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April 2017

22 April 2017
Bristol Italian AutoMoto Festival
Bristol
Website: www.biamf.co.uk
biamf@italianautomotoclub.co.uk

28 - 30 April 2017
Donington Historic Festival
Donington
www.doningtonhistoric.com

28 April 2017
Auto Italia Driving Experience
Longcross Test Track
www.auto-italia.co.uk
Email: mail@philwardevents.com

29 April 2017
Auto Italia Italian Car Day
Brooklands
www.auto-italia.co.uk
Email: mail@philwardevents.com

May 2017

14 May 2017
Classics at the Villa
Villa Scalabrini, Shenley, WD7 9BB
www.classicsatthevilla.com

18 - 21 May 2017
Mille Miglia
www.1000miglia.eu

25 - 29 May 2017
Cameron Millar 2017
Champagne
Contact:
Marie-Elisabeth Deroche-Miles
Email: mederochemiles@gmail.com

27 - 28 May 2017
La Vie en Bleu incorporating
La Vita Rossa
A celebration of all things
French & Italian.
www.prescott-hillclimb.com

31 May - 6 June 2017
Norway
Starts and finishes in Oslo
Contact:
roger@maseraticlub.co.uk

June 2017

3-4 June 2017
Argyll Festival of Performance
Inveraray Castle
www.argyllfestivalofperformance.com
[facebook/argyllfestivalofperformance](https://www.facebook.com/argyllfestivalofperformance)
Contact: Neil Munn
Email: neilamunn@gmail.com

June 2017

3-4 June 2017
Wilton Classic and Supercar
Wilton House, Wiltshire
www.wiltonclassicsupercar.co.uk

4 June 2017
Italian Car and Motorcycle
Extravaganza
Location: Newby Hall, Ripon, N. Yorks
www.italiancarsandbikes.co.uk

11 June 2017
AGM & Concours
Blenheim Palace
Contact: Michael O'Shea
Email:
racingnews@maseraticlub.co.uk

15 - 27 June 2017
Highland Fling III
Scottish Highlands
20 car limit tour
Contact: Edwin Faulkner
Email: ejf@manx.net

17 - 18 June 2017
Bristol Classic Car Shows
www.bristolclassiccarshows.com

24 - 25 June 2017
The Supercar Event 2017 in aid of
The Children's Trust
Dunsfold Park, Cranleigh, Surrey
(Top Gear Test Track)
www.thesupercarevent.com

29 June - 2 July 2017
Goodwood Festival of Speed
Goodwood
www.goodwood.com

July 2017

1 July 2017, from 5pm
Maseratis and Margheritas
94 Wythenshawe Road, Northern
Moor, Manchester, M23 0PA
Contact: Booking form available on
the Club's website

2 July 2017
Classic Car Show 2017
York Bird Of Prey Centre, in Huby,
North of York
Email: yorkbirdofprey@aol.co.uk

8 - 9 July 2017
NE1 Motor Show
Newcastle, NE1
www.getintonewcastle.co.uk/ne1-events/ne1-motor-show

July 2017

10 July 2017
Track Day
Blyton Park
Contact: Geoff Lancaster
Email:
geoff.lancaster@btinternet.com

16 July 2017
Supercar Sunday
Brooklands
www.auto-italia.co.uk
Email: mail@philwardevents.com

28 - 30 July 2017
Silverstone Classic
Silverstone
www.silverstoneclassic.com
Contact: Edwin Faulkner
Email: EJF@MANX.NET

28 - 30 July 2017
Carfest North
Bolesworth Castle, Cheshire
www.carfest.org

August 2017

13 August 2017
Festival Italia
Brands Hatch
www.festivalitalia.com

19 August 2017
Concorso Italiano
Black Horse Golf Course, Monterey
www.concorso.com

19 August 2017
Camberley Car Show
Camberley Town Centre
www.camberleycarshow.co.uk

20 August 2017
Midlands Italian Car Day
Ragley Hall
www.aroc-uk.com

25 - 27 August 2017
Carfest South
Laverstoke Park Farm,
Hampshire
www.carfest.org

September 2017

8 - 10 September 2017
Goodwood Revival
Goodwood
www.goodwood.com

10 September 2017
Kent's Classic Car Show
Aylesford Priory, Aylesford,
Kent ME20 7BX
www.kentsclassicarshow.co.uk

September 2017

16 - 17 September 2017
Best of Italy Race
Castell'Arquato
www.bestofitaly.race.com
Contact: Derek Mills
Email: events@maseraticlub.co.uk

21 - 24 September 2017
MIR 2017 Italy
Saturnia, Tuscany
www.mir2017.it

October 2017

8 October 2017
Autumn Motorsport Day
Brooklands
www.auto-italia.co.uk
Email: mail@philwardevents.com

13 - 15 October 2017
Autumn Meeting
Portmeirion, Wales
Contact: Simon Edwards

November 2017

10 - 12 November 2017
NEC Classic Car Show
NEC, Birmingham
www.necclassicismotorshow.com

December 2017

4 December 2017
Christmas Lunch
Bluebird Restaurant
Chelsea, London
Contact: Andrew Hutton
andrewhutton5@btinternet.com

March 2018

20 - 26 March 2018
Maserati Owners Club of
Australia - Global Gathering
Melbourne to Sydney, Australia
www.maseraticlub.co.uk/members/events/moca-global-gathering-2018/?pg=1.
Contact: John Gove



Copy Dates

Editorial and advertisements
for the May / June / July Issue
should be in by 1st June 2017



Last issue before the AGM. Accounts will be published on the Club Website
Please contact Dave Smith (01494 717 701 or admin@maseraticlub.co.uk) if you require a paper copy.

Brandon on the Water - The rain did not spoil the fun!



Where the action was

Photo: Dave Smith



Photo: Dave Smith

It looks even better in the rain

2017 Models Launched at Geneva

Ghibli with Sport Pack



Maserati GranTurismo Sport
Special Edition



Levante - Ermenegildo Zegna Show Car



Editor's Agenda

Is it just me, but it looks like the press thinks every Maserati model is becoming desirable? (I know, we already knew that.) For the first time, a QPIV took pride of place on Classic Driver website, one of the more under-rated models in my opinion. When I was buying my Cup all those years ago, for an extra £10k, I could have procured a brand new, Ferrari-engined Evo QPIV. I did like their under-stated looks and that cut-away rear wheel arch.

Alfa's new SUV, the Stelvio, has also had some great reviews in the motoring press. I wonder if it will eat into the diesel-only Levante - you would have thought

it was going to be the Alfa with the diesel-only engine! With the concerns of diesel emissions being brought up by the Government, who only a few years ago were promoting them, this might leave the Levante in a difficult position. Both petrol and diesel Stelvio's are being offered in the UK I believe.

We do a little Club match-making every now and again. I met Peter Cockle a few years ago when he joined the club. Peter is trying to track down his first Maserati purchase, a 222SE with the registration J444 HPO. We have put him in contact with another member with a similar car, so we await with interest.

