

# The Squeaky Wheel

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# Introduction from Bernard Ward, Chairman

Welcome to our Spring Issue, full of the joys of classic motoring the CVG way.

Should you be reading this in time, our next event for you is our contribution to the national Drive It Day initiative and we shall again be pleased to support the FBHVC's NSPCC Childline charity. Starting from Hampshire and venturing into West Sussex and then Surrey it is reminiscent of our well loved Three Shires run, but is using an original route.

Take a look through and choose your days out, and contact our organisers for more details and entry forms but, most importantly, add the events to your calendar. We have our regular runs and displays, with some dates moved around a bit, and two new events for you, the visit to Shelsley Walsh which, if you haven't been before, is great fun and a sortie into Kent towards the end of the summer, courtesy of Chris Laver.

After much tearing of hair and gnashing of teeth, organiser Barry managed to have Brittany Ferries communicate to him in sufficient time for his trip to Normandy to be arranged for this coming June and a full party will be joining him and Marian to share in the D Day celebrations.

The Retro Run is taking over a lovely hotel in Tiverton, Devon, and bookings are going well due to the promise of some great scenic drives and the associated social happenings that characterise the Retro and which have made it so popular over the years.

Our previous attempts to encourage some of our members to get involved in some event organising further north than our southern based catchment area have not been successful and our get-together last February was equally disappointing as no-one responded to our e-shot and volunteered to join us. However, we did spend a most useful couple of hours talking over our protocols and technical requirements for organising our events under the Boundless banner and it also gave us the opportunity to meet up socially with our two new committee members. Namely, Gillian Figures and Pete Joyner, so welcome to you both and we look forward to your involvement with CVG.

Gillian has been a member of the Severn & Avon local group for several years and knows the lie of the land so to speak and will help committee member Geoff

Davies run his highly successful group and expand its area of influence. It is hoped that more members in that rather separate catchment area will be able to join in with their activities as it is very much a part of the wider CVG. We are always hopeful that more local groups can be set up that would provide local pub meets and short runs out and about.

Pete hails from Buckinghamshire and is involved with the fledgling local Milton Keynes group. He needs time to assimilate himself into the workings of our CVG and will no doubt be featuring in our future calendars but, look out for his Mk 3 MR2 out and about on our runs this year and say hello.

Finally, keep posting your comments and photos on Facebook from any events you attend so we can all enjoy your experiences, we love to see them. Our Member Communities team down at Brighton are always adding items and the occasional quiz (I know that some of the questions are less challenging than some might wish for but the idea is to involve all our readers who have varying degrees of classic car knowledge!)

See you later, as they say

*Bernard*



As many of you will have read in the latest Club Magazine, we have a new Boundless Aviation Group, which recently had a very successful inaugural event at the Tangmere Museum near Chichester.

Those of you who have entered our CVG runs or displays in the past will know that several of them have finished, or been held, at places with an aviation connection. With that existing link between the two interests in mind, and where appropriate, we look forward to being able to combine forces with the new group at some of our future events.

For more information and regular updates about the new group and their upcoming events, log in to the [boundless.co.uk](http://boundless.co.uk) website, click on "Email preferences" and tick the "Aviation" box – plus any others you would like updates from.

*Dave*

## Local CVG Groups

### Severn & Avon

Geoff Davies is the local Severn and Avon Group co-ordinator and he holds regular Noggin & Natters on the second Tuesday of most months at: The Bell Inn, Martley Road, Lower Broadheath, Worcestershire, WR2 6QG  
For more details and dates, email Geoff at: [a6gcd@btinternet.com](mailto:a6gcd@btinternet.com)

### North Staffs & Stone Classic Car Group

Club member, Pete Cresswell, holds regular classic car meets at The George and Dragon, Meaford Road, Stone, ST15 0PX; to which CVG members are invited to come along. For more info, dates and times email Pete at: [pete.cresswell.t21@btinternet.com](mailto:pete.cresswell.t21@btinternet.com)

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## ***Come and join the Classic Vehicle Group***

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April**

We shall once again be joining in with the FBHVC's national event in aid of the NSPCC's "Childline" charity.



