Welcome to the latest newsletter!

Jersey is certainly becoming a hive of activity for the Vintage and Classic car movement and there is no shortage of enthusiasts. I believe the Channel Islands house more Vintage and Classic cars per square mile than anywhere else in the world.

It is very surprising that these Islands with their restrictive speed limits and leafy lanes should be home to so many “petrol heads”, but they are, for in reality it is such a perfect place to own a classic car.

Most Vintage and Classic cars, even some over 100 years old, are more than capable of keeping up with local traffic and if you should wish to stretch your cars legs beyond our Islands speed limits, then aren’t we ideally located for that trip to France or the UK? There are also some financial advantages (no Vehicle Registration Duty for cars over 25 years old in Jersey) and most classics tend to hold their value, some cars even prove to be excellent investments.

Considering the fun and financial rewards it’s surprising there aren’t even more classics in regular use on a daily basis!

Concours d’Elegance

Two Le Riche Restored Austin 7 Swallows each won their class and received special trophies at the European Concours d’Elegance held in Düsseldorf this July. These tiny first Jaguars are obtaining a trophy collection to be proud of and will be entered into the Villa d’Est Concours next year, surely not MORE CUPS!

Goodwood Rocks!

Much more than just motorcars, the Goodwood Revival held in September is a world-class event not to be missed. Hurricanes and Spitfires dogfight, Mods and Rockers rumble, whilst most importantly historic cars battle it out for victory on the race circuit.

The events aim is to recreate Goodwood’s golden era of motor racing from the 1930’s through to the 1960’s.

Spectators are encouraged to wear period dress and racing is by invitation only.

A visit to the revival is like stepping back in time with the three day event showcasing some of the most exotic cars and bikes ever built set against a backdrop of pure nostalgia.

From a local perspective it was fantastic to see the Jersey Airlines Heron operating a daily flight to the circuit’s own airfield with a load of local enthusiasts onboard. Jersey racing driver Mike Salmon was at the wheel of the same Ferrari 330 LM that he raced at Le Mans 43 years ago and the Le Riche Automobile Austin Swallow even managed a full lap of the circuit, achieving speeds in excess of 45 mph! It’s not often that taking a wrong turn ends up with such a good turn of fortune!

This year the Goodwood Revival saw records broken not only on the track but also in the Auction Room. A crowded Bonhams Marquee saw a 1929 7.1 litre Mercedes SSK sports tourer sell for £4.2 million, setting a new record for the highest price ever paid for a motorcar in Europe. For those of us who don’t appreciate patina ...... it needed restoring!

Wanted

Old Car Parts ... Books ... Manuals ... Automobilia ... Tools... in fact anything to do with vintage and classic cars!

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A Concours pair of Austin 7 Swallows

£ 4.2 million Mercedes SSK
The Works

A local collector has recently acquired two historic motorcars to add to his already impressive collection of vehicles, world renowned just by their registration numbers.

The most famous of all Austin Healey 3000’s, the Pat Moss and Ann Wisdom 1960’s Liege – Rome – Liege winning works rally car ... URX 727, and the Mini Cooper that came third in the 1964 Monte Carlo Rally clinching the Team prize. Forty years on the car has just completed another circuit of the 1964 Monte Carlo route with it's new owner ... Champagne all the way!

Classics For Sale... www.LeRiche.com ...For Details

Accident Repair

Alongside our well-established restoration department, we also offer an accident repair service for the more modern vehicle.

Tony De La Haye has recently returned to the Island to manage this department. Tony has spent the past 17 years running some of the largest bodyshops on the south coast of England. This experience will help us to provide a high quality, efficient service at a competitive price.

Recently we have been undertaking warranty work for a dealership and accident repair work for most insurance companies. Our aim is to further develop this department by increasing the volume of new car repair work and offer you, our client that little bit extra.

Let the Le Riche Accident Repair Specialists take care of the hassle! We have a fully equipped modern crash repair facility able to deal with all types of repair work. We can advise and help you through the paperwork that insurance claims require, provide a courtesy car, and return your car to you as good as new.

Call Tony on 07797718148 or 864073 for assistance.

VW Beetle Cabriolet

Triumph Herald 13/60
1300 miles from new. Just re-commissioned. A time piece. 3 digit registration is additional. £3,750.

VW Karmann Ghia Coupe 1971
Rust free and drives superb. Left hand drive. £6,750.

Datsun 240Z
1972. Local car from new and very original. Undergoing LRAR restoration. £POA.

Rover P3 or 75
1949. Superb all round driving luxury car. Excellent condition. £8,750.

Jaguar XK 150's
Several to choose from in various conditions, including the ‘S’ model, starting from £19,750.

Austin Healey 3000

Caterham Super Seven
1996. 1600cc. Fast and great fun, excellent condition. £13,750.

Porsche 356 SC
1964. Fully restored by ourselves 4 years ago. superb car £34,750.

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Alfa Romeo Boat Tail Spider

Part restored ex-works UJB 143 Healey awaiting collection from Le Riche

Restored Ex-works UJB 143

Tony Body Shop

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