

## BLOG February 2012 : Written by Clive (guest writer)

As Jerry was not available to put pen to paper this month, Clive stepped into the breach and scribbled the following notes.....

There were 3 mini's in attendance this month....Chris' Matchbox Special, Mark's HL and Toby's Mayfair.....

Toby new face tagged along with Jaffer in his Mayfair which has a stage one kit, exhaust and 10" wheels on it.

**M**ark was pronounced unemployed (but only for a matter of days as it luckily turned out ! more on that next month....), he said he would be available for any work that needs doing. Jon was the first in the queue with an engine transplant for his mini (swapping an MG metro that Mark has lying around for an MG metro that doesn't leak oil !).



**J**affer has ordered and paid for a very expensive lightened flywheel and clutch from M.E.D. to be used

in an engine build he is currently working on.

**R**obin has issues with his engine again after a head gasket change, which was the suspected issue, didn't resolve things there was more investigation are underway. Likely culprit is an exhaust valve, but we will wait and see waht feedback we get next month.....

**E**dd's mini has finally started up and running on the modern megajolt programmable ignition system . After a few minor issues with the carb

its now running well ! it is however very noisy with a twin cherry bomb rear section.....

My K series is now running and the gear linkage is now operational, which is a start ! I've also worked out a system for the clutch. Who knows....I might even have Cyril ready for the Donington Historic Festival in May (editor Jon ;0).....

### **SOCIAL BIT**

March 29<sup>th</sup> : Club Night : Gate Hangs Well, from 7.30pm

April 26<sup>th</sup> : Club Night : Cottesmore cruise : The Gate Hangs Well 7.20pm for depart @ 7.30pm. Melton posse to meet en-route at Wilton Road car park opposite the burnt out Kettleby Cross @ 19.50pm. Depart @ 8pm

4 – 5<sup>th</sup> May (Bank Holiday) :

Donington Historic Festival 2012 : We have a club stand booked and advanced ticket offers



to get a 2 day ticket for £15 (when purchased in pairs). This is an excellent festival that has the best of pre '65 racing across a number of disciplines.....last year it also included a number or parade laps around the hallowed

Donington circuit.

Confirmed racers for Donington are Jackie Oliver (ex F1), Alain de Cadenet (TV presenter and car collector) and Mark Knopfler of Dire Straits.....