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March 2018

11 March 2018
 The New Club Spring Event
 British Motor Museum at Gaydon
 Contact: Derek Mills
 Email: derekmills1@tiscali.co.uk



17 - 18 March 2018
 Goodwood 76th Members' Meeting
 Goodwood Circuit, Chichester
www.goodwood.com



20 - 26 March 2018
 Maserati Owners Club of Australia - Global Gathering
 Melbourne to Sydney, Australia

Details on the Club website

24 March 2018
 Graypaul Maserati Club Breakfast
 Graypaul Nottingham, Lenton Lane, Nottingham, NG7 2NR
 Contact: Paul Yardley
 Email: paul.yardley@mail.com

30 March - 2 April 2018
 Horsham Piazza Italia
 Horsham, Surrey
 Italian Car & Bike Festival
www.horshampiazzaitalia.co.uk

April 2018

7 April 2018
 Alton Italian Car Day
 Departure Lounge Café,
 Hampshire GU34 4BH
 Contact: Ross Aylward
 Email: marengo2@hotmail.co.uk

20 - 22 April 2018
 Motor Legend Festival,
 Imola 2018
 Imola
www.motorlegendfestival.com

21 April 2018
 A Visit to McGrath Maserati
 Location: Unit 8, Claggy Road,
 Kimpton,
 Herts. SG4 8QB
 Details on the Club website



27 - 29 April 2018
 3 Great Counties of Northern England
 Northumberland, County Durham & Cumbria
 Details on the Club website



28 April 2018
 The Great North Classic Car Show 2018
 Black Horse Beamish
www.facebook.com/AstonWorkshop

May 2018

4 - 6 May 2018
 Donington Historic Festival
 Castle Donington, Derby DE74 2RP
www.doningtonhistoric.com

5 May 2018
 Auto Italia Italian Car Day
 Brooklands
www.auto-italia.net

5 - 7 May 2018
 Scarborough Festival of Speed
 Oliver's Mount, Scarborough,
 North Yorkshire, YO11 2YW
www.oliversmountracing.com
 Email: office@pmhpromotions.com
 Telephone: 01723 373000

13 May 2018
 Classics at the Villa
 Villa Scalabrini, Shenley, WD7 9BB
www.classicsatthevilla.com

16 - 19 May 2018
 Mille Miglia
 Brescia, Italy
www.1000miglia.eu

19 - 20 May 2018
 Beaulieu Spring Autojumble
 National Motor Museum,
 Hampshire
www.beaulieu.co.uk

20 - 29 May 2018
 CM18
 Pyrenees
 Contact: John Bennett
 Email: chairman@maseraticlub.co.uk

FULLY BOOKED



25 - 27 May 2018
 Concorso d'Eleganza Villa d'Este
 Lake Como, Italy
concorsoeleganzavilladeste.com

26 - 27 May 2018
 La Vie en Bleu / La Vita Rossa
 Prescott, Glos
www.prescott-hillclimb.com

June 2018

2 June 2018
 Alton Italian Car Day
 Departure Lounge Café,
 Hampshire GU34 4BH
 Contact: Ross Aylward
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10 June 2018
 Maserati Club AGM &
 Concours- Blenheim Palace



16 - 17 June 2018
 Bristol Classic Car Show
 Royal Bath & West, BA4 6QN
<http://bccs.bristolclassicarshows.com/>

July 2018

7 - 8 July 2018
 The Supercar Event 2018
 Rockingham Circuit, Northamptonshire
<http://thesupercarevent.com/>

9 July 2018
 Maserati Club Track Day
 Blyton Park circuit, Lincolnshire
 Contact: Geoff Lancaster
 Email: geoff.lancaster@btinternet.com



12 - 15 July 2018
 Goodwood Festival of Speed
 Chichester, Sussex
www.goodwood.com

20 - 22 July 2018
 Silverstone Classic
 Silverstone
 Details on the Club website



29 July 2018
 Supercar Sunday
 Brooklands
www.auto-italia.net
www.brooklandsmuseum.com
 Email: mail@philwardevents.com

August 2018

4 - 5 August 2018
 Beaulieu Supercar Weekend
 National Motor Museum,
 Hampshire
www.beaulieu.co.uk

5 August 2018
 Summer Garden Party
 Dering Arms, Pluckley TN27 0RR
 Email: jim@deringarms.com



8 August 2018
 Charity Classic Car Show
 Memorial Centre, Gerrards Cross
www.gxclassiccars.co.uk

19 August 2018
 Festival Italia
 Brands Hatch Circuit, Kent
www.festivalitalia.com

30 August - 1 September 2018
 Salon Privé
 Blenheim Palace
www.salonpriveconcours.com

31 August - 2 September 2018
 Concours of Elegance
 Hampton Court
<http://concursofelegance.co.uk/>

September 2018

7 - 9 September 2018
 Goodwood Revival
 Chichester, Sussex
www.goodwood.com

14 - 16 September 2018
 BOIR 2018 (Best of Italy Race)
 Emilia Romagna
www.bestofitalyrace.com

26 - 30 September 2018
 Maserati International Rally
 2018 - Berlin, Germany
 Details on the Club website



October 2018

4 - 7 October 2018
 Autumn Meeting
 Isle of Man
 Contact: Edwin Faulkner
 Email: EJF@MANX.NET



14 October 2018
 Autumn Motorsport Festival
 Brooklands
www.brooklandsmuseum.com
 Email: mail@philwardevents.com

November 2018

9 - 11 November 2018
 NEC Classic Motor Show
 Birmingham
www.necclassicismotorshow.com



December 2018

2 December 2018
 Christmas Lunch
 The Bluebird Dining Rooms,
 Chelsea, London
 Details will be on the club website



April 2019

26 - 28 April 2019
 CM Spring Rally 2019
 In the Nene Valley



June 2021

17 - 26 June 2021
 Highland Fling IV



MASERATI CLUB NEWSLETTER



Northern Lights -
“Metti le tue scarpe da ballo”

Retromobilé - The Grand Tour of the Auctions



Club Maserati France showing their Barchetta



1956 Maserati 300 S

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Editor's Agenda



It's been a relatively quiet few months car-wise, apart from picking up my Cup from McGraths after its annual service and some shock absorber renewals. I have booked myself in to the Gaydon and Three Great Counties events and can't wait to get behind the wheel. Club-wise, it looks like the Northern Lights goes from strength to strength, including dancing! I wish I had made the effort to attend....



