



VOLVO ENTHUSIASTS CLUB

The only club specifically for the classic VOLVO

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Hello Everyone

Welcome to the latest issue of our club newsletter.

The response to the last Newsletter has been really good but please could anyone with Internet Access please sign up for your copy to be sent by email. It saves money for the club and also to be honest saves me a lot of time and work, they are also better quality than the ones sent by post so please send your details to: vecnewsletter@hotmail.co.uk put Confirm in the subject line and your name and membership number in the main part and anything else you want to say good or bad your comments are always welcome.

Thank you to all who have sent items in. For a newsletter we need news in fact anything you think may be of interest to others please send it to me Gillian vecnewsletter@hotmail.co.uk or my address on the next page.

[Bristol Show 2012 See Report inside](#)



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Next issue the Early History of this amazing car

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EVENTS

We, and other Volvo related clubs (eg 300 Mania, 850) have been invited to the VOC 50th gathering, being held the weekend of 16th and 17th June 2012.

The event is being held at Thoresby Hall, Nottingham. Free camping is available from Friday 15th until Monday 18th and full programmes of events are planned throughout the weekend.

NEC CLASSIC CAR SHOW

STOP PRESS - Club Stands at Classic Car Shows:

Club Stand at the Classic Motor Show 16th-18th November 2012 at the NEC Birmingham.

We are pleased to inform Members that the Club has received confirmation that we have a Club Stand at this year's Classic Motor Show held at The NEC, Birmingham.

Our Display will be in Hall 11 Stand No: 11C18 and will feature a collection of Members Classic Volvo's including the original TV Saint Car a 1962 Volvo P1800 Reg. No: 71 DXC which was driven by Roger Moore in the very first series. This car has been undergoing a ground-up restoration and it is hoped that the car will be completed for the show to celebrate its 50th birthday and 50 Years of 'The Saint'

Don't Forget our stand at the Bristol Restoration Show - **10th & 11th November 2012 at Shepton Mallet**

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

NORTHERN GROUP MEET

Any suggestions for a venue for a Northern meeting August, September, and October --- can you contact Russ with your ideas rossjevans@tiscali.co.uk

We are only a small but very friendly group and everyone is welcome we cover quite a large area including Scotland and Northern England

OLD ADVERTS

Please can you let us know when you have items no longer for Sale as we will remove anything over 3-4 months old?

Here is what is now on the website pages:

<http://volvoenthusiastsclub.co.uk/vehiclesale.htm>

Charge rates for advertising Sales and Wanted items in the club Newsletter and Web Site are as follows:-Current members quoting a valid membership number and year code may place ads free of charge. Non members with private sales pay £10.00 for 2 months publication.

"Trade" pay £25.00 for 2 months publication. Payments for the advert should be sent directly to Colin Hughes (see contact page) and upon receipt of payment the ad will be released for publishing in the Newsletter and on the Website.

FOR SALE

I have a 1991 Volvo 240 Torslanda with Volvo roof rack, towing hitch & mud mats (Hayes manual included) for sale. I took it off the road (SORN) last September after more than 11 years faithful service. MOT until April 2012. In need of some TLC. If you know anyone who would be interested I can be reached by email or on 01531 890606 and I can give details of the things that I am aware of that will need attention.

Email Carol: carolsfeet@gmail.com

Various 1800S parts available please email for more details,

pictures and prices contact Trevor volvo1800@httpsolutions.co.uk

Volvo 1800S reversing light
glass clear, clean and no crack

Front windscreen for 1800 no
cracks or chips.

Volvo 1800/S handbrake with
fittings no leather cover

Volvo 1800/S chrome washer
surrounds

Volvo 1800/S rear seat upper
– black trim/cloth

Volvo 1800/S boot latch and
plate

Volvo 1800/S 2 window
winders

WANTED

Good dashboard top or bottom (dash top from early ES suitable as smooth grain), early type steering wheel, early jack, steering column for 1800S. Also interior window winders for 69 S. I would purchase a cheap car for spares as well.

Also wanted Jensen type hub cap wanted, condition not too important.

Also looking for VEC magazines.

Please contact Keith @ keith_r_f@hotmail.com

[Any DIY tips to help other members](#)

Have any of you got any tips to pass onto other members as I am sure there must be many owners who do their own maintenance and body work. So any tips will be welcome please visit the website: <http://voloventhusiastsclub.co.uk/tips.htm>

This has been sent in by member Russ Evans



This Photo---- taken this week --6am with frost on the car---is of My Volvo 145-----in Wark near Hexham while on holiday. And Gillian is asking for news--since it has a varied history I thought I would share this with you all

My Dad bought this car New in 1970 and over the coming months (--may be years--) I will put together it's life story

We look forward to that Russ

[FUEL STABILITY ADDITIVE TEST RESULTS](#)

The FBHVC is pleased to announce the results of its fuel stability additive test programme. This research was designed to test the anti-corrosive properties of proprietary additives claiming to provide a high level of protection against potential corrosion of fuel systems, including tanks, pipework and fuel metering equipment on historic vehicles caused by the addition of ethanol into petrol.

