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Monthly Event - Local Kent Gathering

First Monday of the Month
7:30pm, Cock Inn, Boughton Monchelsea (nr Maidstone) ME17 4JD
David Bracey: dbracey@gmail.com



Plan your diary to ensure you don't miss the motoring events that matter to you. Maserati Club events are highlighted and marked with the Trident.

If you have a date you would like included in this section please email it to newsletter@maseraticlub.co.uk

August 2014

3 August 2014
Summer Garden Party
The Dering Arms,
Station Road, Pluckley,
TN27 0RR
Contact: Jim Buss

9 August 2014
Mersea Island Lions Club
3 Richmond Rd,
Mersea Island, Essex, CO5 8PS
www.merseaionstransportshows.com
Email:
showplanningteam@btinternet.com

9 - 10 August 2014
The Castle Hill Car Festival
Filleigh, near Barnstable, Devon
www.castlehillcarfestival.co.uk

10 August 2014
Wilton Classic and Supercar 2014
Wilton Estate, near Salisbury
www.wiltonclassicsupercar.co.uk
info@wiltonclassicsupercars.co.uk
Telephone: 01722 746717

17 August 2014
The 3rd Hampshire Classic Motor Show
Breamore Countryside Museum,
Nr. Fordingbridge,
Hants SP6 2DF
www.classicmotorshows.co.uk

22 - 24 August 2014
Belgian Grand Prix
Spa- Francorchamps

24 August
Practical Performance Car in the Park
Mallory Park
Website: www.ppcmag.co.uk
Email: Michelle
Telephone: 07858 892859

24 - 25 August 2014
24th Knebworth Classic Motor Show
Knebworth Park, Nr Stevenage,
Herts SG1 2AX
www.classicmotorshows.co.uk

September 2014

4 September 2014
Race the Runway - race against the clock
Edinburgh Airport Runway
Ashley Thomson
Email: Ashley.Thomson@ppwh.org.uk
Telephone: 0141 429 9887

5 - 7 September 2014
Concours of Elegance
Hampton Court
60 of the rarest cars in the world
Website: <http://concourseofelegance.co.uk/>

5 - 7 September 2014
Italian Grand Prix
Monza

7 September 2014
Kent Italian Car & Bike Day
Honnington Lakeside, Vauxhall Lane,
Southborough, nr Tunbridge Wells,
Kent TN4 0XD
www.honningtonevents.com/italiancar

12 - 14 September 2014
Goodwood Revival
Goodwood
www.goodwood.co.uk

14 September 2014
Kent's Classic Car Show
Aylesford Priority, ME20 7BX
www.kentsclassiccarshow.co.uk

14 September 2014
Cliveden's Car Display
Cliveden
Cars to be 25 years or older,
please pre-book
Email:
katherine.walton@nationaltrust.org.uk

14 September 2014
Edenbridge Motor Show
Gabriel's Farm, Mill Hill, Edenbridge
Keith Steptoe
Email: info@edenvaleychamber.org.uk
Telephone: 01732 301427

19 - 21 September 2014
Singapore Grand Prix
Singapore

18-21 September 2014
Maserati Clubs International Italy Maserati Centenary Celebrations

September 2014

20 - 21 September 2014
East Coast Classic
Oliver's Mount Circuit, Scarborough
www.eastcoastclassic.co.uk

27 - 28 September 2014
Footman James Sywell Classic - Pistons and Props
Northamptonshire's Sywell Aerodrome
www.sywellclassic.com
Email: info@livepromotions.co.uk
Telephone: 01775 768 661

October 2014

3rd - 5th October 2014
Autumn Meeting
Metropole Hotel,
Llandrindrod Wells
Contact: Dick & Mary Pole
marypole@zcl-uk.net

3 - 5 October 2014
Japanese Grand Prix
Suzuka

10 - 12 October 2014
Russian Grand Prix
Sochi

12 October 2014
Brooklands Museum 'Autumn Motorsport Festival'
Brooklands
www.gingerbeerpromotions.com

31 October - 2 November 2014
United States Grand Prix
Austin

November 2014

7 - 9 November 2014
Brazilian Grand Prix
Sao Paolo

14 - 16 November 2013
Lancaster Insurance Classic Motor Show
The NEC Birmingham
www.necclassicismotorshow.com

21 - 23 November 2014
Abu Dhabi Grand Prix
Yas Marina

December 2014

7 December 2014
Christmas Lunch
The Bluebird Cafe
Contact: Andrew Hutton

2015

January 2015

25 January 2015
Northern Lights Lunch
The Mere, Knutsford
Contact: Gail Mosley
Email: deedas1@hotmail.co.uk

April 2015

23 - 26 April 2015
Cameron Millar Spring Meeting
Cornwall
Contact: William Jackson

Centenary Glory at Prescott



Photo: Dave Smith



Photo: Wayne Freeth-Selway



Photo: Dave Smith



Photo: Dave Smith

Centenary Concours Cars of the Year

Class 1 Vintage & Classic

Bob Linwood - Ghibli Speciale

Class 2 Supercars of the Seventies and Eighties

Peter Stewart - Merak

Class 3 Biturbo and Fiat Era

Ewan Clark - Shamal

Class 4 Modern Classics

James Tetherton - 4200 Coupe

Overall Winner

Bob Linwood - Ghibli Speciale

Graypaul (sponsors choice)

Nick Heywood-Waddington - Vignale Spyder

Congratulations to all the winners and participants

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Articles and news items on Maserati related topics are welcome. Please address contributions to: Henry McNeill, The Editor, 15 The Crofts, Upper Halliford Green, Shepperton TW17 8SD. Email: newsletter@maseraticlub.co.uk **Copy deadline for the Sept/Oct issue is 5th Sept 2014.**

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Editor's Agenda



Henry McNeill,
newsletter@maseratclub.co.uk

Edwin Faulkner tells me that you will be attending a record breaking gathering of Maseratis in the UK, with a total of 215 booked to come, so, make sure you are there for the record books. This should be the final number as the booking deadline was 31st May. Well done to all of you for booking on time. Alfieri Maserati the

Grandson of the great Alfieri will be in attendance, would you believe he asked if he could come as this was to be the big event celebrating 100 years of Maserati in the UK. Again, I will be missing another great Centenary event, along with the AGM/Prescott and Donington. I leave once I finish this editorial!