After many years of contemplating, I finally visited the 'History on Wheels' museum at Eton Wick, close to Windsor, about 30 minutes from my home. This was Tony Oliver's collection of predominately WW2 memorabilia, with a special interest in German vehicles. It had a little cinema showing Tony driving (and starting!) these vehicles. This is not usually my thing, but Diane and I really enjoyed the two hours we spent there (it's not big).



There is an interesting article in the latest Auto Italia regarding the rare QP II (and an SM). Only 13 of these QPs were made, but you will have to buy the magazine to find out why!

We welcome Mark Carden to the Newsletter team, who along with Keith will be sense-checking my content - some one needs to!



Henry McNeill
newsletter@maseraticlub.co.uk

Henry, Hope to see you at Gaydon, February 2018

Wanted New Newsletter Editor - By Henry McNeill

With my departure due at the 2018 AGM, the Club is inviting applications for the post of Newsletter Editor to take on this role.

With more and more reliance on the website, the first task of a new Editor will be look at how the Newsletter should evolve to best fit with the Website and Trident.

We employ a graphic designer to complete the layouts and the Editors role is to select the copy and photos to fill the spaces and to decide on the

content of each page. While I was working in the USA I did most of the compilation remotely. You can also choose to spread the workload over time or, as I preferred, concentrating on it during the last weekend of publication.

As Newsletter Editor you would be a Member of the Club Committee and that involves five meetings a year including the AGM. The meetings are generally held just west of London. The term is usually for three years. A big benefit of the

position is you can get press passes for some relevant motoring events - the highlight for me was Desert Concorso in Palm Springs and a few events at Monterey Car Week. If you did have the time (unfortunately I did not, and still do not), you could really benefit by becoming a more visible part of the Maserati community.

Feel free to contact me and I am happy to discuss any queries or interest you may have at newsletter@maserati.co.uk.

Chairman's Notes



John Bennett
Chairman

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It being sunny, mild and windless for a change, I had all the cars out today for a warm up and a little blast along the private road at the house. I can report that all's well! Everything started, except the Alfa that was being picked up this morning to go to Alfaholics for fettling prior to the Goodwood Members Meeting - amazingly the GRRRC asked if I would like an entry in the Ronnie Hoare race and as I've been angling for a race at Goodwood for years, I was delighted that my moment had come. I'm not sure how competitive I'll be as my 1570cc might not be enough on such a fast circuit against various Ferraris and the like - I'll

report on my progress up or down the field next time!

Susan and I enjoyed the Northern Lights dinner at Nantwich last Saturday. It was a pleasure to see so many well kent faces as well as lots of new ones. It was a fun evening, good food, a great band and, for those who stayed over, a really comfortable hotel, you could lie in the bath and watch TV, a first for me. Congratulations to Robert Crooks and Stella Kriticos for the excellent organisation.

My request for help with the graphics for next year's International didn't

go unnoticed and that's now sorted, thank goodness. We still need a Newsletter Editor and I hope someone will be brave enough to stick their head over the parapet. I'd also like someone else to join the Committee on a 'without portfolio' basis to add another view and perhaps take on the occasional small project. If you fancy getting involved, do give me a ring. On a similar vein, if you have a gripe about the Club or have an idea to improve things then I'd love some feedback. I won't take it personally.

Looking forward to hearing from lots of you....

Obituary:

BOB LINWOOD - We regret to announce that long standing Member Bob Linwood died on 26th January. There will be an obituary in the next Newsletter.

Bobby Bell - By Roger Lucas

Some members may have seen the obituary last November of the death of Bobby Bell, due to an unfortunate shooting accident. Bobby was the "Bell" of Bell and Colville, specialised car dealers in West Horsley, Surrey.

Most notices referred to the dealership as being one primarily for Lotus. However, in the late '70s and early '80s, they were also dealers for Maserati. Bobby, himself, raced many types of car including a Maserati 250F and also, I think, a 300S. It was from Bobby, nearly 40 years ago that I

bought my first Maserati, a Merak SS-the Autocar test car. He also suggested that I should join the Maserati Club. I lost contact with him after we moved down to West Sussex. He was always such a jolly chap and I'm sure, is greatly missed.



Maserati Club Website Update - By Graham Wood

If you are now paying your subscription through the website (well over 50% of Members are now paying this way) please ensure that if you were originally paying by Standing Order that you cancel it with your Bank. Only you can do this, the Club cannot do this on your behalf.

Member Introductions

Henry Chase

I am very excited to be a member of the Maserati Club UK. After growing up with a father who has the 'disease' for cars, it was inevitable that I was to catch it at some point. After a few trips to our local Classic Car Auction my eyes became fixed on a 2001 Maserati 3200 GT, which after a nervous

bidding battle I am happy to say she is now my 'Maisie' the Maserati.

On a side note after joining, my Dad (Stephen Chase), a lover of Alfa Romeos, told me that after putting his Black Junior Zagato on show at the Birmingham NEC Classic Car Motor Show a certain Cameron Miller became interested and bought it from him. My Dad had converted it to right hand drive and replaced the original 1300

engine with a 2ltr. The latest we heard of its whereabouts was that Cameron Miller's

grandson is now the happy owner. Out of interest we were just wondering if anyone had any further news or corrections to who now owns it?

Anyway, I can't wait for my first trip out with you lot.

