

1935 Austin 7 Special owned by Mr John Mackenzie of Fortrose



Johns car is based on a mid-nineteen thirties Austin Ruby chassis. He bought the rolling chassis from the late Peter Cook in Inverness some years ago. Since then the chassis was stripped down to bare and the front and rear suspensions were lowered by two and a half inches. All rebuilt and then united with a new Ulster style 2 seater body. The body was built by Rod Yates in Sussex who specialises in the building of Ulster style bodies which will fit a long wheelbase Austin 7 chassis. One or two bits to cut off and some new mountings brackets to make.

John had to source parts both second hand and new from the various Austin 7 specialists that exist throughout the UK. It was difficult at times as there was no "standard" car to follow and at times I was really creating something from scratch.