

February Newsletter

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At the time of writing, it's a damp, dismal February morning. But hopefully not too many more of these sort of days to endure and as the days start to lengthen and we edge towards spring, it'll be time to think about the driving season ahead.

And if your sports car has been in winter storage and you're wondering what checks you should be doing before hitting the open road, click on the link below for some of our thoughts:

[Bringing your car out of storage](#)

Then just as a bit of a heads up...should your car need a service or MOT as we head into spring, please get in contact in plenty of time as we typically run a 2 - 4 week lead time for booking new work into the Workshop diary.

Hope you enjoy this latest newsletter!

Cars for sale



We have a great range of pre-owned cars in our showroom, and our website contains detailed descriptions, videos and plenty of photos.

To view our current stock, just click on the following links:

[Morgans for sale](#)

[Lotus for sale](#)

[Other makes for sale](#)

All our cars are HPI checked and undergo an extensive 'pre-sales check' which typically takes around 3 hours. This gives us a complete picture of the car, its good points and any areas needing attention. We're always happy to share these reports with a prospective purchaser.

Once a sale is agreed, all our cars (except for 'project' cars) are serviced, provided with a new MOT (if applicable) and if sold for use in the UK, have a comprehensive warranty (valid for 12 months if a car is under 40 years of age or 3 months if over).

If you want more information on any car, please contact Phil on 01234 750205 or phil@allonwhite.co.uk - he's happy to chat by phone, by email, or provide a more detailed walkaround video call using Zoom.

Interior retrimms



In our Trimshop we have 3 highly experienced 'coach trimmers' Shaun, George and Rocco. Then assisting them and rapidly learning the coach trimming trade is Paul, who's worked for us for many years as a Technician and is now relishing a new challenge.

The work we do is incredibly varied and ranges from fitting heated seats to full interior retrimms to making new hoods and tonneaus. Although we have plenty of Morgans and Lotus coming through our Trimshop, we can work on any make or model of car.

At the time of writing our work in progress currently includes a full interior on a 1930s Bentley, seats and centre console for a Lotus Exige, a Morgan Speedfit Hood conversion and a selection of interior trim items for Radical track day cars. All in all, quite a typical mix!

To find out more, please click on the button below.

[Car Interiors](#)

Breakfast Club



Our very popular breakfast clubs are held on the first Saturday of the month and kick off at 9:30 with bacon rolls, tea, coffee and cakes. Then at 10am there'll be a talk from a guest speaker, a motoring related 'workshop' or some other light entertainment we conjure up...

At our next Breakfast Club on Saturday 2nd March, we're delighted to welcome back Nick Cooke who was an excellent and entertaining speaker at a previous Breakfast Club.

This time Nick will be talking to us about the original Mini - its design and success as a family car, race car and fashion accessory.

All are welcome at our Breakfast Clubs and there's no need to book - just turn up on the day! To find out more, please click on the button below.

[Breakfast Club](#)

Lotus night at Caffeine&Machine



Caffeine&Machine, an excellent destination venue for motoring enthusiasts, has recently opened new premises. Their latest venue is named 'The Bowl' and is located just down the road from us on the outskirts of Ampthill.

On Monday 4th March, Caffeine&Machine is holding a Lotus night at The Bowl. It starts at 5pm and whether you own a Lotus or not, all are welcome. For more information about the event, to book tickets (no charge) and Caffeine&Machine themselves, click on:

[Lotus at Caffeine&Machine](#)

Morgan Aero 8



Continuing with our newsletter theme of featuring important or special models of Morgan and Lotus, we turn this month to the Morgan Aero 8.

The Aero 8 was unveiled at the Geneva Motorshow in 2000 - it was a car with real wow factor that stole the show and nearly a quarter century later, it's still one of Morgan's most talked about models.

This car was a radical departure from anything Morgan had built before. The traditional Morgan steel chassis and antiquated suspension made way for a lightweight bonded aluminium chassis, with race inspired and fully independent suspension all round.

Under the bonnet was a BMW 4.4 litre V8 engine with 286 bhp on tap and this linked to a 6 speed manual gearbox. The sound was great, the performance impressive (0 - 62 mph in 4.8 seconds and 160 mph) and the handling and ride comfort were way ahead of anything Morgan had previously achieved.

And then there was the styling...very unique, very Morgan, with the 'cross-eyed' look of the original Aero 8s a major talking point. Inside the cabin, leather, beautiful polished wood trim and an engine turned dashboard created a very special ambience.

The Aero 8 evolved over the years from the Series 1 through to the Series 5. Each version becoming more refined, and major changes included a face-lift and 4.8 litre V8 with 367 bhp as from the Series 3, auto gearbox option from Series 4 onwards, and a very different hood and boot for the Series 5. The Series 1 with its lighter weight is arguably the best driver's car, whereas the later cars can fit comfortably into the 'grand tourer' mode.

For a lot more information and a pretty good buyers guide, an article on the Pistonheads website is worth a read and can be accessed by clicking on:

[Morgan Aero 8 buyers guide](#)

Contact us

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