



The Presidents Thoughts

As is often the case, I will start with the weather. It is at least four weeks since the last snow -Scotland excepted, but my point is, that between the rainy days we have had some nice warm sunny weather which tends to focus the mind on the uses for our vehicles. It also cuts down the heating bills in my toy shed.

Talking of which, for those who are interested, 18 months ago I rather stupidly bought a derelict early chassis thinking it had many things in common with my '23 Light 6. With some of the spare parts I have, I set about making a fun Raceabout.

Progress so far has involved a cylinder re-bore and re-sleeve for new pistons, making inlet and exhaust manifolds and obtaining a second hand cylinder head from Canada. The motor also required the replacement of oil, water pumps, distributor, dynamo and starter motor. Writing that



confirms something - best not thought about too much. The next instalment will be next time.

I am fortunate in that there are three Thursdays a month with local evening meetings within a ten mile radius of me here. The first one is tomorrow. Weather dependant, I will take a suitable vehicle. These trips are a good motivation to keep things roadworthy in order that they are ready for some longer trips.

I notice that there is a fair take up on Facebook for which I would like to thank Richard Atkinson. Hopefully it will help make the club more interactive and it gives participants a chance to list what local car shows

or events they will be attending to enable members to hook up with each other. I am booked in to the Wallingford festival next month, which is about 50 miles from me, but they get an eclectic mix of vehicles. Let Greg or Richard know of any participating meetings you might be going to in order to keep the wheels turning.

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