Starting from The Angel Hotel on the A32 near Privett, this year's run will venture east from Hampshire into West Sussex before crossing into Surrey and our finish venue - The Rural Life Living Museum at Tilford, near Farnham.  
<https://rural-life.org.uk/>

Why not come and join us, on what for some, may be the first opportunity to get the motor up and running after the winter.

Entry fee is £47 per car and two occupants

For more information, email:

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If you aren't planning to enter this or any other official DiD events, you can still contribute to Childline as an individual by buying your own Drive it Day rally plate from the FBHVC at: <https://www.driveitday.co.uk/> and venturing out on the roads in your classic. Maybe take a few photos for the CVG Facebook page or the FBHVC website.

## **The Donington Historic Festival, 4<sup>th</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup> May 2024**



For two glorious days, the Donington Historic Festival (DHF) offers a wealth of on and off-track entertainment for spectators, with two days simply jam-packed with world-class race action, track displays and parades, an open-access paddock and pit lane walks, a trade village, plus the presence of

hundreds of cherished classic cars in displays staged by dozens of car clubs. The event attracts a calibre of drivers that matches the calibre of cars, and past and present-day BTCC and Le Mans names are often seen on the entry lists.

The Classic Vehicle Group has once again signed up for the 2024 club package deal **for 50% discounted entry including free car club parking in the infield.** “Early Bird” tickets available already offer a great saving on the on-the-gate prices. As registered club members you can enjoy an even more significant saving, as you receive a **50% discount** off the price for all types of ticket.

When you book your club discounted tickets you will also need to request a free parking pass to join the CVG display.

Please note, only cars which are club-display appropriate are allowed into the infield, you will be asked to provide the car’s year of registration, make, model and registration number at the time of ticket booking. Club members who are not planning on arriving in a display car are able to park in the free general public car park.



See the official website for more detail and pre-discount ticket prices,

[\*\*Donington Historic Festival Home - Donington Historic Festival\*\*](#)

Contact Geoff Davies: [a6gcd@btinternet.com](mailto:a6gcd@btinternet.com) for club discount details and to register your interest.

**\*\* Club discount applications close at 5pm on 21<sup>st</sup> April \*\***



## **Dorset Delights Drive** **Sunday 2nd June 2024**

This year our Dorset Delights Drive is earlier in the CVG programme, in early June and we will again start at The Swan just south of Lyndhurst on A35, for registration, tea, coffee and biscuits (with other buffet food available at cost) and there will be a short briefing and an opportunity for questions.



Our route this year will take us into the New Forest, and on through the Avon Valley towards Cranbourne and the beautiful town of Blandford Forum, often called the most complete and perfect Georgian town in England, having been largely destroyed by fire in 1731 and rebuilt to planned excellence!

Moving south we will reach the well-known Athelhampton House (food available without admission; admission interesting ) and onwards past the Cerne Abbas Giant before taking country roads to reach the sea close to Abbotsbury Swannery and subtropical gardens. Heading eastwards through beautiful country we will cross the causeway onto the Isle of Portland and the event will finish with cream tea at The Heights Hotel with amazing views along the Chesil Beach and out to sea. Weymouth and other Dorset attractions are close at hand.



Entry fee for car and 2 people, £48 for members (£53 non members) to include rally plate, tulip road book, refreshments at the start, cream tea at the finish and extra other refreshments options available at cost. Extra passengers £9 each.

Entry forms available from:

Chris Laver, email [chris@whitesands82.co.uk](mailto:chris@whitesands82.co.uk), (07377 460415)

# *Shelsley Walsh Classic Nostalgia*

**Saturday 20 July – Sunday 21 July**



The Classic Vehicle Group is inviting you to celebrate the glory days of motorsport at Shelsley Walsh Classic Nostalgia. First used in 1905, Shelsley Walsh is the oldest motorsport venue in the world with its original course. Racing legends like Raymond Mays, Hans Stuck, and Stirling Moss have graced its tracks. Moss, a patron of the Shelsley Trust, secured the 99-year lease in the mid-2000s. Known for its unique atmosphere, Shelsley Walsh allows enthusiasts to get close to the action and mingle with racing legends.

