

## **TRADE SUPPLIERS**

### **Batteries**

**Lincon Batteries, Southend on Sea**, Essex, supply batteries by post if required, the acid is also supplied complete with instructions on how to fill the batteries. (Their prices compare very favourably with more local suppliers. Ed) **Their number is 01702 525374/528711.**

### **Upholstery**

**Lyon Leathers Ltd, Northampton**, can supply **leather skins** for small and large projects. Small parts, e.g. straps and gaiters, can be made to measure. **Telephone 01604 639346**

### **Engineering**

**Thomas McKean, Precision Engineers & Engine Reconditioners**, 66 Annan Road, Dumfries - **tel: 01387 253091 Fax: 01387 259877**

### **MoTs**

**Edinburgh Hill Autos**, Stranraer will offer a deal on MOTs (both classic and more recent vehicles), mention the club when booking in, **Phone 01776 702451**

#### **New Address**

**Sandmill MoT Centre**, Commerce Road, Black Parks Industrial Estate, Stranraer **MoTs @ £40**, old and modern cars, m/cycles, 3 wheelers, campers & minibuses, very competitive rates for tyres, Ring Harry or Jamie on **01776 889635**

## **4 SALE – CARS, COLLECTIBLES, SPARES, SUPPLIES**

(Deadline for inclusion is 10<sup>th</sup> of the month of issue to allow for processing)

(Please also note that ads will continue to appear until the advertiser tells me to remove the ad either by phone or email, thank you.)

### **CARS**

#### **MG**

**1963 MGB Roadster.** Red with black hood. Very good condition - a previous 'Car of the Show' winner at Stair Park. Original registration number OGL 763. Extensive history file compiled. A real eye-catching car with an insurance valuation of £7500. A bargain at £6000. **Contact Bob Fryer on 07947307302.**

### **CARAVANS**

**1991 5 berth Lunar Saturn caravan.** Looks good and reasonable condition for age. Tows beautifully. Cassette toilet, fridge, microwave etc. Will accept £1000. **Contact Bob Fryer on 07947307302.**

### **SPARES**

#### **Saab**

**Saab 99 glass** – 2 laminated windscreens and a selection of rear side windows for Combi hatchback and 2 door booted saloon. Please call Sandy on **01655 770393**

**Saab 900 glass** - 2 rear windows and hatchback glass from 900 hatchback. Free to good home. Please call Sandy on **01655 770393**

#### **Vauxhall**

**Water Pump** to fit the following – Magnum 1800/2300 saloon/coupe with viscous fan, 1973 on, free to good home, phone Alan Hadfield **01988 500029**

**Please Note.** After some discussion at a recent club meeting I have been asked that Club Members who want to advertise their cars or spares as “reasonable offer” please help their fellow members by quoting a price.

### **WANTED**

#### **Morris**

**Wanted – red seats for a 2 door Morris Minor.** Also wanted any spare parts. **Contact Alex Robb, Darvel, Ayrshire (01560 428161)**

#### **Ford**

**Wanted – Ford Transit van, Long Wheel Base, High Top, phone Alan Hadfield on 01988 500029**

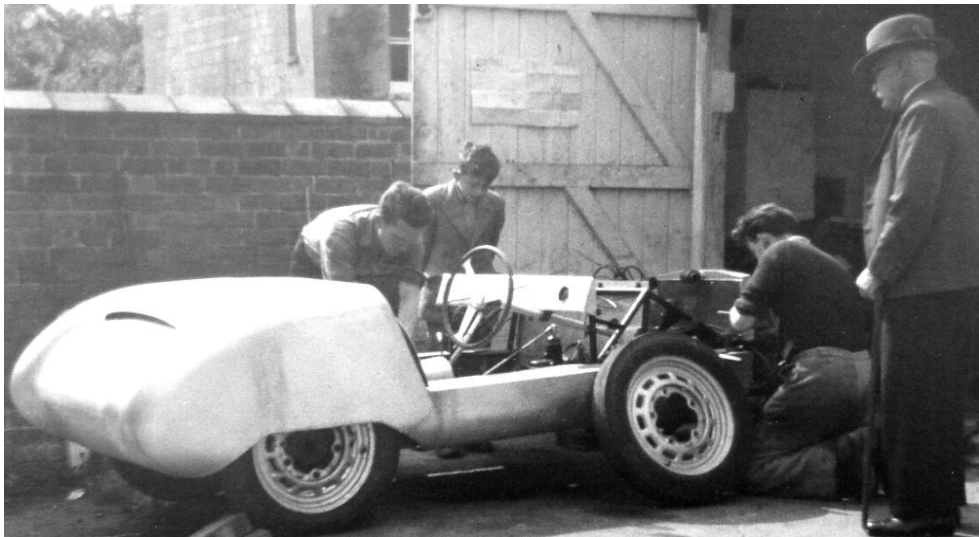
If you have any questions or if there is anything else I maybe can help with please feel free to contact me. Fred Cannon

