



THE VIRTUAL SPORTS-CAR CLUB

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From the Library:

Bulletins 1962 No. 74 to No. 76 (only three this year) are now uploaded in the [Bulletin section](#).

Friday night is NOT Quiz Night!

As people gradually get more busy we would like to change the Facebook Live Quiz to a weekday and hold it once a month. The current suggestion is the first Wednesday of the month, does this suit you? Please email info@vscc.co.uk to let us know or to pose alternative suggestions! You can also volunteer to host or submit ideas for questions.

One of the questions this week was name the two drivers who have a memorial either side of the start line at Shelsley Walsh - picture evidence is on the right!



Club news

All smiles at a sunny Shelsley Walsh

The annual Vintage day was held on Saturday 8th August and was followed by the Reg Phillips Trophy meeting on Sunday, as drivers got back in the seat and sharpened their skills up the 115-year-old hill.

Both events were held behind closed doors as the Midland Automobile Club ensured safety for all, and thankfully the sun flooded the beautiful Teme Valley for the entire weekend to make the freshly cleaned 1000-yard hill as good, quick and grippy as possible. All drivers therefore enjoyed the full 'feeling' of Shelsley and speed hill climbing.

The ever-quick James Baxter won the VSCC meeting with superb consistency over his two runs – he twice recorded 34.80 seconds in the ERA powered Riley TT Sprite. A host of new drivers also attacked the hill, including Charlotte Bowyer, who shared the family Lea-Francis P Type with father Simon. The stunning class of Shelsley Specials included the GN BHD, the Becke Powerplus and the simply incredible 97-year-old Spider, with which Basil Davenport first took the outright hill record at Shelsley in 1926. David Leigh was again at the helm of Spider, a car that utterly epitomises the pioneering spirit of hill climbing, fresh from a winter engine rebuild and quickly got back into the groove after all drivers had a bonus 3rd practice run.

Photos from Shelsley Walsh Instagram @shelsleywalsh

You can also watch David Leigh's ascent on their [Facebook page](#)



Club news

Mallory Park Race Meeting - 23 August

As we look forward to Mallory, we will be able to welcome spectators, although they will not be able to access the paddock area. To get discounted tickets, Club members can call Mallory Park on 01455 502214 or visit their website by [CLICKING HERE](#) quoting VSCC5 to get the discount of £5 on the full ticket price. Tickets will not be available from the Club Office.



What have you been doing during lock down?

We were delighted to receive a message from Club member David Barker to tell us that he had been spending some of his time organising a new supply of badges for the U.V.C.C. which we think are rather lovely.

Let us know what you have been doing by emailing tania.brown@vscc.co.uk



Club news

Cheshire Rally - 24 October

We hope you have enjoyed the Table Top Rallies and are now ready to put all you have learnt into practice!

This year's Cheshire Rally will follow a similar format to that of the 2018 Bowland Rally. It is a different event that should appeal to a wide range of abilities. The aim being to provide a less intense, more relaxed day out for all (but the experts) with straight forward instructions and time to socialise.

There will be several options as follows:-

The Trophy Class - Is open to any fully paid-up VSCC member in an eligible car that has a 'Buff-Form'. This class is aimed at experienced rally crews who want a 'full-on' rally. The winner of the 'Northern Jug' can only come from this class. Instructions will be as explained in 'Finding Your Way'. Entrants in the Trophy Class will get 15 minutes plotting time.

The Clubman Class - Is open to any fully paid-up VSCC member in any pre-war car (Buff-Form not necessary). This class involves straight-forward map reading and is aimed at those with some rally experience. Instructions will ONLY take the form of grid references, tulip diagrams and map features (as found on the key). There will be 30 minutes plotting time for entrants in the Clubman Class.

The Champagne Class - Is open to any fully paid-up VSCC member in any pre-war car (Buff-Form not necessary). This class is ideal for newcomers, beginners and those who want an enjoyable drive in beautiful countryside. Instructions will be in the form of a straight forward Road Book containing clear TL, TR instructions, tulip diagrams and a marked up map. Hints will be given with timing. Champagne entrants will get 45 minutes to familiarise themselves with their instructions. We can (virtually) guarantee you will not get lost!

