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The annual SVW Event has recently been announced and will take place in Holland based at Alphen aan de Rijn from June 25th to 27th. Our Dutch friends have organised such events several times and it's always great fun. Please keep an eye on the website for further details as we receive them and there'll be a flyer in our 4-page spread next month.

We now have 109 members in the SVW Register Facebook group with lots of interesting content, so do take a look and ask to join if you would like to. Recent topics have included cars for sale / acquired, our new Register online shop, tyre recommendations, whether to recondition Luvax shocks or opt for telescopic, and VA tool trays.

SVW cars seem to be changing hands at quite a pace these days. Given the rate of exchange it's no surprise that they sometimes go abroad and one such ex-Lancashire Police VA Tourer recently went to Germany. More often though they find appreciative new owners in the UK and they receive a big welcome in The SVW Register. I mentioned David Ballard last month who purchased one of the nicest VA Tickfords available, following which I paid him a visit – see photo. Mike Long has been looking for a VA Saloon for a couple of years and has at last found one that ticks all the boxes, although to do so he had to sell his much-loved YB. Welcome packs have been sent out including the latest edition of The SVW Review.

Now that the festivities are over I'm about to embark on changing the king pins on my VA Tourer and doing more home repairs on the bodywork, hopefully in time for The MG Era Day at Brooklands on April 14th, which often kicks off the season.

Next month will be our 4-page spread, so if you have anything you'd like to see included please send it to me before the end of January (email address above).

We hope that 2019 has started well for you all.



David Ballard with his SA Tickford.

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