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RV8 boot luggage rack

Brian Moyse contributed to the website article on boot rack options for an RV8 with details of the adjustable rack he uses. He originally bought it from Brown and Gammons to fit on a MGF, but as the clamps are fully adjustable and clip to the edges of the boot lid it fits the RV8 as well, though he feels you would not want it to be any wider! Brian has used a suitcase weighing around 18kg loaded on round trips to the South of France and to Scotland with no problems. It has never moved on the boot lid in use. The manufacturer is La Prealpina in Turin – see RV8NOTE346 on the V8 website for their website contacts. www.v8register.net/subpages/RV8det.htm

V8 plans for MGLive! 2011

Lunch at the Pear Tree Inn next to the brewery at Hook Norton on Friday 24th June is a traditional start to the annual weekend meeting at Silverstone for V8 enthusiasts. The pub serves good light lunches and of course has some of the finest real ale. If you plan to join fellow members and friends then do let me know so we can let the landlord have an idea of numbers for catering. All

MG enthusiasts are very welcome.

A V8 Supper on Friday evening 24th June will be held this year at the Three Conies pub at Thorpe Mandeville, a village a few miles north of the A43 between Brackley and Silverstone village. We have their private dining room for the supper which can seat around 40 people in comfort. As it is a popular event, booking is necessary. You can book online on the V8 website or alternatively you can book with Victor Smith using the contacts above.

We will have the usual V8 Marquee at MGLive! alongside a V8 parking area providing a focal point so you can meet up with fellow members. This year a key feature in the marquee will be the display of Barrie Jones' MGBGT V8 which is just back on the road after his major three year rebuild.

On Saturday evening V8 members are encouraged to join the Club's new MGLive! Dinner at which we will have several V8 tables. The new format with Stuart Turner as guest speaker and brief presentations and speeches will create an enjoyable and comfortable evening.

On the Sunday at MGLive! the V8 AGM will be held at 12.30pm, just before lunch.

It's deliberately held at the Club's principal event so the maximum number of V8 members will have an opportunity to attend and vote in the election of a new V8 Committee. This year we have already received nominations from Jim Gibson for the post of V8 Chairman and from Bob Owen to stand as V8 Treasurer. The remainder of the V8 activities at MGLive! will be set out in the V8 Column next month

V8 Hampshire Tour 2011

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Editor,

There is a longer paragraph on the V8 Hampshire Tour 2011 on the next page if you need more copy.

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