Classes 2 and 3 are ideal for both those who are new to rallying and also for those who have tried rallying before but are anxious about moving into the competitive Trophy class.



Club news

Curborough Staffs CYP Charity Sprint - Monday 31st August

Club member David Leigh writes:

Following the success of the Oakamoor Hill Climb Revival and ever hopeful that the current easing of the Covid-19 lockdown will continue, we are pressing on with preparations for a charity demonstration sprint at Curborough Sprint Course near Lichfield. Entries are now open, follow this link: <https://scypsprint.mfestreg.com/signin>

The event is scheduled to take place on Monday, 31st August 2020, for up to 120 cars and motorcycles (eligibility 1900 to 1980). As a demonstration event, runs will not be timed, but will nonetheless provide a great opportunity to have some fun on the figure-of-eight course.

So please save the date and like our [Facebook page](#).



All proceeds go to Staffordshire Clubs for Young People: www.staffscyp.org.uk

Sadly due to Covid-19, it is highly probable that this year's event will have to be closed to the public but we are looking at ways of transmitting live action throughout the day and event highlights.

Table top rallies

This week's table top rally route is another innovative and interesting one by Peter Booth – set in Monmouth, around Raglan. We think this is fairly straight-forward to plot and hope you enjoy it. The answers to last week's rally are now available, along with the map and instructions for this week



Find the rally [here](#)

You Tube Finds



[Brooklands](#)



[A Tour of Switzerland](#)



[Brooklands again](#)

A message from the Radnorshire Arms Hotel

We would like to ask if any of your members would have any copies of old photographs which we could frame, of hill climbing or other memorabilia relevant to either Presteigne or your club they would be willing to loan to preserve the club and hotel history.

We have a close family friend who is the granddaughter of Harry Spence from Yorkshire who was a life member of the club, they have kindly offered a winners cup won during a trial at Presteigne for display in the Lockable cabinet in our main reception, we would like to utilise this and remaining wall space for anything in connection with the Club.

We would also like to take this opportunity in offering a warm welcome to Club members by means of a direct booking discount of 10% should they ever need to stay at the hotel (01544 267536). We are hoping to open in 2 to 3 weeks.

Yours sincerely
Lee Rivers

CLUB HEROS WILL BE BACK NEXT WEEK

In the meantime, 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.



A 'Diff'erent Pom Presentation

Last week Non-Speed Secretary and all round good guy, Andrew Tarring visited Simon Diffey to drop off his Pom trophy at a suitable social distance.

Most awards that would have been presented at the 2020 AGM will now be presented at the 2021 AGM.

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)



CELEBRATING CLASSIC CARS ON DISPLAY, ON SALE AND ON-SCREEN

The wait is over and we can finally all get together at one of the most exciting new events for the Season.

Whether you're a buyer, collector or simply an enthusiast, The Classic Car Drive In Weekend is the ultimate, socially distanced outdoor Classic Car event. Taking place at the iconic classic motoring hub at Bicester Heritage on the weekend of 18th – 20th September, the event brings together over 500 Classic Cars for you to admire or buy along with a selection of the most iconic Classic Car Movies at a Drive In Cinema.

PLUS



Displays from over
25 of the UK's
leading Car Clubs



Bonhams
MPH
auction



Drive-in Movies



Daily track
parades and
demonstrations



Over 50 Classic car
dealers, restorers
and traders

TICKETS

Drive In Movie Screening:
Adult £10 / Child £7.50

Drive In Movie and Exhibition:
Adult £25 / Child £15

We'll be sharing details of a special offer for all full club members in the coming days,
so keep an eye out across our social platforms.

VSCC MERCHANDISE

Unique to the Club



GREETINGS

A fabulous set of six unique quality greeting cards designed for the club by Anna-Louise Felstead.

Blank so you can use for any occasion

BADGES

VSCC Traditional Logo badge designed to be ironed or sewn on to any item of clothing.

Flameproof Speed and Formula Vintage Badge conforms with the ISO 15025 Includes sewing kit with Nomex thread for fixing to race overalls



REUSABLE

Choose from a VSCC Thermo mug to keep refilled with Tea or Coffee - great for late nights in the garage.

Or a metal a drinking bottle with an extra attachment to secure to your backpack - Both designed for the VSCC

