix and match.

Never overdose.

Don't believe pumps which are labeled 'four star' - look at the small print.



### Stuart makes his getaway

"After 5 years in the Treasurers job, I have decided to stand down from this post and the committee for a while at least and give someone the chance to have fun with the group accounts, like what I have done!

It has been an enjoyable stint that has covered a period of growth in the

Group's numbers and activities. When I started sending you all hefty reminders that "subs" were due we had around 35 members and that has doubled to 75 and over in the last 2 years so it works and I am pleased to say Steve Doe is continuing the tradition. I would like to see 1 00 for the Millenium which is just achievable from our figures. The Trunnion gets better each year and is well worth the small; annual fee to ensure you receive it. Phil Jones and Pete Muncer work hard to keep you up to date, informed and sometimes amused! With your continued support they will, at least for the coming year, I believe carry on doing so,

Phil Titchner remains enthusiastic and committed to improving the group's involvement in meetings, shows, and events but he to needs your support to do this. How about turning up to more group Sunday meetings and shows in the coming year.... with or without your TR! The rest of the committee are all working hard at making the TR experience enjoyable, not least for themselves, support them too it is worthwhile, and some of their enjoyment will rub off

The group funds are in a healthy position which will allow expenditure on perhaps other activities that you might like to arrange or suggest for the committee next year. Please come forward with ideas as we can always do with help and new proposals for future events. We also have a small Library with books for you to borrow, but importantly an ability to purchase more books or publications that you would like to see but not buy yourselves such as certain aspects of restoration work etc. Just ask the committee next year. Most important of all is enjoy your cars and use them not store them, they need to be used.... Happy TR ing." Stuart.

LEA VALLEY GROUP TR REGISTER Archives ..... Newsletter No. 3 December 1979

A general meeting was held at the 'Bird in Hand', Gosmore, on 17.10.79, to

elect a committee.

Officers elected as follows:

Ian White Eddie Holden Bob Hebditch Graham Shipman Alan Hylett Dave Acres

Group Leader and Spares Secretary Secretary and Treasurer Social Secretary Group Photographer Member Member

The meeting agreed to ask members to pay £1 per annum to provide funds for committee use, i.e. sending out newsletter etc.

We have received a letter from the Groups Co-ordinator, Mike May, thanking us for our turn on gate duty during the Donington Week-end.

An enjoyable evening was had by fifteen Group Members at the Falcon Car Club's Annual Dinner and Awards function, held at The Barn, Knebworth House.

### Film Night

A film night is to be held at Bob Hebditch's residence on 8th December, from 7.00pm. Bring any cine films, slides, or pictures that will be of interest. Slide Projectors and Cine Projectors welcome. Please bring some liquid refreshment with you.

### Future Events.

- 1. A twelve car rally to be held in March, those interested in taking part, contact Ian White.
- We hope to be able to make up a party for the Goodwood Sprint Week-end to camp at Goodwood on the Saturday evening. 2.
- The Group will be displaying our cars at Chicksands again next year, 3. possible date Sunday 6th July 1980.
- Our Group is invited to display cars at the 750cc vintage rally at Melbourne on 13th July 1980. Full details later. 4.
- 5. Would any members please make suggestions of the type of function or event they would like the committee to organise, i.e. Trip to the Nene Valley Railway, Visit Hot Rod racing at Brafield, Inter-group Driving Tests etc.

Are any members interested in making up a party for Le Mans 1980? If you have any spares you wish to dispose of, please give Ian White a list.

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