Experience thrilling historic car demonstrations, a line-up of competing Group A, Group B, and WRC rally cars, and an Exhibition of Speed showcasing works by artists. Enjoy live entertainment, interviews, and a vintage fashion competition. Children under 16 enter free with an adult.

Over 20 car clubs make Classic Nostalgia an annual pilgrimage. Registered clubs receive discounted tickets and dedicated space for 10 cars or more. Awards are presented to the best club stand, celebrating significant anniversaries.

Discounted Car Club Day tickets £15.00 per person (Offer until 30th April 2024)  
£20.00 per person per day, Under 16's free admission

Details of how to enter your car email Geoff Davies at: [a6gcd@btinternet.com](mailto:a6gcd@btinternet.com)



# *The Cream Tea Caper*

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> July**

It seems a long time ago since last Summer & the 2023 Cream Tea Caper but on July 21<sup>st</sup> this year, we'll be BACK !!!!

This time our annual middle-of-the-Summer 'run will start from Sheeplands Garden Centre cafe at Hare Hatch, just off the A4 between Maidenhead & Twyford – postcode RG10 9HW.



Here they will have a delightful selection of breakfast items on offer from 9.30am, which will keep everyone 'satisfied' until our Afternoon Tea later in the afternoon!

You will be welcome to join us on this event in your Classic OR Modern car, but whatever mode of transport you choose, PLEASE **DO** TRY TO COME ALONG, 'cos it's gonna be another great day out.

All Entrants will receive a Rally plate & will be provided with a detailed, simple to use, Roadbook to get them to the finish.

Following the Breakfast opportunity at the Start, we will go around a country route & via a place of interest / coffee stop, then on to the Finish by approx. 3pm. ~ there will be no formal Lunch stop. We'll be finishing at a venue where our sumptuous Afternoon Tea (included in the entry fee) will be served prior to the (almost 'inevitable?') fun-n-games that have always accompanied this event. But please be aware: Numbers **ARE** limited, so please put the date in your diaries & book AS SOON AS POSSIBLE 'cos you don't want to miss this, do you ! Anticipated 'finish time : - around 5/5.30 pm ... but you won't be hurried away ...!

Entry fee for car and two people is £50 (extra passengers, £15 each)

For more details and an entry form, please contact Allan Goddard:

[allan.goddard@boundlesscommunity.co.uk](mailto:allan.goddard@boundlesscommunity.co.uk)

# CVG DISPLAY AT: COOLINGS, KNOCKHOLT

Sunday 4th August 2024, 9.00am – 1.00pm

With over £13,000 raised so far, this is the ideal day out for all car lovers, and the display will once again be held in the front meadow at:

**Coolings Garden Centre,  
Rushmore Hill, Knockholt,  
Sevenoaks, Kent, TN14 7NN.**



As an “invitation only” event, advance registration is essential.

As well as the Garden Centre, the meadow is ideal for a picnic by the car, or if you prefer: breakfast, lunch and afternoon tea are all available in Arthur’s Restaurant. The “Jazznights” trio will also be playing in the meadow between 11.00 & 12.00pm

**Entry is by £10 minimum donation per car  
- all proceeds going to St. Christopher’s.**

For more information and an entry form, email Mike Twomey at: [miketwomey2@gmail.com](mailto:miketwomey2@gmail.com)

Show your support with a donation via the QR or <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/charity-carshow>



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# *The Capel Classic Car & Bike Show*

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> August**



We have again reserved a limited number of spaces for members at this popular show, which has a traditional village fete atmosphere and, as well as the cars & bikes, there is a flower show, dog show, plus a range of craft, plant, and refreshment stalls.

The focus of this year's show will be on Scandinavian Cars & Bikes

**Please note:** The show is aimed primarily at vehicles registered before 1998 - unless of special interest.

Entry is by charitable donation to Friends of St. John The Baptist and you can choose how much to donate when you register.