Some interesting cars have been to auction, making best use of the centennial year. At RM in Monaco, a '56 450S Prototype by Fantuzzi achieved a high bid of 3.5m Euro; a '50 A6 1500 sold for just over 300k Euro. A '60 3500GT by Touring made 160k Euro at RM, while another made 250k Euro at Coys in Monaco. A bit closer to home, Coys at Ascot sold a '79 Khamsin

for £77k. A '70 Indy 4.2 was sold by H&H for £43k (all excluding auction premiums). I have included some details of some special Maseratis that are coming up for sale at RM Auctions in Monterey. Also, I see that second hand Ghiblis are hitting the showrooms, this might start to tempt you into the showroom?

The hotel I stay in while in California is on the Pacific Coast Highway (Route 1) at Laguna Beach. It's a 24 x 7 car show and I see more new Maserati's cruising there than anywhere else I visit, UK included. Across the road from my hotel in a small car park for my local Café, there are always a few unexpected cars, especially over the weekend – on my last visit there

was a Jenson Healey, an old pre-Jaguar SS saloon and an immaculate Alfa Romeo Giulia 1750. I have only seen a few classic Maseratis on the road in California – they are very rare.

Auto Italia have had some great articles over the past few months. If you want to buy a Gran Sport, a buyer's guide was included (June '14); a review of the GranTurismo MC Stradale (July '14); and a story about the three types of Ghibli's and an 8CM found in the depths of Hungary.

Enjoy your centennial events,
Ciao, Henry McNeill,
July 2014

Chairman's Note By Nick Heywood-Waddington



Nick Heywood-Waddington

It seems strange to be pleased to see a thunderstorm but I am for two reasons. First the garden needs it and secondly it drives me indoors and gives an opportunity to meet Henry's deadlines.

It has been a busy couple of months including the AGM at Prescott, the Cholmondely Pageant of Power and the Festival of Speed at Goodwood. Thanks to Michael O'Shea's splendid organisation and to Andy Lerry's organisation of the Concours, there was a good turnout at the AGM at Prescott in early June. The weather held all day until the close and members enjoyed the hill climb and meeting up with old friends. Sarah O'Shea chivvied us all along for the Concours and Teresa Lerry made sure those who needed to stay over the previous night had a hotel at which to stay. There was good participation in discussions during the AGM which ended with the approval of the increase in the annual subscription to £65 for UK based members. This will strengthen the club's finances and enable us to better support our events while still representing value for money when compared with other prestige clubs. The Committee was re-elected and I was delighted that the AGM bravely approved my re-appointment for another two years. Thanks were recorded to

Geoff Lancaster who will be stepping down during the year after editing 22 issues of Trident. This gives rise to a future vacancy and I would be very pleased to hear from anyone who would like to put themselves forward as the next editor and therefore as a member of the Committee.

I attended the FOS at the invitation of my good friend Philip Woods, a Mistral owner and lapsed overseas member (needs rectification). We met up with a number of club members including President Fyssh busy making sure the FOS honoured Maserati appropriately. Adam Painter was there with his Maserati 4CS and Michael O'Shea with his Roy Salvadori raced Cooper Maserati T61P. Both had successfully negotiated the hill climb unlike the unfortunate Alfa Romeo 4C which headed straight into the bales at Molecomb denting metal, dignity and pride but fortunately without any other injury. The efficiency of the rescue and the replacement of the bales was a spectacle itself while a commentator filled in time with a tour of the Maserati centenary display and an interviewer collared anyone unlucky enough to be in the way of her microphone. Also present were long term member Andrew Green and more recent member Charles (Shane) Willis of Prestige Restoration in whose moral if not pecuniary debt I and many of my metal mistresses remain.

There was an excellent centenary display of Maseratis including a specially built and painted MC12 "Cent 100" created from a left over chassis and some bits and pieces lying around in the factory. Amongst the older cars I noted some exotics: a 3500GT coupe, a

Ghibli Coupe, a Mistral Spyder, a QP1, a Maserati A6GCS, the prototype 1957 150GT Fantuzzi Spyder, an A6 1500 Pininfarina and a 5000GT Allemano. The new Quattroporte and Ghibli together with the GranTurismo MC and Grancabrio were on show flanking the achingly attractive concept Alfieri sports car. Like many others I do hope they build it.



MC12
"Cent 100"



Alfieri

Deborah and I cut it quite fine this year returning from our rally in Italy only the day before the AGM. Those with long memories may recall we entered a Flaminia GTL into the same rally last year only to break down near Verona. We decided to try again making sure we had a fall-back Maserati in case anything went wrong. History seemed to be repeating itself as we ground to a halt on the motorway just south of Alessandria but it was only a failed fuel pump. With the help of Sig. Tonon who started work on Lancias in 1963 and now runs the Lancia garage in Alessandria, we replaced the pump and carried on together with our friends Mick and Jenny Powell in their 1953 Aurelia B20GT. We drove through spectacular Italian scenery staying in unusual places but none more spectacular than the Gran Sasso or more unusual than the Albergo Diffuso Sextantio in

Santo Stefano di Sessanio near L'Aquila. Devastated by the earthquake a few years ago, the hotel owners are sympathetically renovating much of the town using many of its original buildings and interiors as rooms for the hotel (hence "diffuso") Local crafts are being encouraged using local materials in a bid to keep the work and skills going for the future. Do look it up: <http://www.sextantio.it/>.



