

**Press release on behalf of Sleaford Historic Car & Motorcycle Show
with Craft Fair
Saturday 6th September 2008**

All forms of road transport are lining up to travel to Sleaford next Saturday, 6th September - why not see how many different old vehicles you can spot making their way to St George's College next Saturday morning? Celebrating its 8th visit to St George's College site and the 16th show in its history, the Sleaford event organisers are hoping that well-known TV presenter and weather man Bill Giles will bring along some good weather to make the 2008 event one of the best ever days.

Cars ranging from a 1923 Morris Cowley to a 1998 Chevrolet New York Police Department Police Car, modified road cars, concours vintage cars and all sorts between will be here to enjoy. Remember your first car? Your first motorbike? come along and have a wander down Memory Lane! Local clubs will be well represented, including the Grantham Classic Car Club, the local MG Owners Club, the Triumph Owners Motorcycle Club (The Missing Lincs) and, this year for the first time, a group from the East Elloe Motor Club from the Spalding area will be appearing. Motorcycles range from a very rare restored 1926 Dunelt through to a brand new Royal Enfield on one of its first outings. The trikes and sidecar class is expected to be competitive this year with more entries than usual. Amongst the 200 vehicles this year will be a number of agricultural tractors on show and several stationary engines that will be able to be seen working.

As usual the Craft Fair is going to be a feature of the show with lots of interesting stalls inside and out, ready to sell you gifts, artwork, plants and refreshment, offer advice on safe driving or give you a chance to support a local charity.

Live action racing will be there too with the Newark Radio Controlled Racing Car Club and Andy Ward's now famous Scirrocco2Morocco expedition will be setting off on the first leg of its journey to north Africa, to the accompaniment of the Sleaford Ukulele Orchestra, soon after mid-day. The organisers are hoping for a good crowd to cheer them on their way.

Visitors to the show are encouraged to vote for their favourite vehicles in each class and to stay and see the trophies, which are made especially for the Show by Ferg Philip of Chop Shop Customs, being presented at the end of the day

The Mayor of Sleaford, Councillor George Grout, and the Chairman of North Kesteven District Council, Councillor Mrs Susan Waring, will be visiting and helping the sponsors present the trophies at the prize-giving at 4.00pm.

The organisers are very grateful to this year's sponsors, local companies including Sleaford Chamber of Commerce, Cawsey Motors Ltd, Malcs BodyShop, A&H Factors, Signs Express (Lincoln), Roberts Tyres, SAMS, Cogglesford Mill Cottage Restaurant, Chop Shop Customs, Ambitions,

Scriminger Engine Developments, Wright Vigar, Gerri's, Lincolnshire Co-operative Ltd, Hockmeyer Motors Ltd, Westgate Electrical Systems and Four Seasons Garden Centre, as well as Sleaford Town Council.

The show is open to the public from 10.30 am to 4.30 pm, with free admission throughout the day. Although there is no public parking on site, it is not far from the town's car parks, with free parking available all day as usual in Eastgate Car Park and Lafford Terrace Car Park, the council offices car park. There are a few spaces reserved for Disabled Parking just inside the show entrance off Westgate. As it's the first Saturday in the month, the Farmers Market will be in the Market Place alongside the regular market, providing an extra attraction to visit on the way to the show site. Pedestrian access to the site will be from either the main entrance on Westgate or along the pathway near Pygott & Crone on Northgate. To find your way to St George's on-line put in the postcode NG34 7PS.

More information about the show and its past history can be found at www.shcms.sleafordevents.co.uk

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