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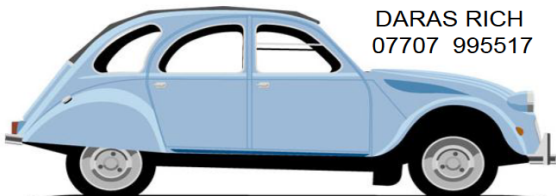
## Every Picture Tells A Story

Pierre has a major re-furb

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### What's Coming Up

- Club Night 21 July  
Royal Oak,  
Wineham, BN5 9AY
- Mad Hatters  
29 Sept to 1 Oct (see p4)
- 2cv Racing at Brands Hatch  
29/30 July
- Surrey Classic Vehicle Gathering 17 September 2017  
(see P4)



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## **PIERRE'S THIRTEENTH WORLD MEETING**

In 2011, during my period as editor of 2CVGB News, I wrote a little piece about our red special Pierre, as he was prepared for his tenth world meeting in Salbris. A brief summary of that article is below:

Pierre joined our household in May 1983 and cost around about £2500. He replaced a 1975 club which was rather rusty from its early life on Jersey. He soon got his taste for overseas travel with a long trip around the south of France, visiting Monte Carlo, Cannes and Nice in summer 1984, passing very close to his birth-place. His first world meeting was at Orleans, France in 1989. He had a long wait for the next one which was at Maribor in Slovenia in 1995 but has been to every world meeting since that, visiting Holland, Greece, Austria, Italy, Scotland, Sweden and the Czech Republic before his 10<sup>th</sup> trip to Salbris. By that time Pierre was 28 years old and starting to need a little attention. This addressed and remedial work done he enjoyed his journey, although he became rather impatient and bored in the entry queue!

For some years he was pampered by being kept in our garage but in his twenties had to give that up for the outdoor life which has meant that another six years on even more drastic renovation work has been required. Since Salbris Pierre has managed another couple of world meetings in Spain and Poland and is now ready for the long trek to Portugal through France and Spain (no long ferries for him). His trusty old engine has now clocked almost 191,000 miles so he is heading for his double century. Very substantial body work has been painstakingly carried out by Simon Day and with his new Matts hood and very shiny paintwork he certainly looks the part and is raring to go.

Maurice





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**Vintage Nostalgia  
Festival  
June 2017**

Pam and John have been to something called the Vintage Nostalgia festival near Salisbury, camping in the 'vintage camping field' amongst scores of microbus and classic caravans. John says " some lovely people drive these machines and were very encouraging/ curious/ sympathetic to the 2cv. In the last hour of the Flea market, I bought a big Iron Bed :) , which we discovered would only fit into the 2CV with roof rolled back sticking out of the top , 'Antiques roadshow' style " (nice one you both look great — Ed )





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**The Surrey Classic Vehicle Club** are hosting a classic vehicle gathering & auto-jumble at the Rural Life Centre, at Tilford (near Farnham Surrey) on **Sunday 17 September 2017, between 10 am & 5 pm**

Over 400 classic & vintage vehicles are expected.

Free entry to pre-booked classic vehicle driver & 1 passenger. The following prices apply to all other visitors:

Adults £9, concessions £8, children £6, family group £27

This events supports a very worthwhile local cause, the Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice in Farnham.

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## **September 29th-October 1<sup>st</sup> 2017 - South Downs Escargots**

ANNUAL HAT CAMP - Please contact Maurice or Sue, 01903 267469 - maurice-dilley@hotmail.com - Maurice 07985 091633 - Sue 07860 696818. To be held once again at the usual venue, King Harry's Field, on the A272 east of Cowfold, West Sussex, RH13 8AZ, opposite Oakendene Industrial Estate.. Flush loos & showers. Prices once more unchanged for this 'laid-back' camp at £6 per unit per night. Friday evening Soup & Buffet, £3 per person. Day-time Saturday is once more all yours with Brighton and beautiful rural Sussex handy spots to visit. Saturday evening BBQ, bring own food and drink. Sunday morning Water Boiling and Gadget competition. Wear as many hats as you can over the week-end - Prizes