The Collectors Guide this month in Auto Italia is for the 3500GT Spyder, not the most common of cars with only 245 being produced. Our very own Simon Park took some time in Monte Carlo providing positive thoughts on the 2017 Ghibli in the March edition.

I have added loads of Italian automotive events to the diary, so do have a look. The good thing is that they are scattered around the country, except in Wales and Ireland!

*It's getting warmer!
Henry, March 2017*



Henry McNeill,
newsletter@maseraticlub.co.uk

Chairman's Notes



John Bennett
Chairman

With the change in timing of the Newsletter, this is the last issue you will receive before the AGM and so slightly more business-like copy this month compared to my usual ramblings....

We have two Members of the Committee retiring at the AGM this year, Ken Painter and Derek Mills both of whom have served and supported the Club for many years. This leaves us with two vacancies on the Committee and we would welcome applications from interested Members who would like to become a little more involved in the Club.

What's the commitment? Well, there are five meetings a year including the AGM and you should be in a position to attend most, if not all of these. Meetings are held in different locations, normally around the west of London. The meetings start at 6.00 p.m. with a light supper and generally finish around 10.00/10.30 p.m. As a new member of the Committee you won't necessarily have a specific role but doubtless you will become more involved with the happenings within the Club. If you'd like to know more drop me an e-mail or ring at home on 01620 895256 and if I'm not in leave a message.

That apart, I encourage all of you to keep an eye on the Club website and to take note of the occasional e-mails you'll receive advising of new postings, particularly events that are open for booking.

My search for an Indy continues. Our 24 hours in Hamburg was fun but I didn't buy the car although Susan did buy a dress. Next stop Italy!

John Bennett
Chairman

chairman@maseraticlub.co.uk

Club Membership and Associate Membership

By Jerry Hutton, Treasurer

Membership of the Club is required to participate in events and to vote at the AGM. Many members get involved with their partners and both are very much engaged in Club activities. Occasionally a situation has arisen when the member partner has been unavailable for an event and a non-member wanted to attend. **We can only allow members to participate on our events for tax and insurance reasons, so under these circumstances that person has been obliged to also join the Club as a member.** And we have some couples who both want the right to vote at the AGM and have paid for two memberships for that reason.

The committee has agreed that we should offer couples the option of an Associate Membership. As well as entry to events and voting rights this will give the second member full access to the website but will not include a second copy of the newsletter and Trident. It is available to co-habiting partners of existing fully paid up members for the reduced cost of £25 per year.

The option to join as an associate will be added to the website or can now be requested by contacting the administrator (admin@maseraticlub.co.uk). If you have already paid for a 2017 membership and would like to take advantage of the reduced cost membership, please contact the treasurer who will provide a refund (treasurer@maseraticlub.co.uk).

Could you be a Club Website Moderator?

The Club Website needs volunteer Moderators to look after different threads on the new website's Forum facility.

So please step forward any who may be interested in helping with the life of the club.

Contact Roger Epszajn on roger@maseraticlub.co.uk

Are you in the Website Directory?

By Webmaster Graham Wood

We would like to encourage members to add their Maseratis on the Club website's "Directory", by using the "Car Profiles" section of the "My Account" page on the website. This is an opportunity for you to keep a record of your car(s) - past & present, along with up to 5 images of each (less than 4MB/image). Any pertinent information regarding the provenance of a car can be added to the description, along with the chassis number, engine number and purchase mileage to provide a complete profile.

You may also add cars you have previously owned. Just add the car in the normal way, then go back in and 'edit' the details for the car. Near the bottom, you will now see a question 'Do you still own this car?', uncheck the box below this, and you will then be able to enter the date of disposal (enter 1st Jan of the year if you cannot remember/find the exact date), and then click 'save this car?'.

When you add a car, the default is for it to be displayed in the website "Directory" (thus enabling other Club members to see the details and images), however you can choose for it not to be displayed on the website "Directory", the details & images will then only be available to you in the "Member's Home" page.

You will also need to check that the website is allowing your contact details to be shown on the website directory (again, this is only for other Club members to view). If you do not wish to allow this, then your cars will not be visible even if you have selected for them to be displayed. To check if this is enabled go to the "Contact Details" section of the "My Account" page. Near the bottom of this page you will see a check box for 'SHOW CONTACT DETAILS ON WEBSITE DIRECTORY', select this check box to enable your details to be visible to other Club members, and then press 'Submit'.

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Liberty Walk Europe Announces New Body Conversion Options For Maserati GranTurismo



Make the Maserati Club your Default Website

By Sean Muirhead

I recently took the opportunity when chatting to many of our friends at our recent club get-togethers about the new Club Website and the announcement of the Autumn Meeting 2017.

There were quite a few people who hadn't visited the website for a while and weren't completely up to date with news, events etc... I offered them some advice, based on the method I use for managing my web-browsing, and I was surprised that no-one seemed to know that it was possible to

change a simple setting which can make life so much easier.

I use an easy but effective way of ensuring that, when I start Internet Explorer or Mozilla Firefox, for internet browsing, they automatically open up an array of five or six tabs containing my most frequently used websites. This saves me having to open up additional tabs, whenever I start the browser and am taken to my main homepage. It only takes a couple of minutes to set up and is easy to change whenever necessary.

To do this in Internet Explorer:

1. Start the program and go to the web page that you want to be your main Home Page
2. Open a new tab by clicking on the square grey tab to the right of the tab for the page you are currently on. When you hover your mouse over this, you will see a vertical white rectangle with a yellow sun image at the top right corner (New Page symbol)
3. When the new tab appears, navigate to the website that you want to be your second Home Page
4. Continue to do this until you have as many of your frequently used websites open, each on a different tab - you may want to limit this to half a dozen or less, I do not actually know how this would affect the operation of your individual device. (If any require a personal login, you can enter your User ID and Password and access your account before going to the next stage). My personal choice is to have my Email Inbox on Tab 1; BBC News on Tab 2; Search Engine on Tab 3; Maserati Club Website on Tab 4; etc
5. Once you have your array of frequently used websites all open, select the 'Tools' option from the toolbar on the top line
6. From the drop-down list, pick 'Internet Options' and in the dialogue box that opens up, you will see, in the 'Home page' section, the full list of websites that you have just opened up, highlighted in blue
7. By clicking the 'Use current' button on the screen, followed by 'OK', your chosen pages will be saved and will open up each time you start Internet Explorer

If you use Mozilla Firefox, the procedure is similar to the above, except that to open up new tabs in step 2, click the '+' sign that is to the right of the tab that shows the name of the website you are currently viewing. Once you have opened all your desired tabs and wish to save them (step 5), select the 'Tools' option from the toolbar on the top line. Step 6 - From the drop down list, pick 'Options' and, in the new tab that has opened, you will see the addresses of all your chosen sites listed sequentially in the 'Home Page' box. Step 7 Click on the 'Use Current Pages' button and then click the small cross at the right hand side of the

'Options' tab that had previously opened, which will close it and save your settings

It is relatively easy to change your choices whenever you wish as you can use steps 5 to 7 once you have your all of your preferred websites open within your browser