VSPe Power Plus, VSPe and EPS from Millers Oils; Ethomix from Frost A R T Ltd; Ethanolmate from Flexolite all received an 'A' rating in the research which enables all these products carry an endorsement from the FBHVC. The endorsement is in the form of the FBHVC logo and the words: 'endorsed by the FBHVC as a fuel additive for protection against corrosion in metals'.

All additive manufacturers and suppliers were approached in 2011 to provide

test samples for this research which was designed to simulate storage in a vehicle's fuel tank for a 12 month period. The FBHVC's conference last October majored on the effects of ethanol in petrol with presentations from industry experts. It identified three issues to be considered: corrosion, compatibility and combustion. The Federation has been represented at a Fuel Stakeholders meetings with the DfT.

For details of the products please contact:

Millers' Oils – email: enquiries@millersoils.co.uk; website: www.millersoils.co.uk

Frost A R T Ltd – email: order@frost.co.uk; website: www.frost.co.uk

Flexolite – email: sales@flexolite.co.uk; website: www.flexolite.co.uk

[The 33rd Bristol Classic Car Show 2012](#)

The 33rd Footman James Bristol classic car show was again held at the Bath & West Showground, Shepton Mallet, over the weekend of the 21st & 22nd April.

Our Club display at this year's show celebrated the 50th Birthday of the TV Series 'The Saint' (1962-2012) and featured Kevin Price's (Our founder/Hon President) ongoing rebuild of the original 1962 Roger Moore's Volvo P1800 71 DXC used in the first TV Series of 'The Saint'. And Colin Hughes's (Principle Club Contact) Volvo 740 Pick-up.

[Club Display Car Information:](#)

[F136 MBW 1989 Volvo 740 Pick-up](#)

1986cc 5 Speed manual gearbox

Converted from estate to a Pick-Up in 2000 by previous owner to carry his Royal Enfield Motorbike to rallies and shows.

Engine has done 265,000 miles (new instrument panel fitted in 2010) it has full service history.

Now used as a service/recovery vehicle for his own "fleet" of Volvos.

Needs some work to the side timber rails, which will happen when time allows.

Owned by VEC member Colin Hughes, Northampton.

[The Original TV Saint Car 'ST 1' 1962 Volvo P1800](#)
(Jensen West Bromwich, England Built)

Since 'The Saint' P1800 71 DXC was displayed on our Stand at the Classic Motor Show, held at the NEC Birmingham last November, much work has been undertaken on the car which includes the fitting of the Brakes, Brake & Fuel Pipes, Engine and Gearbox and Petrol Tank.

Colin Hughes's 740 Pickup, which had been made by converting a 740 Estate by its previous owner to transport his Classic motor bikes formed part of the display by carrying many of the items still to be fitted to the Saint Car.

Also manning the Stand were club Members Jonathon Bell, Simon Biddlecomb and Robert Hughes, who were along with Kevin and Colin kept busy throughout the weekend by visitors and fellow Members keen to view and ask questions about the cars on display, Club Membership and other technical queries.

Thanks to all those who helped and visited over the weekend – See you all at the Restoration Show at the same venue on 1st & 2nd November, 2012, where it is hoped the final restoration of 71 DXC will be undertaken.

Parts Required: In order to complete the restoration of the Saint Car – Kevin is trying to locate an original set of good condition rubber front floor mats – The P1800 (1961-63) only had carpet over the tunnel and in rear, the front floors had rubber mats which were press-studded up along the tunnel and inner sills. If you can help or have any information of the Original TV Saint Car 71 DXC - please contact kevinprice.vec@btinternet.com

[VEC Spring Get-together: Milestones Museum Basingstoke, May 20th 2012](#)

This was our first southern spring get-together for a while, and a return to Basingstoke after a gap of 6 years. Eight members attended, with a total of 6 cars. P 1800's were represented by Tony and Gillian Whitton and David Foxley. Toni's car has never been painted; welded or even had any major components removed from it since the day it left the factory. So long as it keeps passing the MOT, Tony intends to keep it this way. Peter Titley brought along his pristine Amazon, with a 240, 740 and 850 shown by Robert Hughes, Colin Hughes and Dave Stadden. John Bailey was unable to bring along his 140, which was "under the weather", but bought his family along to enjoy the delights of the Milestones museum. The venue was also hosting a centenary celebration for AEC, which was represented by around 30 heavy trucks and buses, including the ubiquitous Routemaster and a solid tyred Thorneycroft still in show condition. Thorneycroft was taken over by AEC, but their vehicles had been manufactured in Basingstoke

since the early 20th century in a factory across the road from the Milestones museum (now sadly another retail park).

The pessimistic weather forecasts for rain turned out to be false, but a chilly breeze kept us from sitting around talking for too long. Still, with plenty to see both inside and outside the museum an enjoyable day was had by all.

Some members may have noted a clash with the Volvo Owners Club Spring Gathering at the Atwell Wilson Museum. We did not become aware of this until it was too late to do anything about it, but have now made arrangements with VOC to liaise over the dates of future events.



[Website for Classic Volvo's](#)

I have found this website when I went on this link there were quite a few video's to look at not just P1800

http://www.metacafe.com/watch/5908324/restoration_of_classic_volvo_cars/



