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'Summertime, and the living is easy' as the song goes. Yes it is that time of year again and holidays are around the corner. Are you ready for it? Is your car primed and ready to go? Whether you are driving to the airport or to Devon and Cornwall your car has got to be reliable or the 'family' will never let you forget it! Give yourself plenty of time for the journey and remember that thousands of other people will also be on the move, so an earlier start could help you. Do not overload your vehicle as it will handle differently, just make sure your tyres are at the correct pressure for the extra load and that you have sufficient fuel for your journey. If you are on a longer journey with or without the family, carry some fuel for yourself and family, drinks and biscuits. Nothing worse than being stuck on the M.25 for a few hours and not having something to drink (obviously NOT alcohol). Games for the children. Also with the new flying rules, ensure that all your electric devices are charged up! You could lose it otherwise. Keep your 'phone charged anyway, not much good breaking down and having to walk miles for a telephone.

All our Members are sensible and do not need preaching at, but it does help sometimes to have a gentle nudge. Do not forget your passport if travelling abroad!!! See what I mean. All it leaves me to say is for all of you to have a very happy and safe holiday.

For those staying at home, remember we live in a Tourist county and we have a very large influx of visitors. Plan your local journeys so as to avoid those traffic hotspots. I am sure you can all name one in your area.

AMERICAN CLASSIC CARS



Duesenberg 1928 - 1935



Ford Mustang 1964 1969



Cord 1936 - 1937

What's On

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTIFIED
7.30PM AT THE PAVILION, OAKFIELD ROAD, CRINGLEFORD

**ALL MEMBERS ARE REMINDED THAT THE MEETINGS ARE HELD ON
THE 4TH WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH.
THIS IS NOT ALWAYS THE LAST WEDNESDAY**

MEETINGS

JULY

Wednesday, 23th July 2014

This is our 'Mystery Speaker' night. It seems strange but we thought it could be more fun for our Members to come and be surprised and pleasantly entertained for the evening. I understand that it will be an interesting evening so I urge everyone to come along and join in.

DON'T FORGET THE GIGANTIC RAFFLE AND FREE TEA AND COFFEE!

AUGUST

NO MEETING

SEPTEMBER

Wednesday, 24th September 2014

The History of the Norfolk Fire Service

OCTOBER

Wednesday, 22nd October 2014

The story of Colman Foods

NOVEMBER

Wednesday, 26th November 2014

Christmas Social Evening

DECEMBER

NO MEETING

MESSAGES FROM OUR CHAIRMAN

On-Line Payment System

HQ have advised that they intend to introduce an on-line payment system during July. This system may be used for test renewals and annual RoADAR membership fees. It will not include an option for local group fee payments. More details will become available on the RoADAR website in due course.

Committee Members Needed.

Our Committee's numbers are reducing due to retirement and relocation. We need volunteers – your Group needs you! The committee work is the opposite of onerous and meetings are kept to the minimum but we need some new faces and fresh ideas to help us move ahead. If you are interested, please contact me (Chairman) to discuss. Contact details are on this Newsletter and the website.

Bluelight Aware

Loud sirens and flashing blue lights cause many motorists confusion, mainly because they are not routinely taught how to respond to them. Drivers generally have the best intentions, but sometimes...



Do you know how to react in these situations?

About your driving licence?

Did you know you can view and check your Driving Licence online? Have a look at the DVLA website here: <https://www.gov.uk/view-driving-licence>."

Robin Apps

THE MIDDLE EAST – ARE YOU CONFUSED WITH ALL THE DIFFERENT SIDES?

It's quite simple, really.

Are you confused by what is going on in the Middle East ?

Let me explain.

We support the Iraqi government in the fight against ISIS .

We don't like ISIS, but ISIS is supported by Saudi Arabia who we do like.

We don't like Assad in Syria . We support the fight against him, but ISIS is also fighting against him.

We don't like Iran , but Iran supports the Iraqi government in its fight against ISIS .

So some of our friends support our enemies, some enemies are now our friends, and some of our enemies are fighting against our other enemies, who we want to lose, but we don't want our enemies who are fighting our enemies to win.

If the people we want to defeat are defeated, they could be replaced by people we like even less.

And all this was started by us invading a country to drive out terrorists who were not actually there until we went in to drive them out.

There you are, what could be more simple ?

NOW YOU KNOW!

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR EDITOR - Noel Baker

I have been producing this Newsletter for so long I cannot really remember when I started (at least 10 years). I feel that it is now getting a bit stale and I am getting on in years. Is there anyone among our Members who feel they can do the job and would like to take over. It is not too onerous, only every two months. The only problem I find is that very rarely do we get any news or articles from our Members for inclusion in Drivelines and I am usually left hunting around to try and put something of interest in the pages. I think I have been quite successful up to now, but it does not get any easier. The Newsletter has only to be produced on line and forwarded to Peter Matchett who has the task of printing and distributing it. If there is anyone who would like to take over please contact Robin in the first instance and then myself.

Hope to see you on our 'Mystery Evening' this July. Remember NO MEETING in August.

Have a good break and safe driving.

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