



Dear Fellow Area 16 Members.

Next Regular Club Meeting Tuesday: 7th February at The Mark Cross Inn, Mark Cross Nr Tunbridge Wells, Crowborough, East Sussex TN6 3NP 01892 852423

NB week earlier than usual due to clash with Valentines Day, so those romantics amongst you will not miss out on an Aston meeting!

This is a change of venue as Stanmer Park closes at 4pm this time of year.

Everyone welcome to join us, some people like to come and eat others just a drink, very informal with a quick update on events coming up or relevant news a raffle usually takes place.

Assistant Rep: We are very sad and sorry to inform you that Jan Dunk has resigned as assistant Rep with immediate effect. Jan has contributed a huge amount to Area 16 and we are really going to miss her. Jan's cheerful sunny smile and her enthusiasm for everything Aston will leave a big hole in Area 16. I am sure you will join me in thanking Jan and we hope that she will come along to an event soon when we can express our thanks to her.

There are a few updates and changes in the planned events.

New Event – March 25th - Prestige Paintworks, bacon roll and coffee with a tour of premises

Simply Astons – April 2nd - Beaulieu Motor Museum, change of date now 2nd April and hotel details.

Website:

You may have seen in the AM News that AMOC have launched the new website. You can find this at www.amoc.org at the time of sending out this newsletter I have not received notification from HQ on how to update Area 16 content, as soon as we do we may consider using this rather than our own website. If you want to take a look and if you have any comment please let us know.

POLO SHIRTS – Order now

We have a small stock of Navy polo shirts with our logo embroidered on them, sizes available are S,M, L, XL these are of good quality and are ONLY £20 Each, if you are interested in other colours or items such as shirts, fleeces, rugby shirts or caps, please contact Gary.

Polo shirts men's and ladies short sleeve £20

Polo Shirts with long sleeves £25

Short Sleeve shirts £30

Long Sleeve shirts £35



If anyone would be interested in helping out with organisation of events please let me know, if you would like to be Area or assistant representative please let Gary know.

Gary Wigzell (Area Rep)

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Area 16 planned events for 2017:

With all the events mentioned below please email Area16@amoc.org with your intentions so we can coordinate arrangements.

March 14th - This year our Annual **quiz night** will take place on March 14th
Thanks to Elaine for taking on the role of Quiz Master.

March 21st - Ricardo Engineering:- Still places available, contact Gary.
"Ricardo is a global engineering, strategic and environmental consultancy. We were founded by Sir Harry Ricardo in 1915. We now employ over 2700 engineers, scientists and consultants around the world and it is the passion and expertise of these people which drives us forward and maintains our position of technical leadership.

Our Technical Consulting business involves Engines, Driveline & Transmissions, Hybrid & Electric Systems and Whole Vehicle Systems engineering. Few companies worldwide can match Ricardo's long-standing skills, experience and track record in engine design and development incorporating the very latest in technological innovations, some of which you will see during your tour." We will be limited to 16 places; they will be given on a first come basis. 21st March is the date, the tour will take place at 5.30 however we will need to have been processed through security so please arrive in good time. This may not be a tour for you if you are not able to climb the odd staircase. We do however intend to finish the tour about 7pm and visit one of the local pubs for those who wish to dine before heading home.

March 25th Prestige Paintworks, Chris Pursall has invited members to view his premises at Deanland Business Park, Golden Cross, BN27 3RP. He has several Astons at various stages of work being carried out and lots of enthusiasm for the cars. Chris is offering Bacon roll and coffee so **please let us know if you would like to attend 9:30 – 11:00**

Prestige Paintworks is becoming renowned for its work within the automotive restoration industry, especially for the Jaguar and Aston Martin marques. Chris is still as hands-on today with restorations as he was six years ago. His passion and duty of care will ensure that every motor is looked after from start to finish.



April 2nd – Simply Astons at Beaulieu, if you turn up in your Aston it is £10 per adult and £5 per child to attend, this was a good event last year, take a look at the website. We will need to know if you are intending to come so that we can reserve parking for Area 16.

