

Following the APM this weekend, a revised list of 2010 events has been agreed (see below). Changes include alterations to plans re Stonor Park, TIPEC and Sherborne, also hotel arrangements at Stoneleigh Park.

Club Events, 2010

After the rather poor treatment the club received at the hands of the British weather in 2009, we are confidently expecting a major improvement this year! (To be fair, we've been pretty lucky most years and last year was an exception). There are many events which members can attend all round the country (try googling for information on shows in your area), but, as far as events at which the club will have an "official" presence, the list at present reads as follows:

Annual Planning Meeting, Sidcot, Winscombe, Avon (Saturday 27th and Sunday 28th March)

The famous season opener at Club HQ, where plans are made, food and drink are consumed and a classic "pose" entertains the astonished Somerset locals! Saturday night meal in the Sidcot Arms, with the business stuff and the pose on Sunday.

National Kit Car Show, Stoneleigh Park, Kenilworth (Sunday 2nd and Monday 3rd May)

Always the biggest event of the year in terms of turnout, with over 30 Speedsters and Spydors confidently expected to attend. Car and driver admitted free, with charge only for passengers. Look for the Club marquee and banners, with drinks and nibbles provided throughout the weekend. Best in Show competition on Sunday afternoon. For those interested in making a weekend of it, several members will be staying overnight, as usual, at the Baginton Arms (thoughts of a change of hotel have been postponed until next year)

Stonor Park Aircooled, near Henley on Thames (Sunday 6th June)

Great event, but clashes again with TIPEC, as per last year! (despite my thought, expressed in the last magazine, that they might be on different dates this year). Both great events, but APM consensus was to go to Stonor this year as we missed it last year and several members love the location and the swapmeet there, so that's where you'll find the majority of club members on this date.

The Independent Porsche Enthusiasts Club Show, Heritage Motor Museum (Sunday 6th June)

A shame that this clashes with the above, but it's always a fantastic show and the weather has been excellent almost every year! In addition to the unbelievable number of Porsches last year, we were also entertained by a New Orleans-style jazz band and, as usual, had free admission to the museum (also access to the test track, for those who wished). The other good thing about TIPEC is the friendly welcome we always receive – some of the best original Porsches you could hope to see, but they also love our replicas!

Classic and Sports Car Acton Day, Castle Combe (Saturday 12th June)

Arguably the best UK show of the year. Free tickets available – let me know if interested. Speed laps available by application to Castle Combe (or on the day).

Le Mans Classic (Saturday 10th and Sunday 11th July)

Organised for us again by Trevor Hughes and probably too late now if you've not already booked. The best show around and only on every other year. Trevor has a big group of cars on their way!

Classics at the Castle, Sherborne Castle (Sunday 18th July)

A good show in the south-west of England. There was a major concern expressed at the APM, however, about being charged for admission last year when we were showing our cars and the consensus was that we won't have an official presence at the event this year.

Hampshire Pageant of Motoring, Broadlands, Romsey, Hants (Monday 30th August)

The big late-summer event – great show of classic cars. Limited number of free tickets available – let me know if interested.

Porsche Picnic, Windsor Park Racecourse (Sunday 26th September)

New name and new venue for the Picnic in the Park. Excellent autumn event for thousands of Porsches. We always have a good turnout.

Great Western Kit Car Show, Exeter (Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th October)

Final big show of the year, this year brought forward from November which is a better date for most people. Always a strong club representation

Slough Swap Meet, Montem Sports Centre, Slough (Sunday 14th November)

Not so much a show as a chance to buy those bits you need! Usually a fair number of club cars in attendance. Later date this year – more news nearer the time.

N.B. Details of all the above shows can be found on the internet. Club members will be updated on the website and in the magazine. There are, of course, literally dozens of other events during the year, too many to list, many at famous places like Goodwood and Silverstone. The club will not have an “official” presence at any of these, either because they are not major events for the club or because no provision is made for club displays – e.g. Goodwood Festival of Speed and Revival Meeting (this does not stop members from going along individually and meeting up in the arena). You can find details of all these events by googling.

P.S. In case anyone is wondering why the Volksworld Show at Sandown Park is not mentioned above, it's because this year it clashes with our APM

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