



Swiss V8 Register meeting

An interesting collection of over 20 MGV8s were at the fourth annual "V8 Get Together" arranged by Victor Rodrigues for the Swiss V8 Register on Sunday 4th September, including the first rubber bumper MGBGTV8 with longtime Swiss V8 enthusiast Jacques Milliet and his son Louis. They were pleased to have recently acquired the car as Jacques had known the original owner, the late Geoff Allen, so well.

Geoff Allen had worked at the MG Plant in rectifications for 27 years until the plant closed when he set up his own MG servicing business in Abingdon. Another interesting car was a Huntsman V8 Roadster in Glacier White recently acquired by Hanspeter Bachmann who was clearly delighted with the high quality V8 conversion built by David Franklin. The long distance award went to Robin and Josie Livett from Oxfordshire who joined the event with their V8 Roadster

during their journey via Switzerland to Italy. The car has covered well over 250,000 miles as they regularly tour in the car.

The programme for the Get Together included an early morning reception at the Riverside Hotel near Zurich, a guided tour of the hotel owner's collection of classic cars, then following brunch there the participants enjoyed a 100km route along the Rhine valley to Basel for a guided tour round the Moneteverdi museum – an extraordinary collection of the luxury V8 engined cars built by the Swiss designer and constructor Peter Monteverdi. The day closed with a farewell reception at the Schloss Hotel at Binningen.

