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'Spring Time in Paris'
'Business or Pleasure'? - Car 54 enjoying the Luxembourg Palace

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Firstly two apologies....

Number one - it has been nearly six months since the last Bulletin I cannot believe where the time has flown! A trip to New Zealand and Australia certainly 'ate' into the time but not six months.

Number two - in checking the distribution list I created to send out the Bulletins (and other info) I realize that I had left off some individuals and I apologise. If you feel that you are one of those then be assured that past copies of the Bulletin are always available from the website. (If you have nothing better to do with your summer days!!)

Welcome new Registrants...

Pelham Reilly (Car 11)

Robert Merker (Car 34)

James Thomson (Car 50)

m0gmnX (Mog 2010)

Anyone attending the 2010 celebrations in Buxton later in the month?

We are going but were unable to get into the Barcelo Palace Hotel. So anyone wanting to meet up then please give us a call. We will have the dreaded Blackberry on - 07711 032604 and would be great to meet up.

Travel updates

Unfortunately, I have not received any interesting information about any of the Registrants travels and will have to fill some of the pages with an extract of our latest travels that did involve Car 54 and our trip to Belgium via Paris!

Originally a straight forward trip with fellow Morganeers from OxMog taking the ferry from Dover to Dunkerque for a long weekend and returning the way we came.

Things were going to plan until I was suddenly summoned to travel to Paris for business the week previous to the trip and what with concerns of 'Ash delayed' flights I was becoming concerned that I would miss out on the trip altogether if I was unable to return

in time. A colleague hearing of my concerns jokingly suggested 'I took the Morgan to Paris before going to Belgium'.....why not I thought. So luckily the hotel had an underground car park and I decided that we would take the Portsmouth to Le Havre crossing to save journey in France and be able to take a detour to Giverny to see Monet's Garden on the way fulfilling one of Rita's wish lists as well (more brownie points for trappist beer conversion!).

Paris is always exciting but to be able to drive around the city (with a Parisian colleague giving me 'Pace Notes') I was able to take in the Champs Elysees, Arc de Triomphe and Eiffel Tower with all the, toots and thumbs up that the Parisians were giving the car (I am sure it was not the driver or navigator).



A little hair-raising but a great experience.

Under the Bonnet

I plucked up courage last month to replace the Timing Belt on my car (Zetec engine). This was indeed a fairly straight forward exercise but a word of warning...make a mental note (or picture) of the route the Auxiliary Belt takes around all the pulleys. As when it is off it is very difficult to remember. Oh! and ignore the instructions on adjusting the tension with the alternator...there is a specific spring loaded Idle Pulley, it took me an hour swearing and struggling to find that out!

Also the Oil Filter from Halfords appears to be too long to sit comfortably in the engine bay so I opted for an alternative (stubbier) one from a 'proper' supplier.

That's it for this time... Keith Hofgartner