



V8

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V8 Technical Day

This year's V8 Technical Day will be held on Saturday 6th June 2015 at a new venue, the John Thornley Suite at the Club's office at Kimber House, Abingdon. If you have never visited Club HQ before now is your chance! The suite is a purpose built room with state of the art presentation equipment.

The programme for the day will cover various aspects of owning a V8 MG, with three principal speakers:

Mike Macartney - Building a V8 Roadster

If you have been following Mike's rebuild story posted on the V8 website, this is a chance to hear first-hand the trials and tribulations of undertaking such a project.

Mark Wanstall - Hoyle Suspension upgrades

Mark is the owner of Fisher Services, based in Sydenham in SE London and in 2014 he bought John Hoyle's engineering business. Mark is a long term MG V8 owner and has fitted a number of the Hoyle suspension upgrades over the years. He will explain the challenges of carrying out such modifications.

George Wilder and Chris Allan - "MG RV8 the Manufacturing Story"

Many members will have purchased this excellent book. George and Chris will tell the story of how the book came about, its production and sales success. They are currently working on a new book on the RV8 on which they will give us an early preview, together with a short video on the production of the RV8 never before seen. See a review of the book.

In addition to our main speakers there will be updates on the current position with ethanol in petrol, V8 cooling issues, the rolling VED exemption and an explanation of the recent research on MGBGTV8 and RV8 values for our updated price guides.

Bookings for this event can be made directly with the organiser Roger Aldridge

using our online form. Nic Houslip is supporting Roger with organising the event. The cost of the day is £15 which includes tea and coffee and a light buffet lunch. Early booking is recommended as the seating capacity is limited. Full details and a booking form are available online via the "more" webpage at www.v8register.net/more.htm

Vehicle tax renewal

Tax renewal or SORN online is a very convenient way of managing this routine chore. You simply go to the GOV.UK website at www.gov.uk/vehicletax and type in the 16 digit reference number on your V11 reminder which starts the 4 stage process: confirming you are the registered keeper with the code, confirming the vehicle details, setting the renewal period and finally a confirmation that it is done. With a tax exempt car it is very easy process.

What evidence of a current vehicle tax or SORN do you have now that a paper tax disc is no longer issued? Well you can print off the stage 4 confirmation webpage and keep a copy in the glovebox so that you can produce it for the traffic police in the UK or on Mainland Europe as evidence your car is "taxed" in the UK. See our "more" webpage.