Roberto Giordanelli

With periods of Maserati ownership, interspersed with intervals away from the mothership, I have been in and out of the Club since the 1980s. Now with a newly acquired 3200 GT in the garage, re-joining the Club is a calling. In 1999, wearing my press hat, I attended the fabulous Maserati 3200 launch in Italy. At last my 19-year 3200 itch has been alleviated.



Wearing my Trident racer's hat, I have raced a Group-A Biturbo, a Ghibli Cup GT2 in British GTs, and in Michael O'Shea's monster 5-litre Cooper-Maserati. At the Silver Flag Hillclimb, driving Drummond Bone's Barchetta along the 2-mile straight, which at 170mph is not straight, was a good lesson in aerodynamics. I have also tested race cars with the Maserati Corse works team at Monza and Misano. The team then invited me to compete in their Trofeo Championships in 2005, 2006 and 2010 with both 4200s and GranTurismos. 2018 will be my 52nd year in motorsport and I have plenty of race drives lined up.

Wearing my engineer's hat, I have restored or worked on: 3500, Indy, Sebring, Bora, Merak, Kyalami, Biturbo and more. Re-donning my press hat, during my 15 years as Chief Test Driver for Autotalia magazine, I was fortunate enough to road or track tested just about every Maserati made including: 250F, Tipo 61 V12, Birdcage, A6G, 250s 300S, 450S and even a Simun concept car. By the way if you are a police officer, the Autotalia magazine photo of me driving a 3200 - hands off the wheel - with the speedo showing over 170mph was trick photography. Honest.

Finally, a huge thankyou to all the Maserartisti who trusted me with their magnificent machines. It's good to be back in the club.

Mark Carden

Experiencing a late-onset mid-life crisis, I felt that I really needed to have something new. So I invited my wife to choose from four carefully-planned and delightfully-alliterative options, and she considered the disadvantages of each one: a Motorbike (too dangerous), a Moustache (too sinister), a Mistress (too expensive) or a Maserati (an unknown quantity). She wisely chose M for Maserati, and in the summer of 2016 I travelled from darkest Gloucestershire to Scunthorpe to buy a black 4.2 2009 Quattroporte.



As it turns out, the QP has demonstrated all the qualities of the other options, being dangerously quick, having a sinister aspect (have you seen that radiator grille?), and being more costly to run than any human Mistress that I might realistically have been able to secure. In the end 'the Contessa' (that's Mrs Carden, not the car), seems content, and despite rather frequent trips to specialist fettlers (my current favourite being Ftech, in Exeter), the QP is proving a delight to drive and to own. With a QP, the joy of the open road is matched by the joy of hearing, at your destination, "Oh, that's fine, sir; you can leave your car here, right in front of Reception".

I look forward to meeting fellow Club members at future events.



Maserati on the Web

- Club Website: www.MaseratiClub.co.uk
- The Club has a Dropbox folder where you can post photographs; contact newsletter@maseraticlub.co.uk for access
- Twitter (company): [www.twitter.com/Maserati_HQ](https://twitter.com/Maserati_HQ)
- Twitter (unofficial): [www.twitter.com/MaseratiNews](https://twitter.com/MaseratiNews)
- Facebook: www.facebook.com/Maserati
- Racing & Trofeo World Series: www.MaseratiCorse.com
- Store - things to buy with a Trident: www.MaseratiStore.com
- Pinterest: www.pinterest.com/Maserati/ or search for Maserati
- US-based parts and information: www.MaseratiNet.com
- Mexico Registry: www.Mexico-Registry.com
- Ireland Club: www.MaseratiClub.ie
- www.classicdriver.com, which has Maserati content and cars for sale from time to time
- The Centenary Website: www.Maserati100.com
- LinkedIn Group: www.linkedin.com/groups/3936236
- LinkedIn US Owner Group: www.linkedin.com/groups/8516029
- UK Maserati Forum www.MaseratiForum.co.uk
- Sports Maserati Forum: www.SportsMaserati.com
- Auto Italia: www.auto-italia.net
- YouTube: www.youtube.com/channel/UCrragB5FbqfGKWYxOd-UAeg
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Event Reports -

Northern Lights Dinner - By Sean Muirhead "Metti le tue scarpe da ballo"



The new format for 2018's Northern Lights, as an evening dinner with the option of an overnight stay at a luxury hotel, proved to be very popular and with few concerns about the wintry weather hampering travel arrangements. Members had the whole of Saturday to make their way to the hotel and then the whole of Sunday for their return journey home.

With sixty-three Club members attending Rookery Hall Hotel and Spa near Nantwich, Cheshire, for dinner on Saturday, January 27th, it proved that this new formula would be a winner. Thanks to all the effort put into this by Robert Crooks and Stella Kriticos, Club members were able to relax and take in all that the lovely venue had to offer and the added possibility of Saturday afternoon test drives courtesy of H R Owen, who brought several of the latest models of Maseratis.

Robert says that having the cars there was a great add-on to the event and lots of people took the opportunity for a drive, often in cars they had not driven before. Everybody he spoke to was thoroughly impressed, particularly with the Petrol Levante and QPVI GTS. After an evening of fine food and excellent company, local band Hard Candi played into the night, with plenty of popular songs that had a good number Members up and dancing.

Welcome to the Club

Membership on the 29th January 2018 stood at **583**, this time last year the figure was 684. The drop in numbers is due to non-payers and members not paying the correct S/O fee being removed from the database. **New members signed up since the publication of the last newsletter are: -**

Name	Member No.	Area	Car
Henry Chase	5319	Norfolk	3200GT
Wayne Poulton	5320	Worcestershire	3200GT
Roberto Giordanelli	5321	Surrey	3200GT
David Grundy	5322	Gloucestershire	GranTurismo
Alec Heath	5323	Staffordshire	Spyder
David Daw	5324	Associate member	
Francesco Martin	5325	East Sussex	-
John McKee	5326	Wales	3200GT

Dave Smith - Club Administrator Tel 01494 717 701 admin@maseraticlub.co.uk

Spring Meet at Gaydon - 11 March 2018

This will be a great opportunity to dust off the Maserati and enjoy a visit to the British Motor Museum at Gaydon. This will be a not-to-be-missed opportunity to catch up with friends after the winter. There will be plenty of dedicated parking.