Anyone wishing to make the most of the day we will be staying at The Master Builder's House Hotel. <http://www.hillbrookehotels.co.uk/the-master-builders/> We would suggest you book soon and include the dinner option, we will arrange to dine together in the evening if you are happy to do so.

April 23rd - St Georges Day Event, Westerham (Area 7) traditionally a few Area 16 members go along for a Sunday lunch, nice display of Astons, live music along with various other entertainment during the day.

April 29th - Magnificent Motors – Eastbourne, an event held on the seafront a good selection of cars, clubs and activities going on. As usual with car shows we try to get everyone in the same area with our club shelter to enable shade of cover for the picnickers. We do like a good picnic!

April 30th or May 21st - Croquet our date is to be confirmed but Peter Player has again offered us an afternoon of croquet on his lawns. This will take the same format as last year, bring your picnic after which Peter will explain the rules and we all try very hard to win!

May 7th - Horsham town event, we are still awaiting details of this event but previous invites to Horsham have been very well attended and enjoyed by all.

May 10th to the 14th - German Tour – Now all booked, should you wish to join us you will have to book your own accommodation.

June 13th - Election Night – please make members and Gary aware if you wish to put yourself up for election.

June 25th - Tickerage Vineyard Tour followed by lunch at Blackboys Inn, where we will rendezvous and park cars before tour.

Sept 15th – 17th – Isle Of Wight (IOW) car shows – some of us attended this in 2016, a great venue for a weekend away, they are looking for more Astons in 2017 for an Aston display. Arrangements to be announced soon, let us know if you may be interested.

October 27th – Murder Mystery Evening we would like to make up a table at this event, which is reported as an excellent evening. This will be held at the



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Powdermill Hotel, Nr Battle, East Sussex. The price per person is £45.00 which includes a glass of Prosecco or soft drink on arrival while you meet the actors, 3-course dinner including coffee and the murder itself. 12 places have been reserved, 8 now taken, 4 remaining, We may be able to get additional places if demand requires.

We offer special accommodation rates or the night of the event, these are:-

Standard £100.00

Executive £120.00

Suites £150.00

The above rates are per room, bed and breakfast.

If you wish to book this please let us know and we will give you the booking details.

Car shows -There are several car shows that are listed below, we have listed on last page so you can put in your diary if you want to attend. Details will come out to you nearer to the event via the monthly newsletter.

Below are other events that we are waiting for confirmation of dates & details that may be added into the calendar Include:

BA Engineering LHR Tour

Ejector Seat Tour, Oxfordshire

Rock and Horsepower (Polo and bands)

Lincoln Scott – restoration works with visit to The Plough,
near Plumpton.

If you want to add any event that you would like the club to attend please do let us know.



Date	Event
February 7th	Club Meeting
March 14th	Club Meeting Quiz Night - Elaine McCormack
March 21st	Visit to Ricardo Engineering
March 25th	Prestige Painworks Ltd
April 2nd	Simply Astons at Beaulieu
April 11th	Club Meeting
April 23rd	St Georges day lunch at Westerham
April 29th	Magnificent Motors - Eastbourne
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May 7th	Horsham Town - event
May 9th	Club meeting
April 30th or 21st May	Croquet afternoon at Peter Players
May 11/12/13/14	German Tour 4 day tour
June 13th	Club Meeting - Election Night
June 25th	Tickerage vineyard tour with lunch at Blackboys Inn
July 9th	Arundel Castle
July 11th	Club Meeting
July 15th	Heathfield Carnival
July 16th	Michelham Priory
July 23rd	Amberley Museum & Heritage Centre (Cars between 1955 /1992)
July 30th	Storrington Car Show
August 6th	Waldron Pub car show
August 8th	Club Meeting
August 13th	Rye Car show
August 26th	Festival of Transport
August 27th	Festival of Transport
August 28th	Bexhill 100
September 8th - 10th	Goodwood Revival
September 12th	Club Meeting
September 15-17th	IOW Trip
October 1st/7th	Horsham Town -event
October 10th	Club Meeting
October 27th	Murder Mystery Evening - Powdermill Hotel
November 5th	London to Brighton run - Jack and Jill Clayton gathering and lunch
November 14th	Club Meeting