

ICONIC CARS.

MOST, IF NOT ALL CAR CLUBS HAVE AT LEAST ONE ICONIC CAR.

Here is one of ours, our well-loved, ubiquitous and very noticeable 1958 MORRIS MINOR 1000 belonging to the very popular members of My Car Club, Rosetta and Peter Mills.



The Morris Minor is a British car which debuted at the Earls Court Motor show, London on 20th December, 1948. Designed under the leadership of Alec Issigonis, more than 1.6 million were manufactured between 1948 and 1972.

Our 1958 Morris is a 1000 and is part of the series which was produced between 1956 and 1971.

It is interesting to note that the Morris Minor was the first British car to sell over a million units and is considered a classic example of automotive design, as well as typifying "Englishness".

Our 'MORRIE' was purchased in August 1981 and has been kept on full registration ever since. It has been used as a general, all purpose vehicle as well as for car club runs with various car clubs over the years.

The Morrie has undergone the usual modifications to make it suitable for daily use:

- Modern engine upgrade (Datsun).
- Modern, all-synchro gearbox.
- Modern differential.
- Disc brakes replacing the drums on the front.
- Larger drum brakes on the rear.
- Improved suspension etc.

As mentioned earlier, the Morrie has been on many car runs, the longest being to Queensland, Victoria and South Australia.

The car has never been restored, just the usual maintenance being undertaken when necessary.

The car is tidied up from time to time and was spoilt by being given a respray 7 years ago.

It is fun to drive and gives good economy at highway speeds but of course economy is not so good around town due to short distances to shops etc. and naturally stop-start motoring.



All in all, a wonderful and fun car to drive....small car, big heart!