If you want to secure your place for a social buffet-style lunch, glass of fizz and entry to an amazing display of historic cars for only £29.50pp, then please register as soon as possible. The registration form is now on the Club website. If you are unable to register for this event on the web then contact Derek Mills to register by post at The Bell House, 4a Dorking Road, Epsom KT18 7LX.

Please email derekmills1@tiscali.co.uk or telephone 01372 728933 if you need any further details.



Graypaul Nottingham Breakfast Club - 24 March 2018



Starting with breakfast at 10:30 on Saturday 24th March, Club members can have a look around the joint Maserati Ferrari showroom and enjoy the hospitality of Graypaul Maserati, which is amazing! There is plenty of on-site, secure parking and lots of lovely cars to look at, including classics. Anyone wanting to test drive a current Maserati will be able to do so; the cars available to drive will be:

- Ghibli petrol or diesel
- Levante diesel or Levante S
- MY18 GranTurismo

Anyone wanting to test drive any of the cars will need to contact Graypaul directly, before the 24th, to put themselves on the insurance, giving the reference 'Maserati Club Breakfast', contact details are:

- Nic Shacklock
- Graypaul Nottingham, Lenton Lane, Nottingham, NG7 2NR
- Tel: 01159 833 555 Mob: 07970 342074 Email: nicshacklock@sytnr.co.uk

To book for the breakfast, please contact Paul Yardley at paul.yardley@mail.com. It would be great to put on a good show and I hope we can get a few of our Club members there on the day.



Maserati Owners Club of Australia - Global Gathering 20-26 Mar 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 is planned to run as a road trip over seven nights, commencing on Tuesday 20th March 2018 and finishing in Sydney on Monday 26th March 2018.

See the club website for further information, including event pricing, indicative shipping costs, accommodation options and a booking form. Pricing is now available for the cars to be supplied by Maserati Australia.

Alton Italian Car Day - 7 April 2018



Ross Aylward and his team will be running their Alton Italian Car Breakfast Meets at The Departure Lounge Cafe again this year. The format is as before, starting at 10am on the first Saturdays of April, June, August and October. Any Italian car of any age is welcome. The Editor and Diane really enjoyed the last time we attended, with an excellent Breakfast in the lovely Hampshire countryside.

Search for the 'Alton Italian Car Day' on Facebook.

Open House at McGrath Maserati - 21 April 2018

A chance to visit this cornucopia of Italian cars between 10am and 4pm. Not just the wonderful Maseratis that they are working on, but the museum of small Italian machines. A not-to-be-missed opportunity. A glass of bubbly and a light buffet will be served at lunchtime and refreshments available throughout the day. Tickets £10 per person ~ payable to Maserati Club ~ is to be generously donated to the Motor Neurone Disease Association. Entrance by ticket only. Book now, on the Club website, as numbers are limited.





Three Great Counties of Northern England 27 - 29 April 2018



This event has been planned as a total wind down. No timetables, no quizzes, no challenges, no concours: just good company, good food and good wine. Everything is designed to be taken at your own pace, be it a slow scenic drive or something a bit more spirited! If you've never been to a Club event, this is the one to attend to take the opportunity to meet us all.

We will be staying at Slaley Hall near Hexham in Northumberland and finishing the event in Barnard Castle in County Durham with brief excursions into Cumbria. Slaley Hall is an

Edwardian mansion set in 1,000 acres of Northumberland countryside; perfect for an idyllic short break. Facilities available onsite include golf, spa, 4x4 driving, quad biking, walking and swimming. So much to do that you don't even have to drive over the weekend if you don't feel like it!

The price is £525 for 2 people sharing a double or twin room, Single occupancy rooms are available. The booking form is available on the Club website.

Italian Car Day at Brooklands - 5 May 2018

One of the UK's biggest and best Italian car gatherings. 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 Test Hill. 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.

The relocation of the aircraft hangar and aviation exhibits has created an

extensive new display area for Italian cars. Access has also been improved for 2018, and to reduce queueing at the gate there will be a dedicated entrance for Alfa Romeo and Abarth owners through The Heights car park.

Selected cars will be invited to take part in the track demonstration and the hill climb. The emphasis for applications this year will be on classics. For all event information contact: mail@philwardevents.com.

The Pyrenees - Cameron Millar Spring Rally 2018 - 20 - 29 May 2018

Now Full. Please ask to be put on the wait-list.

A driving tour of about 850 miles through the Spanish and French foothills and mountains of the Pyrenees with spectacular scenery and some great driving roads.

The tour departs from Plymouth on Sunday 20 May by ferry to Santander and returns from Santander arriving Portsmouth on Tuesday 29th May. Check the Club website for more information.

Maserati Club AGM and Concours 2018 10 June 2018



The AGM will take place on Sunday 10th June commencing 11.00 a.m. at Blenheim Palace in a private room. Coffee and tea will be available beforehand. The Club Concours will take place immediately after the AGM in the Courtyard. If you would like to book lunch in the Orangery off the Courtyard then the Club has an option on a small number of tables. To book contact events@maseraticlub.co.uk.

For those wishing to stay locally on the Saturday night the Club has a small allocation of rooms at The Bear Hotel at Woodstock close to Blenheim Palace. To book call them and quote 'Maserati Club'. Alternatively there is a wide variety of accommodation in Oxford just a short drive away. It is also planned to have a dinner for Club Members on the Saturday evening and if you would like to book then please contact Lorraine Sparrowhawk at: ldsparrowhawk@yahoo.com

A Ducal Invitation: The Argyll Festival of Performance

2 - 3 June 2018



The inaugural Argyll Festival of Performance (AFP) will take place at the evocative and picturesque lochside Inveraray Castle over two days next year (Saturday and Sunday, 2 and 3 June).

