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Cambridgeshire Report.

February is a fairly quiet month in the sports car world with the majority of activity of the cerebral kind, and that's not easy for TVR owners. Planning the programme for the coming year has been the priority and we now have a number of events, run outs and meets with other regions in the diary and others in the pipeline.

The monthly meeting at the Eaton Oak was again very well attended with around 20 TVRs and a few tin tops in the car park. The Pub's hospitality was again excellent with a great buzz in the bar until late in the afternoon. The plan is to have the March Sunday lunchtime meeting and the April Thursday evening meeting at the Eaton Oak, after that the monthly Thursday evening meeting will move around the county to give everybody and equal chance to get to at least some of the meetings after work.

The run out to Hilton and Moss (the new name for Castle TVR) was great though the same could not be said for the weather. The new facility with the much broader range of classic cars and services is truly impressive. There were long discussions about the relative merits of E Types verses XKs, the various Healey's and Ferrari's. There was no question about the superb quality and skill of the H & M restorations. It was sad that although here were lots of TVRs around most were customer cars and there were very few for sale. Thanks to Ian Cunningham and the team for their warm hospitality on a miserable day.

One of the big events in this year's calendar is the trip to join up with German, Swiss and Austrian owners in Karlsruhe, Germany. Some of us went to this event three years ago and it was undoubtedly one of the best TVR gatherings we had ever been to (that's saying something for those of us who have been around a long time). There is an extensive programme including a good hotel, an event at Hockenheim and the classic run out around parts of the Black Forest. Last time we did the run out there were 80 cars winding their way up and down the hairpin roads of the Black Forest. The sight was amazing, the noise was awesome and the enthusiasm of German onlookers had to be seen to be believed. Some of us are planning to go to the TIG weekend, then head for the ferry and take a couple of days to drive to Karlsruhe. Zoe can provide more details via the website.

Coming events:

Saturday April 2nd Visit to Bespoke Performance Cars, Hertford.

April 21st (Thursday) 7.00 Club meeting at The Eaton Oak.

May 1/2nd Rushden Cavalcade

May 19th (Thursday) 7.00 Club meeting venue to be advised.

June 3/5th - TAG 11 TVRs at Goodwood

June 6/14th trip to Karlsruhe, Germany with TVR owners from Germany, Austria and Switzerland.

Keep an eye on the website for more information.