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Cover picture

*A superbly turned-out Morris in
Church St, Inverness*

THE CHAIRMAN'S BIT

The club had an excellent outing last month to the Aviation Museum in Dalcross. For those who have not visited before the museum is a mixture of aircraft (and sections of aircraft) sited outside and mainly local RAF and general aviation exhibits inside. Although a fairly small museum everyone who attended found it very interesting especially exhibits pertaining to local history. I even spotted Miles and Callum sitting upfront in one fuselage pretending to fly! Curators John and Tony made us all welcome and special thanks must go to James Campbell who organised and sponsored the Club's visit. Thanks James.

I watched a couple of interesting documentaries recently, on Jim Clark and Graham Hill. I knew very little about Jim Clark and I can see why he is held in such high esteem especially in Scotland. What a talent and what an extremely nice bloke he seemed to be. Graham Hill had his moments too but what I found stood out was his reluctance to 'let go' of his racing career, instead we had to watch a slow decline from a great driver to a pretty average one. It's a tragedy that Jim Clark never had a chance to reach the end of a glittering career.



New members to welcome this month are Jim Story from Cromarty and Gary Bailey from Inverness. I look forward to meeting you both at future meetings.

Sadly I have to report the death of long time club member Peter Cook. He did not attend meetings very often as it clashed with his bridge nights, (Peter was an expert player who often coached others), but he owned many interesting cars including a Jaguar Mk 2, a Rolls Royce, and a pre-war Triumph Dolomite. He was also very keen on Austin 7s.

The club would like to send our sincere condolences to Peter's wife Marjory.

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This Months Meeting

Thursday 4th June 7:30 for 8pm departure from
Tescos car park in Dingwall for a run to the
Altguish Hotel. (Ullapool Road)

EDITORIAL

Hello,

For those who didn't make it to the inaugural Inverness Classic Vehicle Show, you missed a good day out. The weather gods smiled down on us for most of the day until the pipe-band procession that saw us clash with pedestrians on the High Street before being ejected to make our own way home. All I can say is that I'm glad I had the roof on, as I was able to hide from the massed throngs....

It could have been better organised (they obviously haven't been to a Fortrose Rally), but hopefully they'll get their act together next year...

Last month's meeting saw us at the Aviation Museum at Dalcross—a good turn out of classics on the night, despite the forecast of rain. And boy, did it rain...(roof off)

We've got Fraserburgh and Tain rallies coming up in the next few weeks, which will be my first outings of the year, with Brodie Castle and Forres later in the summer. The roof is now off again for the duration of the summer!



I've been informed of a 'classics' TV show on ITV3 called 'Classic Gear'. Seems to be more exotic classics just now, but interesting all the same.

This month's meeting is a scenic run to the Altguish Hotel, starting from Tescos car park in Dingwall. 7:30 for an 8pm off.

If you don't see me at the monthly meetings, you can write to me at the address inside the front cover, or email me direct at ClassicScene@bevs.org

Callum

HIGHLAND CLASSIC MOTOR CLUB

Monthly meetings (1st Thursday of every month)

2009

June 4th	Road run via Altguish Hotel (Ullapool Road)
July 2nd	Road run via the Edderton Inn
August 6th	Road run via Dores Inn
September 3rd	Road run via Gun Lodge Hotel, Ardersier
October 1st	Club visit to Autohead Engineering
November 5th	Club Night
December 3rd	Club Night/Christmas celebration

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January 7th	Club Auction
February 4th	AGM

(Further details to be published in 'Classic Scene' prior to the individual meetings)

Local Events Diary

Here are some details of 2009 local events that may be of interest to our members

June

- 1st Motorfun classic rally with fun run. George West, Rally Sec 01343 543716
7th Fraserburgh Vintage Car Rally 12-5pm
21st Tain Vintage Vehicle Rally, Glenmorangie Field, Tain

July

- 11th/12th Scottish Transport Extravaganza at Glamis Castle
19th Forres Theme Day—Veteran, Vintage and Classic Vehicle Show
19th Knockhill Classic SpeedFair

August

- 2nd Moray Muscle Show, Inchberry Hall, Mosstodloch
9th Historic Wheels Rally—Brodie Castle
29th Fortrose Classic Rally and Fun Day
29th/30th Auto Spirit—Culzean Castle
30th Ford/Capri Show—Grampian Transport Museum, Afford

September

- 5th Dingwall Street Fair
6th Motor Mania—Grantown on Spey
19th Working Vintage Rally and Display, Daviot Fram, Nr Inverness
19th/20th Selkirk Rally

October

- 3rd/4th Fraserburgh East to West Commercial Run

If you notice any errors or omissions, please let the editor know.

David Dysons replica 1968 Works Mini on 'Drive It Day'



Highland Heaps

Restoration projects spotted in and around the Highlands.





Dalcross Jag



The “All scrapped last month” Riverford A-series collection

If you're brave enough to want to rescue one these 'heaps', contact the editor for more info
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A Drumnadrochit Riley in Church Street, Inverness



Immaculate Austin Seven at the Inverness Classic Motor Show