Lancia Flaminia 3C GTL above Santo Stefano

Arriving home after 5,500kms with a screechy clutch release bearing and spitting oil from the cooler hoses, the Flaminia has now retired to a specialist health and beauty spa for some serious treatment!

While the world continues to go pear-shaped around us it is good to think that we have many weeks of summer motoring still to enjoy. Sporting success may continue to elude us but we can still put on some of the best car events anywhere and there are many still to come. Silverstone is only a month away and the summer parties will come including Jim and Penny Buss's party at the Dering Arms in Pluckley, Kent to which club members are invited though it is not an exclusive Maserati event this year. All the notices for these and other events are in the Newsletter as usual.

May I wish all members buona vacanza and automobilismo felice as they probably don't say in Italy!

Nick

New Editor Sought for Trident By Geoff Lancaster

The Editor of Trident, Geoff Lancaster has decided to step down after 7 years in the hot seat. Geoff had the unenviable task of taking over from acknowledged marque guru, Andy Heywood following the publication of the special hundredth edition. When he steps down in Spring 2015 he will have produced twenty two editions. Not quite the record which is held by Michael Miles, but a close second.

The task now is to appoint a successor. Geoff believes this is the best job on the Maserati committee. You get to write about your passion and throw in for good measure are press accreditation for major events like Goodwood Revival, loan of Maserati Press Cars and invitations to car launches and driving days. It's not all glamour of course. Producing a 68 page glossy magazine three times a year requires commitment, but the sense of achievement is very fulfilling made more so by the appreciation of the members.

If you've always fancied a shot at being a motoring journalist this is your chance! The Chairman eagerly awaits your call or email.

Member Introductions

Jonothan Ward

My first introduction to Maseratis was in the early 90s when I visited the premises of Bill McGrath at Kimpton. I remember his puzzlement that someone would want to forsake a Porsche for a Maserati. Subsequently, some three biturbos later, I fully understood his reaction. I now understand that the De Tomaso era has been expunged from the corporate speak of the company.

It is said that history repeats itself. I have recently sold a Porsche, which served as a daily driver, and purchased a runabout together with a Maserati 3200 GT, which naturally will be essential, as the machine will undoubtedly spend most of the time in hospital.

The good news is that the excellent SC Porsche based in Devon, have just taken on someone who has worked on Maseratis at both Cars in Exeter, and HR Owen in London where the machine is currently being fettled.

Meanwhile, I am looking forward to taking it to France in the summer, but Ladbrokes have refused to take my bet that the machine will be operating.....we'll see.

Charles Strouthos

April 29th was a momentous day for my partner Ayako and I, it being the day we collected our first Maserati. Coming out of a 911 Generation 2 4S Targa a car so perfect I had to continuously ask myself 'I am doing the right thing?' Seriously, if you seek perfection look no further than a 911, however for me the car lacked personality.

The Quattroporte GTS represents a car I have coveted for many a year. Drop dead gorgeous styling, Ferrari derived V8 engine and that noise from its active exhaust. For the same money I could have gone for the new Ghibli however sometimes the latest technology does not always translate to a better driving experience.

New to the brand and nearly one month into ownership I have a lot to learn nevertheless the car continues to impress. There is a tremendous sense of occasion every time I drive the car, it's a total attack on the senses. I find myself

always driving in 'sport' mode and the knock on effect of this is an outrageously low MPG, a ruined the ride, and a petrified partner!

'Some say' these are grounds for divorce however I'm working on her. My name is Charles and my partners name is Ayako and we both look forward to meeting you at future events. Safe driving.....

David White

I am now the proud owner of a Maserati, GranSport, Spyder 90th Anniversary, Cambiocorsa, #19 of 90, Reg S8ORO and live in Scarborough, North Yorkshire. My story and love affair started some time ago in the late 90's when a friend blagged me an invite to a JCT600 Maserati luncheon demonstration event at Middlethorpe Hall near York. After lunch we took out the new model 3200GT, the exhilaration and sound of that beautiful beast haunted and played on my mind for the next decade.

In 1998 instead of letting Maserati get its wicked way with me I made the decision to be practical and bought a new Merc SL and enjoyed it as a fair weather car for the next 13 years contentedly traveling all over Europe. In the 14th year that Maserati exhaust note crept back into the furthest recesses of my mind to haunt me. My Merc was no longer a thrill to own and drive, I tried for a year to ignore the urge, trying to persuade myself that the SL now owed me nothing and in the last years I was only driving it 500 mile a year and so was all I needed. After a year in this deluded state my mind started to dream of the exhilaration and sound dating back 15 years, eventually I was possessed, it was like a drug, I could not get it out of my mind, I started to drool over the pages of car mag's searching out Maserati, I was hooked!

I was always going to buy a convertible and started my search with the GranTurismo but soon decided it was too big, I really wanted a sports car so turned to looking at Spydres, and they seem amazing value. Over the next year I travelled down to London to look at a couple but was disappointed with the condition and started to wonder if it was even possible to find something exceptional. I had decided I wanted a later model Gransport, I knew I would have to wait

Federation of British Historic Vehicle Clubs

By Henry McNeill

This is a useful mine of information and I have asked for their newsletter to be added to the club website. Recent items have included:

- The extension of the VED exemption to include 1973 vehicles seems to have gone fairly smoothly.
- SelectaDNA: Following tests and desk research the FBHVC has endorsed its first vehicle security device. At its heart, SelectaDNA uses traceability and deterrence as its weapons against car thieves. They have a special offer of £29.90 for each unit.

For more information, do have a look at the website: fbhvc.co.uk.