Situated in the Western Highlands of Scotland, known for superb driving roads and stunning scenery, the AFP will create a Festival

Village within the garden and grounds of the 18th Century castle home of the 13th Duke of Argyll. The AFP promises a show and lifestyle event with lots of special features intended to attract a local and international audience.

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Maserati Club Track Day - 9 July 2017



Once again Mark Hales will give excellent coaching



Mark Hales driving the Trofeo 4200



Welcome to Lincolnshire



Organiser, Geoff Lancaster, in Annie Potter's Spyder 4200 last year An exact clone of his own car.



Aerial view of Blyton Park



Our track layout. We will have two layouts to play on!

Our annual trackday is once again booked for Blyton Park near Lincoln and since this is the time of year when we all start filling up our diaries - here is another date for you... July 9th! Building on the tremendous success of last year's event we will once again offer participants and partners the opportunity to dine together on the previous night, at a venue to be selected. David Daw, who organises the 'social' elements of the event, has secured unique accommodation for us right in the centre of historic Lincoln within the Cathedral precincts at The Old Palace, which as the name suggests was formerly the Bishop's Palace. <http://theoldpalace.org>. There is secure, CCTV monitored reserved parking but those with trailers are advised to drop off at Blyton Park prior to joining the group at the hotel.

On the day itself, participants will gather at the circuit for driver/passenger briefing at 08:30 and the circuit will be available at will after completing a sighting lap behind the course car. Those accompany-

ing people preferring a little retail therapy to the cut and thrust of the track will be able to explore the delightful old quarter of Lincoln with its many boutiques and have a relaxing lunch.

This year's event provides the usual delights for the keen driver including as always the expert instruction of ace ARDS instructor, Mark Hales. This year, however, there is the added attraction of driving on two different circuit configurations. In the morning we will run the fast, swoopy Outer Circuit and in the afternoon we switch to the twisty and more technical Eastern Circuit.

If you book by 31st March, you can take advantage of last year's rates at £130 per driver (passengers are free). That's great value for a track day of this nature. To book for the track day e-mail Geoff on geoff.lancaster@btinternet.com. Accommodation cost is £185 for a double and £85 for a single per night. Contact the hotel directly and quote 'Maserati Club' to obtain these special rates.



DATES ARE NOW CONFIRMED

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

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.

Full access to all paddocks to get close to the cars and talk to the drivers.

Free access to the grandstands with free viewing on the big Screens.

Display your car in the infield on **The Maserati Club** stand when buying a Maserati car club package.

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.

All this is included in the club discount ticket price.

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, **it is after all a Classic car event.**

These tickets can only be purchased by using the booking code **18012CCD** which is dedicated to our club. The package includes two Event Tickets and one infield vehicle display pass per day.

Booking details below:-

SPECIAL MASERATI CLUB DISPLAY TICKET OFFER

You will need to contact the Silverstone Classic website below for your tickets using the Club Code: 18012CCD

www.silverstoneclassic.com/buycarclubtickets.

Car Club Display Package	Early Bird Tickets 1st Jan - 31st Mar 2018	Standard Tickets 1st April - 31st May 2018
3-Day Weekend	£102	£120
2-Day Fri/Sat	£92	£102
2-Day Sat/Sun	£101	£112
Friday	£45	£52
Saturday	£74	£78
Sunday	£62	£67

Early Bird Car Club Display Packages:
Available 1st January until 31st March 2018
Standard Car Club Display Packages:
Available 1st April to 31st May 2018
General Admission Tickets and Extras:
Available until 19th July 2018



Warning!
After the 31st May 2018 you will not be able to purchase the discount tickets or infield display passes, under any circumstances.



Supercar Sunday at Brooklands - 29 July 2018

This exciting event will be repeated at Brooklands in 2018. It is a rare opportunity for the public to get close to exclusive motorcars and also see them in action. Historic Brooklands is conveniently located just within London's M25 orbital motorway, between its junctions with the M3 and the A3. It has excellent new 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.

For all event information contact: mail@philwardevents.com.

Maserati Club Summer Garden Party - 5 August 2018

This is a chance to meet up at the beginning of August at the Dering Arms in Kent for a fabulous champagne reception and a gourmet buffet lunch provided by Jim Buss. With a Jazz Band providing entertainment and other classic car clubs in attendance as well, this event makes the British Summer complete. **Check the Club website for the latest details.**



Maserati International Rally 2018, Berlin, Germany - 26 - 30 September 2018

Bookings are expected to be open soon. MIR 18 will include a boat trip to Berlin for a sightseeing tour, a day at the Lausitzring circuit with the opportunity to join Michael Bartels in his MC12 Corsa, with a separate programme for those not wanting to go to the track. Finally, there will be a sightseeing driving tour through the Brandenburg countryside, parking in front of the Sanssouci Palace in Potsdam, with a Gala dinner on the Saturday evening. Please note that this is a Wednesday to Sunday event.



Please register your interest on the Club website which contains a link to the full programme.

Autumn Meeting on the Isle of Man - 4 - 7 October 2018

The proposed itinerary will be as follows:

JUST 3 PLACES LEFT!

Thursday 4th October

- Depart Heysham near Lancaster on the Isle of Man Ferry.
- Check into the Palace Hotel & Casino, The Promenade, Douglas, IOM.
- Meet in the Bar for complementary Cocktails, courtesy of Maserati Autosshield at 7.30pm followed by dinner at 8.00pm.

