

## V8 tacho conversion

Chris Bound is carrying out a V8 conversion of his 1977 MGBGT fitted with a type RVC1414/00 tachometer, one of the last 80mm rev counters for a 4 cylinder car. It works with electronic ignition systems but needed either modifying to accept the eight cylinder signal or a

replacement. But he wanted to keep the look of his existing gauge, which has a long white needle and it matches the speedometer pretty well. Earlier MGV8 tachometers look quite different and of course by 1977, the MG Factory wasn't producing MGBGTV8s anymore and there isn't a V8

equivalent to this unit.

Chris later reported that Speedograph Richfield quoted a price of £55 plus VAT for converting the tachometer to suit the V8. As it seemed reasonable, and given that he wanted to keep the look of his existing gauge, he felt it was hardly worth attempting a DIY solution. So he sent the tachometer off for conversion. Less than ten days later it was returned with a sticker on the outside of the case to say that it had been converted to eight cylinders, the calibration had been checked and it was guaranteed for 12 months. Chris felt it was a great service. His tachometer didn't need any restoration work but they will do that if necessary. See our "More" webpage for contacts and information on Speedograph Richfield.

## **V8 Technical Day**

The event will be held on Saturday June 1 at a study centre on a fellow V8 member's farm near Watlington in Oxfordshire, just west of the M40. Details of the programme of presentations and speakers, together with booking details, are available on the "More" webpage.

## **V8 Lincolnshire Tour**

The next V8 Tour will be from Thursday 12th to Monday 16th September 2019 in Lincolnshire and is planned to give 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, with visits to Lincoln Castle and Cathedral, Heckington Mill Windmill, the 8 Sail Brewery, the Lincolnshire Aviation Heritage Centre and the Kinema in the Woods at Woodhall Spa. The tour organisers are Richard & Victoria Withington. An event information webpage and booking details are available via the "More" webpage at www.v8register.net/more.htm