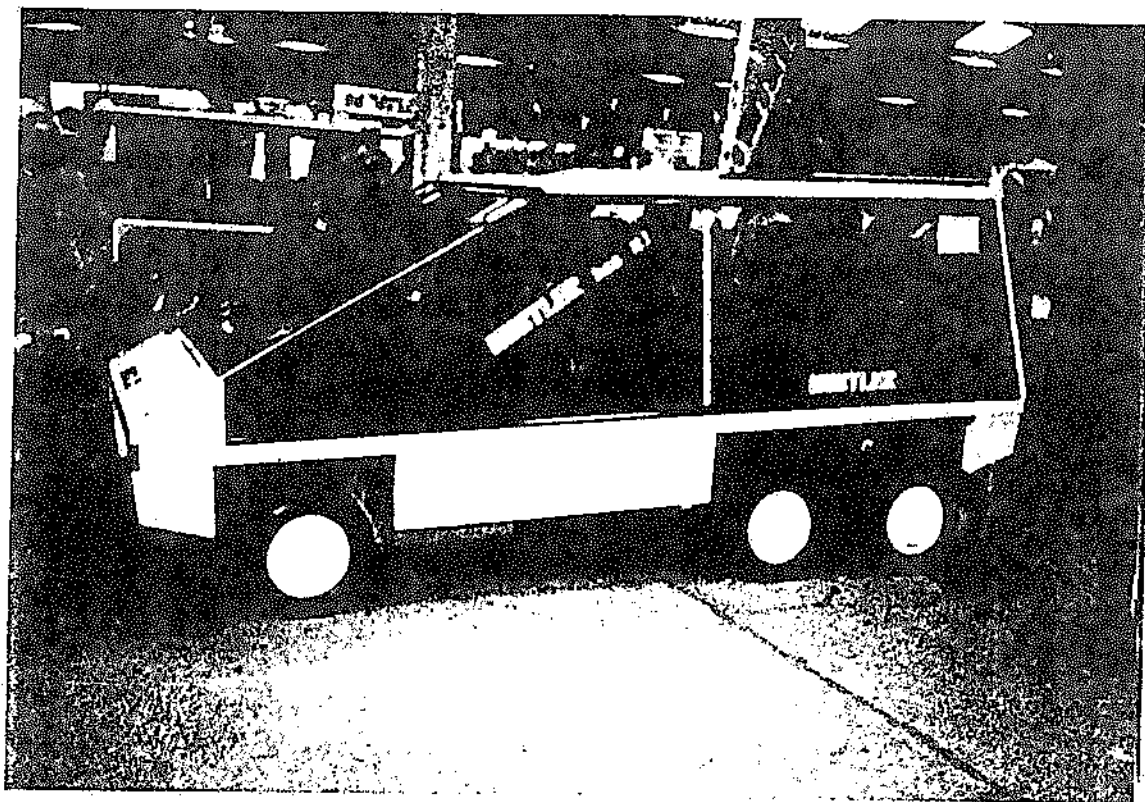


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## TAKE-AWAYS

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I have put my new address at the top of the page for your information. Whenever you are passing please drop in, we are always at home. If the shop is shut, which it never seems to be, we are open to midnite, just ring the bell at number 30. If you can't find the street just ask anyone. Everyone knows where Lees is. " They are the people with the funny car".

And contrary to what the name implies, we don't do chinese, mainly Burgers and Pizza.

Also I must apologise for the late arrival of the Newsletter. You know the excuse, pressure of business etc.,etc.

The Hustler at Home this year must be counted as the best one yet. Having it on the same weekend as the local "Colmbrook Festival" which was held at Park Farm, made for a very interesting weekend for everyone. Vintage cars, Traction Engines and local Crafts. The weather on the Sunday was excellent and a great time was had by all. But 'oh dear, where were you all. The Hustler Owner attendance was very disappointing. For the Cavalcade round the arena we only managed eight cars and three of those were Mr Towns cars.

