# **Newsletter**



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Gradually getting back to some semblance of normality Here we see a scene from the Oakridge Fete with classic cars on display and plenty of chat and refreshments.

Our annual Aunt Sally was back and another group of FCCC members made it to the Isle of Man Festival of Motoring.



## What's Coming Up

### Key:

- ⇒ Club event
- Club attendance as a group at a motoring or other event
- Everything else of interest. These items are shown for <u>information</u> <u>only</u>.

#### October

22nd Barry Cooper Memorial Lunch Run Geoff. 01453 883821 (Now fully booked)

#### **AUNT SALLY 29th September 2021**

We were lucky to have this run in decent weather sandwiched between several wet days. Starting out from the Moreton in Marsh garden centre the thirteen entrants [The Bevans had to drop out due to Rob having caught 'flu on their Isle of Man trip & Jill Cutler due to a reaction to the flu jab] sailed through the Cotswold scenery to our final destination – The Carpenters Arms at Fullbrook.

Here the earthworms and low flying birds took their usual punishment, unlike the Aunt Sally dolly which was hardly touched by the flying sticks thrown at it from a considerably reduced distance. Admittedly, the sun was in our eyes most of the time. Eventually some contact was made primarily by champion John Airey who managed several hits whilst those that also made contact managed two or three strikes.

We all then retired inside to lick our wounds and eating irons, enjoy our meals and a pleasant hour or two before preparing ourselves for the journey home except for the Pickings who live just a short way away.

**Dave & Carol Chambers** 

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#### **Isle of Man Festival of Motoring**

After the cancellation of the trip to the Isle of Man in 2020, due to covid, it was a relief that we were able to successfully visit the island last month. The festival was organised by Scenic Car Tours, who we have travelled with before, and 16 FCCC members (8 cars) ventured across the Irish Sea to join 150 other classics.

Scenic Car Tours had somehow arranged with the Isle of Man authorities to close both the Sloc Mountain Road for us to make up to two runs up what is effectively a hill climb course and also the famous

"TT Mountain Rd" following a cavalcade of all the cars from Douglas to Ramsey (with police stopping traffic at all the junctions!). On the Saturday all the cars were parked on the Douglas sea front, which also coincided with the nearby IoM Food Festival—a great combination!

The hotel was very comfortable and the food was very good, with the dubious highlight of us having to exit the hotel late one evening due to the fire alarm being triggered. Thankfully it was a false alarm but the

Fire Brigade arrived very promptly together with the fire engine with registration 999!

Outside of the organised events we had time to visit other parts of this beautiful island, visiting the tourist sites (those that were open due to the ongoing Covid restrictions and labour shortages) and sample the local food and drink (in moderation).

A full report and photos of the trip to the Isle of Man will feature in the next edition of FC3.

### Oakridge Summer Fête 2021

On Saturday 4th. September Oakridge village once again held their village fête after the covid break.

Quite brave I thought when they anounced it, but fortune smiled on the brave, so on a lovely sunny day the familiar tents and stalls sprang up outside the village hall.

Mike Scott had, as usual, been busy inviting classic car owners to display their vehicles and we saw an good display of about 40 classics including about 20 from our club.

We sat in the sun having a good chat and consuming our burgers, fish & chips and ice creams and then wondered off to view the stalls and the dog show.

Well done Oakridge a really enjoyable day out, at long last, after the restrictions of covid.



Carol and Dave on the "booze run" dog in charge!