NEWSletter



Centenary Dropbox Folder

by Henry McNeill

Now that the Centenary is upon us, we must keep a pictorial record of all our activities. To help achieve this, I have created a new Dropbox folder 'Maserati Club General'. Please email me (newsletter@maseratclub.co.uk) if you would like to have access to upload your photos. Create a directory prefixed by your membership number and your name(s). A sample already exists in the folder. Do remember that these will be visible by others and could be used in Club publications.

Answer to ANORAK QUIZ on page 5

The Maserati Shortcut Concept by Andrea Spadaccini, featuring a longitudinal front V8 engine that is good for a healthy 450bhp.



THE CENTENARY



Event Reports

AGM at Prescott Hill By Ken Painter

We gathered at Prescott Hill on 8th of June for the second time to hold our AGM. It was a very popular innovation in 2013 and this visit proved just as popular with members. After an introduction from our President, the business of the day was conducted by the Chairman, Nick Heywood-Waddington. After apologies received from members absent Nick presented his Chairman's report and then handed over to the Treasurer, Jerry Hutton to deliver his report. Both the Chairman's and Treasurer's reports will be reproduced in full in the Trident. Nick then explained that the Club's articles require the Chairman to resign and offer himself for re-election after two years. He also explained that he was resigning as a Director and then offered himself for re-election as Chairman and Director which was approved by a show of hands. The next order of business was re-election of the Committee, Nick reminded us that Andy Heywood had resigned from the Committee in 2013 and thanked him for his service over many years. We were also informed that Geoff Lancaster wishes to resign from his position as Editor of Trident but has generously committed to remain in post until a successor is found. The Committee's re-election was also approved by a show of hands. We then moved on to what was probably the main business of the day; in the Treasurer's report Jerry Hutton had explained that the Club has been running at a deficit for

several years. Whilst the Club's reserves are healthy and the deficit can be sustained in the short term the Committee recommended an increase in annual subscriptions from £50 to £65 for UK members and from £65 to £80 for overseas members (joining fee to remain unchanged at £10 for both UK and overseas members). Nick Heywood-Waddington reported that some members had contacted the Committee to register their objections to a subscription increase or to explain that they would no longer be willing to remain members should subscriptions rise but that others had also been in touch to register their support. The proposal was then opened up to the assembled members for discussion. There were a number of members who spoke in favour of the proposal, indeed some proposed a bigger increase in order to be able to increase the benefits provided to members. Long standing member and ex-Committee Member John Bennett spoke eloquently that we should remember that the majority of members were not necessarily represented at the AGM where the most active and enthusiastic members were probably over-represented. The proposal to increase subscriptions was then put to them assembled members and approved unanimously. AGM business concluded the members were able to enjoy the concours, the hill and the warm sunny weather for the rest of the day.

Donington Historic Festival By Edwin Faulkner

David Price's footage of the parade laps at the Donington Historic Festival 4th May 2014, celebrating 100 years of Maserati: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wpq9eJfYmE>

Maseratis and Margheritas

As if having a bespoke Italian pizza oven built in his garden wasn't enough, Bob Amato arranged for the Maserati and Margheritas guests to be entertained by Italian Flag Throwers 'Sbandieratori'. These young people from Corinaldo, which is in the Marche area of Italy, take part in the historic tradition of flag throwing to re-enact scenes from history. They were in the UK as part of Manchester's Festa Italia. Accompanied by drummers the neighbours must have wondered why cooking pizzas had suddenly become so dramatic. Many thanks to Bob for certainly being 'the host with the most'. It was an evening to remember. Proceeds from the event are being donated to Claire House Children's Hospice.



Maserati 450 S voted 'Best in Show' at Concorso d'Eleganza Villa d'Este 2014

The jury has voted: the title of 'Best in Show' at Concorso d'Eleganza Villa d'Este 2014 has gone to the 1956 Maserati 450 S owned by Swiss collector Albert Spiess...



Photo: Rémi Dargegen

The jury said the decision was not an easy one this year, with so many worthy cars in the competition. A 1957 Ferrari 250 GT Tour de France and the wedge-shaped Abarth 2000 Scorpione design study of 1969 were also in contention – but while the Abarth was commended for its influence on later cars such as the Lamborghini Countach, the Maserati was ultimately chosen for its purposeful elegance. Owner Albert Spiess is a regular at Villa d'Este, previously exhibiting several of his prized Lamborghinis; the Lamborghini 5-95 Zagato in the concept class this year was also created at his behest. Spiess was awarded a unique A. Lange & Söhne watch for the 'Best in Show' win,

which supersedes that of Ralph Lauren's Bugatti Type 57SC Atlantic at the 2013 Concorso.

Meanwhile, the audience-voted Coppa d'Oro title went to the Alfa Romeo 6C 1750 GS Spider Corsa of Corrado Lopresto. Winning the concept category was the striking Maserati Alfieri, and a 1929 Opel Motoclub Supersport with torpedo sidecar clinched the Trofeo BMW Group for motorcycles.

