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French V8

A recent chance meeting with ex-V8 owner, Brian Cox, who lives very locally to me resulted in an interesting background story when he sold his V8, Black 2865, back in December 2007. A Frenchman, Jean Michel, bought the car, exported it to France and converted it to left hand drive specification himself. Brian kept in touch with Jean for a couple of years after the sale while the LHD conversion work was completed but has now lost touch. Jean, if you still own the V8 and you are a member of the MG Car Club, we would very much like to hear from you.



Brian Cox's smart V8, Black 2865



Events for your Diary

With the driving season upon us once more, here are a few upcoming events for your diary.

Abingdon Air & Country Show

This takes place at the former RAF Abingdon airfield, now Dalton Barracks, to the west of the A34 on Saturday 14th June. Julian Holmes is the contact person and we would like to get a number of V8s together at the spiritual home of MG to enjoy the show's air display, classic cars, military vehicles, craft stalls, live music, general exhibitors and traders, plus plenty more! Full details and Julian's contact information can be found on our V8BB.

V8 Dales Tour 2025

This will be a four-day tour in the Yorkshire Dales running from Monday to Thursday, 16th – 19th June. Accommodation is being arranged at the Rippon Inn in North Yorkshire and the tour organisers are our chairman, Tony Smith and Ian Lindley.

MG Fest North at Croft

This is a thrilling two-day event festival being held at Croft Circuit near Darlington on 6th & 7th September and will celebrate the 95th anniversary of the MG Car Club.

The V8 Register will have a gazebo and parking at the event and we really would encourage V8 members to attend. The event promises something for everyone, from a full motor racing programme, live music, food and drink etc. through to MG displays, trade stands and the opportunity to buy MG merchandise. Tickets are available now at the Club's ticket sales website. Full details on all of the above can be found at <https://www.v8register.net/more.htm>

V8 Tacho Recalibration

My rev counter was repaired around 30 years ago. I was aware that it was 'under reading' when repaired but it has taken me until now to do something about it! The recent rolling road report was received with the statement "Tacho under-reads 500 rpm at 3500-4000 rpm." I was recommended to contact Alan Davis at The Gauge Shop in Edenbridge, Kent, which is only 18 miles from me. Alan recalibrated the gauge and charged me the princely sum of £20 for his work! Finally, I have a rev-counter which reads correctly. Why has it taken me so long?