Friday 5th October

- Scenic Drive out to The New Isle of Man Motor Museum via Laxey.
- Lunch at the Guard House next to the Museum.
- Depart for the Point of Ayre then drive over the famous TT mountain, stopping in the Pit Lane of the famous TT Grandstand before completing the TT course, then return to the Hotel in Douglas.
- Cocktails, courtesy of Hawk Enterprises Ltd. at 7.30pm followed by dinner at 8.00pm.

Saturday 6th October

- Scenic Drive out to Port Erin, via Injebreak, visit Cregneash historic village, overlooking the Calf Sound and the Calf of Man island.
- Lunch at Bradda Glen Restaurant in Port Erin.
- Afternoon scenic drive to Peel to visit either the castle or museums or the shops.
- Cocktails, courtesy of Canlines Ltd. at 7.45pm followed by Dinner at 8.30pm.

Sunday 7th October

- Ride on the Horse Drawn Tram along the 2 mile Douglas Promenade or visit Historic Castletown.
- Lunch in Douglas before departing Douglas by Ferry for home.

The booking form is now available on the club website. Please contact Edwin if you require any further information: ejf@manx.net. Price inclusive of ferry £440 per person.

With thanks to our sponsors:



Autumn Motorsport Festival at Brooklands - 14 Oct 2018

The Autumn Motorsport Festival at Brooklands Museum, with its associated competition car displays, will held again in 2018. Taking place on Sunday 14th October, it's a wonderful chance to round off the season with the sight of competition cars from all eras in action on the Mercedes-Benz World test track, adjacent to Brooklands Museum. Selected cars will also run up the demanding Brooklands Test Hill.

Competition car clubs and racing car owners with special or interesting cars are invited to apply for a space in the Mercedes-Benz World track demonstration and/or a run up Test Hill. Please note that for all Brooklands events, the drivers of cars and their passengers selected to run on the track at Mercedes-Benz World will be required to wear crash helmets.

For all event information contact: mail@philwardevents.com.

The Nene Valley - Cameron Millar Spring Rally 2019

26 - 28 April 2019



This will be a traditional Cameron Millar format with members meeting on Friday evening at the Talbot Hotel, Oundle for dinner with a tour of the local area on Saturday before returning to the hotel for a second night. There will be a further excursion on Sunday morning before the event is closed with Sunday lunch.

We will be limited to a maximum of 35 cars, and Bookings will be accepted strictly in the order in which they are received. Please register your interest on the Club website.



Fiat Chrysler's Maserati Profits Continued to Strengthen in 4Q17 - Credit to Market Realist news website

In 2015, Fiat Chrysler (FCAU) decided to spin off its Italian luxury car brand Ferrari (RACE) as a separate company. After Ferrari's separation from Fiat Chrysler, Maserati was one of the key luxury vehicle brands left in FCAU's product portfolio. Let's take a look at the Maserati brand's 4Q17 performance and its impact on Fiat Chrysler's overall profitability.

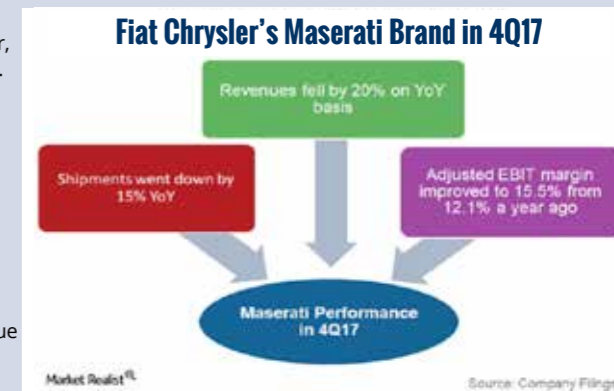
Maserati's 4Q17 revenue fell

In 4Q17, Fiat Chrysler shipped ~16,000 units of Maserati brand cars, 15% lower than the ~18,000 units it shipped in 4Q16. With this, the company's revenue from the luxury car brand fell ~20% YoY (year-over-year) to 12.1 billion euros, or ~\$15 billion. This revenue fall was primarily the result of lower Maserati shipments and currency headwinds.

Fiat Chrysler's reporting currency is the euro, and a large part of Maserati's revenue comes from the United States in US dollars. For this reason, the US dollar's weakening against the euro is acting as a headwind to the company's profits.

Strength in Maserati's profitability

In 4Q17, the Maserati segment's adjusted EBIT (earnings before interest and tax) stood at 188 million euros, or \$234 million. With this, Maserati's adjusted EBIT margin rose significantly to 15.5% for the quarter compared to 12.1% a year ago. Reduced industrial costs and a positive product mix played an important role in boosting Maserati's profit margins in the fourth quarter. Continued strength in Fiat Chrysler's luxury brands, including Maserati, helped the company to expand its overall 4Q17 margin.



Pirelli Fuel Gift Card Offer



Feel reassured with Pirelli Performance Centres

Pirelli Performance Centres (PPC) are a network of audited tyre dealers that have met strict criteria enabling them to offer the highest possible standards of service. There are 120 of them in total all over the United Kingdom, and they are continually assessed in order to make sure that these impeccable standards are constantly adhered to, offering customers a guarantee of ultimate quality. The network has a 20-year history, making it an established hallmark of excellence when it comes to tyre-fitting.

To be part of this exclusive club each PPC has to continually meet a set of demanding criteria, which includes a focus on customer service and technology, ensuring that only the best achieve and retain PPC status. So high are these standards that very few dealerships hit the required targets.

This means customers can feel reassured that when they take their Maserati to a PPC they can expect the highest levels of customer service and product knowledge and know their car is in safe hands.

