

Stone Classic Car Group

The Summer Tour 10th August 2019

This year the Summer Tour will take you into territory we have not used before! The approximate 160 mile route will include much more of the Cheshire countryside than previous years. Staffordshire will also be a main feature as the route planned will use more of Staffordshire to the west of Stone plus much of the Staffordshire Moorlands for the extensive vistas they offer. There will also be a bit of Shropshire and Derbyshire along the way.

Outline of the Route

The Start, and Finish, will be at the George and Dragon where you will enjoy a breakfast bap of bacon or sausage along with tea or coffee. You will then head off initially to the west passing through Eccleshall, to the outskirts of Market Drayton, then through Norton in Hales to Woore. A loop will then take you through a ford and onto Wybunbury with its leaning tower. A short run then leads to Morning Coffee (or tea) and Biscuits at Crewe Hall Hotel.

Once refreshed, the route will take you north, passing to the west of Middlewich and east of Northwich, before heading east and the Jodrell Bank site.



The Lovell Telescope, Jodrell Bank

There will be great views of the famous Lovell Telescope from the road. From here it is a few miles to our lunch stop at the Waggon and Horses on the A34 at Eaton. Here we will have exclusive use of the pub for the duration of our lunch break and enjoy soup and a roll, a dessert and tea or coffee.

After an hours rest you will head for the Peak District, and join the Cat and Fiddle road for a couple of miles before heading down to the wooded valley to Wildboarclough and then Flash which is often in the news for being cut off by snow! It is then along moorland roads to Longnor and on to Hartington. Our afternoon tea of Scones with cream and jam plus tea or coffee then awaits you at Biggen Hall Hotel.



Afternoon tea is at the Biggen Hall Hotel

The run to the finish at the George and Dragon is initially through some superb moorland roads to Waterhouses, then through Oakamoor travelling down the original hillclimb road, and to Upper Tean and back to Stone using some of the roads used last year, but in the in the reverse direction.

Distances

In total the route is estimated to be 158 miles long, with stage 1, the start to coffee being 44 miles, Stage 2 coffee to lunch is 40 miles, Stage 3 lunch to tea is 34 miles and the final stage of 40 miles to the finish. All the distances are estimations and the total route distance will be confirmed in the road book. The entry fee will include all the refreshments outlined above, plus a rally plate and detailed road book which will use tulip diagrams along with information about features along the route. The entry fee based on 2 people in a car will be slightly higher than last year, which reflects the higher prices for the food at the stops. ***It will still be great value though!***

Entry forms will be available soon and will be automatically sent to everyone on the email list, members of the Facebook page and previous entrants of the Summer Tour. The tour WILL be popular so enter promptly when you get the form. Entries are limited to 40 cars.



Crewe Hall Hotel. Our morning coffee halt



The Waggon and Horses, Eaton. Our lunch stop