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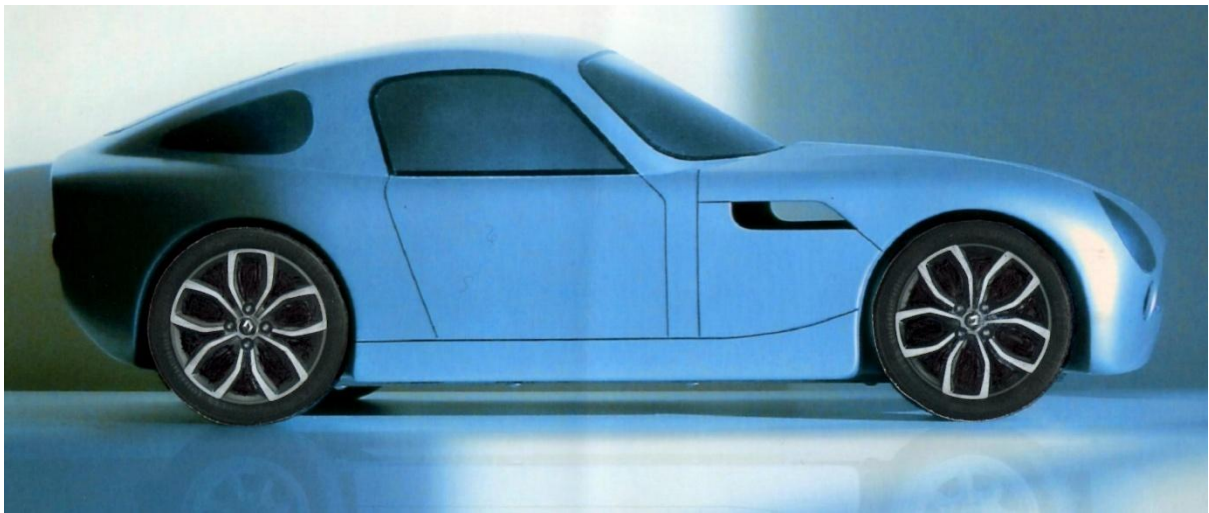
UPDATES & MONTE NEWS





**Wishing our readers a very Happy Christmas
and all the best for 2025.**

**From Douglas and all at Classic Updates and
Monte News.**



Now that the Classic Car Show is behind us, the ADO has been put to bed for the winter. I bought a new car cover to keep it dust free until work starts again in the spring. After the break I will be getting the workshop ready to begin the process for manufacturing the body panels. I am now in the fortunate position of having the services of a first class laminator to assist in its production. In the meantime if you are interested in having your own ADO coupe, get in touch. dglanderson1@yahoo.co.uk



MONTE CARLO FIAT 1500

Richard Ward



Richard leaving Glasgow Green at the start of the 2013 Rallye Monte Carlo Historique on one of the Heritage Runs.

Some of you may remember that over the past few years I have been getting body panels from various European sources in order to carry out the restoration of my Fiat 1500.

Well... finally, I had all the bits I thought I needed for the restoration of the car which is a 1962 FIAT 1500 Berlina that was converted to Abarth Spec in 1980, by Abarth in Turin.

I had actually trawled round and had various restoration people look at the car and they all said that they would have liked to work on the car. They all left me feeling positive but when their estimates fell onto the door mat I was left totally flabbergasted. Where did they pick the prices from? One even wanted £15,000 just for a respray.

However most were looking at about 3-5k for the full job.

Anyway, I decided that I would make 2024 the year for the work. I settled on WILSON STANDARDS from LEVEN in Scotland.

Jim Wilson came to see the car, we arranged a date and he returned one sunny Saturday morning and took the car away on his trailer, along with the panels.



A few weeks later and he had the car in bits and had discovered some issues that needed a bit of fabricating as the required panels were not available.

Then Jim phoned and said he had a problem. While doing some grinding in the boot area he got a tiny piece of Italian metal in his eye. Luckily he was admitted to Glenrothes hospital and the fragment was removed quickly and safely. Fortunately there are no ongoing eye problems.

A few weeks later he was back working on the Fiat. Being restored at the same time in his workshop was an Austin A40 that had done the Monte.

I called to see Jim whilst I was working in the area. The Fiat was in bits, but obviously had already undergone an awful lot of work



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A few weeks later and progress was being made.



After another few weeks ...



As the work progressed Jim kept me in the loop with photographs of the restoration work. Then I had a phone call to say that it was to be resprayed over that weekend. So, by Sunday night it was sprayed and on its way back to the workshop to have the doors put back on and generally pieced back together.

