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From the Sump

I lead this months editorial with the excellent news that Geoff Challinor, the driving force behind The Anson Museum and its Curator has been awarded an MBE in the 2010 New Year Honours List for services to Industrial Heritage.

He received a letter from Downing Street about six weeks ago asking if he would accept the honour if it was granted. He is absolutely thrilled as you can imagine and it has nearly killed Margaret having to keep it a secret until now.

He shares the privilege of an MBE with a wide variety of people, including Ian Millar, an innovative sheep & arable farmer in Scotland who has worked for the benefit of the livestock industry as a whole. Rose Gray & Lady Rogers, the Co-Founders of the River Café & leading figures in the London restaurant scene also receive MBEs as does Cath Kidston, one of the most influential & original UK designers in recent years.

I think it is very well deserved and I have never seen a man work harder. I'm sure you'll all want to join with me in congratulating him on this singular mark of recognition for his efforts.

I hope that someone is putting Paul Evans of Internal Fire up for one for next year!

The entry form for the Astle Park 1000 Engine Rally (26/27th June) is available now by post from Mr M.E. Barks, 'Hillcrest', Dovedale Road, Kingsley, Cheadle. ST10 2AD. SAE please!

There is a PDF on their website –
<http://www.1000engines.co.uk/files/EXHIBITOR.pdf>

Obituary

By Robin & Jackie Lambert

It is with sadness we learn of the death of Tony Andrews. Tony who lived at Westbury Sub Mendip was one of the founder members of our club and in the early days used to rally his engines along with his father, Wilf. He made a lovely set of juvenile swing boats that he would take to small fund raising events. He also was a keen helper with Carnival floats on the Somerset Carnival circuits. Our condolences go out to his wife Sue, his son Mike and his family.

Moving the Metal

For sale

"Ferm" wood turning lathe, type FHB940. On tradesman built timber stand. 5 turning speeds, 36" between centres. As new, buyer collects. £130.

Turning tools. 11 assorted+large & small callipers £50
Douglas 540cc 1949/50 engine on steerable trolley. Not run for 3 years & dry stored. Buyer collects. £130.

All above, phone [Tony Davis 01373 464982](tel:01373464982)

Bamford EG3, 1946. Good runner. **Saw bench** for logging, fast & loose pulleys, good condition. **Petter** A1, rough. **Lister DK**, non-runner. **Lister D** x 2 (1936?). One runs. (*Bindon Abbey, Dorset*)

All above, phone [Frank on 01929 406212](tel:01929406212)

Lister D. 18DH. Sold to Lewis & Son, Kettering on 9/9/37. Very well presented on a four wheel oak trolley. [Phone Phil on 01933 386800](tel:01933386800) NEW NUMBER
Petter 8hp. 1919, M type. Class One prize winner, totally rebuilt, reluctant sale. Best offer near £1.100.

[Phone Eric Gay - 01225 754374](tel:01225754374)

Lister D 1942. On nice two wheeled trolley. Runs well, very tidy. Plus near complete spare engine. £85. [Phone Robin Gardener on 01373 465797](tel:01373465797) (*Wilts*)

JAP Model 55. The unusual vertical twin! & apparently unused. Easy starter. Very sexy finned manifold. Apparently in good order. Might swap for something small & interesting. £140.00.

[Phone Kim Siddorn 0117 964 6818](tel:01179646818)

Stationary Engine Magazines. July '95 (257) to Dec '06 (393) in six official binders. £50.

"On Four Wheels". Complete in 11 official binders.

"On Two Wheels", 8 binders. All in good order.

REDUCED! £30 a set. [Phone P. Riley 0117 932 4345](tel:01179324345)

WANTED

Open crank Hit and Miss engine. What have you?

Keith Shephard: [Phone 07803 210021](tel:07803210021) or email

keith@modeng.co.uk.

ABC engine. Particularly 1915 250cc Firefly but anything considered. Good price paid for the right engine!

Triumph twin WW2 genny or parts.

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This column works -

**an engine was purchased and a lathe sold
here last month!**

Articles, cartoons, photos etc are always very welcome – this is not a one-man band, but an expression of all our thoughts and experience. Submissions should be preferably typed or word-processed or even handwritten, (**if brief**), - it is the content we're after, not the grammar or spelling, so please don't feel your efforts will be ignored. The editor reserves the right to change, edit, augment or lessen your Deathless Prose and asks all to note that opinions expressed in this newsletter may or may not represent club policy

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