Welcome to the Club

Membership on 29th June 2014 stood at **618**, this time last year the figure was 566. **New members signed up since the publication of the last newsletter are:**

Name	Member No.	Area	Car
Simon Adkins	4913	Bedfordshire	-
Alan Burns	4914	Buckinghamshire	Biturbo 228
Alexander Livingston	4915	Perthshire	-
Jane Sheehan	4916	W.Sussex	-
Charles Strouthos	4919	London	Q'porte Mk 5
William Franks	4922	Cheshire	Coupe CC
Mario Del Grosso	4923	-	Ghibli diesel
Michael Jones	4926	Surrey	-
Barry Harding	4927	Northamptonshire	-
Tony Mills	4928	Hertfordshire	Granturismo
Chris Newstead	4930	Lincolnshire	Spyder
David Meredith	4931	Worcestershire	-
Robert Crooks	4932	Lancashire	Ghibli diesel + Gransport Spyder
Chris Baister	4933	Berkshire	-
Carl Christensen	4934	Berkshire	Q'porte Mk 5

A warm welcome to the club

Kind regards - Dave Smith Club Administrator phone/fax 01494 717 701 admin@maseraticlub.co.uk

Maserati on the Web

- Club Website: www.maseraticlub.co.uk
- The Club has a Dropbox folder where you can post photographs. Please contact me for access, newsletter@maseraticlub.co.uk
- Maserati on Twitter: @MaseratiNews and @Maserati_HQ , lots of news tweets, www.twitter.com
- Maserati on Facebook: www.facebook.com/Maserati
- Maserati Racing & Trofeo World Series: www.maseraticorse.com
- Maserati Store, things to buy with a Trident: www.maseratistore.com/en/
- Pinterest, an online pinboard with great photographs: www.pinterest.com and search for Maserati
- www.maseratinet.com , US based parts and information
- Mexico Registry: <http://www.mexico-registry.com>
- Maserati Club of Ireland: www.maseraticlub.ie
- www.classicdriver.com, which has Maserati content and cars for sale from time to time
- www.maserati100.com, the centenary website
- www.linkedin.com – Maserati Owners Group

Ask the Experts

A new forum, where anyone can ask about their 'problems' and may get a response from those in the 'know'.

• The Irish Maserati

Henry Peder (e.pederzoli@btinternet.com) would be interested to see if anyone in the Club knows anything about this car. The car was made in 1952 with the engine and some tubes from a crashed 4CLT Maserati. Raced at Goodwood 1952, 14/4/1952 Chichester Cup and the Richmond Trophy N° 61 raced by Bobbie Baird and finished 9th. Bobbie Baird was the proprietor of the "Belfast Telegraph" newspaper. Other races were Snetterton, 1952 Ulster trophy GP at Dunrod, Phoenix Park, Walefield Trophy, raced some time by Griffin but mainly by Baird. The period colour photo was taken in June 1955 at Lisdoonvarna in Eire. See also a period article published in Autosport 1952: April 25, May 9 and July 18. (From www.galeriedesdamiers.com)



- Does anyone have a spare copy of the Classic and Sports Car magazine, the Maserati at 100 one? Please contact Mike Hobbs 01803 782244 or 07973 425990.



Summer Garden Party 3rd August 2014

The Summer Garden Party is back! Enjoy a gourmet buffet with jazz in the garden. Meet up with members from other classic car clubs with plenty of tyres to kick at the beautiful Dering Arms. Only £25 in advance, the website will have the full booking details.



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ANORAK'S CORNER



Question: What's this?

Answers on Page 3

If you would like to contribute with a Maserati puzzle or conundrum - get in touch.



The Who's Who

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Castle Hill By Lawrence Alexander

9th - 10th Aug 2014



News Update:

Two months ago we heard that the MSA would not issue the club that organises the track event with a permit for the competition this year. In the wake of that news, the track sponsor withdrew, as did a number of blue-chip exhibitors leaving us with a less attractive event, one that would most likely incur a considerable loss and so the decision was made to cancel the Festival.

In the weeks that followed, discussions began afresh with the MSA, which resulted in the grant of a National 'B' track permit. That being the case, the festival was reinstated, everyone is back on board with each and every attraction going ahead as planned with others still in the pipeline.

So we are good to go, one or two Maseratis already booked in to the display and hopefully more to come.

Contact Lawrence Alexander regarding bookings and hotels at lawrence.car7@btopenworld.com, 01308 485706

Maserati NEWSLETTER

Copy Dates

Editorial and advertisements for the Sept/Oct issue should be in by 5th September 2014.





Maseratis in Monterey 15th – 16th August 2014

Maserati will be taking centre stage at the world-renowned Monterey Car Week in more ways than one this August. In addition to its place of pride as a featured marque at the 64th annual Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance, four exceptional GTs from 1959 through 1963 will go under the gavel at RM's flagship Monterey auction taking place August 15-16 at the Portola Hotel & Spa and Monterey Conference Centre.

A tradition spanning more than 25 years, RM's Maserati selection is led by an exquisite 1963 Maserati 5000 GT that is one of only 34 produced, and the first of just two Frua-bodied examples built. The 1962 Geneva and Paris show car, it was then used as a promotional car by team owner John Simone and the Aga Khan before being refurbished by the factory, in period, for use by King Saud bin Abdulaziz Al Saud. One of the most important and glamorous Maseratis extant, it is expected to fetch \$2.2 – \$2.9 million when it crosses the auction podium in August. Additional Maseratis featured in RM's Monterey auction include, a 1959 Maserati 3500 GT Spyder Prototype delivered new to renowned sportsman Lindsey Hopkins, a 1962 Maserati 3500 GT Spyder finished in its original and striking colour combination of silver over dark blue, as well as a 1961 Maserati 3500 GT Coupe Speciale that is the sole survivor of two cars built to this striking Frua design.



1959 Maserati 3500 GT Spyder Prototype



1961 Maserati 3500 GT Coupe Speciale by Frua



1959 Maserati 3500 GT Spyder Prototype

Picnic at 'Brandon on the Water'

17th August 2014

You are invited to an informal gathering at the home of Pamela and Clive Brandon, in the middle of the Buckinghamshire countryside. With a suggested arrival time around 11am, the format is that you bring along your own picnic. Ridgeway Maserati has agreed to supply the wine and some new models for members to drive. If you want less horsepower, then as we breed racehorses, you might want to see them. Other than that, it's rare breed sheep!