For more information and to enter online, go to the Capel Classic Car & Bike Show website at:

[https://www.capelshow.co.uk/product/capel-classic-car-and-bike-show-2024/?mc\\_cid=6e3cff3afc&mc\\_eid=86d12a534b](https://www.capelshow.co.uk/product/capel-classic-car-and-bike-show-2024/?mc_cid=6e3cff3afc&mc_eid=86d12a534b)

Follow the instructions depending on the category of vehicle you wish to exhibit. When completing your personal details at the "checkout" stage, when you get to the "**Are you joining the show with your club...?**" choose "**yes**" and select "**Boundless CVG**" from the drop-down options.

Once you have entered, if you could let me know by email, then I will know how many to expect on the day – many thanks, *Dave*

## **The Windrush Run**

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August**

This year we are forsaking the Cotswolds (beautiful as they are) and sallying forth into Wiltshire.

There are 16 (some say 17) white horses in Britain – 8 are in the aforementioned county, and we are going to see them!

Starting at Sally Pusseys Inn, Swindon Road, near Royal Wootton Bassett, we will take in the equine sights around this picturesque county.



For further details and price, email Derrick Holden: [derrickholden72@gmail.com](mailto:derrickholden72@gmail.com)

## **Retro Run 2024** **Friday 27 – Sunday 29 September**

### **The Hartnoll Hotel & Spa, Tiverton, Devon**

The Hartnoll Hotel & Spa is situated on the edge of the Exmoor National Park and is perfectly located for exploring Somerset, the Exe Valley and North Devon.



The hotel is set in a Georgian house in beautiful gardens with a south facing terrace and is half a mile from the centre of Tiverton. The restaurant serves good freshly cooked food using locally sourced ingredients.

The weekend will start with a welcome drink reception ahead of a 3-course evening meal and time to chat to other members and learn about the plans for the rest of the event.

We offer scenic runs on Saturday and Sunday which are untimed, so you can go at your own pace with plenty of time to relax, enjoy the views of the countryside and visit some of the interesting places on the way. We will provide detailed Road Books with information about places of interest on route, and of course, a Retro

Run Rally Plate to add to your collection! The event will finish with a cream tea at the hotel on Sunday afternoon.

For this event there is an entry fee of £50 to cover all the non-accommodation costs of the event.

Rooms are limited, so to check availability and enter the event, first contact: [madeleine.grubb@boundless.co.uk](mailto:madeleine.grubb@boundless.co.uk) to obtain an entry form and pay your £50 entry fee as soon as possible.

You will then receive your unique booking reference for the hotel.

As usual, you are invited to dress up for Saturday night and this year's theme is "Traditionally British". There will be prizes for the winners too!



For those new to the Retro Run, we hope that you will join in, but fancy dress is not compulsory.

We look forward to welcoming you to the Retro Run, whether you are regulars or first timers. **Malcolm and Madeleine**

## **Weald of Kent Run**

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September**



Our final run for this year takes us back to western and central Kent, where both locals and visitors marvel at the mixture of ancient historic sites, world leading innovation and some famous houses, all surrounded by unique countryside, towns and villages and the sights and sounds of a Kentish autumn.

Starting at a unique venue near Maidstone with breakfast options and briefing, and following a route of about 60 miles, we will finish with a display, visit, and (who knows!) a cream tea at a fascinating historic property.

