



# HEALEY NEWS SOUTH-WESTERN



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Hello everyone,

It's been a while since I've had a chance to put a few words together for you but it's the start of a new season of Healeying so I thought I'd let you know a little of what the Committee are planning for 2015 and what dates you need to get into your diaries.

Firstly, March's Gloucestershire Noggin is going to be held as a visit to the Jet Age Museum which is based at Gloucestershire Airport. The Committee have been trying to get this arranged for a while now and Mark has done sterling work in organising it for us for March 11th. The format will be a VIP tour for our members followed by a 'Bangers & Mash' meal at the Museum. The Museum is run as a Charitable Trust, and as such members will be expected to make a 'donation' and your Committee will do the rest. More about how to register etc. later in this issue, but be aware that numbers are limited so don't procrastinate!!!!

I am also working on an event for 'Drive it Day'. If you remember this is the one day each year that the FBHVC ask all classic car owners to get their cars out on the road to demonstrate to the general public just how many of us there are out there. We in the SW Centre need to support the FBHVC so it'll be a driving event. Initial thoughts are several start points around the patch all joining together for a visit to Tredegar House in South Wales. I'm currently working with the National Trust so watch this space for details. The date for your diaries though is 26th April.

Your Committee has decided that we will again run the BAT (Breakfast at Twynning) events in 2015. These events have become very popular with many Classic Car enthusiasts attending irrespective of marque. These events form the main thrust of our charitable fundraising activities throughout the year so I'd encourage you to come along to at least one. Watch out for dates.

I also want to bring to your attention our regular event at Prescott as guests of the Jaguar Drivers' Club. This event is being run again this year and application forms etc. are available right now on the SW web-site. It's always a great day out and a popular event so once again I urge you not to procrastinate. The date of this one... Sunday June 14th.

On a National note, the Club is attending several big events in 2015, the Donington and Silverstone Classic meetings and MG Live, where it is hoped we will have a 'Big Healey' race as part of MG's festivities. Remember the Healey and MG heritages are closely linked and MG have specifically asked us to get involved in their event so it should be fun, with something for all. Details for all these, as well as the Club's National weekend event at Broadway can be found on the National web-site or in the Revcounter action planner.

So, read on for more details, get out there and get your cars ready for the Spring and remember to book up those events. I'm looking forward, as always, to meeting lots of you throughout the year. Best wishes and happy Healey'ing to you all.

**Rob Hudson**

# News & Diary Dates

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## **Noggin & Natter – Special 11<sup>th</sup> March!**

In place of the regular N&N at the Kilkeney Arms, we have arranged a special evening visit to the Jet Age Museum at Staverton. We will have exclusive access, guides and also a supper. It promises to be a great evening and the first of 2 planned for this year – the next in the late summer. The Club will pay for the food and all you need to pay for is a mandatory £5pp minimum donation to the museum. Limited to 25 places, please email Mark ASAP to book!

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## **26<sup>th</sup> April: National Drive it Day and 2015 Season Opener!**

We are planning for North/South/Wales start points and drive-in to meet at the National Trust's Tredegar House just outside Newport. Numbers may be limited (especially for tours of the House) so please email Rob to book.

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## **12<sup>th</sup> April: The BAT - Breakfast at Twyning**

Subject to Parish Council approval, we plan to run the BAT charity fundraiser events again for 2015 although there will be some changes to the format, most notably to the mid-summer BBQ events. This is our opportunity to engage with other enthusiasts and especially to raise valuable funds for our associated charity fly2help ([www.fly2help.org](http://www.fly2help.org)), so please plan to help support and host the event! Full season dates TBC but note the 13<sup>th</sup> April as the first of the season!

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## **2015 National Events**

### **2-4<sup>th</sup> May: Donington Classic**

National will have a AHC stand booked for the weekend, so do please note this date for your diaries – the early May BH weekend. Watch Revcounter for news and offers.

### **17-19<sup>th</sup> July: AHC National Weekend at Broadway**

The main National Club get-together for 2015. Based in our own region, so we will be helping with some of the organisation and an ideal opportunity for a weekend in the Cotswolds! The recent Revcounter has all the details, so do not delay in applying as places will surely fill-up quickly!