If you ever want to change the sequence of the websites ie the order in which they appear across the tabs at the top of your browser, you can click and drag them left or right then drop them into their new position along the row. This operation is similar in both Internet Explorer and Mozilla Firefox



Newsletter Schedule - Resolving Clashes with Trident: By Henry McNeill

It has come to our attention that there are certain times of the year that there is an over-abundance of Maserati Club publications, followed by a drought. Twice per year, the Newsletter and the Trident are received by your good selves in ultra-quick succession, in fact within days of each other. After an in-depth conference call using Skype with Messer's Simon Park and Graham Wood, we spectacularly agreed to move the publication of the Newsletter by one month into the future for the next issue only. This was endorsed after much debate at the committee meeting, taking nearly one minute. So, you must wait three months for the next issue of this fine organ and normal service of every other month after that. New deadlines shall be:

Issue	Content Deadline	Publication
May / June / July 2017	Thursday 1st June 2017	Late June 2017
August / Sept	Thursday 3rd Aug 2017	Late Aug 2017
Oct / Nov 2017	Thursday 5th Oct 2017	Late Oct 2017
Dec / Jan 2018	Thursday 7th Dec 2017	Late Dec 2017

Event Reports - Northern Lights Lunch By Stella Oldham

The first Maserati event of the calendar was held on Sunday, 22 January 2017, at the Mere Country Golf Club and Spa for the third year. As usual, they really looked after us and provided a wonderful 4 course Sunday Lunch. There was around 30 people that attended, a little down in numbers on last year, but this did not deter from the lovely atmosphere and Maserati friends meeting for the first time in 2017. We would like to thank H.R. OWEN for sponsoring the pre-lunch drinks of Prosecco and fresh orange juice, which went down very nicely, and also to thank H.R.OWEN Stockport for bringing along the new Maserati Levante to view.

the weekend, again sponsored and provided by H.R. OWEN, which was very generous of them, and a gift voucher from David White, for his jewellery shop, with grateful thanks to David. The winners of the 'Car for the Weekend' was won by Simon and Caroline Edwards, I hope they enjoy their prize. The winners of the Gift Voucher were Russ and Margee Howarth, they were new members.

As this was my first time at organising this event, I would like to thank Gail Mosley and Jerry Hutton for all their help. And not forgetting all of you who attended the event. Hopefully, the next Northern Lights event in 2018, will continue to be well supported

During the lunch we had a small raffle, which consisted of a Ghibli for

Obituary: John Surtees 1934 - 2017

As we were going to press, I am sure we were all sorry to hear that John Surtees had passed away. He remains the only person to have won World Championships on both two and four wheels. I am sure you can find thorough obituaries in the press, but here are some thoughts from the committee:

- Michael O'Shea: 'I met John several times over recent years, in particular when he was taking one of his old Formula 5000 cars out at Donington. In the evening to a small audience he recounted his racing career in his usual self-deprecating manner with charm and humour, taking questions until late on the evening.'
- Simon Park: 'Back in the late '80s he presented me with my award for an HSCC championship win, and receiving it from a F1 world champion was a humbling experience! More pertinently, he was an utterly charming, down-to-earth man to talk to.'
- Henry McNeill: 'I was fortunate to meet John at Maranello Garages just before Christmas (photo above). He spoke at length about his career and could have kept the audience there all night with his anecdotes. A truly lovely man and a real legend'.



Photo: Henry McNeill



Member Introductions

Nick Bracey

By way of introduction my name is Nick, and I am very pleased to have recently joined the Maserati Club. Having received my initial pack, Dave has suggested that you may like a few lines for the newsletter. I have been a member of various car clubs over the years, and I must say that both the magazine and the newsletter you edit are of a very high quality. My wife is the Chairperson of the BAILL newsletter, so I know full well how much personal time and effort goes in to getting a professional product to print. I hope the below, is not too long for inclusion, as I can go on and on when it comes to cars.

I grew up in a household where the family car was described simply by its colour. Our rather tired yellow Fiat 131 estate was never a real talking point. However, I have vivid memories of being 8 years old when Group B rallying first appeared. I think at this stage I was hooked on internal combustion, which finally led to a long career in the forces, working mostly in Armoured Units with some extremely impressive wheeled and tracked vehicles. Real men's toys. As for my personal transport, I have always been attracted to the less mainstream cars. MK1 Golf GTI, Charade GTTI, Porsche Boxster, MG ZTT V6 and a Alfa Brera Prodrive S. In amongst these, there have been 6 Impreza's STI's, WR1, RB320, Spec

D etc. I must admit they really are my guilty pleasure. I have often looked at Maserati's, drooled and then had a reality check, until recently.

Browsing the classifieds on Piston-heads, a few Quattroporte's in my price range were listed. Mostly early Duo Select cars, before seeing my current QPV. A later March 2008 Sport GT in nero black. A quick email to my wife, and I was on the train before someone beat me too it! Affectionately named "Raffles", we are currently enjoying trouble free ownership. Driving should be a pleasure and Raffles delivers this by the bucket load, be that sat in London traffic, or the open roads. Extremely capable, and a rather rare sight on the roads. So far this



year, we have 2 outings planned, Auto Italia at Brooklands in April followed by a trip to Wirral in May to act as wedding transport for another club member.

I hope to be able attend more of the club's events and outings, and very much look forward to meeting some of you over the course of this year.

Neil Luce

I am a 43-year-old Chartered Construction Manager with a long-standing passion for all things automotive. I have had many different marques over my 20+ driving career; Alfa Romeo, Audi, BMW, Porsche and now Maserati. I always had a desire for one and nearly swapped my then Porsche

928 S2 for a 425 Bi-turbo in the late nineties. I am extremely pleased to be the owner of a Black 4200 GT Coupe (2004) and have enjoyed nearly 2000 miles, since mid-September last year. I look forward to meeting other members at the forth coming club events. My nearest town/city is Devizes/Salisbury as I live 3 miles North West of Stonehenge.

Rob Marsh

I am really excited to return to the marque after an absence of 8 years since my last GranTurismo and previous to that, a lovely early 3200 GT manual coupe in blue and then a 4-2 Spyder.

I have been in the Aston camp the last few years, however with my

recent 2010 4.7 GT S auto purchase, I very much looking forward to my first Maserati club event this Sunday at Brandon on the water and meeting fellow enthusiasts. I live in Leicestershire, in a village called Newtown Linford.



David Matthew

This is our first Maserati QP we are enjoying the great quality and sound of the 4.2 Ferrari engine and the pearlescent white looks very striking. We have made a business decision to add this to our fleet of cars for weddings and special trips, see www.absoluteanywhere.com, covering Kent and Sussex. We look forward to meeting you at a Maserati event this year.

Brandon on the Water 2017 By Derek Mills



The club's southern season opener lunch meeting got off to a good start on Sunday 5th of March at One Degree West Farm (BOW), when Clive and Pamela Brandon opened their doors and hosted this popular annual event for the 3rd year running. For those of you who were not able to make it you missed a great event held in the Buckinghamshire county with a delicious buffet lunch and a glass of wine to help the social chatter. It was easy to meet old friends and new.

