



Subtle upgrade of intermittent wipers!

Retronics is a joint venture formed by two classic car enthusiasts with over 40 years' experience in electronics who have set about designing, developing and testing a Windscreen Wiper Timer Module for classic cars. Many classic vehicles have windscreen wipers that are either on or off and some like the MGBGTV8 have the added "sophistication" of two wiper speeds, so driving in drizzle or moderate rainfall means constantly reaching for that toggle switch! This subtle

device is a helpful upgrade.

Further details on our "More" webpage at: www.v8register.net/more.htm

Cost of car insurance has dropped

The Which? magazine reported last month that "the cost of car insurance has dropped £100 between December 2018 and February 2019, according to the latest online Premium Drivers Index. The average annual premium now stands at £690. The decrease follows new Government reforms to the personal injury compensation system introduced last year. It comes as welcome news for drivers across the UK who have faced significant increases to their car insurance premiums over the last few years. Let's hope we see the effect pass through to classic car insurance.

The fall in car insurance

costs follows the UK Government passing the Civil Liability Act in December 2018 to change the way that whiplash claims are calculated. Follow this item via a link on our "More" webpage.

V8 Technical Day

The event is on Saturday June 1 at a study centre near Watlington in Oxfordshire, just west of the M40. For full details and booking for the final few places, go to a link on our "More" webpage.

V8 Lincolnshire Tour 2019

The V8 Tour from Thursday 12th to Monday 16th September 2019 will be in Lincolnshire providing a taste of some of the attractions in this often underrated county. The tour will have contrasting scenery from the open flat fenlands to the largely unknown Wolds.

The tour organisers are Richard & Victoria Withington. Full event information and booking details are available via our "More" webpage.

MGV8 market review

Our latest market review and price guide to the beginning of May notes V8 and RV8 prices continue to recover from the fall from a peak in 2017. The premium for chrome over rubber bumper V8s appears to have continued reducing, down from 11% to 8% and similarly the premium for RV8 Other Colours over Woodcote Green has reduced from 9% in November 2018 to only 3% in May 2019. Increased interest in RV8s from US buyers as the model reaches 25 years old, enabling RV8 reimports to be made to the US, has been seen with several purchases in the market and may become a demand factor.