



CLUB

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Your membership fees are now due! Please pick up a renewal form from Liz or Jacky, or, if you've got access to the internet, download it from Essex Mini Club's web site (address as above). £10 single, £15 joint, under-17's free.

The following was received from Paul Wiltshire by email (PWiltshire@splpublishing.co.uk). If you can help, but do not have access to email, please contact Jonathan:

"Here is a notice of my car that was stolen on Saturday 16 October 1999 (Greenwich, SE London). It is unique (see attached spec and photos) so selling it as a whole or as parts will be hard in this country (or any that this is passed on to!) if people know about it. Please print a notice and pass this message on to as many people who can help.

Thanks,
Jody Press.



P.S. The car was on the Minispares stand at the 40th, Silverstone, and various other shows during the year so it is pretty well known. PLEASE HELP. Here is a detailed spec. of my mini. copied and pasted.

BODY: 1975 1275 GT Reshelled with a 1994 Mini Cooper Shell with Zeemax style kit, one off bonnet Chrome grille. Clear front and side indicators and rear lenses. Twin fuel tanks with flip caps.

ENGINE: Modified Metro Turbo engine bored +20 to 1293cc. Ringed Group A head gasket, uprated camshaft, RS Turbo intercooler. Single 1.75 in SU with uprated needle, VMAX Stage 3 head, Dump valve, Adjustable bleed valve, Manifold exhaust system with one off 3in backbox. Anodised hoses and fittings throughout as well

as Samco water hoses. Uprated 2 core radiator with additional radiator plumbed in.

TRANSMISSION: Straight cut Jack Knight 5 speed gearbox with 3:4 final drive and KAD quick shift. Also uprated driveshafts and torque steer adaptor.

SUSPENSION: Spax and Hi-Lo adjustables all-round. Solid mounted subframes, competition bumpstops and nylatron bushes throughout.

BRAKES: Metro Turbo 4 pot calipers and vented discs at front, Cooper drums at back, Cooper Servo and braided hoses.

WHEELS AND TYRES: White revolution 5 spoke 7 x 13 alloys with Yokohama 175/50/13 P7F tyres

INTERIOR: Leather Recaro front seats retrimmed in black leather with red piping and lightening inserts. Magnolia white clocks and Burr Walnut dashboard and gearnob. Cooper leather steering wheel. Pioneer stereo system, including remote control, 10 disc autochanger, 12" Sub and Phoenix Gold Amp."



LEAD REPLACEMENT PETROL OUT NOW!

Watch out for the Lead Replacement Petrol (LRP) in local pumps now! I personally am not sure about it – nothing I've read makes me happy to use it in our Minis – anyone who's found local suppliers of additives please let me know – Jonathan.

From DLVA:

"From Autumn 2000, a completely new system of graduated VED will be introduced for new cars. You will pay vehicle excise duty on your car's rate of carbon dioxide (CO₂) emission."

"THE ITALIAN JOB"

Sue Oakley has managed to persuade the UCI Cinema, Festival Leisure Park, Basildon, to screen the recently released, re-mastered film "The Italian Job" especially for us, for one day only, on Tuesday 2nd November, 1999.

Bring your Mini along - local papers and Essex Radio have been contacted as part of a joint promotion.

Please invite any other Mini owners you know to join us for the evening. We're meeting from around 7:30pm. Contact Sue on 01375 361356 by **FRIDAY 29th OCTOBER** to confirm if you require tickets. Sue will monitor numbers and arrange to pre-book for Essex Mini Club members if necessary.

THE MINI YEAR AHEAD

Contact Jacky Reynolds (Tel. 01375 676798) or Sam Swaisland (Tel. 01708 448219), Essex Mini Club's new Events Co-ordinators, for further details of these, or any other Mini events you'd like to see the Club attend

NOTE: Sam has details of a couple more events in the near future, and I've managed to lose track, so please phone Sam if you are intending to visit an event not listed below...

20-31 Oct	Italian Job 1999 (provisional dates). Tel: 01273 418100
2 Nov	"The Italian Job" film at Festival Park UCI Cinema, Basildon

FOR SALE

1991 J-reg black Mini Cooper, carb. model. Excellent condition, full service history, new MoT, spotlamps, sumpguard, Play Mini exhaust, stereo, alloys + new tyres.

Make me an offer

Tel.: Matt Morris 0802 632212 anytime

Mini rolling shell.

ERA Turbo body kit (genuine). Cooper interior, Cooper brakes and suspension. Prepared engine, needs crank. Need space, hence £200

Tel.: Peter (01375) 381804 / 0780 1568514

T-reg Mini.

Black. Good starter. Lady owner. Full tank of petrol! Recently out of tax and MoT, hence only £50.

Tel.: Paul Harman (01255) 820215

Mini Cooper S 7½" brake disc conversion kit (part No. C-AJJ4028, cost £420+VAT new). Includes all parts and is ready to fit. Comes with brand new braided hoses.....

5" x 10" GB Minilites. Good condition with worn Yokohama A008 tyres. £70

Tax exempt Mini. Phone for details. £175

Some other spares available!

Tel.: Chris, after 7pm only, (01702) 544968

Mk1 petrol tank, 5½ gal. - bolt-in sender £4
Grey roof gutter trim £2
New BL left-half Clubman front valence - £5
ideal repair panel
Clubman bonnet £10
Alternators £5
Starter motors £5
Matt black, round front, slatted grill £4
All the above are O.N.O. - no reasonable offer refused.

Tel.: Jonathan (01375) 676798

4 x Mini Special (10") alloy wheels with very good Yokohama A0008 (165/70R10) tyres + steel spare. £100

Tel.: Alison 01702 557773

or Keith 01255 674089

also Mini 1000 engine and pair of Mk3 doors for sale on behalf of third party - Tel. Alison as above 01702 557773

4 x Dunlop Denovo wheels, trims & good tyres £75

Wooden dash centre oval style with two glove boxes £20

Leather Mountney steering wheel £10

2 **BRAND NEW** front seats, fixed rake, green vinyl - ideal for restoration project £50

Tel.: Matt Morris 0802 632212 / (01277) 230026

WANTED

Clubman front bumper and Clubman front indicator/sidelight units. 2 x 145 70 12 tyres, with or without wheels.

Contact Madeline, via John Collins, Tel: (01268) 776990

All early 1275GT (pre-'74 Mk1) bits... will consider any good condition GT bits, especially Clubman chrome bumpers, ochre colour trim, old remote control gearbox bits. Also - early 1½" carburettors (external idle speed adjustment, fixed needle, no wax-stat), all GT brake servo bits, Rostyle wheel centre caps, etc....

Also, detailed info on BL's 1275 GT'S' "Pluspac" Sport Performance Kit, part No. C-AJJ 4082

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Minis wanted:

- Good Mini Pickup - any age. Tel.: Matt Morris 0802 632212 anytime
- Up to about £1500. Good bodywork essential. Contact Paul Dear via Jonathan (01375) 676798.
- Mini to restore - contact GTITUNNING@aol.com by email