For those with a more tyre kicking agenda, Maserati dealer MARANELLO had kindly brought



the new LEVANTE model to view, while others braved the chilly wind and caught up with the other classics and modern cars parked in the forecourt.

It was nice to see many members attending their first club event along with the old/young guard who made up the total number of guests to 58. It has to be said the club is so fortunate to have members like Clive and Pamela who with the help of Maranello make this event possible. On behalf of the members a big thank you to the Brandon's and Maranello. I for one look forward to another BOW in 2018.

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
- Maserati Forum (UK-based, see <http://www.maseratiforum.co.uk>)
- Sports Maserati (in <http://www.sportsmaserati.com/forum.php>)
- Auto Italia www.auto-italia.net
- Maserati Youtube channel www.youtube.com/watch?v=5WuVTdv6vI
- Follow Maserati on Instagram



ANORAK'S CORNER



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QUESTION:
Can you name the body kit?



Welcome to the Club

Membership on the 8th March 2017 stood at **699**, this time last year the figure was 678.

New members signed up since the publication of the last newsletter are: -

Name	Member No.	Area	Car
Jonathan Read	5212	Surrey	-
Graeme Jackson	5213	Yorkshire	Q'Porte V
Russ Howarth	5214	Lancashire	Q'Porte V
Paul Mayne	5216	Northamptonshire	Q'Porte V
Neil Luce	5220	Wiltshire	4200 Coupe
Alan Flack	5221	Ireland	4200 Spyder
Frank Corbett	5222	S.Yorkshire	4200 Coupe
Paul Yardley	5224	Lincolnshire	4200 Coupe
Graham Alexander	5226	Glasgow	Q'Porte VI
Robert Marsh	5227	Leicestershire	GranTurismo
Mark Gibbon	5228	Surrey	3200GT GranTurismo
Mark Knight	5229	Gloucestershire	4200 Coupe
Martin Coia	5231	Glasgow	Q'Porte VI
Martin Lewis	5234	Oxfordshire	3200GT
Ian Newton	5235	Lancashire	Biturbo spyder
Rob Butcher	5236	Derbyshire	GranTurismo

A warm welcome to the club

Subscription Renewals -

Please see page 3 of the NOV/DEC newsletter for an excellent article on how to renew your subscriptions written by Jerry Hutton.

Kind regards **Dave Smith**

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The Who's Who

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Past Presidents TASO Mathieson and Cameron Millar

Bristol Italian AutoMoto Festival By Derek Mills

22 April 2017



We are pleased to confirm that the BIAMF 2017 will take place on Saturday, April 22nd at our usual location centred on Bristol's Corn Street. As always, all marques of Italian vehicles will be most welcome and this year we will be celebrating the 70th anniversaries of both Ferrari and Lambretta.

We welcome owners of these and other marques to take part in the featured display sections of the festival. BIAMF 2017 is now open for exhibitor's entrance applications. Entry instructions can be

found at www.biamf.co.uk and enquires should be sent to biamf@italianautomotoclub.co.uk.

The BIAMF has run successfully for the past 13 years without a break and is firmly established as one of the highlights of the Italian motoring calendar, centred on closed streets in Bristol's historic, Italianate, city centre which transforms into a little corner of Italy where exhibitors and enthusiasts alike may enjoy the hundreds of iconic Italian cars, scooters and motorcycles.

Make contact

newsletter@maseraticlub.co.uk



Copy deadline for the May / June / July Issue is 1st June 2017.

Auto Italia Driving Experience 28 April 2017

The popular driving experience for owners of selected Italian cars will return to the private Longcross test facility (and Auto Italia's photo location) on Friday April 28th. The traditional Brooklands Italian Car Day will be held on Saturday April 29th. With the events being held over consecutive days Italian car owners have the opportunity to take in two neighbouring venues.



The Longcross driving experience is not a conventional track day that places stress on both cars and drivers but an opportunity for owners to demonstrate their skills. The 2-mile circuit includes fast straights, banked corners and a hill in the 'forest' section. The demanding nature of the course requires the use of pace cars to control the groups of cars. Numbers will be limited so drivers will have plenty of laps.

Because the venue is not open to the public attendance needs to be pre-booked. In the first instance Italian car owners should apply to the organisers with registration details of the car they wish to enter.

Subject to entry acceptance the cost will be £150 per car plus a three course Italian buffet lunch at £25. The fee for nominated additional drivers is £50 including lunch. Lunch for drivers' passengers or guests is £25 per person.

Owners of pre-booked Italian cars are invited to join the paddock display and space will be set aside for clubs. There will be a track parade for all cars during the lunch break. The cost is £20 per car. On site catering will be available.

Closing date for all applications is April 18th. For entries contact mail@philwardevents.com



AGM, Concours, Dinner at Balliol and Garden Party 10-11 June 2017

- Restricted numbers for dinner at Balliol - book early to avoid disappointment.
- Accounts will be published on the Club Website.

Please contact Dave Smith (01494 717 701 or admin@maseraticlub.co.uk) if you require a paper copy

The AGM will take place on Sunday 11th June in a private room at Blenheim Palace where tea, coffee and biscuits will be served from 10.30 a.m. before the start of the Meeting at 11.00 a.m. The charge to enter the grounds, gardens and parking is £20 per car. Cars will be parked in one of the Palace Courtyards for the Concours which is being organised by Paul Yardley. You have a choice of lunch options within Blenheim including the Orangery which must be pre-booked (tel. 0993 810 557), the Oxfordshire Pantry or the Water Terraces, the last two offering more casual dining. Entrance to the house itself is an additional £12 which must be pre-paid to qualify for this discounted rate.

On the Saturday evening, we have arranged a private dinner in Balliol College, Oxford, courtesy of our Vice President Sir Drummond Bone. The cost of dinner (three courses and coffee) is £55.00 per person. Drinks are not included and wine will be available to purchase on the evening. Numbers are limited to 60, so tickets are only available to members and their partners.

Members are free to book their own accommodation in Oxford or Woodstock; early booking is advisable as both are popular venues and prices tend to rise the nearer you get to your chosen date. Please complete the AGM booking form on the club website and send funds to the Club account at the Co-Operative Bank, account number 65635025 and sort code 08-92-99. If you cannot transfer funds then send a cheque made out to the 'Maserati Club' to Michael O'Shea (racingnews@maseraticlub.co.uk) along with your form.

Norwegian Maserati Club - Discover Norway Tour
A FEW SPACES REMAINING
31 May - 6 June 2017

The Norwegian club are planning a spectacular 7 days and nights tour of southern Norway from May 31st to June 6th 2017. They have chosen these dates to maximise the chances of the best possible weather and daylight. The tour will start and finish in Oslo but will be a driving tour consisting of 100 to 350 miles a day through spectacular territory. Each day's driving and sightseeing will end at a new and luxurious hotel except for a 2-night stay around the middle of the event. Members of European Maserati Clubs will be welcome.

