



V8

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V8 40th Anniversary 2018

There is a programme of anniversary events for the 40th anniversary of the formation of the V8 Register in the week running up to MGLive! The events include a visit to the Birmingham Symphony Hall on Wednesday 30th May when two organists in the V8 Register will contribute to this event. On Thursday 31st May there will be a visit to the house and gardens at Packwood House south of Birmingham. On Friday 1st June there will be a guided tour of the seven storey brewery at Hook Norton followed by lunch at the brewery cafe. In the evening we have a V8 Dinner at the Star Inn in Sulgrave near Silverstone. Full details and booking

arrangements for all these events are available on our "More" webpage.

MOT exemption

In May 2018 MOT exemption became available for cars manufactured or registered for the first time at least 40 years previously, of a type no longer in production, which have been historically preserved or maintained in their original state and have not undergone substantial changes in the technical characteristics of their main components in the last 30 years. To discuss the DfT Substantial Change Guidance or MOT exemption see our "More" webpage.

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Why doesn't the boot open via the dashboard switch?

A brief but useful reminder from Peter Garton was posted on the V8 Bulletin Board in May saying "for the life of me I could not get the boot to open remotely via the dashboard switch. I tried via the ignition, plus the switch, but nothing worked, so I got out the last resort action - the handbook! There I saw to my indignation that I did not have the handbrake on! See page 82, Owner's Handbook AKM7144ENG.

I park up in my garage with the car in first gear only and simply forgot that one has to engage the handbrake plus have the ignition on plus pressing the boot release switch. Must be getting old!

The handbook says Luggage compartment release switch - press to open luggage compartment. Only operates

with the starter switch in position "II" and handbrake on. "

Nextbase dash cam continues to be recommended

In our review of dash cams in late 2016 the best buys the Nextbase dash cams were a good choice. In the latest Which? magazine they highlight the Nextbase In-Car Cam 312GW Deluxe at £92 continues to be a good choice.



BL publicity photo for the launch of the V8 powered MGBGT model in August 1973.