



# BOURNE CIVIC SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

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Next Meeting  
Wednesday 10th April 2013  
John Clare the Poet  
David Dykes

The 35<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting was well attended on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March. One member William Peasley added to the committee, who will be taking over the roll as Social Secretary. Peter Puterill gave a talk on the conservation of archive photographs that the society hold of the racing life of Raymond Mays.

New Committee  
Chairman Brenda L Jones.  
Vice Chairman Robert Fuller.  
Secretary Robert Kitchener.  
Treasurer Robert Fuller.  
Committee: Anthony Burke,  
Lynette Fuller, Alan Jones,  
Jim Jones, Bill Peasley.

Fenscape in Springfields which is in Spalding is about to reopen. They have been in touch with the society. A rolling DVD of the Heritage Centre will be on display at Fenscape museum. Well worth a visit.

## Notice to Members

Please note that we shall no longer be issuing Membership cards as it appears in the main they have fallen into disuse.



## Teaching tech

Sir, James Dyson's article ("Grilling tomatoes won't train new engineers", Opinion, Feb 11) increased my confidence that we have made the right decision for our technology curriculum at Bourne Grammar. We have removed textiles, food technology and "oily rag" 19th-century D&T and have replaced all with a modern, forward-looking, adaptable programme called systems and control (S&C). Working closely with our computing (not ICT) department, S&C gets students designing, constructing and working with electronic systems and their applications. Students love it and they see that it is relevant to their futures.

Our new S&C and computing building is to be called the Turing Centre.  
JONATHAN MADDOX  
Headteacher  
Bourne Grammar School, Lincs

Concerned over the graffiti on the doors at Baldocks Mill. A painter has offered to paint the doors at the mill. This offer has been taken up the painter has started.

The DVD of the BRM day can be purchased at the Heritage Centre



BRM with V8 1.5 litre engine  
(P261 model P261/5) at BRM Day 2012  
Driver: Damon Hill

Photograph by Geoff Harmstion

## Raymond Mays Car for Sale

Recently seen for sale in Angelus Oaks, California.

A 1939 'Raymond Mays' car once owned by Major Prideaux-Brune, Price \$175,000. The Raymond Mays car was made by Shelsey Motors Ltd, a company formed in around 1938 with Raymond Mays and Prideaux-Brune as two of its directors. They planned to manufacture cars to be called 'Raymond Mays'. Possibly 5 were made before WW2. Prideaux-Brune was financing it. He was once the owner of Aston Martin. Engine was the Standard Triumph. They cost £495 new.

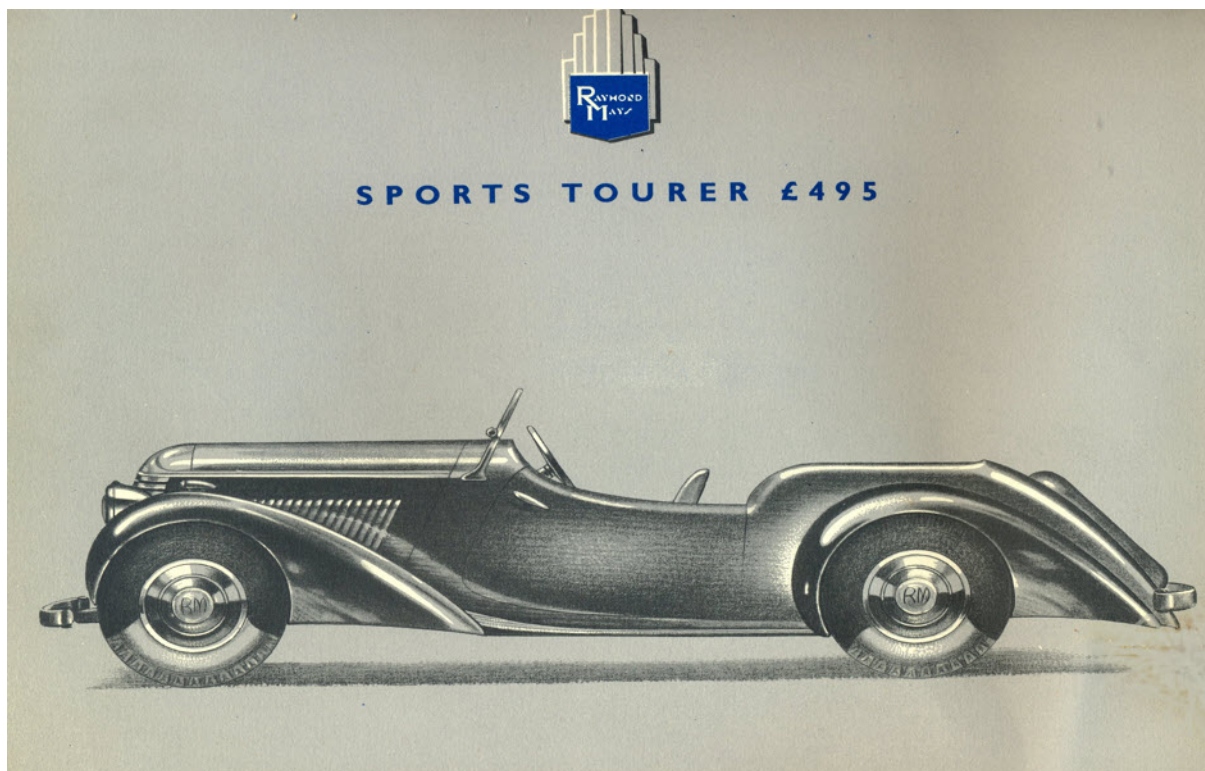
From P.P



Louth: in his youth he raced cars and motorcycles before turning to boating

## Obituary of Lord Louth known as Michael Plunkett

Michael Plunkett, competed against racing drivers such as Prince Bira and Raymond Mays. He owned a string of high-performance cars. After the second world war there was no venue for the British Grand Prix because the track at Brooklands had been bombed. The event although in non-championship form was moved to Jersey and attracted drivers such as Prince Bira of Siam, Reg Parnell, Bob Gerard and Raymond Mays. It drew international attention, with commentary provided by Richard Dimbleby. He gained and retained, the speed record for sand-racing at St Ouen the long beach on Jersey's west coast.



### Our Mission Statement

It is the aim of the Society to make sure that new developments are of the highest possible quality and developers are made aware of the issues surrounding their schemes. Good design is only possible through a full understanding of any scheme's environment and urban context. We seek to safeguard our existing heritage and the many listed buildings from demolition or neglect.