If you want more information I can email you the programme (with photos) and a map of the intended route. The price is 39,540 Norwegian Krona which is currently around £3,800 per couple. This includes accommodation, food, drink and ferries for the 7 days and 7 nights. For those of you that know how expensive Norway is, you will appreciate that this is a very reasonable price.

The Norwegians have expanded the capacity of the event and there are about 5 places now still available. So, if you are interested, contact me at roger@maseraticlub.co.uk or the organiser Jens Holger Nilsen directly at jenshn@online.no. But remember to act quickly if you want a good chance of joining the tour.

Auto Italia Driving Experience 29 April 2017

The Italian Car Day has become established as the UK's premier event for owners and admirers of Italian cars, with record attendances in 2016. The event provides visitors with the opportunity to see and hear Italian cars being demonstrated on the circuit at the adjacent Mercedes-Benz World and the demanding hillclimb.



Visitors arriving in any Italian car, be it a Fiat or a Ferrari, will have the opportunity to park in the areas set aside for the appropriate marques, car clubs and register displays. Applications are invited for an opportunity for selected interesting cars to take part in the track demonstration and the hill climb.

For information contact: mail@philwardevents.com

Please note that owners of cars and their passengers selected to run on the track at Mercedes-Benz World will be required to wear crash helmets.

Advance ticket sales: www.brooklandsmuseum.com

Cameron Millar 2017 en Champagne - 25 - 29 May 2017

- Last few places available, please enquire promptly with Marie-Elisabeth Deroche-Miles
- Full payments were to be completed by 15th February - can you please make sure payment has been made
- New member interested in attending, could you be their co-driver?

As announced on the last night of the Cameron Millar 2016 in the Mosel Region, the Cameron Millar 2017 Rally will take place in the Champagne Region in North-East France.

Based at the newly redecorated (privately-owned) Novotel Reims with swimming pool and overnight guarded car park, we will drive all around the Champagne Region including the southern part, where a most amazing young generation of champagne producers is now creating some extraordinary wines.

A happy mix of cultural, gastronomic, historical and oenological discoveries will guide us and our cars through the varied Champagne landscapes and enable us to discover:

- A 17th century chateau
- Re-visit the Historic F1 Circuit of Reims-Gueux
- Taste many different champagnes in various cellars
- Celebrate the art of champagne on a special champagnetasting evening
- Enjoy a gala dinner in the cellar of a multi-award champagne producer
- A guided tour of the cathedral of Reims on the last day.

The Channel crossing by Eurotunnel on Flexiplus tickets will be arranged by the Club as before. This enables the holders to enjoy complimentary packed meals, soft drinks and coffee in the dedicated Flexiplus lounge before boarding.

The very easy drive from Calais to Reims on the A26 toll motorway takes well under three hours and should enable all to arrive relaxed and ready for the start of the event on Thursday 25 May mid-to-late afternoon.

Due to restricted space at several venues, the rally will welcome 90 participants (45 cars) only. If you would like to participate, please send us an email (mederochemiles@gmail.com) so that you can be on the email and prospective participants' list.

Marie-Elisabeth and Michael Miles



Highland Fling III - To the Orkney Isles and Isle of Skye

After the last two successful Highland Flings, the third will be even more spectacular, so come join us. 15 - 27 June 2017



"Highland Fling III" will be a relaxing 12 day Touring Holiday of the Orkney Isles, Isle of Skye & Scotland, with 4 free days to do as you wish. The tour starts and finishes at Greta Chase hotel with hotels in Dunkeld, Brora, Kirkwall, Ullapool, and Portree, with 2/3 nights in each hotel. We will travel in an anticlockwise direction to the Orkney Isles and then Isle of Skye. Daily mileage will be a relaxing 50 to 180 miles a day. We have booked the best rooms in the best hotels.

For more details and information and if you are interested please contact: Edwin at EJF@MANX.NET and I can send you the Provisional program.

Maseratis and Margheritas 1 July 2017, from 5pm

Club member Bob Amato has again very kindly offered to light his magnificent pizza oven and host a 'do' for Maserati Club members living within striking distance of Manchester.

- 94 Wythenshawe Road, Northern Moor, Manchester, M23 0PA

Bob will be providing all the ingredients for the pizzas - plus salads, desserts, soft drinks, beer, wine, tea and coffee will also be included.

Cost: £20 each ... children eat for free! Bob always donates all the proceeds to charity and again this year the chosen charity is Claire House Children's Hospice.

Booking form available on the Club's website.

Maserati Club - Track Day 2017 10 July 2017

The Club is now taking bookings for its annual Track Day, which following last year's very popular event will be based at Lincolnshire's Blyton Park Circuit. Public track days can be a bit daunting as there is always the risk you encounter the tearaways trying to prove they're the next Lewis Hamilton. Maserati track days are not like this. The day starts with a safety briefing from the track marshal and a description of the track and the way to drive it quickly and safely. The track will have markers to help you learn braking points and lines for corners. We have exclusive use of the track all day which will be marshalled and we have an RAC ARDS instructor on hand to help you if you require. It's a very safe track with acres of run-off and nothing hard to encounter should you have a 'moment'.

Blyton Park in Lincolnshire is centrally located in the country and we have chosen a Monday again in case people fancy making a long weekend of it. There are many nearby Inns and B&B's and these are listed on the circuit's website (www.blytonpark.co.uk).

Brooklands Museum 'Supercar Sunday' 16 July 2017

Developed over the last four years, this exciting event will be repeated at Brooklands. Historic Brooklands has easy access via London's arterial motorways and is conveniently located just within the orbital M25. It has excellent aviation and motoring exhibitions including the Concorde Experience, 4D cinema and London Bus Museum.

The event has proved to be popular with car clubs that put on complementary displays for members and also take part in the Test Hill runs. Owners of supercars are invited to contact the organisers for an opportunity to take part in the track demonstration and the hill climb.

THE WORLD'S BIGGEST Classic Show and Racing Festival



Expect to see the most exciting racing action over the weekend.

The action will build on the excitement, spectacle and adrenaline of previous events, with more than 20 races over the weekend. Featured races from Group C running into the dusk on Saturday evening, over 100 Formula 1 cars from the 1950's right up to the 1980's, Formula Junior, several GT grids, 50's sports cars, and prototypes. There will be many other attractions including Rock concerts on Friday and Saturday evenings (acts to be advised). Hot air balloons, parachutists, fair ground rides, many car club displays plus trade stalls etc.

The Maserati Club will again be in attendance and have a centre display.

Plus

Track Parade for the Maserati Club on the full Grand Prix circuit on Sunday to acknowledge the 45th anniversary of the Club.

Booking details below:-

SPECIAL MASERATI CLUB DISPLAY TICKET OFFER

Again, same as last year for 2017 you will need to contact the Silverstone Ticket office direct for your tickets using the Club Code:

17067SCC

Email Edwin ejf@manx.net for the club booking code, as it was not available when we went to press.

