

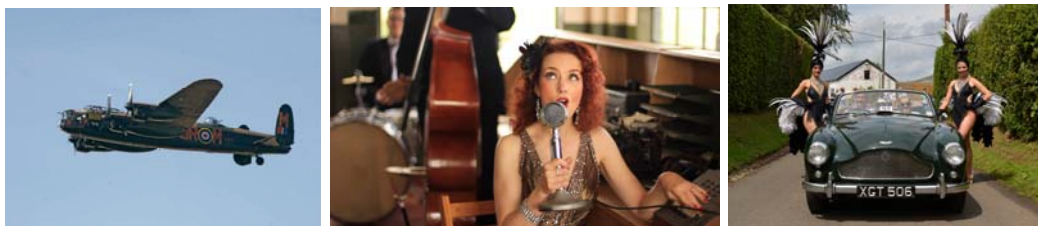


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CLASSIC NOSTALGIA - 18TH, 19TH JULY 2015
SHELSLEY WALSH HILL CLUB, SHELSLEY WALSH, WORCESTERSHIRE WR6 6RP



“Classic Nostalgia produces some wonderful sights, sounds and magnificent machines from over the years, in a pretty setting amongst the wonderful Worcestershire hills.”

Sir Stirling Moss

Classic Nostalgia makes a welcome return to the Midland Automobile Club's Shelsley Walsh Hill Climb on the 18-19 July 2015. This annual event is rapidly becoming a firm favourite on the racing calendar and is kindly supported by Classic and Sports Car Magazine and Stewart Miller and Peter James Insurance. The action-packed weekend always attracts a very wide variety of pre 1980s competition cars competing on the historic hill climb course, plus features spectacular static vehicle displays, trade stands and vintage-inspired entertainment from musicians, live bands to show dancers.

On the Saturday Classic Nostalgia will play host to Triumph, as they hold their annual Standard Triumph Marque Day on site, with over 15 marque clubs represented and approx. 500 pre-1984 vehicles on display. Other visiting car clubs already confirmed include A large contingent MG Midget & Sprite Club, plus the Club Marcos, Jaguar XJS Club, Jaguar XK Club, Alpine Renault, Porsche Owners Club, Bristol Owners Club, Sporting Bears, Ginetta Owners Club and Dellow Register.

Throughout the weekend Shelsley will honour the marque ‘Jaguar’ with special displays to commemorate the brands numerous anniversaries this year, including the 60th anniversary of the Jaguar Mk1, 50 years since the Last Le Mans win for Jaguar Cars Ltd and the 40th anniversary of the Jaguar XJS. Special guest of honour Norman Dewis OBE will join us on the Sunday to take part in a Q&A session in the Courtyard. In a career spanning 33 years, Dewis played a pivotal role in the development of 25 significant Jaguar cars including the E-type, D-type and XK models. As chief development test engineer at Jaguar for 36 years he is synonymous with the brand’s success – both on and off the track and widely regarded as



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Britain's greatest test driver having completed more than a million test miles at an average speed of 100 mph-plus. This year the British engineering icon was finally awarded an OBE in the Honours List for his contribution to the automotive industry.

Taking to the skies above, will be a thrilling Muscle Biplane Air Display, pilot Richard Goodwin will put a 1960s Pitts S2S G-EWIZ biplane through its paces in an aerobatic display (both days weather permitting). With 2015 being the anniversary of the Battle of Britain, we are delighted to announce that the RAF Team has confirmed a special Lancaster plane flypast to commemorate the 75th anniversary. The RAF's Lancaster is one of the only two airworthy Lancaster's out of the thousands that were ever built and will be taking to the skies over Shelsley on the Sunday to what will be a very poignant and evocative sight to be seen.

The Courtyard stage plays host to non-stop music throughout the weekend celebrating 1940s, 1950s to modern classics. Sam and his Sax will have the whole place Rocking on the Saturday as he belts out 1950s Rock and Roll classics, whilst Rat Pack' singer Roman Marek – the purveyor of 'cool swing will be will have you singing along to Frank Sinatra's greatest hits on the Sunday and glamorous songstress Lola Lamour, often referred to as Britain's most authentic 1940s singer will have you transfixed as she graces the stage with her 'Hollywood Screen Siren' presence. The Rat Pack sets will be accompanied by the stunning and talented Vegas Show Girls with their high octane dance routines.

Sunday sees the annual Street Concours open for cars built before 1982, the Concours is once again kindly sponsored by Classic & Sports Car magazine and is open to the first 100 entries through the gate before 12 noon and is judged by motoring journalist and regular Shelsley Walsh competitor, Simon Taylor and James Page from Classic & Sports Car Magazine. There is no charge to enter the Concours but cars must be driven through the entry gate, no trailers please!. The overall winner of the Concours receives a silver salver and is invited to display the vehicle on the Club's stand at the NEC Classic Motor Show in November.

Visitors are also encouraged to wear period dress; this year the Vintage Fashion Competition will be sponsored by Holden Vintage & Classic, a gift voucher will be awarded in the Courtyard by Holden on the Sunday at 4pm for the best vintage outfit.

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Venue: Shelsley Walsh Hill Club, Shelsley Walsh, Worcestershire WR6 6RP

Children under 16 years old, go free



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Each day starts at approx. 9.15 am and finishes around 5.30pm dependent on the conduct of the event. For further details please visit: www.shelsley-walsh.co.uk

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About the Midland Automobile Club and Shelsley Walsh Speed Hill Climb

The club was established at The Grand Hotel in Birmingham on the 11th January 1901 by a number of prominent members of the early motor industry whilst Queen Victoria was on the throne and as such is arguably the oldest motor sport club in the world.

Shelsley Walsh Speed Hill Climb is the oldest motor sport venue in the world still in continuous use. It was first used in 1905 and still uses its original layout, although there are a few close rivals. Our first speed event was held in 1901 on the edge of the rolling hills of the Cotswolds at Sun Rising Hill.

The club has always been innovative. In 1932, the BBC chose Shelsley Walsh for its first ever outside broadcast. Electronic timing was first introduced at Shelsley and in 1998 the club organised the first ever classic trial on the Isle of Man

The MAC hosts rounds of the British Hill Climb Championship, The Midland Championship and The Leaders Championship, with classes for a variety of cars from road going to full on specialist hill climb cars. The MAC also organises, sprints, sporting trials, classic car, and social events. The Midland Automobile Club features something for every motor sport and motoring enthusiast.