



# NEWSLETTER

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**AUGUST 2018**



*Pride Passion Performance*

## Welcome to the AUGUST Meeting

Sun 26<sup>th</sup> Aug RSOC Nat Day  
Sat 8<sup>th</sup> Sept . Forge Action Day

### This Evening

Tonight's meeting we hope to be outside if the weather is kind to us looking and talking cars etc , and we will also try to bring you the popular raffle with more super prizes , also we need to consider the forth coming Christmas party ... this needs to be booked now !!!

### Last Month Meeting

Last months meeting was a mega meet as we welcomed the Dorset local group and a few members from other surrounding local groups , well done to both Steve and Simon for sorting out the BBQ etc , etc , it was also great to see so many Bristol group members and not forgetting we also ran the annual show and shine competition .... Well done to the winners and we also ran the monthly raffle with some great prizes and lots of them .... Thanks again Steve for sorting this out .

**PARTY TIME**  
**Christmas party**  
**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December**  
**venue TBC tonight**

### Show report

Fordfair 2018 by Simon

Another great show, a few of us stayed over at a local hotel and enjoyed a few beers good food and some good banter the night before, then an early start still ended up with an 1hr wait to get in...

Still a lovely hot summers day with plenty of track action and great cars on display.

Quite a few traders and a few autojumbler. Just shows how times have changed as the autojumble was always the largest area of the show.

Not sure why the old school classic Ford display was outside the main area? Shame as they had some nice cars.

Paul Swift had his display area once again and was entertaining the crowds.

Concours cars were looking good.

Don't forget to ask Simon tonight for your t-shirt and Magazine if you didn't get chance to pick one up.

### Next Months Meeting

The SEPTEMBER meeting on weds 19<sup>th</sup> , we hope to be outside , which may be the last this year , but follow us on facebook for any updates , we will also run the popular monthly raffle

### Events and Shows

The 2018 show season has now in full swing with the big events just around the corner .

Shows taking place before our next monthly meeting ...

Sun 19<sup>th</sup> Aug Retro Rides

### RS Combe 2018

Last week we held our post event meeting , which appeared to go well , with no negative feed backs , currently we do not have all the details of attendance etc from the day yet but numbers were down compared to last year , this in the main may be down to the fact that the event was 1 week earlier than normal , so with that in mine we hope to have back our usual spot in the combe calendar in 2019

**Ford News**

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14 May, 2018 – Ford total vehicle sales exceeded 28,000 in April as it maintained UK leadership in both car and commercial vehicle (CV) sales. According to the official sales figures from the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders (SMMT):  
April 2018 highlights:

Ford total vehicle sales 28,099

Ford total vehicle sales share 14.6 per cent, 5.4 percentage points ahead of nearest rival

Fiesta is UK best-seller, Transit Custom and Transit first and second in CV sales

Ford Fiesta, Galaxy, Transit Courier, Transit Connect, Transit Custom, Tourneo Custom, Transit and Ranger lead their respective segments

Ford CV sales up 17.6 per cent, year-to-date market share at 34.7 per cent

Ford is the clear leader in retail car sales, which most accurately reflect the preferences of private buyers. For April, Ford achieved 14.2 per cent of this market, which was 3.8 percentage points ahead of its nearest rival and, for the year to date, the lead is 6.0 percentage points.

Andy Barratt, Ford of Britain chairman and managing director, said: "We are continuing to build on our core strengths in the UK market; the successful all-new Fiesta is being joined by newest Active and ST versions. Kuga, and the much improved EcoSport, have both seen significant sales growth as customers continue to choose vehicles with higher ride height, more space and greater versatility.

"Ford also now has the freshest commercial vehicle line-up in the UK after we unveiled the all-new Fiesta Sport van at the CV show last month. Sitting alongside the new Transit Custom, Transit Connect and Transit Courier our latest Transit products are now equipped with more technology than ever before, including FordPass Connect with on-board modem."

The official figures released by the SMMT show that total car sales in April were up 10.4 per cent to 167,911 units, compared with April 2017. Ford car sales were 20,114, up 24.3 per cent and 5,507 registrations ahead of its nearest rival.

The Ford Fiesta remains the UK's best-seller with 7,811 registrations in April, 2,329 sales and 1.4 percentage points of share ahead of its nearest rival. The broad customer appeal of Ford's car range is demonstrated by Fiesta, Focus, C-MAX, EcoSport, Kuga and Galaxy all occupying top three places in their respective market segments in April and for the year to date.

UK commercial vehicle sales in April were up 3.9 per cent at 23,501 registrations compared with April

2017. Total sales of Ford CVs were up 16.0 per cent at 7,985, compared with April 2017, more than double the sales volume of its nearest rival.

Ford CV market share increased from 29.5 per cent to 33.0 per cent in April, led by strong sales of the Transit Custom and the Ford Ranger, which defied the decline in the pickup market with a sales increase of 23.0 per cent.

The full availability of Ford's extended CV family has helped deliver these significant increases in sales and share. Transit Courier, Transit Connect, Transit Custom, Transit and Ranger all lead in their respective market segments.

## Web site

Our web site is currently is showing all the important details of events coming up , it is your 1st call to visit if you need to look at any dates or events we are attending in the future ..

Exciting times lay ahead as we would like to get this site up front of every thing with interesting content for everyone , so we are looking for feed back and content from every member no matter if it is a small amount or large ... but please your input is needed .

This includes any photos you have of the club display and the vehicles on it as these can be inserted into the galleys page of the web site , showing what happens at some of the shows

A QR code will be printed on each newsletter to make life easy for you to view the web site on your mobile device .

## Show Photos etc ... Urgent request

If you have taken any photographs etc of any of the shows we attend during the year or that of RS Combe please send them to [rsocbristol@hotmail.com](mailto:rsocbristol@hotmail.com) or hand them to any of the local group committee members or post them on the Bristol Group Facebook page as we would like lots of them if poss to use in future adverts etc etc and on the RS Combe event web site .together with the new look Bristol group web site

**WE HOPE YOU HAVE ENJOYED THIS EVENINGS MEETING AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AGAIN ON Wednesday .....**

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