

SEPTEMBER 2026 NEWSLETTER

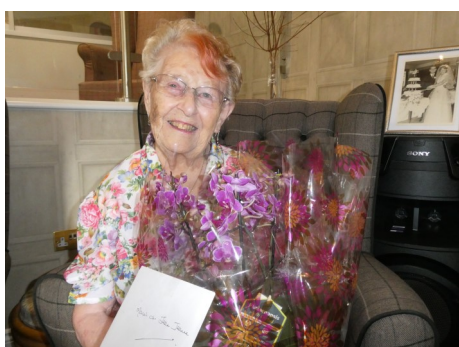
MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

I hope that this letter finds you well and still enjoying the long hot Summer!

PLATINUM WEDDING ANNIVERSARY (70 years)

In the last ten days two members namely Marcel and Natalie Jean Jeanne have celebrated a momentous occasion – A Platinum Wedding Anniversary - 70 years together. What a terrific milestone. I am sure there were ups and downs but they are both here to celebrate together with their large Family around them. Pam and I had the pleasure of seeing them on the day - 25th August and we took them a gift on behalf of the Members of the Club. A beautiful miniature orchid, I am sure that Jean will take pleasure in looking after it. They were also very honoured to receive a special card from His Majesty King Charles III and Queen Camilla and it was personally signed by them. What a marvellous surprise!

Congratulations Marcel and Jean on your very special day from all the members of the JCVC.



NEW MEMBERS

I welcome Vernon and Amanda Festou who have joined the Club since the last newsletter. It is a pleasure to see so many people taking such an interest and I look forward to seeing you at the up and coming Events.

SUNDAY MONTHLY MEETINGS (Last Sunday of the Month, St Clement's Parish Hall)

The monthly meeting in August proved popular with many gathering again in the car park and Parish Hall. This last month has flown by and Autumn is knocking on our door. We certainly have had an extremely hot spell but now it is much cooler and more bearable, let us hope we are now in for a very pleasant Autumn to enjoy a few more Classic Drives around the lanes of Jersey.



VEHICLE OF THE MONTH – August

In August I had the pleasure of choosing the Triumph TR 7 owned by Tim Pallot, what an excellent model in excellent condition. Congratulations Tim.



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Thank you to Frank & Pam for choosing my Triumph TR 7 as the August Vehicle of the Month. The car was registered new in Jersey on the 18th September 1980 & has had several owners & registration numbers in its life before ending up with my father in law, Maurice Jeanne in Trinity as J1246. Maurice had 2 TR 7's, the other being fitted with automatic transmission which he was a big fan of. I purchased the car in 2012, I was really after the 4 digit number, however as it had been dry stored in his garage for many years, it needed major work to get it back on the road.

Work included a new fuel tank & pipes, new brakes, clutch, radiator & water pump. The suspension was re-bushed & cleaned & painted. The worst job was replacing the heater matrix which needed the complete removal of the dashboard & interior. New carpets were also fitted, along with seat belts & wheels & tyres from a MG TF which I purchased at the Glencoe auction for £150.

Pam & I have enjoyed several trips away with the car to both the UK & France where it performs well on the larger roads with its 5 speed gearbox. The car is now for sale, only because I have my eyes on something else. J1246 is now on my Mini Moke.

Many Thanks Tim & Pam Pallot.

COFFEE MORNING - JERSEY PEARL, St Ouen, second Tuesday of the Month, from 10am.

The Jersey Pearl gathering proved as popular as ever and 26 came along for a good chat. The next get together will be on Tuesday September 11th.

JCVC BANK ACCOUNT

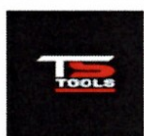
The Club has received a letter from Lloyds Bank to inform us that the current JCVC Bank Account has to be closed and a new one must be opened. This is due to changes at the Bank reference Club, Society and Charity Accounts.

The Treasurer has asked that Members DO NOT use the Bank Account for Bank Transfers and payments until further notice, or until the new Account is up and running. This will take some time as we have to deal with the Isle of Man and not the local Lloyds Bank Branch.

The new Account will include monthly Bank charges which will need to be absorbed within the Club's income each month.

RJA & HS SUMMER FLOWER and PRODUCE SHOW – Sunday August 16th

The Club once again attended the RJA & HS Summer show at the Royal Jersey Showground, Trinity. It was encouraging to see a variety of vehicles in attendance, a Fordson Dexta Tractor and Landrover Discovery as well as cars which totalled eighteen, including the Mini Club. The President of the RJA and HS Paul Houze and his wife Annette judged the vehicles on the day. The results were as follows and certificates were awarded on the day. It was amazing to see the produce on show as this has been a truly difficult growing year but there were still some amazing vegetables, plants and flowers on show. The cake section was also in abundance and raised a great deal of money for the Lions Club of Jersey.



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SPECIAL AWARDS



Ian Le Brun's Fordson Dexta



Vernon Festou's Ford Escort RS



Frank with Steven Hunt's Renault



Mick Genée's Jaguar 140



William Kirwan with Dad's Award



Peter Kirwan's Landrover

The Mini Club were given separate awards.

