



THE VIRTUAL SPORTS-CAR CLUB

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From the Library:

Bulletins 1957 No. 54 to No. 57 are uploaded in the [Bulletin section](#).

Bulletin Indexes:-

Clive Taylor a long standing member from New Zealand answered a request from Peter Hull to make up an index for past and future editions of the Bulletin. Clive has done this for nigh on thirty years. These 24 indexes are now available to view on the [website](#).

Car Manuals/Handbooks:

A list of the car manuals/handbooks held in the Library Archive is now on the [website](#).

Contact the library for any info required. We plan to have these scanned and to make copies available for a small charge. The library is always looking to expand the collection.

KEEP MADEIRA DRIVE OPEN - THE PETITION

Almost 5,000 people have now signed the petition to re-open Madeira Drive and the petition will be presented to the full council on 23 July. The petition runs until 22 July so if you wish to add your voice to those who want to protect the Brighton Speed Trials and the businesses on Madeira Drive you can sign the e-petition [here](#).



Table top rallies

If you would like to be Clerk of the Course for a week, then do get in touch with Annabel.

Rally 9 has been set by Toby Galbraith (Boggissimo on the VSCC Forum), to whom many thanks. It is quite tricky, so have fun – and direct any queries to Toby!

Find Rally 9 [here](#)

RILEY RADIO

Live on Thursday evenings between 7 and 9 pm and repeated the following Wednesday at 11am, this is accessible through the Riley Register web site.

www.rileyregister.co.uk

You Tube Finds



[L'Art Novo](#)

A modern compilation of the footage shot by Claude Friese-Greene on his trip around 1920s Britain, in the fabulous colour of his own experimental process. Claude continued the work of his father, cinema pioneer William Friese-Greene, and marketed his “new all British Friese-Greene natural colour process” through this 26-part travelogue of Britain, reaching from Land’s End to John O’Groats.

Click here to watch [Open Road](#)

Pub meets

As pubs start to re-open we have had news that the Herts/Cambs/ North Essex area regular ‘First Monday’ meetings at ‘The British Queen’ will be happening again from Monday August 3rd. A select group of local vintagents met at the pub on July 6th- it’s first day of opening since ‘lock down’- and were impressed by the care taken to ensure the safety and comfort of customers. There is a large beer garden, in which a substantial marquee has been erected, and social distancing is not a problem. Screens at the bar and a thorough cleansing routine are in place.

This delightful, locally-owned, pub warmly welcomes members, and there is ample parking for our cars.

Come and join us on August 3rd from 12 noon, enjoy good food, drink and chat followed, perhaps, by a short walk along the delightful river Mel, which runs at the bottom of the beer garden, where piglets may be seen scampering in the wood.

Pub website: www.thebritishqueen.com

Organiser: David Smith (01763 260378 or mobile: 07854 360 680)

Join us Friday night

For the VSCC Charity

Pub Quiz

Raising money
for our sponsored
Charity



From a Club member:

I have been a member of VSCC for decades, enjoying my Lanchester cars at various events. With no old car action, I wondered if members would be interested to see an eight-minute Sir David Jason film on Lanchesters. It was shown on Channel 4 in January, but many enthusiasts missed it. What was shown proved interesting to many, although it was a shame that the film did not include the 1927 21hp Maythorn-bodied limousine and the 1935 18hp Corsica-bodied sports-tourer, which were alongside sharing the garages.

The heavens opened just as the 40hp was taken out for a spin and the rain was freezing. Poor David was shivering and soaked but remained in good humour. He was enthusiastic about Lanchester engineering and went home with the Lanchester Legacy books "what I wrote", to quote that great philosopher, Eric Morecombe.

If you feel this film might be interesting to members, the Sir David Jason video link is:
<https://photos.app.goo.gl/nUFowiv3Jt1fhodq5>

Club Heroes

Is there someone you think should be featured on the Club website as a Club hero - past or present? Please do let us know by emailing tania.brown@vscc.co.uk.



Tom was a very active member, joining in March 1977, he competed in a mixture of events and marshaled for the Club, planning rallies being, being involved with Madresfield and giving up a huge amount of time in a variety of volunteer tasks.

Tom was born in Weymouth, Dorset and spent most of his childhood there. By Tom's early adulthood he had found a great love for motorsport, often cycling to race meetings at Goodwood and other circuits.

He is well known within the club for his book '*A Portrait of the Vintage Sports-Car Club, 1934-2014*'. Tom's book has been very well received by our members and the general public.

