

Naylor Car Club Newsletter June 2020

Secretary's Notes

Well, as I sit here as we are nearly at the end of May. It still seems hard to believe that since our last newsletter in February, the Coronavirus or Covid-19 virus arrived causing so much worry to everybody in Great Britain and the rest of the world. We hope the worst is now behind us but it will be a long slow road to get back to some sort of normality, albeit somewhat different from life before the pandemic.

At the end of April, losing Freda Taylor, one of the founders of the Naylor Car Club was a great shock. A month on it still really doesn't seem real, you felt Freda would go on forever. I know latterly Freda had various ailments but I had a 45 minute chat with her the week before she died and most of that time was taken up with Naylor Car Club discussion as it always was with Freda. Enid and I were fortunate to be able to attend Freda's funeral and our TF was one of nine TF's following Freda on her last journey from her home in Great Barton to the Crematorium at Bury St Edmunds. The Naylor Car Club have made a donation of £200.00 to St Nicholas Hospice which is the charity of choice for donations in memory of Freda. If you wish to make a personal donation to St. Nicholas Hospice in Bury St. Edmunds, to do so via the undertakers at www.hunnaball.co.uk or c/o Hunnaball of Colchester, York House, 41 Mersea Road, Colchester CO2 7QT Tel: 01206 760049. The is a donation link on their home page and a separate page has been set up for Freda.

As event organiser for the September 2020 AGM weekend based at the Horwood House Hotel in Buckinghamshire, a decision had to be taken as to the viability of the event. In consultation with the committee it was decided that for the health and well being of the members this event would sadly have to be cancelled. I have cancelled the event with the hotel and rebooked it with them for 17th -20th September 2021.

We will be attempting to hold a very basic "Virtual" AGM on 19th September 2020. I have yet to work out the exact format and more information on this will follow with the August Naylor News. The treasurer, Tony Brooks has asked me to let you know that the copy of the accounts you will receive are unaudited.

Best wishes and stay safe.

Robert Baines (Secretary) 65-56,



THESE DIFFICULT TIMES

As we all try to come to terms with the impact and changes to our lives brought about by the COVID-19 virus, it is important that we keep our minds and bodies active. I have done a calculation of the hours that I have worked in the garden since lock down and it comes to over 300. In addition, I have set a target of walking every day and on average I am managing to do about 12 miles a week and it's now gone from a chore to something that I look forward to.

As you know, sadly, we lost Freda Taylor on the 26th April, Ironically, this was the National Classic Car Drive It Day, how fitting was that.

Due to current regulation it looked as though we would not be able to attend the funeral and give Freda a fitting send off, but at the eleventh hour we were informed that a new directive effective on the day of the funeral would allow the number of attendees to be increased to 24.

And so it was to be, that nine Naylor/ Hutson cars followed the funeral cortege from Freda's home to attend the service and pay our last respects to a very special lady.

The service was also available to watch on line and I know that many of you did that.

Your club is continuing to adjust with the times and I hope that like me you have not given up on using your car at some stage this year. My Naylor can be found every Wednesday morning in Tesco's car park, as I do my weekly shop. It puts a smile on my face for the day and I can also see that others are enjoy seeing the car also.

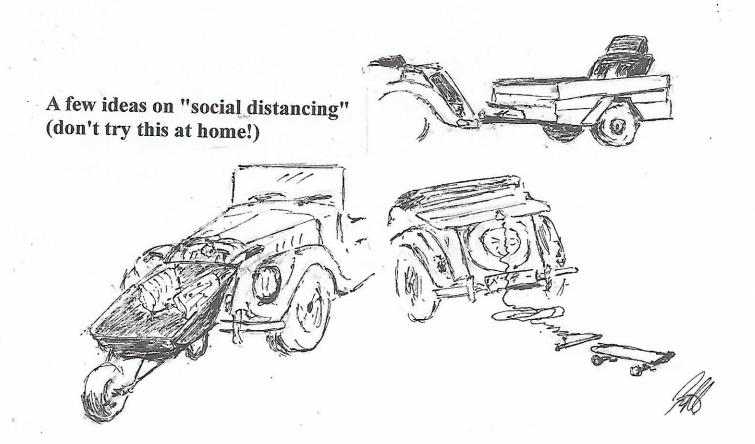
The AGM meeting has been cancelled but we aim to hold a virtual AGM in September. Details of how this will work are set out by Robert in this newsletter, along with other updates from Sue.

As always, my very best wishes go to you and your families.

Stay safe and well

Ken Fletcher (Chairman)

Some cartoons below from Paul Hendley





or maybe this article should be titled Non Events 2020!

What a year, ever since March my inbox has been constantly pinging with news of cancelled events locally and nationally.

As you already know we have had to cancel the Birthday event that was due to be held at the Q hotel Slaley Hall. It is hoped we will just move our booking onto May 2021.

We have now taken the decision to hold a virtual AGM this year, you will hear more about this from our secretary.

Horwood House Hotel, Milton Keynes.

This was the venue we were going to use for the 2020 AGM it is being rebooked for the 2021 weekend.

Guernsey September 2020

I am at the moment in the process of unravelling the bookings for the trips, so again we hope to rebook this in 2021. If you are interested in joining us please contact me on the email below.

Keith and I joined eight other cars at Bury St Edmunds to accompany Freda Taylor on her final journey. It was a very moving experience to be part of that convoy.

It is hoped that members will send tributes and memories of Freda Taylor, to be included in August Naylor News.

Please send these to either the secretary Robert Baines email address secretary.naylorcarclub@gmail.com

Or myself email address kbsheywood@gmail.com

So I sign off with the now familiar phrase, Stay Safe & Stay Alert

Sue Heywood Events Coordinator

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You might own a Naylor if.....!!

- 1. You know what petrol tastes like.
- 2. You use a black chinagraph pencil to fix a worn spare tyre.
- 3. You've said as long as it starts every second time it will be alright.
 - 4. You believe the Naylor has a soul.
 - 5. You talk to the car (but sometimes not in a nice way!)
 - 6. You only have four fingers on each hand.
 - 7. You can't erect the hood on a baby buggy.
 - 8. You can't find the bonnet release lever.
 - 9. You wonder what the two extra headlights do.
 - 10. You wonder where the door lock went.
- 11. You love the sound of scraping the back end on sleeping policemen.
 - 12. You found that where you hang your cap is the choke knob.
- 13. You find that sliding the heater controls has no effect what so ever.
 - 14. You find pulling out the engine dip stick is the easy part.
 - 15. You have burn marks on the back of your hands.
 - 16. You stow the side windows against the garage wall.
 - 17. You wear a waterproof jacket on a sunny day.
- 18. You enjoy the smells of the countryside and pig slurry first hand.
 - 19. You are fixated with continental lorry number plates.
 - 20. You think that the air is naturally blue/grey.
- 21. You understand the view of the world experienced by dogs and cats.
 - 22. You spend vital hours in car parks explaining the Naylor.
- 23. You have to keep hitting the bodywork to prove it is steel not fibreglass.
 - 24. You learn to reverse by memory. and finally...
 - 25. You find a place to stow the jack!!