Pirelli fuel gift card offer

Members of the Maserati Club can now benefit from an exclusive offer from Pirelli of a fuel gift card. Available only when purchasing Pirelli tyres from a Pirelli Performance Centre or official Maserati dealer, the card's value depends on the size and quantity of tyres purchased as follows:

16" and below	17"	18" and above
2 tyres = £10 4 tyres = £30	2 tyres = £30 4 tyres = £70	2 tyres = £50 4 tyres = £100

Where can you get your tyres fitted? A dedicated website is set up at www.pirelli.co.uk/maseraticlubuk. Here you will find all the promotional details and a dealer locator enabling you to search for your nearest participating dealer. Terms and conditions apply. Please note, only claims from a Pirelli Performance Centre or official Maserati dealer will be accepted.

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Retromobilé - The Grand Tour of Auctions and Catching a Cold!

It felt like the dead of night when my alarm sounded at 6am but that gave me 3 hours to get ready, drive into London, park and jump on the tube to Kings Cross St. Pancras for the 9.25 Eurostar to Paris. I arrived at the station at 5 minutes past 9 o'clock as the gate was closing and no amount of charm was going to persuade them to re-open the gate. My travelling company on this trip was fellow club member Simon Frodsham, who was ready and waiting for me at the station. An hour later we were on the next train to the Gard du Nord at no extra expense, thank goodness! Going to Retromobilé is not dissimilar from going to Le Mans and a strong British contingent support this event, so it was not surprising that there were some familiar faces on the train. We passed the time talking cars with Simon Diffey, a regular 250F driver amongst other priceless machinery and Phillip Stainton who looks after Lord Irvine Laidlaw's collection.

Phillip went to great lengths to point out that of all the Maseratis that Irvine had owned, the one that he particularly disliked driving was the Mistral Spyder. I am not going to torture myself by going into all the reasons (and there were many) as it is known that I am going to great expense to restore a Mistral Coupe, which if I live until I am 100 I may break even on.



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Bonhams

So after being ripped off by a taxi driver, we get to the Les Grandes Marques Du Monde au Grand Palais, in other words the Bonhams Auction. There were 4 Maseratis up for sale but only 2 of them reached their reserve figures and sold in the auction the following day.

1990 Maserati Shamal - Brown
Sold for £57,148) inc. premium

1971 Indy Coupe 4.7L - Dark Blue
Sold £51,025 inc.

Neither the immaculate Bora with the American specification protruding rubber bumpers, or the well-presented 3500 Vignale Spyder reached their reserves. It may have been the post-it note with the starting instructions that put buyers off.



1990 Maserati Shamal



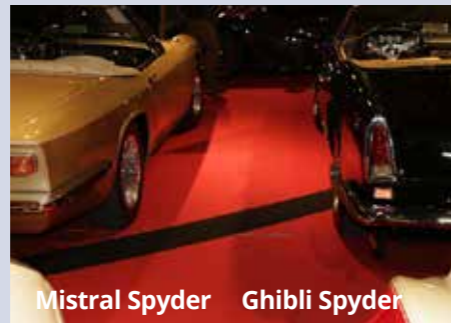
Bora

Sotheby's - The Big One



MC12

Onto RM Sotheby's, just in time to see the 2005 MC12 from a private collection go under the hammer. This race-ready version of the MC12, called the MC12 Corsa, was campaigned in the FIA's GT and GT1 World Championship Series where it proved to be a formidable contender. Vitaphone Racing secured five consecutive team championships. Back to the auction and there was a great atmosphere in the room as the bidding continued and it finally sold for £1,781,668 inc. Not bad for a car that cost around £890,000 when new!



Mistral Spyder Ghibli Spyder

1967 Mistral 4.0L Spyder by Frua, one of 37 built, Oro over a white leather interior, sold for £655,262 inc.

1970 Ghibli Spyder 4.7L, one of only 125 factory built spyders and it was originally finished in Verde Gemma over a white leather interior, but resprayed black. Offered in immaculate condition and sold for £630,023 Inc.

1963 3500GT Spyder by Vignale, one of 250 factory produced with an estimate of £623,000 to £712,000, failed to sell. The colour scheme was black as per the original colour, only the interior



1954 OSCA 2000 S

colour had been changed. Interesting that the 3500 GT Spyder, which was traditionally regarded as the ultimate road going Maserati Spyder, is now being overtaken by the rarer Mistral and Ghibli Spyder.

The dark horse was the little 1954 OSCA 2000 S in the corner which sold for £705,325. The car won the 1954 12 hours of Messina and is one of only 4 produced. A gorgeous car following a very extensive restoration with a great story.

Artcurial, the final chance to buy

Finally, onto Artcurial Motorcars Auction at Port De Versailles held at Salon Retromobilé. It was more difficult to assess the cars properly, as they wanted you to subscribe to a €100 catalogue to both enter the area where the cars were on display and obtain the full details on the web site, which I was not prepared to do. They sold a Mistral Coupe in poor condition for £129,050, a 3500 Coupe for £160,200, a A6 GCS for £1,869,000. They also had for sale an A6G/2000 with a guide of £2,225,000 - £2,403,000.

Club Maserati France had a stand with a very nice Sebring and a Barchetta, see cover photograph

The show itself is not so different from Race Retro but larger with better catering facilities. It was an enjoyable 2 days in Paris despite freezing temperatures and heavy snow, but all I acquired was a heavy cold!



"Simon was unsure which parts would fit his modern Ghibli"



TorqueTalk welcomes contributions from any member of our club. News involving Maseratis and OSCAs is especially welcome, even if it is not owned or driven by a member of our club. Please keep sending your stories and photographs.

Advertising rates for members: Free for Club Members. Log in and select 'Add a Classified Ad' from the Member's Home page to add details of your car and parts.

Advertising rates for non-members and trade: £30 for text with/without a photograph.

- Please email advertisements to advertising@maseraticlub.co.uk.
- Please pay into Sort Code: 08-92-99, Account no: 65635025, Quoting ref (NL) and name, e.g. 'NL John Smith'.
- We now accept PayPal payments through the 'Treasurer@maseraticlub.co.uk' email address.
- As a last resort, contact the Editor to confirm any cheque payments.

