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Photos from this year's Classic Car Show



Forecast Bad Weather Holds Off

Maxey Classic Car Show 2006

The 6th annual Maxey Classic Car Show took place at its traditional lakeside venue off Quarry Lane, Maxey on Saturday 12 August 2006. The weather forecast all week - like last year - was for rain and winds on Show Day. It was overcast, and apart from one early shower, the wind and rain didn't make an appearance.

For the first time in 6 years the event competed directly against another well established annual event, the Deepings Raft Race. Under the circumstances, there was another excellent turnout of cars & visitors.

Another new layout for the show ground was tried this year - to universal acclaim - which allowed the 'themed' area of food, bar, bands and show winner parade to be located at the bottom of the hill with pre-booked club stands lakeside and individual entries lined up in the centre of the display area.

Unfortunately, due to staff commitments at Practical Classics, no pre-event rally of classic cars through rural towns and villages was run this year. The organisers hope that it can be reinstated next year, if circumstances allow.



The show attracted over 300 classic vehicles: everything from a Daimler Dart to a rally prepared DAF 1300 variomatic! There were Ferraris, Porsches, MGs, TRs, Lancias, Fords & Vauxhall/Opels of every era. In fact, something for every one.

Organisers and promoters of the event, the **Maxey Blue Bell Charity Club**, estimate that there were approximately 800 paying visitors (drivers of cars entered in the show were admitted free of charge).

Despite the forecast of rain & wind, the weather stayed dry after a couple of early showers. This Spitfire & Stag were early visitors to the hill.

This year the hot beverage stand attracted a brisk trade, although the hot food and bar areas were as

well attended as ever. The crowds were entertained 2 live bands - **The Big Grin Band & Defender** - who blasted out a stream of mostly classic 60's & 70's rock and pop.

By 3.30 pm the judges had finished their assessments and had compiled the list of winners in 11 categories. Mustered to the right of the main 'stand' each was called forward by the show's resident MC, John Pearson, in front of the appreciative crowd to receive their prizes. For the second year in a row, the Best in Show Car was won by Jack Francis of Peterborough for his fabulous Alvis TA21 Drophead - this year displayed in its full glory with the top down.

Experienced Judges

The organisers are indebted to the staff writers from various EMAP publications who generously attend the show on a voluntary basis and use their experience to help select category winners. Along with knowledgeable independent judges they adjudicate both impartially and with enthusiasm.

Prize Winners

Category	Vehicle	Owner
Pre - war	1919 Standard SLS	J Conder, Helpston
1940's	1939 Morris Eight (still in production in the 1940s!)	Brian Lawrence, Hawthorpe, Bourne.



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1950's	1955 Ford Consul MkI	Mike Osbourne, Bourne
1960's	1960 Renault Floride	Kevin & Dan Gould, Heighington, Lincs.
1970's	Ford Cortina 1600E	Malcolm Bohea, Stamford
Modern Classic	Sierra Cosworth	Richard Stimpson, Peterborough
Custom Car	Austin Somerset V8	Mark Aspinall, Morton
Kit Car	Rawstriker TR	Geoff Mason
Commercial	Ford Thames Van 7 cwt	John Roberts
4x4	Jeep Wrangler	Alan Knight
BEST IN SHOW	Alvis TA21 Drophead	Jack Francis - Peterborough

All for Charity

Profits from the event topped **£1350** which will be distributed later in the year by the event promoters, the **Maxey Blue Bell Charity Club**.

Volunteers & Sponsors

As ever the organisers thanks are given to the volunteers, helpers & sponsors whose selflessness makes the CAR SHOW possible. Without the dedication and determination of everyone involved there would be no show.

Further Information

A more detailed report with a large gallery of photographs will be available now on the dedicated Maxey Car Show web site - www.maxeycarshow.co.uk

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