

## Report from Cambs Region – July 2008

The month of May has got off to a brilliant start not only in terms of the weather, but the Bank Holiday weekend had 10 cars take a trip on Nonfleur, in France.

The trip started with 5 TVRs and a guest Mercedes meeting at Dover for the crossing to Dunkerque. All TVRs were in top notch shape which unfortunately was not the case for the Mercedes as although still running, it had a number of warning lights showing. We 'rendezoused' at Jumieges where we were joined by Paul & Sue after a traditional French lunch of baguettes, wine and beer we carried on our way via a number of different routes, arriving in Honfleur late afternoon.

Saturday brought us clear blue sky, sunshine and a further 3 TVRs. Everyone spent the day enjoying the atmosphere of Honfleur before cleaning the cars and filing up for our excursion to Swiss Normandy on Sunday.

To our amazement the sun shone again and we enjoyed a fab picnic in a lovely spot by the river. Monday saw the departure of 2 cars whilst others chose to visit Bayeux and Pegasus Bridge, or just relax locally.

It is always a shame when it's time to go home, especially when two of the group are heading to Germany to meet up with other TVR owners at Donaueschingen.

The journey home was eventful and before long we were receiving messages of a broken accelerator cable. Barry & Natalie limped into the services and the team went in action. Not quite in 'F1' style but after an hour or so we were all back on the road, although accelerating was now via a hand control. But we made the ferry with time to spare. Well done Barry and we were proud that you could still blip the throttle.

You are probably wondering what happened to the Mercedes. Well on Saturday it decided to stick in gear and ended up going away to the dealership on a low loader and was collected on Tuesday as Martin & Judy returned home.

The monthly meeting was well attended (15+ cars) despite deterioration in the weather. Many thanks to Derek for coming along from Absolutely Shocks.

That's it for this time, I am sure Zoe will be back in charge next month and will share with us their trip with Fred & Gill to the Black Forest.

Lisa.