Either by Telephone:- 0871 231 0849, or on line www.silverstoneclassic.com/buytickets

It is important that when you have booked your tickets you kindly email me, Edwin, at EJF@MANX.NET to advise what day/days and which car you intend to come in, if you have a choice of modern or Classic please bring your Classic. Thanks.

These tickets can only be purchased by using the booking code 17067SCC which is dedicated to our club. The package includes two Event Tickets and one infield vehicle display pass. There will be a booking fee which is out of the clubs control.

The following offer is available until 31st May 2017

Advanced Car Club Display Packages

1st April - 31st May 2017

Friday -	£50
Saturday -	£76
Sunday -	£65
2-Day Fri/Sat -	£92
2-Day Sat/Sun -	£104
3-Day Weekend -	£118

Warning!!

After the 31st May 2017 you will not be able to purchase the discount tickets or infield display passes, under any circumstances



Summer Garden Party - 6 August 2016

Hosted by club member Jim Buss, the lunch starts with a champagne reception at noon, followed by a gourmet buffet with jazz in the garden. Meet up with members from other classic car clubs, plenty of tyres to kick at the beautiful Dering Arms. Only £35 in advance, please pay by 20th July 2016, the club website will have the full booking details. Please note, there is a short film on Jim's website from the 2015 event. www.deringarms.com. The Dering Arms, Station Road, Pluckley, TN27 0RR, jim@deringarms.com.



MIR 2017 ORPHANS - Best of Italy Race 15 - 17 Sept 2017



Castell'Arquato Emilia Romagna

This September the Best of Italy Race returns with the Top 100

100 SUPERCARS 100 MOTORBIKES 100 BICYCLES 100% ITALIAN
Italy's answer to the Festival of Speed, is 26km of closed road in the heart of Emilia Romagna.

Discover Best of Italy's superb racecourse and share, in David Piper's words, 'Italy's best kept secret'.

"Stunning, the crème de la crème" – Jodie Kidd
"Sensational surroundings and the world's best bikes." – Giacomo Agostini
"A Festival of the V12" – Valentino Balboni

Best of Italy will pay homage to **70 years of Ferrari** with an outstanding display of Ferraris.

Italian supercar owners from all over the world are invited to take part in this adrenalin-fuelled experience which includes:

- **Dinner on Friday evening in Castell'Arquato (Friday 15 September)**
- **Entry to the hill climb (Saturday 16 and Sunday 17 September)**
- **Saturday night cocktail party in the Castello Piazza with prize giving**

From the starting point in picturesque Castell'Arquato, race along the River Arda and continue past the Mignano Dam, climaxing in a hill climb to Morfasso.

Toast the finish with Lamborghini Wines

Entry is €500 per car (for two persons) or €175 per motorbike

On Sunday we anticipate fierce competition in our Road Cycling events as riders battle to be crowned

King of the Mountain. Road Cycle entry is €45 Fixed Wheel entry is €25

Spectators are invited to enjoy our Supercar Paddock, entertainment, food and wine.

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To book a space to race your supercar, motorbike or bicycle Sign up online at www.bestofitalyrace.com

For those of you who have missed out on booking for MIR 2017, and if you still have the urge to drive to Italy in 2017, a growing number of Orphans from the Maserati International 2017 are becoming interested in another event - in Castell'Aquato, the weekend before the International.

The Best of Italy Race is a festival of all things Italian and running for its 2nd year. Last year was featured in the January 2017 issue of Auto Italia. It comprises of cocktail party, dinners and lunches in the paddock, a Saturday Hill Climb and time trial, cycle race and fashion show.

See the official event form and website www.bestofitalyrace.com for details. The entry costs 500 euros per car including driver and passenger, plus your hotel cost - nearby at 80 to 100 euros per night. The organiser is very keen to get as many Maseratisti as possible and told me he has block booked local hotels in anticipation of our entry.

Please take a look at the details and register your interest with me, Derek Mills, Maserati club events coordinator, at events@maseraticlub.co.uk, with the subject 'Best of Italy'.

Autumn Meeting 2017 - Portmeirion 13 - 15 October



The event will take place from Fri 13th October to Sunday 15th October, sponsored by Autosshield. We are staying at Portmeirion near Porthmadog in Snowdonia and finishing the event in Shrewsbury. The price is £600 for 2 people sharing a double or twin room, £450 for single occupancy.

Portmeirion is well located to make the most of the great driving roads in North Wales. The Snowdonia countryside around is very scenic and Portmeirion is an attraction in its own right, a unique village of Italianate architecture in a lovely setting on the estuary, and famous from The Prisoner TV series. The area has steam railways, gardens and castles; there will be some free time to explore these, enjoy the roads, or just soak up the atmosphere of the village and hotel (which has a spa).

We have reserved all the accommodation at Portmeirion (46 rooms) for the weekend. Some of it is in the hotel, most is in suites



in the varied and very characterful cottages in the village. Meals will be in the hotel. All the cottages are a short walk from the hotel but there is also a shuttle minibus. Parking will be right next to your accommodation.

Extra nights can be booked at Portmeirion (£207 DB&B for two) and at Albright Hussey Manor near Shrewsbury, a hotel dating from Tudor times where we will be having Sunday lunch (£140 DB&B, £95 B&B for two). The Portmeirion (www.portmeirion-village.com) and Albright Hussey Manor (www.albrighthussey.co.uk) websites have pictures and more information about the venues (ignore the description of the Portmeirion cottages as self-catering).

The booking form is on the website. Initial interest has been strong, so don't delay!
Simon & Caroline Edwards:
01244 345916; email:
dsimonedwards@gmail.com

Maserati International Rally 2017 21 - 24 September 2017



Sold out in 5 days, substantial waiting list

For more information on the programme of events, please see www.mir2017.it. The English version of the site is only part completed but may be ready soon! Please let Roger Epszstajn at roger@maseraticlub.co.uk know if you are interested in

participating, as he will initially collate a list of potential attendees and will inform you when registration on the event website should take place. You can also register interest directly by contacting the organisers at info@mir2017.com.

Brooklands Museum 'Autumn Motorsport Festival' Sunday October 8th

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. Owners of competition cars are invited to contact the organisers for an opportunity to take part in the track demonstration and the hill climb.

Maserati Polo Tour

The new Maserati Levante SUV performed a record number of test drives on snow for its first time in St. Moritz. The Snow Polo World Cup in St. Moritz is the only polo tournament played on snow, taking place on a frozen lake.



Over 15,000 spectators saw Rommy Gianni's team Cartier claim victory over Melissa Ganzi's Team BadruttsPalace. Maserati's own team from Malaysia also competed. Celebs in attendance included motorcycle racer Giacomo Agostini and slalom world champion Giorgio Rocca.

As well as the Levante, the facelifted Quattroporte and Ghibli could be tried. Enthusiasts also enjoyed the Maserati Snow Golf Tournament and a Gala Dinner.

Maserati Ghibli 2017

The Ghibli MY17 adopts additional high-tech content in the area of on-board comfort and driver assistance while offering an even higher degree of customisation thanks to the new Luxury and Sport packages.