Other than Stoneleigh I am afraid I havent been able to get to the Car Shows at all this summer. Although I did manage to spend the day at the Kitcars and Specials Show at Castle Combe in September. Mainly because its not far from me here at Warminster. Super day, Super weather, very enjoyable indeed.

Now just a few words on cars for sale. I have numerous cars from Hustler owners who wish to sell. I dont see much point in advertising them in the newsletter as most of us already have cars. But I always keep the list by the phone for anyone who enquires about cars for sale, and I always advertise the cars at shows, complete with picture if I have one.. The facts have to be faced however. The market for used kit cars is very limited indeed. An advert. in the local paper is just a waste of money. What you are trying to do is sell a car to someone who knows what a kitcar/hustler is and particularly wants one, but who doesnt have the time, facilities or skills and knowledge to build one for themselves, and, who also hopes to save themselves a considerable amount of cash in the process. So you can see the market is very small indeed. cont.....

You have got to be realistic when you put a price on your car. Forget about all the love and care you have put into its construction, forget about all the money you certainly will have spent. I have found that there appears to be a ceiling for a pastime activity, be it a boat a caravan or a car for fun etc. and that ceiling seems to be about £3000. Much above this people are unwilling or unable to pay. It is surprising how very few people there are who can actually come up with the cash!!!

I am sure we have all met them at car shows. The ones who are full of what they are going to build, and how they are going to do it. But in the end they never do when they realize that most of the cars are built for cash money and it cant be done on the never never.

So please be realistic when putting the price on your car. It is only worth what someone else is willing or able to pay, regardless of how excellent the car may be.

If anyone has any comments on the subject I would welcome them.

I am glad to see from Keith Sharp's article that he has decided not to sell his car, not yet anyway. Just as well as I cant afford it at the moment. But I want to go on record as having first refusal when he does, Cos' I think its fabulous.

A plea now for articles for the newsletter. I am really getting desperate for material to print. Anything and everything gratefully received.

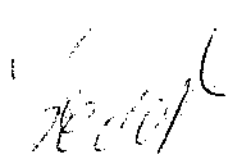
Next time God makes the world I am going to ask him to put nine days in every week and then I can have a day off. And twenty six hours in every day so that I can have an extra hour in bed.

When I have finished this newsletter I am going to have an attempt at my first VAT return. At first glance it looks like I owe the VAT Man £3000 for my first Quarters trading.

I will probably compile the next newsletter from my cell in the Debtor's Prison.

Next newsletter due for publication January 87.

And finally Isobel and I would like to wish you all a very merry Christmas.



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**Allegro** :- Radiator & thermo. fan; water pump; water pump hose to rad pipe; dashboard fresh air vents; thermostat housing; carb; CV joints; modified N/S drive shaft; front wheels; engine steady bar; reversing lamps; windscreen wiper 'box' O/S.

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**Ford escort MK 2** :- wheel centres and nut covers

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I hope anyone reading this drivel who is building/has built a wooden 4 or 6 will be encouraged to write a few words about any problems they encountered and how they overcame them, I for one would be interested.

Will write more when more progress made - unless I receive large cheques or threatening letters.

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## Car for Sale

It would appear that George from Newcastle - upon - Tyne is definitely trying to sell his car. He was spotted at Newark on the Sunday by a friend of mine who was there with his Ginetta. He saw it in an area set aside for displaying Kit cars for sale and at first he thought it was mine. George is asking £3000 for it. Apparently wasn't getting very much response. The car is also advertised in September 'Kit Car' magazine and with a photo of it too.

## "What's yours called?"

Well mine's been called all sorts. For example :- 'A greenhouse on wheels'; (How's your tomatoes doin'!!) 'The Popemobile'; 'A wooden hearse'; 'A sauna on wheels'; a boat on wheels; Anybody know of any more? If so why not drop Trevor a line and let us all know.

## Splinters!

If anyone is about to buy some marine ply be very careful of the quality you purchase. I've just bought another sheet of 12mm from the same people that supplied me with the original sheets. It was delivered whilst I was out, but if I'd have been in, I would have sent it straight back!