SAMARES MANOR COUNTRY FAIR – Bank Holiday Monday - August 31st

The Club was thrilled to once again attend the Samares Country Fair by kind invitation of Vincent Obbard, the Seigneur of Samares Manor and his wife Jilly. The weather was not pleasant early that morning but luckily by the time it was time to set off the rain had stopped and things were drying up. No further rain fell during the day, the sun came out and we all enjoyed a very pleasant day. There was plenty to see and do with food outlets, live music, entertainment and the threshing in the farm yard. Several of you brought a picnic to eat in the beautiful grounds and Jersey ice cream was on sale for afters!

During the afternoon whilst at the ice cream van, Pam and I met up with Dorothy – who is Dorothy I hear you say? Well she is a beautiful 8 year old parrot who was visiting the Fair with her owner. They weren't an act at the Fair, Dorothy is tame and perches on her owner's hand or shoulder quite at ease. She travels in his van on the seat or on his shoulder, no cage for Dorothy! She talks and can say 21 words, however, on the day as we sat at the same table she was a bit shy and didn't want to say anything. She did spread her



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beautiful colourful wings right out when she was told to open wide and display. She is a blue and yellow Macaw and attracted much attention even though she wasn't part of the Samares entertainment for the day.



I wish to thank the 24 vehicle owners who attended the Fair and everyone who has attended the numerous events the Club has been invited to this summer. I realise that you can't go to all of them but it is great for me and Pam to receive the support we have from you all.

That is all from me and Safe Motoring to all!

Frank



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JCVC BBQ – SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 20th

The route is not finalised for the Drive but we shall meet at the Jersey Pearl car park, Five Mile Road, St Ouen at 10.30am for an 11am start. The Drive will finish at Pallot's Steam Museum where the BBQ will be held in the field or inside the Museum if the weather is wet. The BBQ should be served around 1pm.

There will also be a Tractor Run and they will also finish at the Museum for the BBQ. Hopefully this year some of the Tractor Boys and Girls will be joining us from Guernsey.

The menu has been previously circulated, please let me know if you have any allergies in order that Laura from the Grazing Company can sort something suitable. I will need to know numbers so please can you complete the slip and return it to me with payment by Saturday September 12th.

JCVC MERCHANDISE

Mick de Sousa has assorted merchandise for sale to Club members. The following are available for sale and he usually has them with him at the monthly meetings: Lapel Badge - £2.50, Car Screen badge - £1, Tractor Screen Badge £1, Grill Badge - £31 and Left and Right Hand flags - £5 each and key rings - £3. Please phone Mick if you need any on 01534 725859 or email mdesousa1962@hotmail.com They are available at all events.

That is all from me and Safe Motoring

Pam Laurens

Tractor Run – Sunday 23rd August 2026...

Thirty three classic tractor drivers {the thirty fourth one unfortunately broke down driving to the event} along with various family, friends and enthusiasts congregated at Bel Val Farm, Fliquet, St. Martin, home of Team Colin & Paulette De La Haye for this the fifth run of the calendar year.

Freshly baked, home portions of cake, {lemon drizzle, coffee & walnut or fruit cake} tea and coffee were served up by Paulette & Helpers whilst Colin duly 'managed the site' making sure all machines were parked up correctly. The site being a field with what can only ever be described as one of the Islands top views without any shadow of doubt. Overlooking Bel Val Bay with St. Catherine's Breakwater to the left and St. Catherine's Life Boat Station to the right. Words are unable to describe what this is truly like – to experience is to believe and where it needs to be...

Colin & Paulette organized absolutely everything which meant Mick & I became general members for the day, no routes to sort, no permissions to seek, absolutely nothing to do other than just enjoy and participate – ruddy brilliant... The only job we had to do was 'undertake the start briefing' - as you know we're never shy with words so no hassle whatsoever {lol}!!!

99% of the run was in the beautiful, stunning, tranquil and magnificent Parish of St. Martin, only leaving briefly to drive up Rozel Hill on the Cotes Du Nord side before turning into La Ferme where upon crossing the bridge you are back in St. Martin... It almost felt like a 'Visite Royal Trial Drive' due to the route we took from main roads all the way down through to farm tracks / rights of way so on and so forth ending up at St. Martin's Village Green Field.

In true 'Colin' style we probably required the most amount of 'Road Marshalls' ever experienced on a run {quite possibly two runs!!!} – to my reconning we used 19 different volunteers on 19 different junctions not including Colin as 'Lead Driver' or Mick as 'Rear Gunner'... If you were one of the 19, thanks for doing as it enables all to follow and flow without issue.



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Thanks again to John 'shake the tin' Lamy, Richard Billot, Mick Jehan & Didi Dave for photos sent across which make this write up so much more exciting for you all to read...

Finally, Nigel Davies {chap whose little red gem unfortunately stopped running en route} would like to sincerely thank all those who stopped and offered assistance. He was quite amazed that all were prepared to forfeit going on the trip to tow him home – something which is testament to our club members; we're all in this together no matter age, title, wealth or status in life. The one difference being whether we support red or blue, this time around the reds had to take a knock and couldn't get out of it {lol}!!! Thankfully it's back running, fuel system cleaned up and ready for another trip...

Next tractor run planned for Sunday 20th September. Starting point yet to be decided, ending up at The Pallot Steam Museum where we'll be enjoying the annual club BBQ if wished.

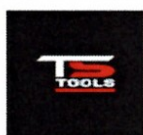
Please make sure to get monies {cheque only} ordered up and monies sent in for the 12th September if you wish to join in for the BBQ...

Meeting at 09.30 in readiness for a 10.30 departure...

Keep at it, onwards & upwards...

Thanks

Mick & Toots



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