The central dashboard has been redesigned to accommodate a high resolution 8.4" screen with multi touch function. The new infotainment system is compatible with both Apple CarPlay and Android Auto smartphone mirroring functions.

A new package of Advanced Driver Assistance Systems is available as an option. It includes Adaptive Cruise Control with Stop & Go, Blind Spot Alert, Lane Departure Warning, Forward Collision Warning with advanced Brake Assist and Automated Emergency Braking. An additional Surround View Camera is available as an option in combination with the ADAS package.

In terms of engines, both versions of the petrol range, the Ghibli and Ghibli S, feature the acclaimed, Ferrari built, Euro 6 homologated Twin Turbo-charged 3.0-litre V6 engine with the 8-speed ZF automatic transmission, which now features the Start&Stop function.

Special Editions debut at Geneva International Motor Show

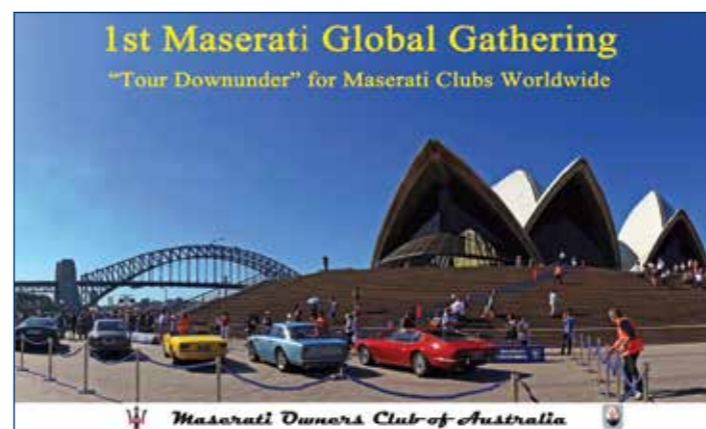


To celebrate the 60th anniversary of the 3500GT, there will be a special production run of 400 cars of the Maserati GranTurismo and GranCabrio with a Special Edition. The SUV Levante Show Car, featuring the new conceptual Ermenegildo Zegna silk fabric, bringing higher levels of luxury to car interiors, was on show. For further details, please see the news section in the club website, www.maseraticlub.co.uk.



The Ghibli now delivers 350 hp, 20 hp more than in the previous model year, an increased top speed of 267 km/h and accelerates from 0 to 100 km/h in just 5.5 seconds.

Maserati Owners Club of Australia Global Gathering 20 - 26 March 2018



The Maserati Owners Club of Australia (MOCA) invites all Maserati Clubs worldwide to join them for the inaugural Maserati Global Gathering to be held in Australia in March 2018. This will be the first ever Global Gathering for Maserati Clubs and has the full support of Maserati S.p.A and Maserati Australia & New Zealand.

The event will be run as a road trip over seven nights, commencing near Melbourne on Tuesday 20th March 2018 and finishing in Sydney on Monday 26th March 2018. It will

incorporate such iconic drives and places as the Great Ocean Road (frequently listed among the world's top 10 drives), Auto Italia in Canberra (Australia's premiere event for Italian cars) and a grand finale event at the Sydney Opera House.

No pricing is available yet, but more details will be advised shortly. The map shows a broad outline of the route and the tour will be staying in premium accommodation.

MOCA is currently organising a process for the shipping of cars and temporary registration to allow overseas cars to be driven on Australian roads, all at the best possible pricing. We will have a support truck with mechanic and tools accompanying the Tour.

If you are potentially considering participating in this event, please register your interest at www.maseraticlub.co.uk/members/events/moca-global-gathering-2018/?pg=1.



Goodwood's Members' Meeting

The Members' Meeting is a special occasion that has been a part of Goodwood's motor racing heritage since the 1950s, when Lord March's grandfather, Freddie March was President of the British Automobile Racing Club. I am writing this two weeks before the 75th meeting, the selectors continue to try and vary the entries of famous historic racing cars but there is only a limited number available that the public will pay to see. In the Maserati Club, we all know that racing Maseratis were made in very small numbers. Not all have survived, not all are in race condition, not all the owners wish to race their valuable cars on one of the most dangerous circuits in the UK (quote from an insurance company), let alone allow someone else to drive their car. But, fortunately there are still some that do take the risk and those of us fortunate enough to be there and see them are the lucky ones.



The inaugural Historic Motorsport International and the London Classic Car Show welcomed 37,000 visitors to ExCeL London over the weekend of 23-26 February. I went a couple of years ago, and vowed not to return as it was so noisy with cars driving up and down that you could not have a conversation. This year I was persuaded to try again and I am glad that I did.



The cars being driven inside the show were not driven throughout the day and therefore the noise was not a problem. For me, it was a very interesting show as the main race series organisers took stands to discuss their calendars for the coming season. The event was split either side of a central food thoroughfare with the London Classic Car show on one side and the Historic Motorsport International on the other side, catering to slightly different markets but with the same entrance ticket. The classic car showrooms were very much in evidence as were the workshops. It was not a club event and Maserati North Europe had a very good stand with the new Ghibli and Levante models either side of Stephen Dowling's 5000GT and Ghibli SS to demonstrate the heritage of the marque. The public seemed surprised at the reasonably low prices for a marque which is still generally regarded as manufacturer of exotic super cars.

Chateau Impney Hill Climb Meeting

8-9 July 2017

Maserati road cars welcome - with a drive up the hill!

Chateau Impney Hill Climb will be celebrating 60 years since the Maserati factory retired from racing with a spectacular array of Maseratis competing at CIHC2017. This anniversary coincides with Manuel Fangio's spectacular World Championship title win in 1957. The Maserati factory was incredibly successful in motorsport from its inception in 1926, winning the Targa Florio the same year, the Indianapolis 500 in 1939/1940 and the Formula One World Championship in 1957. Maserati sadly retired from factory racing participation after a tragic accident at the 1957 Mille Miglia.



Already lined up to compete at CIHC2017 include the T26, 4CS, 6CM, 8CM, 250F, 150S, 250S and Birdcage. Amongst these is a magnificent 1936 Maserati 6CM, which was one of the three factory team cars and the first six-cylinder engine car. Driven by Count Trossi, the car won seven out of eight races in its first season!

For tickets: <http://www.chateauimpneyhillclimb.com/blog/maserati-celebration-announcement/#sthash.JqF08ms.dpuf>

Motor Racing Legends Forges Ahead In Creating A Level Playing Field In Historic Racing

The Members' Meeting is a special occasion that has been a part of When Motor Racing Legends chairman Duncan Wiltshire announced their new certification programme at the series Awards Dinner last month - verifying engine capacities through inspection - little did he anticipate the immensely positive reaction it would receive from most of the competitors.

As Duncan puts it: "All historic grids experience difficulties verifying engine capacities. So, this 'Certification Programme' has been a long time coming. Our driver survey confirmed that an overwhelming majority of competitors wanted us to introduce a system to help level the playing field".

"Whilst all our competitors are honest and of course, want to win fairly, some may have inherited a car which has been modified in the past to be over bored, and they have perhaps become accustomed to where it leaves them on the grid. Without an incentive to change it back, we risk losing valued competitors of honest cars".