The weather has been ordered, so if you would like to come, then please email Clive on Clive.brandon@btconnect.com so we have some idea of numbers. There's plenty of space and a small charge will be made to boost Club Funds. I shall definitely be there! For planning purposes, the address is One Degree West, Oxford Road, Haddenham, Bucks HP17 8TT.

Salon Privé and Silverstone Auctions

4th September 2014

This recently announced agreement will see the auction house host a flagship sale on Thursday 4th September, offering an impressive collection which includes some of the rarest and finest cars in the world, ranging from glorious pre-war classics through to magnificent modern supercars. www.silverstoneauctions.com & www.salonprivelondon.com.

Concours of Elegance, Hampton Court

5th – 7th September

The Club Concours will be held on Saturday 6th and the club will enter three cars from their Concours winners over the past two years. This is free to the entrants and the Clubs Champion winner at Hampton Court will be entered automatically for next year's event in Edinburgh at Holyrood. Club discount packages are available, such as a day adult ticket being £25 instead of £35 – details to follow on the website. See the club website and www.concoursforelegance.co.uk.

Chantilly Arts & Elegance, Richard Mille



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6th - 7th September 2014

'The most beautiful cars in the world' is the banner for this invitation only event. About 90% of participants have been selected but still looking for a few more cars to add to the Maserati Great Bodyworks class. They are particularly interested in a 5000 GT. A Touring is already in attendance and would like to add in other bodyworks: Allemano, Michelotti, Ghia, Bertone... and of course any Maserati A6 convertible... Should you need more information, please do not hesitate to contact Bureau de Patrick Peter, Peter Auto, 103 rue Lamarck, 75018 Paris. +33 (0) 1.42.59.73.40, <http://peterauto.peter.fr/fr>

Maserati Centennial Gathering

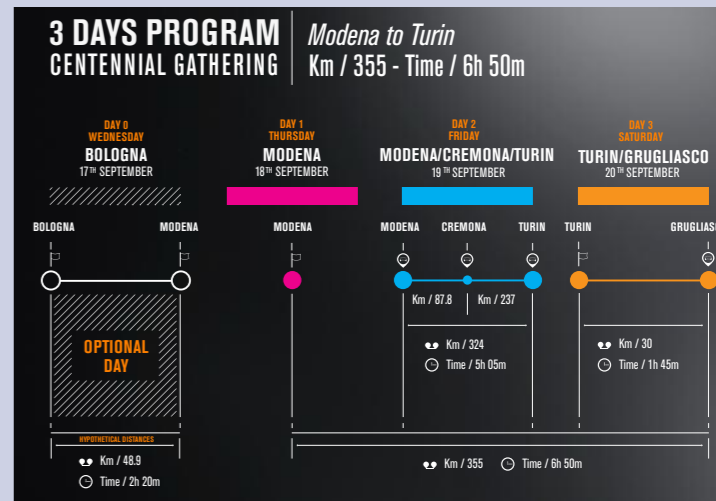
17th/18th - 20th September 2014

Details of the event are available online at <http://www.maserati100.com/gathering-packages-overview.html> In theory booking online has ended on the 29th of June (extended from 22nd June).

The club has commissioned two types of tours to Modena through commercial Agents that will be on view on our website and in Trident shortly. Though they will both provide an organised route and hotel accommodation, one agency, Classics on the road, includes a variety of extra guided excursions on route whilst the other agency, Classis Gran Touring, offer a more direct driving experience. They both come highly recommended. For more details you will be able to contact them directly as follows:

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Spaltalia

27th – 28th September 2014

During the weekend of 27 and 28 September 2014, DG Sport will have the pleasure of once again organising an event that took place for the first time in 2002: Spaltalia. The organisers, great fans of la dolce vita, wanted to breathe a new lease of life into the event, making it the great Italian festivity at Spa-Francorchamps. The website for the event will keep you up-to-date about the status of the programme, a Concours d'Elegance will take place on the Sunday: www.spaitalia.be.

Autumn Meeting Mid Wales Motoring with the Maserati Club

3th - 5th October 2014

The Autumn Meeting starts at 11.15 am on Friday morning, 3 October, at the Morgan Factory in Malvern for a tour, followed by a light lunch. This stage of the event is optional, as timing and location might not suit all of you. We then meet at The Metropole Hotel in Llandrindod Wells (www.metropole.co.uk). Privately owned, The Metropole Hotel and Spa is the highest AA rated hotel and spa in Mid Wales and provides the perfect venue for a motoring weekend. Friday evening starts with a drinks reception at the hotel, followed by dinner.



On Saturday morning we take to the road and drive through the spectacular Cambrian Mountains, arriving for lunch at the historic Maesmawr Hall Hotel in Caersws (www.maesmawr.co.uk). The afternoon is then your own to explore this lovely area. Places you might like to consider visiting include Abbey Cwm Hir Hall, Elan Valley, Rhayader Red Kite Centre, Dyffryn Gardens and Arboretum, National Cycle Collection – or just enjoy the hotel's pool and spa. We meet in the evening for pre-dinner drinks followed by a gala dinner.

Our Sunday morning drive will meander through the hill country south and east of Llandrindod Wells, with lunch at Hampton Court Castle (www.hamptoncourt.org.uk) - near Leominster not London!

Dress code throughout the weekend is smart casual with the emphasis on the smart for Saturday evening's dinner – ladies, get out those posh frocks and 'hotel shoes'.

We can promise some fabulous driving roads and wonderful scenery, excellent food and wine and, of course, the best of company. We do hope you can join us to explore this delightful part of Wales. The cost of this weekend event is from £290 per person. The booking form is available to download from the Club's website: www.maseraticlub.co.uk/clubevents We are grateful to this event's supporters: Amato Food Products Ltd and Autosshield Maserati.