Jim phoned to say that he was picking up an MG from further down the A1 and he could drop off Milly en route. (Why Milly? Well, it is a Fiat 1500, Millecinquecento in Italian.)

Jim was transporting the MGA over to France where it would be competing on the Alpine rally. It turned out it was Marc Hanson's ex works MGA. If you read the September 'Monte News' there is an article and photographs of Marc's Alpine Adventure.



On its way back to the workshop.



The next photographs I received



Milly was coming home.....

So here we are in October 2024. The FIAT is home and currently undergoing a bit of work with Ian Wright, who is sorting the brakes out. New hoses, new Master cylinder, new front discs, new pads and the almost impossible to get new brake callipers

Also, we decided to swap the normal points over to electronic ignition so that was also done. Just a few jobs to sort, then hopefully it can come out again and I can have some fun!

I had planned to get it ready for the 2025 Monte Carlo Rally, but there will not be a UK start in 2025, but a special Anniversary in 2026, so look out for Milly in 2026.

Thanks to Jim Wilson and Ian Wright



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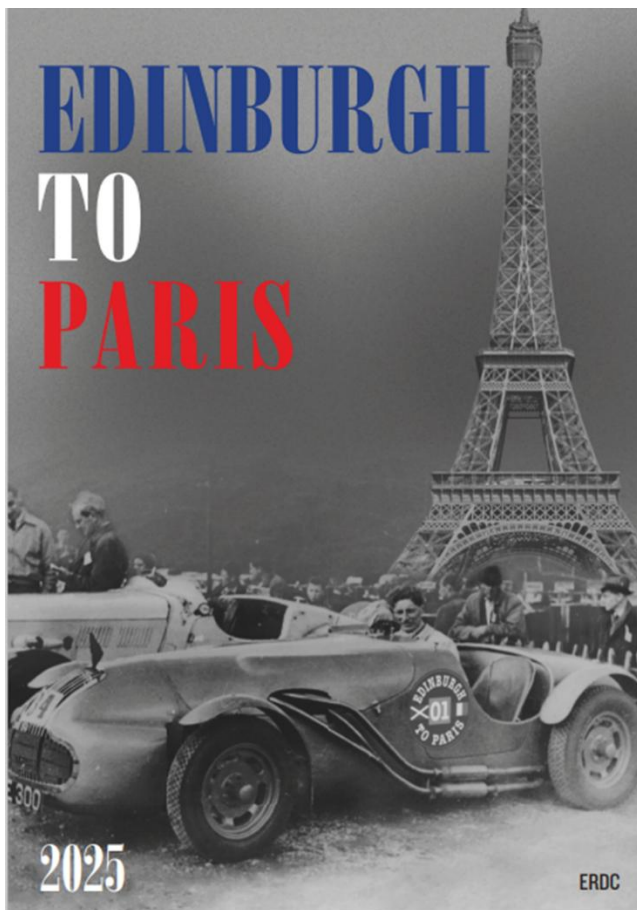
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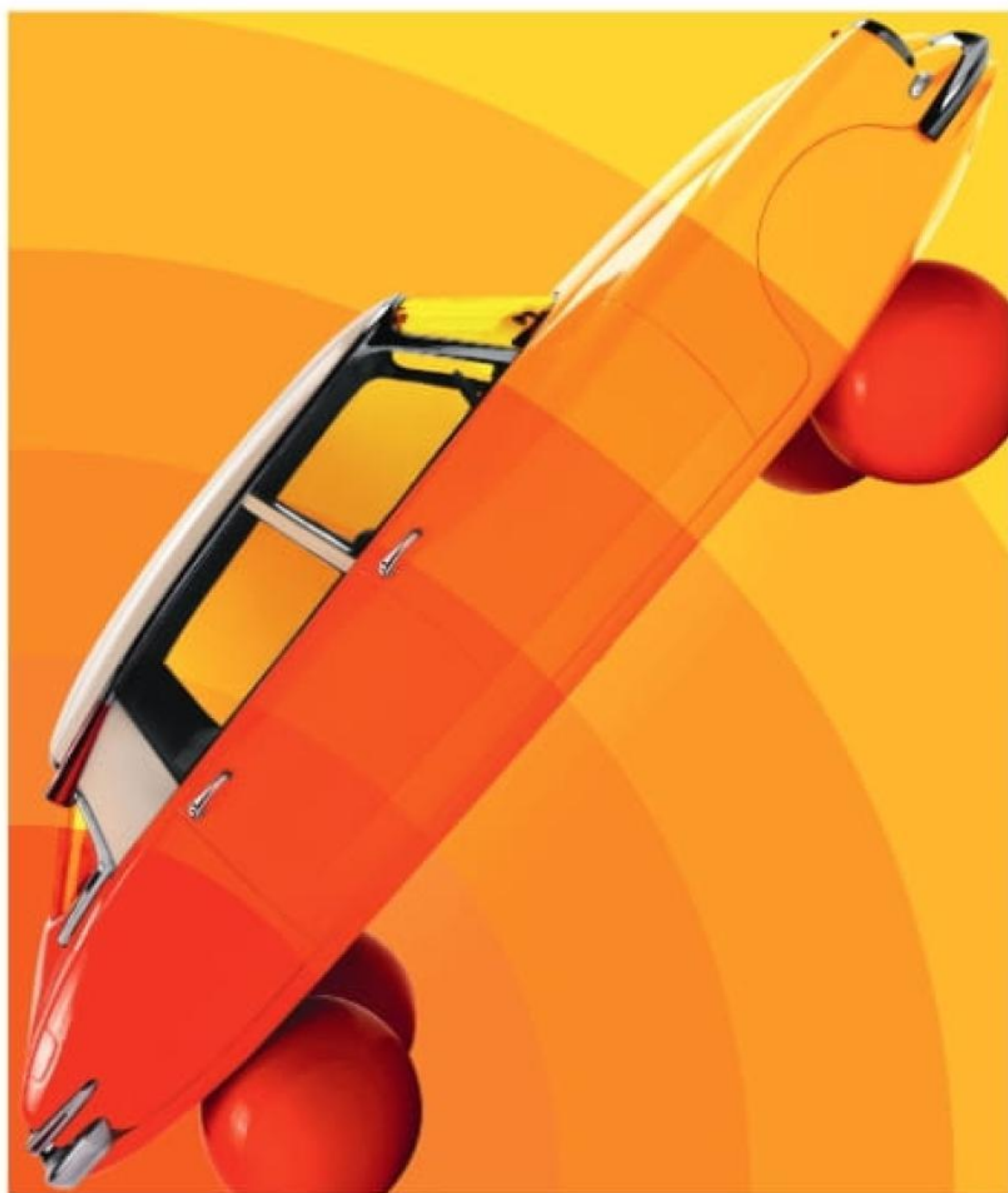