To express interest and obtain further details and application form, please e-mail Chris Laver at: [chris@whitesands82.co.uk](mailto:chris@whitesands82.co.uk) or Phone 07377 460415



## CVG Invite Events – *as recommended by our members*

### **Wallop Wheels & Wings** Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2024



George Bacon has arranged for CVG members to have a dedicated display area at this annual fund-raising event held at The Army Flying Museum, Middle Wallop, Hants., SO20 8FB. For more details and to book tickets go to:

<https://armyflying.com/what-s-on/events/wallop-wheels-wings-2024/>

### **Headcorn Aerodrome Classic Car Meets**



Peter Blake recommends these events as a good day out and has sent us the dates for this year's meets, which are:

**Sun April 28<sup>th</sup>, Sun June 16<sup>th</sup>, Sun July 11<sup>th</sup>,  
Sun Aug 25<sup>th</sup> and Sun Sept 29<sup>th</sup>.**

All interesting vehicles are welcome. The airfield is usually in full operation (weather permitting) including light aircraft flights, skydiving & WWII aircraft including Tiger Moths & Spitfires. Great news for those of you who may also have joined the new Boundless Aviation Group. For more information email: [headcornclassiccarmeet@gmail.com](mailto:headcornclassiccarmeet@gmail.com) or call Dave Coe on: 07768 693 529

Headcorn Aerodrome, Headcorn, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9HX

[www.headcornaerodrome.co.uk](http://www.headcornaerodrome.co.uk)



## ***Ever Wondered What the Black Edging and Little Dots Around A Windscreen Are For?***

You probably see them every day while you're driving or at least look past them as you drive. Well, they are not what you may think. Put there just for the looks? Nope. Not quite.



This black edging is called the frit. The frit is baked on during the windscreen manufacturing process and has several reasons to be there.

- 1) It creates an etched surface on the glass that allows the adhesive to bond, which is now a common way to attach windows to the car body.
- 2) UV protection – The frit contains ceramic particles that helps preserve the urethane sealant from ultraviolet rays and melting the adhesive which keeps the glass firmly in place.
- 3) The black dot pattern or 'dot matrix' that comes off the black band helps to distribute heat more evenly on the glass to lessen the optical distortion or 'lensing'. When the windscreen heats up – the solid black band or frit heats up at a different speed to the glass creating an optical distortion that makes straight lines appear curved or bowed inwards towards the centre of the screen. The black dot array helps lessen this by dissipating the heat more evenly over the windscreen.

4) Lastly, the frit is there just for the looks or aesthetics as it helps make the transition from glass to metal car body more subtle and easier on the eye.

In newer cars this frit or dot matrix is now employed behind the rear-view mirror as a third sun visor to block out the sun between the two main sun visors.

So, there we are. We live and learn.

**Baz Haughton**

## **Tip For Tulips**

*John Broughall* has sent me the following useful tip for creating those awkward shape junctions when preparing a tulip road book for touring assemblies or 12 car rallies.

Here, he describes his **cheat method** - Firstly, Go to: <https://snazzymaps.com/style/117/minimalistic-black-and-white> which is a copy of Google Maps. Put in the Search Box, "Winchester UK" for example to re-centre the map to your area.

Find the relevant junction. Take a large screen grab [ Win Key / Shift Key / ' S ' ] copy of the general junction. Paste it into a blank WORD Document. It is an Image. Click on it to rotate the image so the Tulip entry point is at 06:00, if appropriate.

Using **Insert** to provide a Ball and Arrow. The items can be **Grouped**, if you wish, but it is not necessary if you are going to ' Screen Grab ' it again. All the lines and angles are exactly correct as it would be shown on Google Maps. The final Tulip can then be copied, cropped, [ Win Key / Shift Key / ' S ' ], and inserted into the Route Instructions or Roadbook, [ in WORD or EXCEL ].

Here's a couple of examples - *Dave*



## *The Car's The "TV" Star*

### **Our Mk1 VW Golf Cabriolet Karmann - F511BYC**



F511BYC is a 1988 manufactured VW Golf Mk1 Cabrio Karmann Clipper, 1.8, registered in August of that year. It is a limited-edition model with an automatic gearbox and just over 100K on the clock. I am the 4<sup>th</sup> owner, and the previous one from Neath, South Wales, had obtained it, free of charge, some 15 years previously from a friend.

Free of charge off a mate? Well, it did need an awful lot of TLC – full strip down, body repairs, new radiator, replaced fuel pipe, wheels refurbished. It received a full body restoration around 8 years ago, which included a respray in the original Alpine White, plus a new red hood and liner. It still rode on its original BBS alloy wheels and, because it had been dry stored for most of its life, it appeared in excellent condition both above and below.

