

# COTSWOLD SECTION NEWSLETTER



Well it's mid October and I for one don't know where the year has gone! It's been a busy few months and I know a number of people have managed to get out and about and put a few miles on the clock before the winter arrives and the dreaded salt starts to hit the roads.

Time for an autumn blast and look forward to the NEC Classic Car show as thoughts turn to those winter projects. - MB

## Loxley Silver Run

After the Loxley Run & re-Run we had the Loxley Silver Run organised by section regulars John & Hazel Mills who again put together a wonderful route around the Warwickshire countryside culminating in a traditional section picnic at the beautiful Compton Verney Estate.

The route was really well put together although my arriving at junctions a little too fast did lead to a couple of navigational errors!

As the name suggests the Silver run was in celebration of Hazel & John's Silver Wedding anniversary and also happily coincided with another regular cotswolder and Loxley Run veteran, David & Angela Townsend's daughter's wedding.

So after a chance remark an Alfa photo call was arranged after the picnic as a fitting back drop for some wonderful wedding photos for the album.



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## Goodwood Revival

The weekend of 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> September saw this years Goodwood Revival and my first visit to the event. A number of Section members attended including John & Hazel Mills, Mark & Jane Grimshaw, Mark Knight & Joanna, Steve & Angela Dymoke, John & Helen Raper to name just those I saw or spoke to.

My first impressions were WOW, with the tax exempt parking area alone offering a classic motor show in it's own right with a massive percentage of cars emanating from the production lines of Coventry. You didn't know where to look, stunning cars, evocative WWII aircraft, people throwing themselves into period clothing and some brilliant racing on track as well made for a brilliant weekend.



## Goodwood Revival cont.....

Amongst the many high points were the Alfa TZ's entered into the Fordwater Trophy for sports & GT cars of a type that competed between 1964 and 1966 which included a beautifully prepared example in an unusual pale green colour. The Aerodinamica Spider which looked like something a Latin Flash Gordon would have driven and the pre war entries including the 8C -2300 entered by Max Werner from Germany who drove over, won the Brooklands Trophy then drove back to Germany in the true tradition of pre war racing.

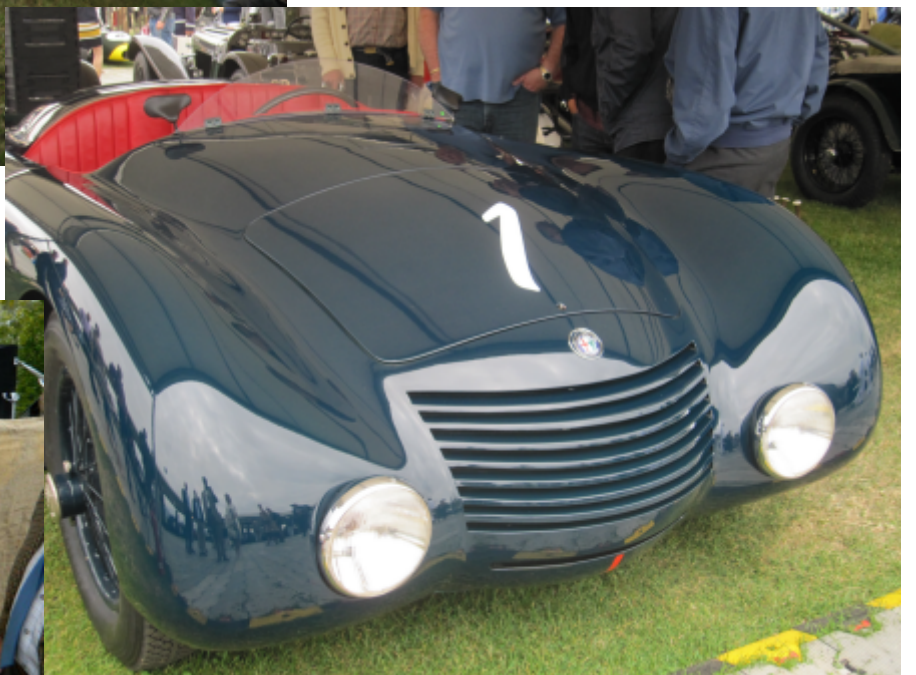
The event also celebrated Dan Gurney and also the anniversary of the Shelby Cobra with a cobra only race which certainly was an aural treat as they blasted past.

Watching the highlights on ITV recently I'm already thinking about another visit next year. - MB



Photos - Jane Grimshaw, Hazel Mills & Mark B.





## Autumn Walk Sunday 28th October

Coincidentally our planned date for our Autumn Walk and the last Breakfast at Twyning fall on the same day, so we have decided to combine the two.

The plan will be to meet at 10am on the green at Twyning along with members of other local classic car clubs where we will have tea/coffee/bacon roll at a cost of £5 per head. Proceeds from this to support Fly2Help. <http://www.fly2help.org>

After this those that wish to join us will take a short drive through the local countryside to Croome Landscape Park (NT) where we will have a dedicated parking area in the Orchard and the opportunity to take walks of varying lengths.

If you do not fancy the visit to Croome Park and the walk but would like to come along to Twyning for the start then no problem but please let me know so we can plan numbers for the bacon rolls. - MB



Breakfast at Twyning.

## 2013 Events

Planning is underway for 2013 and we have a number of confirmed dates for some of our regular events. However what we would really love to hear is what events you would like to see the section attend during 2013.

Aside from the national events there are a number of things that we are looking at including next year. The Kop Hill Climb in September, something to support Drive It Day on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April and potentially a Saturday afternoon scaetrrix event to make the most of the format and close racing that we have had recently.

Let us have your thoughts on these and any ideas you have and we will look to include them in the 2013 diary. - MB

## NEC Classic Car Show

The NEC Classic car show takes place between 16<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> November and this year we are expecting a celebration of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Giulia.

Hopefully we can expect a stunning array of 105 series cars.

The club is offering a discounted ticket price for the Saturday and Sunday so do take advantage if you intend to come along on either of these days. - MB



## Have your say

If anybody has anything they would like to contribute to our newsletters then please do let me have your input.

I usually aim to bring things together the week before our regular meetings so anything by the second Wednesday of the month would be appreciated - MB

## Christmas Meal

The Christmas lunch is now fully booked, could I ask those of you who are coming to let me have your menu choices in the next week or so, if you haven't already done so. - MG

