

The Dynamo

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The British and European Car Day Valentine's Day February 14 2021

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This was the 35th running of this event and it goes from strength to strength.

Obviously, the European influence is far more recent, but the core event was 35 years old this year.

As far as my memory serves there were some firsts or very nearly so. And these encompass the British and European components of the show.

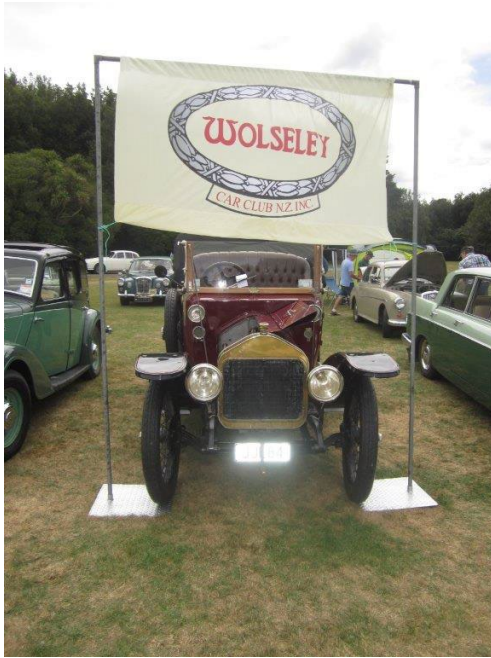
For us maybe the most ridiculous is that none of the three P76 drivers there, Jones, Butler or Heath managed to get a photograph of the Leyland's and their guests together! Clive Cottle was there in his lovely Triumph Stag, next door to us was the Mackenzie Wolseley 6/110 along with many others and Ron's mate Mike Olsen joined the P76's in a 2019 Lamborghini Urus, another first I reckon, not had one of them at B&ECD before and I did get its picture. Stunning beast.



Amongst some other firsts were a Standard 10, now I know they were as common as once, but I don't recall one at B&ECD before. I promised the driver I'd put it in the Dynamo if he stopped to allow the photo so here it is. And given the European part, besides the Lamborghini and other exotica we had our first Yugo, a 1989 Model 55A.



Now in brief, we were blessed by a lovely lady, bedecked in a Union Jack Rock n Roll style dress and sun umbrella, attending her first B&ECD with her Austin 8. She told me she also has a Chev Impala (I think) so she must have the US equivalent dress and sun umbrella. She certainly was a splash of colour and style about the show. People's Choice went to the 1914 Wolseley 12-16 of Colin Hey from Christchurch.



Colin and his wife were heading for Art Deco - don't know what they did in the end, but they appreciated the win at our show.



Below is an old Bedford just like I used to go to school in. Not the first to appear here but the first in a very long time, a 1967 SB3 and we have always had plenty of English bikes but now we have exotic names like Laverda, a 1975 1000 3C model.





My People's Choice vote went to this 1938 BSA Scout, to no avail as usual!

Morris 8 Sports Austin 7. Both 1937 models
Both with A series black and silver registration plates.



The representative from MOWOG (I think) joyfully receives the trophy for Best Club Display from Roy McGuinness and Ian Price. Minis of Wellington Owners Group



Note the change from 1960 suicide doors to the more common place now, or since 1967.

Fiat Bambina 500's 1960 & 1967



A well known Wellington car. Fiat 500 1937



A must have at B&ECD at least one VW.

Volkswagen Kombi 1965

The lady owner of this car was given loads of helpful information and I believe some tools for the car by another owner in attendance. She found this to be very helpful and friendly, especially as she had only just bought the car back in late November 2020 and had it delivered up from Christchurch.

I met her at the Lake Ferry run in early Dec 2020



Triumph Renown 19

Car now resides in Karori.



Standard 10 1956 model sold new in Carterton in 1957. Maybe ex Bob Jones



Morris Mini Moke 1978



Additional photo of a spectacular car.
Lagonda Rapier 1934



The following pictures of 1960-1980
Ford Escort, Anglia, Cortina and Consul Capri vehicles





Escort 2 door, 4 door and 2 x Vans.



MK1 Mexico and Consul Capri



MK 4 and Mk 2 Cortina sedans.



Consul Capri (a local 1962 model)