The original Pierberg carburettor has a common fault where the rubber gasket, between carburettor and manifold, perishes, and causes to run lean and miss, symptoms ranging from, fast idle, running on, stalling & juddering when warming up, high petrol consumption etc. To overcome these issues the Pierberg on F511BYC had been replaced with a Weber carburettor. Clear lens lights had been

fitted some time in its life. The previous owner had put the car for sale on eBay, which is where the story really begins.

My wife and I have owned a variety of classic cars over the years, all of them soft tops – Triumphs, MGs, Fords, MX5s – and our current one is a 1990 Eunos Roadster automatic. A lovely car to drive, reliable too, but there is an issue – it is very low! As we edge into our 70s, we are finding that our mobility isn't exactly as it was, and the actual getting into and, worse still, getting out of our Eunos is becoming more and more difficult. My wife breaking her hip and myself becoming affected with polymyalgia-rheumatica has exacerbated the situation. This was highlighted when I actually fell out of the driving seat at one of last year's shows and had to clamber, ungainly, to my unsteady feet – and I was stone cold sober! Blushing profusely and rejecting the helping hands of my adjacent drivers – who were older than me! – I decided that we needed a more suitable vehicle, and soon!

So, we were on the lookout for another, more suitable, classic, but it had to meet a number of requirements. As well as being clean & tidy, having good provenance and simple to work on, plus within our price range, the car needed to be easy to get in and out of – obviously – an automatic – also for mobility reasons - and a cabriolet. So that narrowed the choices; Mercedes and Jags were too pricey, American cars too big, the Mini, too small. British cabriolet staples like the Morris Minor, Triumph Herald range were not made with automatic gearboxes. Having seen a few models at various classic car events over the years, we focussed on the VW Golf Cabriolet, that seemed to meet our needs – but which one????

And that's where Wisser Films came in. Who, I hear you say? With a back catalogue including Top Gear, Wheeler Dealers and the Car Years, those heading Wisser films were asked to produce "Dream Car Fixers", commissioned by UKTV for Yesterday and UKTV Play. The 8 episode series, aired in March and April 2024, follows the work of mechanic Sheldon Nichols, supported by bodywork expert Peter Harriott as they work to a client's brief and budget to find a suitable car and carry out any mechanical fixes required. The pair will add any desired modernisations and bring the bodywork up to scratch. They will then deliver the client their dream classic – a VW Golf Mk1 Cabriolet, in our case.

So how did it work in practice? Well, their advert on Facebook caught my eye and I messaged them with my details. And, very surprisingly, they replied! Firstly, the company had an initial chat to find out what car we would be interested in buying

and what budget was available. Once some options were found, discussed, dismissed, then approved, they then sent one of their mechanics out to view the cars. They provided a full report on these vehicles and recommendation on which to go ahead with. Once our choice was confirmed, a contract was drawn up and finance options agreed – no, we wouldn't get it for free, but at a suitably discounted price!



They then bring the car back to their workshop and undertake any remedial or restoration work the car requires. This would be done by both the onscreen mechanics as well as an offscreen team of mechanics. They split the remedial work into on-screen and offscreen work, as only 4 jobs are featured on screen but understand that the car may need further restoration work that can't be covered on camera. In our case, this additional work included adding power steering as the original Golf Mk1 set-up was extremely awkward and would have meant that my wife wouldn't have been able to drive the car. Apart from this modification, the car has been sympathetically restored to its original specification.

The first series of Dream Car Fixers will transmit on Yesterday and UKTV Play in March and April 2024 where it will feature alongside new series of fellow UKTV Originals, Bangers & Cash and Bangers & Cash: Restoring Classics.

**Our vehicle features in episode 5 of the series on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of April**

What an experience, what a laugh...!