The original 12mm sheets were '7' ply with a close grained veneer on both sides, but this new 12mm sheet was '5' ply with a very coarse veneer on both sides which splinters very easily. You need great care when cutting across the grain. You definitely need to score the wood with a knife before you cut it. Where as the '7' ply you could get away with not having to score it if the saw you were cutting it with had a fine cutting blade in it therefore making it so much easier to work with.

The 18mm ply sheets originally supplied were also '7' ply so what I'm really trying to say is, that in my opinion, the '7' ply is a much better quality ply wood. It's easier to work with and gives a much smoother finish.

## MOT Nightmares?

Well my Hustler's been on the road for nearly 12 months now and on the 24th Aug it sailed through it's second MOT without any problems, but you never can tell with MOT's can you?

## Specialist Car Show - Queens Hall - Leeds - 13th & 14th September

Arrived at the Queens Hall just after 9 o'clock on the Saturday morning to find rather a smaller hall than anticipated and only a few cars and stands considering the show was opening to the public in less than an hour. But as the morning progressed a few more cars arrived and the "crowds" "streamed in"

Paul Lancaster's Hustler 6 was there 'FOR SALE' and he sold it in the first hour of opening!

The size of the hall is about  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the size of one of the 3 big halls at Stoneleigh — and it wasn't full. Apparently the admission price was reduced on the Saturday because exhibitors who said they'd be coming hadn't arrived.

Heard a couple more comments about the wooden Hustler:- "it looks like a sideboard" and "a coffin with windows"!

Sunday morning promised to be a better day than Saturday as more private exhibitors had arrived and a couple more manufactures, and it was. There was a steady stream of people most of the day

There was no program but you could virtually see everthing from the entrance anyway.

The catering facilities seemed fairly good although we didn't sample them, and the toilet facilities excellent (which we did sample!!!).

The organisers had negotiated a very resonable rate for accommodation at the Ladbroke Dragonara Hotel (\*\*\*\*) which is situated just across the road from the Queens Hall. £15 each for a double room (£20 for a single) which included buffet breakfast (and I made sure I got my money's worth! and very nice it was to).

Don't know if I'll be going again next year?

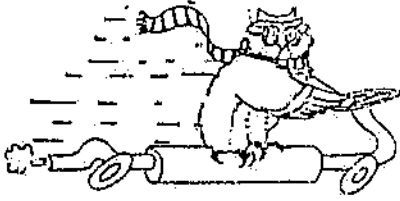
All the same we had a very enjoyable weekend and spoke to many interesting people.

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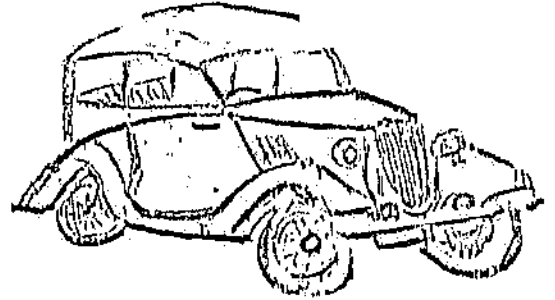
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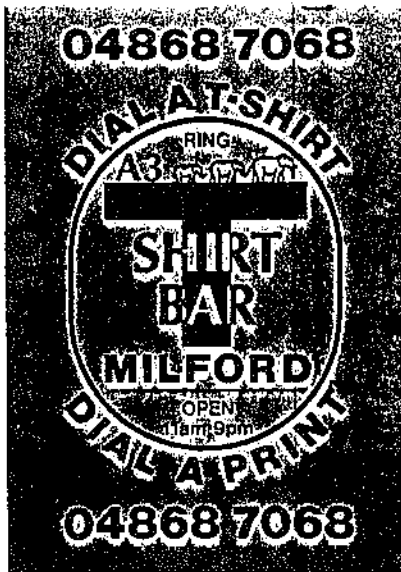
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