For further information, please contact Dick Pole: dickpole@zcl-uk.net

Brooklands Museum 'Autumn Motorsport Festival'

12th October 2014

Competition cars from all ages will again be put through their paces on the Mercedes-Benz World test track. Selected cars will also run up the demanding Brooklands Test Hill. Visitors can expect to see – and hear – a wide variety of competition cars including Formula 1, F5000, CanAm, GTs, Touring cars, Group B rally cars and historic cars like the record breaking 1933 Napier Railton – holder of the outright lap record at Brooklands. This is the only venue in the UK where visitors can get really close to competition cars in action.

Maserati Driving Courses - the new season

Have a look at

https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=DbFt2IFsTJI

Courses coming up include:

- 19 – 20 July Master GT 2 days
- 3 October Master GT 1 day
- 9 – 10 September Master GT 2 days
- 8 – 9 October Master GT 2 days
- 23 – 24 October Master High Performance
- 3 – 4 November Master GT 2 days



Shopping

The colours and emotions of the Maserati Centennial can be found in the exclusive Maserati 100 ballpoint pen, a unique piece of design which draws inspiration from the world of mechanics, made entirely in Italy from quality materials. Summer time clothing along with business and travel bags have been unleashed to unsuspecting Maseratists. Official apparel for the Trofeo World Services is now available – T-shirts, sweatshirts, jackets and caps. I was also glad to see that Father's day was celebrated as well as Mother's day, mentioned in the last issue. Maserati has proposed a range of 'Genuine Accessories', luggage sets, child seats, that sort of thing.



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NEC Birmingham 14-16 November 2014
Maserati 1914 -2014

You are invited to come and celebrate 100 years of Maserati at this year's Classic Motor Show

Volunteers are required to come and help man the club's stand at this year's Classic Motor Show which this year will be celebrating Maserati's Centennial with a fabulous selection of cars.

As in previous years volunteers will again be scheduled to be on the stand for either a morning of an afternoon, which will allow plenty of time to see the rest of the show for **FREE**.

If you are able to do one or more days then please contact:-

Edwin Faulkner ejf@manx.net

And advise your preferred day or days and morning or afternoon.

International Historic Motoring Awards 2014

20th November 2014

Nominations are now open for the fourth International Historic Motoring Awards (IHMA), in association with EFG private bank and Octane magazine. Classic motoring and motorsport enthusiasts, and those working in the historic motoring or motorsport industry, are invited to make their nominations online for 14 categories at www.historicmotoringawards.com by October 1st, and play your part in highlighting the best of the best.

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Christmas Lunch



The Bluebird Dining Rooms

7th December 2014, 12:30 Start

After last year's inaugural event, it has been decided to risk another visit to **The Bluebird Dining Rooms (350 Kings Road, Chelsea, London SW3 5UU)**. Numbers are limited to 100, which is the maximum capacity of the restaurant.

On arrival, pre-lunch drinks followed by a three course lunch accompanied by appropriate wines. A vegetarian option will be available. Price will be £70 per head.

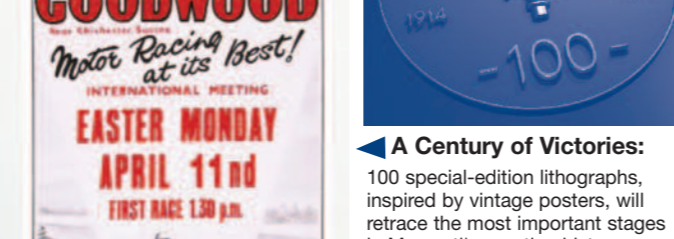
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Dave Smith



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2007/07 Gransport LE Coupe

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- Rear parking sensors;
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1987 Biturbo Spyder 2.5



Manual. Red/Beige leather, MOT to December 14, 2 owners, only 28,700 miles, special registration, service history, original handbook and invoice, workshop manual, £11,000. Contact Peter Plant on 01283 702245

1987 Maserati Bi-Turbo Spyder 2.5



30,500 miles, £11,000 o.n.o. I have owned this car from new. Garaged throughout its life, it has only been driven on sunny days and still has only under 30,500 miles on the clock. Regrettably we are down-sizing and will not have a garage to maintain it in its lovely condition.

Major servicing has been carried out by Bill McGrath and, previously, Meridien in Bournemouth. Within the last two years the tyres have been replaced; through excess time-related hardness rather than use. In 2013 the rear window in the hood was also renewed. No insurance claims in 27 years!

To be viewed in Chalfont St Giles, Bucks. Contact: Malcolm Barker, 01494-763070, email: mnbarker@gmail.com

4200 Cambrio Corsa

It was first registered 26/09/2003 and is metallic grey with mid red and black leather interior, a beautiful combination. The car has just had fluid and filter changes, and about 60% clutch life with only 40,900 miles on the clock at this time. I have owned this lovely car since 2009 without any problems. This 4200 Cambrio Corsa has lots of features some of which are, electric windows and mirrors, seats which are heated, fog lights, paddle shift, with auto option, sport mode, air bags, msp, abs, ebd systems, air con, gear indicator, info centre.

The price is £15,500 for my lovely car, the reason for selling is that I wish to upgrade to Grand Sport. Please phone 01670789247 or email bandk67@gmail.com for more information and photos

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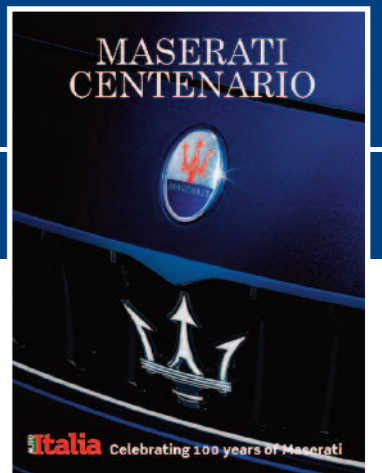
Regalia

Auto Italia celebrates Maserati's 100th anniversary with a special edition dedicated to the marque

Recorded by Auto Italia contributor Simon Park, **Maserati Centenario** follows the Maserati story from its roots in Diatto, through the Orsi dynasty, the Citroën years, the De Tomaso episode and finally Ferrari and the current Fiat administration. The dream of Fratelli Maserati all those years ago has finally been realised with Maserati becoming one of the most recognised and respected exclusive car marques.

