

FBHVC News from Keith Munro

First the good news.

There has been some concern expressed as to the effect of using modern EP (Extreme Pressures) oils in the gearbox and differentials of our older cars. It was feared that the additives therein would attack bronze bearings and the like. Now according to the Austin Seven Owners Club "any EP oil produced after 1965 will not create problems".

You might have to dispose of some of your old stock Roy!

The dreaded appearance of E10 fuel, it seems, is likely to be postponed until 1st. Jan 2017.

To quote:- "--the 1999 regulations (as amended) require that Ethanol content of super unleaded petrol sold at filling stations before 1st. Jan 2014 must not contain more than 5% by volume. The Government is proposing to make changes to the legislation to extend the current requirement until 1st. Jan 2017. --"

That's funny because I have always been given to understand that Super Unleaded had no ethanol content in the first place (this according to the local fuel suppliers)

On that note I recently received a fuel card entitling me to buy Super Unleaded from the two filling stations that still supply it on the Island.

There is further clarification of the definition of a "Historic Vehicle"

The headings for which are:-

In their original state, without substantial changes to the chassis, steering or braking system, engine etc.

At least 30 years old.

Of a model or type that is no longer in production (this might cause some problems for owners of the Malvern Motors -ed.)

In the manner of government regulation there are many 'if & buts' and anybody proposing to repatriate a vehicle to the UK needs to read the small print.

I will try to remember to bring along a selection of the FBHVC News to the AGM should anyone need further clarification on any matters.