Tom was described by many as a loyal and cheerful gentleman who always wanted to be busy. He was a real gentleman and, alongside his wife Bridget, have both left an enormous hole in the club.

If you would like to read more about Tom Pellow, please find the Spring Bulletin 2020 where Huge Girvan has written a lovely obituary for him.

If there is anything you would like to see included in the newsletter, please send it to the Club Secretary (tania.brown@vscc.co.uk)

VSCC REGALIA LIMITED EDITION RANGE

The Regalia Team like to listen to our members suggestions for new and exciting merchandise ideas for the club shop, just a few lines now on sale.

Remember when they have gone they won't ever be replaced

On the move?

Keep your drinks cold. Reusable drink bottle and kind to the enviroment

VSCC Water Bottle



Working on the car?

Keep your drink hot and no spills

VSCC reusable drinks cup



Great size Canvas Messenger bag

Usefull for work, storing paperwork or even as an overnight bag

New for 2020



VSCC ripper Wallet

Lightweight wallet 9 x 13cm (closed)
Ideal for holidays and the teenagers in your life



Visit www.vsccl.co.uk shop to see the whole range

From the STD Register :
1000HP Fund

Those of you who take *The Automobile* may have already read the article about the fundraising efforts being made. Please see the fundraising appeal below.

Objective.

To help raise funds in order that the restoration of the engines from the 1000HP Sunbeam land speed record breaking car can be completed so that the car can run under its own power.

The fund will raise money for a specific item and once that target has been achieved a decision will be made on whether or not the fund continues. If it continues a new item will be nominated and the fund will try and achieve that target and so on.

Target number 1.

Raise £6000 to enable the National Motor Museum to have the dismantling of engine number 2 and the reconstruction of engine number 1 filmed so that there is a documented record of how these engines are assembled. The target date for handing over the money to the NMM will be June 22nd 2021 at the STD National event.

Background.

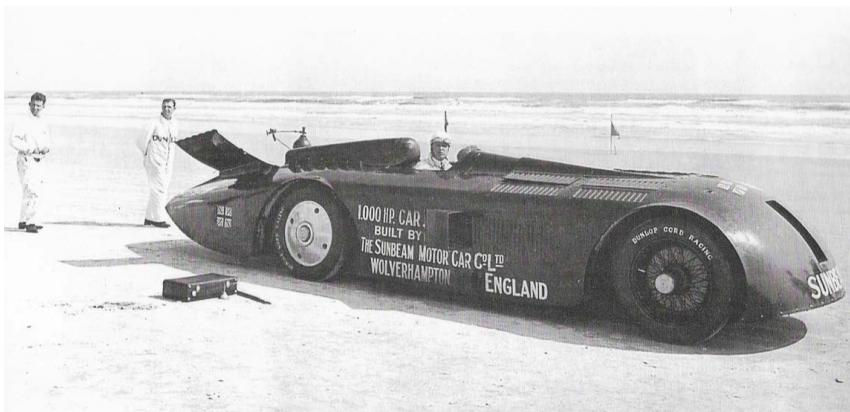
The car was the first car to exceed 200mph when Sir Henry Segrave broke the land speed record at Daytona Beach in Florida on March 26th 1927 achieving an average speed of 203.792 mph. The car has two Sunbeam 22.5 litre V12 Sunbeam Matabele aero engines rated at 450HP at 2000rpm. The engines were positioned in line, with the driver sitting between the two. The engines are referred to as the rear and front engines.

The National Motor Museum have had the car in their collection since 1958 and endeavour to ensure all of the engines in their care are turned over and kept in the best possible condition. Part of this process is to survey the mechanical well-being of vehicles they know are not capable of running. The 1000HP Sunbeam is one such vehicle.

In 2016 Doug Hill the Museum's Chief Engineer embarked on a project to restore these two engines with the aim of getting the car to move under its own power once again, which can be achieved with just one of the engines working.

The STD Register already has a history of assisting the NMM with the sourcing of spare parts for the restoration of the 350HP Sunbeam and by holding an event at Beaulieu to raise funds to help towards the cars restoration costs. As THE club for pre war Sunbeams it is very much in the Register's interests to see this wonderful car driven again under its own power.

Therefore I would ask that STD members and others rise to this challenge and make a donation to the STD 1000HP fund.



Donations can be made by cheque or bank transfer:

Please send your cheques made payable to the STD Register
to: Dudley Smith, The Ridge, 15E Copse Hill,
Wimbledon, London, SW20 0NB marked
1000HP fund.

By bank Transfer: STD Register.
Sort code = 30-98-29 Acc = 02899425