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BBC calls time on Long Wave transmission

The BBC plans to close transmission on the Long Wave platform in the near future, including many transmissions favoured amongst V8 owners. Many V8 owners prefer to retain their period Motorola/Radiomobile radios, although around 94% of all radio broadcasting is in FM and DAB only. However, several companies are now offering conversions to enable classic car owners to retain the period look of their radios, while still being able to listen to more modern and available broadcasts. Conversions include FM, DAB and iPod



connectivity. 'Stay tuned' for further details in this column.

Six monthly MGV8 price guide and market review

Our regularly updated MGV8 price guide was released in early May covering the six months to the end of April 2022. Over those 6 months we have seen classic car enthusiasts gradually able to attend local and national events like the joint Triumph & MG Weekend meeting at Malvern, the Goodwood Revival, MG Days at Gaydon and the NEC Classic Motor Show in early November 2021. We have also seen auctions returning to 'face to face' events but the significant move to online auctions continues as both buyers and sellers of classic cars have grown more familiar with them, particularly as many auction houses have adapted to the constraints over physical auctions by further developing their effective online capabilities. However, most buyers still need to make a thorough physical inspection before bidding. We have seen an increased flow of MGV8s advertised for sale or listed for auction in the 6 months to May; they continue a return to levels seen in November 2019. See the "More" webpage www.v8register.net/more.htm

V8 Scottish Borders Tour 2022

The next V8 Tour will be from Friday 9th to Monday 12th September 2022 in the Scottish Borders and will give a taste of some of the attractions in this attractive and interesting area. Tour organiser Tony Smith says that bookings are still available and that September in the Uplands is a glorious spectacle. There's a good interest in the event so please hurry to convert your interest into a firm booking. The base is at a comfortable 4-star hotel near Peebles.

Tours will include a visit to the Jim Clark Museum and Tony says he has "several supportive sponsors". Further information can be found on our "More" webpage.

MG40 - Big Birthday Bash

Together with the Club's Registers this two-day MG 40 Celebration event will be located on a site adjacent to Toddington station in Gloucestershire. It covers the MG models launched in the 40 post-Abingdon years and is on a steam railway line running to the north east of Cheltenham. The event covers two days, Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th July, when the RV8 will be celebrated as one of the post-Abingdon MGs.

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