

V8 up for auction at the NEC

A Factory MGBGTV8 in Tundra, described as incredibly original with only 4,425 miles, is listed for auction at the **NEC Classic Car Show in early** November. The auction catalogue has an estimate of £30,000 to £35,000 and says "in May 2014 with just 4,059 miles, it was purchased by its most recent owner who has a penchant for totally original, low mileage classics and added it to his collection, storing it correctly and using it only occasionally. Although in lovely original condition, a little fettling and detailing to the engine bay would bring the car to the next level and, given that top examples of this model are now making substantially more than the estimate suggested here, this lowmileage, "well-historied", four-owner V8 should amply reward the remedial tidying-up now required. What a great

find!"

In May this year another Exceptional condition MGBGTV8 in Damask Red with upgrades including leather seats was sold at the Historics auction for £33,600 including the buyer's premium and VAT thereron and that compares with £41,300 for the Tundra example on the same basis. It will be interesting to see how the auction goes.

New method of making replacement parts

A new method of reproducing replacement parts, one that could recreate the panels and metal parts for any classic car no matter how rare, has appeared as a new innovation. Classic Car Weekly reported in a feature article last month that "Nissan says a panel, component or pressing can be remade as long as the drawings exist. If no drawings are available but a single part remains, it can be scanned and copied. Nissan's process, referred to as dual sided dieless forming, is described as needing no tooling or presses to work." Nissan says that it is intending to reproduce parts for its heritage models in the long-term but adds it is also planning to commercialise the technique more widely. See our report with useful links on our "More" page.



Memorable V8 Lincolnshire **Tour 2019**

Richard Withington reports brilliant Autumn sunshine was enjoyed by 35 members all in MGV8s as they began to explore Lincolnshire's rural roads over the long weekend 12th to 16th September visiting a variety of venues including the International Bomber Command Centre, Lincoln Castle, Heckington Mill and Lincolnshire Aviation Museum. The group also visited the "Kinema in the Woods" which caused great amusement before exploring the coast and the Wolds to the North. The tour, organised by Richard and Victoria Withington with the assistance of the Lincolnshire Centre, was called "memorable" by members enjoying the event. See the full report on our "More" page:

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