Maserati Centenario is produced using superior materials and we believe that it is the best quality publication so far on the 100th anniversary. The format is the same size as Auto Italia with soft bound covers on heavier paper and 84 inside pages. The feature photography is sourced from Auto Italia's own archives and the layout has been designed by Art Editor Michael Ward.

The Author
For more than 40 years, Simon Park has enjoyed a successful career as a composer of music for films and television, and his work has been heard on numerous TV series, commercials and documentaries as well as several feature films. A chance encounter with a bright yellow (bizarrely, brush-painted) Alfa Romeo TZ1 in Oxford, in 1964, infected him with full-blown Italian car-itis, for which of course there is no known cure. Initially infatuated with Alfias he was subsequently led astray, first by the come-hither look of a Lancia Stratos and later by the siren call of assorted Maseratis. Drawn to write words as well as music, he seized on an opportunity to embark on a second mini-career indulging this parallel passion, and began writing regularly for Auto Italia some ten years ago. Lancias and Maseratis continue to haunt his life.



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Copy deadline for the Sept/Oct issue is 5th September 2014.



The Alfieri Concept car becomes a sensational reality.



Months go by and nothing happens in historic motor sport and then, all of a sudden, it goes mad. I had not even settled the accounts for the Prescott AGM & Concours before going to the Cholmondeley Pageant of Power with the Cooper Maserati (bent it), followed by Goodwood for The Festival of Speed "100 years of Maserati (bent it again) with a few runs up the hill and next week off to Le Mans Classic with the E Type (Plateau 3 - hopefully will not bend it!). Then we are only a couple of weeks away from the amazing Maserati gathering at the Silverstone Classic, with a race in the E Type (pre-63) grid. Sorry, no Cooper Maserati on display. This will all be in the past when you receive this Newsletter.

I have found a way to keep me from getting bored over those long winter months and I have purchased a 1932 Riley Gamecock for trialling in the VSCC Events, such as the Lakeland, Cotswold, Exmoor, Derbyshire, and Herefordshire Trials. Built in bare aluminium, so at least I do not have to worry about the paintwork. I will print an action shot in the winter.

I feel I need to set the records straight following my disqualification from the second race at the Donington Centenary Trophy race as there seems to be various rumours. The Clerk of the Course disqualified me for driving too fast in the yellow flag area at the chicane. So all those that thought I had been disqualified for overtaking whilst in a yellow flag zone please stand corrected. After the race, the official time sheets showed that I had slowed down by 5 seconds through that section of the circuit, so ho-hum as JB would say, it is only a tin pot.

The Graypaul Display



Sir Stirling's OSCA



Cholmondeley Pageant of Power was another sunny weekend with a good turnout of Maseratis - too many to mention, but I attach a few pictures of ones we rarely see. The first is George Lambton's Bora. George has been a member for many years and has finally decided that he would like to be more supportive of the club, so we hope to see more of him and his lovely Bora. It has been a couple of years since we have seen Sir Stirling's OSCA which is maintained by IN Racing and although it was not Stirling behind the wheel, it was a delight to see the car doing a few runs.

Silver 1972 Bora belonging to George Lambert



The winning MC12 GT1 6 litre V12 from the 2004 Season driven at the FOS by Michael Bartels



The Goodwood Festival of Speed. Whilst it is not my favourite event "all the wrong crowd and overcrowded" there was an amazing selection of over 30 new and old Maseratis. From Julian Majzub's 1931 Tipo 26M to a row of MC12's including the actual MC12 that was driven to the first Maserati factory win in some 40 years with the Vitaphone Racing Team. The car has been in a collection in Japan until recently acquired by Nick Hommerson from Belgium for track days and special events. In the competition to go up the hill in the quickest time Michael Bartels in the MC12 was second fastest overall despite the narrow track.

Boyle Valve Special 3 litre Supercharged 8 Cylinder



The other high lights included the Michael Gans 1935 V8R1 chassis no. 4501. The model denotes a V8 engine and independent rear suspension. The 8CTF Boyle Valve Special which won the Indianapolis 500 in 1939 & 1940 and would have won again in 1941 if it had not had tyre trouble. Barrie Baxter had his Tipo 151/3 there as a static exhibit looking very purposeful in its new white livery awaiting an engine rebuild and Nick Mason had his Birdcage there also as static exhibit.



The 1953 A6 CGS Berlinetta



The 1953 A6 CGS Berlinetta was the overall winner and named "Best in Show" Owned by Egon Zweimuller Jr.

On the Cartier Lawn the designers went head to head with an amazing array, starting with a 1949 A6 by Pininfarina, a 1953 A6GCS by Berlinetta, a 1957 150 GT Prototype Spider by Fantuzzi and a 3500GT Coupe by Touring of Milan, loaned by the famous racing driver Wolf-Dieter Bauman. The car is thought to be the actual Paris & Turin Motor Show Model due to a number of pre-production features.

Festival of Speed Top Three Fastest Cars

- 1st Sebastien LOEB
- Peugeot 208 T16 'Pikes Peak' 44.60
- 2nd Michael BARTELS
- Maserati MC12 'Goodwood Cent 100' 45.82
- 3rd Kenny BRACK
- McLaren F1 GTR 'Long Tail' 47.52

The 1958 Prototype 3500GT Coupe



The MC12 Cent 100



The MC12 Cent 100 with a special Centenary Design re-spray