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

All advertisements will feature in two consecutive issues of the Maserati Club Newsletter, on our Club website (Market page) for 2 months and one issue of Auto Italia magazine. One photo can be used for the Newsletter and up to 5 for the website.

Please inform us when you have sold your car or parts

Dave Smith



Classic Car Show 2017

As a lifelong 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.

Copies and enlargements are available at attractive prices.

Contact Dave on
01494 717701



1981 Maserati Merak SS RHD



Reluctant sale of a very original and maintained. MOT Until 3rd August 2018. Current Mileage 81,859km. Engine rebuilt in 2009 at 79,478km. I've owned the car since August 2003 and since then virtually all of the mechanical aspects of the car have been done, including hydraulics and brakes by Bill McGrath and engine by B.L. Autos. I have a huge file detailing all the work done on the car since I have had it. I also have an original space saver spare wheel and tyre and the original jack is still in the car. If I was not selling the car, then I would have had the bodywork restored and, possibly got the air-conditioning working. It has been an extremely reliable car in the time that I have owned it and it has not broken down once. I am happy to send more photos or discuss further on the phone. I'm looking for realistic offers. I am aware that there is nothing as 'new' or original as this currently on the market and the prices being asked for these. **Please feel free to call Yil on 07860 234 234 or e-mail me on yil@akyuz.me.uk**

Regalia - visit:

www.maseraticlub.co.uk/members/market

1983 Maserati Kyalami RHD 4.9 Auto



Full history, 2 previous owners, both club members. 50 k miles. RHD 4.9 cc auto. Just had full glass out body restoration and interior trim. £75,000. Contact jim@deringarms.com or telephone 01233 840 371.

1999 Maserati QP IV EVO



Increasingly rare and in wonderful condition. The car is well known and respected in Maserati circles having been owned by well-known club members. I've been a member since the mid-90s, and of the six models I have subsequently owned, this ranks as the best example. The engine is a developed version of that which powered the Shamal, and later put into the 3200. Undoubtedly the finest engine of that era. The body carries the trademark Gandini rear slashes. The car has been fastidiously maintained by Ftech and is a splendid example of an increasingly rare model. £12,350.00. Contact golfswjon@gmail.com or telephone 01395 222 311.

2006 Quattroporte V Duo Select



This stunning Verde Goodwood QP has covered just 27k with two owners, known to me for the last four years, when just 1000 miles have been done. Full spec inc sunroof, Full history, all up to date campaigns, just serviced by PK Supercars, full health check done, with the quote "its the best 2006 QP we have seen". early 2006 car, so cheaper tax bracket too, Over mats fitted, rear blind, all the goodies. £17,000. Contact **Rob Jenner 07747 130139, rob@exclusively-jaguar.co.uk Club Member.**

2006 Quattroporte V 4200 Petrol Executive GT



A beautiful comfortable car with sports appeal and high specification. First registered in January 2006, this car has done less than 35,000 miles. The bodywork and interior are in immaculate condition, as can be seen from the photographs. The car was fully serviced in October 2012 at Autoshield Maserati and again in December 2015 at JCT600 in Leeds. Interim service in May 2017 at Autoshield with new discs and pads fitted all round. New battery fitted in July 2016. MOT valid until September 3rd, 2018. The car has covered less than 10,400 miles during my five years of ownership, being restricted as far as possible to fine weather trips rather than any commuting or journeys in bad weather. The car comes with Bosch Satellite Navigation. CD map of UK & Ireland included. Here are some of the additional features from the extensive specification: Duo Select Cambiocorsa six speed gearchange (giving the choice of 'Automatic' or 'Manual') Switching for Sport / Normal mode. Radio and 5 CD autochanger. SIM slot for onboard mobile phone (Handsfree or Handset operation), Trip Computer, Headlamp washers, Cruise Control, Height-adjustable front seatbelts, Front and rear parking sensors, Extra entertainment and car controls mounted on front and rear of steering wheel (Jeremy Clarkson could not believe it!) Heated seats front and

back, Rear privacy screen, Additional control panel mounted in the back to enable some car and climate settings to be adjusted by rear occupants, Rear centre seat with seatbelt and adjustable headrest, Dropdown rear armrest in the centre seat position, containing heated seat controls, 12v power socket, pen and phone tray etc.. Two wood-finish lockable, fold-down picnic tables mounted on the back of the front seats with additional pullout surface, Security Tracking facility available via Vodaphone/Cobra. Three drivers seat memory settings. All seats electronically adjustable. Independent driver/passenger climate control. Space saver spare wheel, jack, wheelbrace, Locking wheel bolts (4). Soft-touch external door opening. Automatically dimming rear view mirror, Electrically adjustable external mirrors, Adjustable steering wheel, Front and rear fog lights, Electrically operated glass sunroof with manual sunshade/blind, Drink chiller in central console, Two keys will be supplied with the car. Please note that the private plate will not be included in the sale. The car can be viewed in Pocklington, East Yorkshire and is currently owned by Club Member Sean Muirhead. (The car is being advertised for sale elsewhere). £20,000. Contact **Sean at seanmuirhead@hotmail.com or telephone 01759 304050.**

2008 Maserati GranTurismo

May 2008 1 owner car in beautiful colour combination with low mileage. My beautiful 2008 GranTurismo that I bought new in Granito Grigio with rosso leather is stunning with refurbished wheels and red callipers. Only 38k miles and looked after by Maranello. It has all usual extras, incl. heated and memory seats, skyhook suspension, front p/sensors, 20" birdcage wheels, both master keys, etc., and is in superb condition. Contact **nickfp@hotmail.com or telephone 020 8950 1236.**



WANTED: 3500 GT Front Seats Needed

Does anyone have a pair of later front seats for a 3500GT? I have a pair of earlier ones to swap if this helps. Contact **Keith Hudson, Leicester, at hudfish@gmail.com or telephone 01162 788 739**