The ERDC committee are inviting readers to join them in Paris for the Paris Retromobile Show which runs from 5 to 9 February 2025. They are planning to let the train take the strain, but how you choose to get there is up to you – it could be a challenging winter drive, a coach trip or you could even fly. The Show itself is outstanding and it needs at least a couple of days to do it justice. If you are interested in going get in touch with

Alan Brisbane (alan.brisbane1@hotmail.com)

or Ken Brown (ken.brown7661@gmail.com)

who have details of trains and prices.



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LOOKING FORWARD TO 2025 WITH ERDC

2025 is shaping up to be a busy and exciting year for ERDC with new events, new roads and a number of Show dates. Below is a preview of what to expect.

Events

- Arrochar Alps and Col de Ruisg 18 January 2025
- Paris Retro 5 – 9 February 2025
- Borders two day touring event 26/27 April 2025
- Craufurdland Castle Touring Run and Static Display 23/24 August 2025

Other Events for possible club participation

- Stirling and District Classic Car Show 11 May 2025
- Moffat Classic Car Rally 28/29 June 2025
Touring Run and Static Display
- Glamis Castle Transport Extravaganza 12/13 July 2025
- Isle of Man Festival of Motoring 18 –21 September 2025
- Trossachs touring event – tbc

Entries are coming in for the Arrochar Alps and Col de Ruisg on 18 January. Don't delay, enter today. You can find the entry form in the November Classic Updates and Monte News or on the ERDC tab of the www.monte.scot website.

As you can see the committee have had their thinking caps on and come up with some great new ideas. There is something for everyone and the Static Displays will raise the profile of the club. We would urge you to support your committee and start preparing your car for entering some or all of the great events in 2025.

It's now time to renew your membership for 2025. The club membership form is in this newsletter.



18 January 2025



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**18
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2025**



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I hereby apply for Membership of the above Club, and agree to be bound by its Rules, a copy of which I know I may obtain from the Club Secretary, or on the ERDC tab of the www.monte.scot website. Membership is for the calendar year and due for renewal by 30 January each year.

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