The new Motor Racing Legends 'Engine Capacity Certification' programme requires that a licensed technical official inspects the engine as it is being assembled. The nearest qualified scrutineer visits the workshop and measures the bore and stroke, before sealing the engine. Those cars with a sealed engine will be checked at each race meeting to see if the seals are still in place. Apparently, the FIA are interested in the program and let us hope that the other race series organisers will follow MRL's example and make it a level playing field for everyone.



Mirror mirror on the wall, surely this is one of the most beautiful of them all...



1956 Maserati A6G/54 Coupe Series III by Frua, chassis no. 2181
Estimate: \$1,600,000 - \$2,000,000, eventually sold for \$2,365,000.

My big engine rebuild - update
Finally, the very slow rebuild of my Maserati engine in the Cooper was completed last month and the rolling road results were impressive. There has been no opportunity to track test it, so the 15 minute qualifying session before the Surtees Trophy at the Members Meeting will be the first outing since 2015. No pressure then!



On the same weekend, Race Retro held their 15th anniversary "super show". The international historic motorsport show opened its doors with a fresh new look, exciting new features, and more cars than ever before to celebrate the anniversary at Stoneleigh Park, resulting in a record turnout over the three-day event with plenty of motorsport action. Both inside the halls and out on the Live Rally Stage, 21,000 attendees joined the party with special guests including rally legend Ari Vatanen, Le Mans endurance hero Tom Kristensen, and former Motorcycle World Champion 'Fast' Freddie Spencer.



Some Racing Diary Dates for 2017:
Donington Park Festival 28 - 19 April | Goodwood Revival 8 - 10 September
Silverstone Classic 29 - 30 July | Spa 6 Hour Meeting 16 - 17 September



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Please email advertisements to the Editor at newsletter@maseraticlub.co.uk. Advertisements will feature in two consecutive issues of the Maserati Club Newsletter and one issue of Auto Italia magazine.

Club Members can also advertise cars or parts on the Club website for free. Log in and select 'Add a Classified Ad' from the Member's Home page. Non-members who wish to advertise should contact webmaster@maseraticlub.co.uk

Please inform us when you have sold your car or parts.

Additional cars may be found on the club website, www.maseraticlub.co.uk

1965 Sebring Series 2 3.7

Rare opportunity. This matching numbers Maserati Sebring, chassis number 009, was the tenth series 2 Sebring to be built and the second with right hand drive from only 22 RHD in total. Released from the factory in March 1965 it was finished in Rosso Cordoba with Natura interior and supplied with Borrani wire wheels.

Registered in the UK on 5th April 1965 it was delivered to a Maserati enthusiast and early member of the Maserati club who, remarkably, used the car up until 1989 when he dismantled it for restoration. When he died in 2002 the panel repairs were complete - with new door skins, sills, wheel arches, valances and lower wings - but the restoration was otherwise unfinished and the car has been in storage since then. Roused from its slumbers in 2016 it is newly repainted to Concours standard in its original and very startling Rosso Cordoba colour scheme and its original 'Natura' leather interior has been fully refurbished and is in quite remarkable condition, ready to be re-fitted.

Perhaps most importantly, however, this is not just a jumble of old parts; all the components have been de-greased, cleaned, labelled and sorted and are in proper storage crates with inventory. Many of the parts are either new or already reconditioned. A change of plan means that this project is to be sold uncompleted and as such represents a rare opportunity for a new owner to complete a rebuild/re-assembly to concours standard with the difficult (and expensive!) panel, paint, and interior already complete. Classic certified and with some interesting early history. Copy & paste this dropbox link to see photos of the car and components. <https://www.dropbox.com/sh/diz26fwt6cxi5kl/AAAXlr-8ukXMaan3HYScqz8Ha?dl=0> The car is in storage in Warwickshire and the price is £125,000.

Call Greg Dyson 07980 681519 or greg@dysonholdings.com.



1965 Sebring Series 2 3.7

2005 90th Anniversary Spyder



Exceptional example of an 90th Anniversary Spyder in Britain if not Europe. 8890 miles only, only 1 previous owner. Annually serviced by Graypaul Nottingham. Garaged in a bubble at all times, never driven in the wet. Full service history with all documents available for scrutiny. £56,450.00.
Contact Darren on 07957 541894, darren@darrenbywater.co.uk

Maserati Books for Sale

Michael Miles has recently 'reviewed' his extensive library of Maserati books and has discovered he has duplicates of some 35 books ranging from Maserati, a History by A Pritchard to Birdcage to Supercage by W Oosthoek.

A full list of the books which are for sale is available from Michael at The Paddock Abbots Ann Andover SP11 7NS or michaeljmiles@me.com.

1972 Ghibli SS 4.9L



Known history from 1988. My ownership for 20 years. Just about everything rebuilt/ restored/ replaced. Near concours condition, but for me reliability and usability is more important than shiny bits! On the button, and ready to go. would be happy to jump in and drive to south of France! Well known car within the club. £265,000.
Contact Jim at 01233 840 371 or jim@deringarms.com.

Pirelli Cashback Offer for the Maserati Club

This offer entitles Maserati Club UK members to claim cashback on purchases of up to 8 Pirelli tyres within a calendar year and can be used for their friends and family providing the terms and conditions are adhered to. After fitting your tyres, the user will be required to upload their proof to the Pirelli Promotional Portal Website of purchase to validate the offer, www.pirelli.co.uk/maseraticlubuk.

Dave Smith



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As a long Maserati man and keen photographer, Dave Smith has built up an extensive library of photographs of Maserati cars and Club members taken at race meetings and other motoring events.

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Contact Dave on 01494 717701



Wanted: MISTRAL

I am eagerly looking for a Mistral - I am a long-standing Club Member and will consider all propositions. **Please do telephone me on 07968 094741 or e-mail laurel-cottage@hotmail.co.uk.**

Wanted: 4.9L Indy

Yes, I'm looking for an Indy! I'm looking for a 4.9L Indy in any condition though preferably a runner. Any colour combination, green would be great, orange amazing and black brilliant, but grey is good and red is perfect. Not white thanks! Price depends on condition but I am Scottish.
Contact John on 01620 895256.

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Car Parts for Sale

The following parts believed to have come from a Maserati 3500.

Borrani bi-metal wheels, 16 x 5.00. 5 off. In undamaged but scruffy condition, no cracks, gouges, etc. Only in need of cosmetic refurbishment. Tyres will be disposed of prior to shipping. Steering column assembly, inner and cast aluminium outer. Front suspension corners, RH and LH. Includes uprights, hubs, discs, callipers, wishbones and road springs. Flywheel with clutch pressure plate. All offers considered. New Lancia Auelia bi-metal Borrani 165 x 400 have been remade by Borrani at £992 each, but no Maserati wheels are available new. Much nicer than spoked wheels, easier to clean and probably lighter!
Please contact Martin Cliffe at Omicron Engineering - 01508 570 351 or martin@omicron.uk.com



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