**And here is what Malcolm said to Fred -**

Dear Fred,

What you have sent is quite amazing. I often go on "fishing trips" to try and recover lost history of any Buckler car but it is not often that I come up trumps like this. THANK YOU VERY MUCH INDEED. And a photo too. This is my best Christmas present. And to think that for many years I thought OS was a reg from N.I. or Ireland . It was only this week, when I discovered it was Wigtownshire, that I thought I would start a new line of investigation.

What an interesting story and a lot of new leads. I have passed your email to the other archivists at the Buckler Register as it is always good to spread the word. I feel sure it will also get in our newsletter but probably not until March now as it is quarterly.



**A Buckler 90 kit being assembled (other end of the spectrum from Thrust SST)**

## **BUCKLER UPDATE**

Malcolm Buckler sent me the following email about the missing Buckler that he has been trying to trace. It seems we have a Mr Memory amongst us. Step forward Fred and take a bow, not many of us could recall detail like that in the email sent to me by Malcolm. Malcolm's words follow, starting by expressing a desire to own Ian MacDonald's cracking looking Austin:

Thank you so much for the mention in your newsletter and how I would LOVE that Austin 10 that is for sale but no garage room unless the owner can also sell me a lock up .

I am not sure if I sent this to you before but below is some more on OS 9864, in fact the best lead yet and a great story.

Regards Malcolm.

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**Subject:** Missing buckler Car

Hi Malcolm,

Sometimes a long shot pays off! This car rang a bell with me.

When I was about 14 years old and went to help my Aunt and Uncle at shoot days on their farm, I remember the owner telling stories about his exploits.

His name was William (Billy) Lawson. He then lived at West Mains Farm on the World War Two aerodrome at Baldoon, Bladnoch, where the runway was used for testing the car.

After making enquiries I discovered that the car was built at West Mains Farm by Billy and his friends Roy McKie and Ian McGowan. Billy was a great engineer as well as a farmer.

One of the stories I remember was of him racing at Oulton Park where he lost control on a corner, spun off into a corn field and disappeared. He also raced at Kirkston Aerodrome in Ireland.

This is where the name Malcolm Templeton comes in. He was a car dealer from Ballymena and they all seemed to be friends.

I managed to get you a picture, it was very small and a bit out of focus. I believe other pictures exist.

Unfortunately Billy passed away only a few months ago and his widow is not very well at the moment so I didn't want to bother her.

Billy was quite a character and was a sheep shearing champion who travelled the world and often appeared on TV demonstrating his skill in shearing.

I was told that a water tank was molded to the bonnet of the car to assist with the cooling.

The whereabouts of the car is unknown but Ian McGowan thinks that it had been scrapped.

## ***DATES FOR THE DIARY***

Mon 06 February: Club Meeting

Mon 05 March: Club Meeting – AGM. Speaker – Florence Clarke

Mon 02 April: Club Meeting – rally arrangements

## **SVVF Yearbook 2012**

This has now been posted out by printers and everyone should have received their copy. If you have not received it please let me know asap.

Liz

## ***MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS***

Just a quick reminder that membership subscriptions were due for renewal on 01 December 2011. New members who joined after 01 August 2010 do not need to renew until December 2012.

**Eric, Treasurer**



**I wish this shed was in my garden, but it is at the Coventry Motor Museum**

## **Sad News**

It is with deep regret we inform you of the deaths of John May and Alan Henderson who were long standing and loyal members of our club, we send our condolences to Enid and family and Louise and family.