*Eric Griffiths*

**[Watch Dream Car Fixers Series & Episodes Online \(uktvplay.co.uk\)](http://uktvplay.co.uk)**

## 2024 Events

### April

#### **21<sup>st</sup> Drive it Day Run, Hants, Sussex and Surrey**

We shall once again be joining in with the FBHVC's national event in aid of the "Childline" charity, with a tour around the countryside of these three counties.

Contact: [barry.haughton@sky.com](mailto:barry.haughton@sky.com)

### May

#### **4/5<sup>th</sup> Donington Historic Festival, Leics.**

We have booked a Club display area again for the weekend at this popular event and our discounted booking code is available from Geoff.

Contact: **Geoff Davies:** [a5gcdgeoff@gmail.com](mailto:a5gcdgeoff@gmail.com)

### June

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> Dorset Delights Drive**

After a successful first event, this run moves to an earlier slot in the calendar and will explore more of the county's scenery.

Contact: **Chris Laver:** [chris@whitesands82.co.uk](mailto:chris@whitesands82.co.uk)

#### **24<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> Midweek trip to Normandy** - now subject to room availability

Contact: [barry.haughton@sky.com](mailto:barry.haughton@sky.com)

### July

#### **13<sup>th</sup> Wallop Wings and Wheels, Hampshire**

CVG have once again been invited to have a display area at this Museum of Army Flying event. Booking details available at:

<https://armyflying.com/what-s-on/events/wallop-wheels-wings-2024/>

#### **20/21<sup>st</sup> Shelsley Walsh Classic Nostalgia Weekend**

A new addition to the calendar at this historic motorsport venue. We have arranged for a member display area on both days with discounted entry.

Contact: **Geoff Davies:** [a5gcdgeoff@gmail.com](mailto:a5gcdgeoff@gmail.com)

#### **21<sup>st</sup> Cream Tea Caper, Thames Valley**

Starting from Sheeplands Garden Centre, Hare Hatch, near Twyford; the title speaks for itself and is always one of our most popular summer runs.

Contact: [allan.goddard@boundlesscommunity.co.uk](mailto:allan.goddard@boundlesscommunity.co.uk)

### August

#### **3<sup>rd</sup> Display at Coolings in The Meadow, near Sevenoaks, Kent**

After another very successful year, CVG members are once again invited to this friendly display held in aid of St. Christopher's Hospice.

Contact: [miketwomey2@gmail.com](mailto:miketwomey2@gmail.com)



## **August cont.**

### **17<sup>th</sup> Display at Capel Classic Car & Motorbike Show, Surrey**

This show features hundreds of classic vehicles along with all the other attractions and atmosphere associated with a traditional village fete.

Contact: [daverosher@gmail.com](mailto:daverosher@gmail.com)

### **18<sup>th</sup> Windrush Run, Wiltshire**

A full day run but this year moving down to White Horse country in Wiltshire and starting near Royal Wootton Bassett.

Contact: [derrickholden72@gmail.com](mailto:derrickholden72@gmail.com)

## **September**

### **21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup> (provisional) Display at The Sywell Classic, Northants**

A new event in our calendar for 2024, which features classics both on the ground and in the air. Contact: tba

### **27<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> Retro Run,**

This popular weekend, based near Tiverton in Devon will once again offer two daytime runs, plus evening entertainment

Contact: [madeleine.grubb@boundless.co.uk](mailto:madeleine.grubb@boundless.co.uk)

### **29<sup>th</sup> Weald of Kent Run**

Returning to Kent after several years absence, we will explore the varied landscapes, small towns and visit some interesting places in this “Garden of England”.

Contact: **Chris Laver:** [chris@whitesands82.co.uk](mailto:chris@whitesands82.co.uk)

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## CVG Badged Shirts

Former editor, Geoff Wooldridge, arranged for Classic Vehicle Group members to buy these maroon Polo shirts, embroidered with the traditional “Winged Wheel” badge, which are currently available in sizes Small to 5XL.

The Shirts can be ordered from:

K and K Printing and Embroidery, either

Phone: 01235 516699, or email: [sales@kandkprinting.co.uk](mailto:sales@kandkprinting.co.uk)



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