Alan  
Chairman

## **REPORT ON SVVF AGM 2011**

Eric and I attended the SVVF AGM in Perth on Sunday 27 November. Peter Duncan opened the meeting and welcomed all present.

The Minutes of the previous year were proposed and seconded.

Peter Duncan gave his Report stating that a few of the Committee had attended various rallies. Some had had horrendous weather. The show in Aberdeen had been cancelled as exhibitors were not allowed on field. They (the committee) had noted steady flow of public at events which was encouraging despite the weather. Selkirk had been bad and the field was described as a skating rink. There was an amount of exhibitors leaving the field early especially Selkirk. He reported that it doesn't send out good signs if exhibitors leave very early especially when the organisers have put in a lot of hard work. There are different thoughts on how to police this. Thanks to Committee and clubs for organizing events.

Peter Mitchell, Treasurer, gave his report and after a few questions the accounts were agreed. Membership subscription to remain the same.

Secretary thanked everyone for getting in the various returns early.

Committee as stands was proposed and seconded en bloc.

Yearbook – there is to be a slight change for 2013. There will be a nominal charge of £1 per person. Member bodies will send in a list of their members who wish a yearbook and enclose the relevant cost. At the beginning of the year the yearbook will be sent out to those who have requested one. It is then up to Clubs how to recoup the charge (or not). This means that if someone is a member of 2 or 3 clubs they can inform one club they want a yearbook and to the other clubs they do not. It will be up to each individual to inform the club. Yearbook dates will continue on the SVVF website. The 2013 yearbook will also appear as an ebook on website. The 2012 yearbook will be sent out as previously.

Dates for events in 2012 were gone over.

There has been a proposal from VOSA that some vehicles should be exempt from MOT (pre 1919, pre 1945 and pre 1960). There were various views on this ie increased interest from VOSA, insurance problems, safety issues, possible restricted use. One suggestion was a safety check instead of MOT. One member suggested keep MOT but reduce the cost.

SVVF to write to MVS Scotland with concerns and suggestions.

**Champion of Champions:** 2012 Selkirk. Looking for a venue for 2013

**Liz and Eric**

# Wigtownshire Yesteryear Transport & Machinery Club

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## CLUB INFORMATION

Our Club website is open to a wide range of readers so please remember that the content reflects on the Club and its members. Nothing derogatory, contentious or rude please. The Committee have full editorial control. No phone numbers will be shown on the site but key members will have an email address linked to the site. Thank You.

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## YOUR COMMITTEE

The Chairman is Alan Hadfield, on 01988 500 029 or [jualhad@btinternet.com](mailto:jualhad@btinternet.com)  
Vice chair Ian Clarke - 01776 870441, while your motor cycle rep is Bob Hill, on 01671 404426 or [bnbhill@globalnet.co.uk](mailto:bnbhill@globalnet.co.uk). The Secretary is Liz Hamilton and the Treasurer Eric Hamilton. Both can be reached on 01671 403926 or [ehamil@globalnet.co.uk](mailto:ehamil@globalnet.co.uk). The car rep is Fred Cannon on 01988 402496 or [BISHOPBURN@aol.com](mailto:BISHOPBURN@aol.com). The commercial rep Sam Miller on 01776 707319 or [dkmillason1@btinternet.com](mailto:dkmillason1@btinternet.com). For military and stationary engines contact Bob Downie on 01776 820614.

## NON COMMITTEE

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## ***Ed's Bits***

Are we all now another year on and deeper in debt, to misquote what was I think a Lee Marvin number, but hopefully not too much of the latter eh? I know we spent some time at the sales.

Let's get back to looking forward to this year's show season. Who is just simply itching to get out the new chamois leather found in your stocking on Christmas morning? Looking at the recent advert changes from December we will have a changed line up at Stair Park in May, for instance Thumper has switched from Austin to Morris and I have a lighter trailer so hope to bring a car as well as the autojumble.

The wrong Sandy Millar got an email intended for me before Xmas. I spell my email address **Sandy\_Millar** with an underscore character, as in **Sandy\_Millar**. At risk of boring our online community, please note this spelling so that we do not get further misdirections. Thanks.

**Ed.**