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ANOTHER 'ALBION' ADVENTURE



'ALL AROUND THE COAST!'

JOHN POMEROY & JOHN POOLE DRIVING THE 1937 ALBION LORRY

PICTURED BELOW WILL BE LEAVING WARMINSTER CIVIC CENTRE AT 9.00 AM ON SATURDAY 26TH MAY 2012, THEN, DRIVING TO POOLE QUAY, DORSET FOR THE OFFICIAL START OF

ANOTHER ALBION ADVENTURE, "ALL AROUND THE COAST"
ABOUT 3.700 MILES!



This 3 ton lorry was new to the Post Office Telephones as a pole carrier working in the Bedford area. It was one of 6 with consecutive numbers DXK846 – 51, this being the last, fleet number UD7261. It can be assumed that it stayed with them until 1951/2 but what happened to or where it had been until around 1975/6 is still a mystery.

I purchased it in 1980 and dry stored it until 1997 when serious work started to '**rebuild**' it retaining as much as the original as possible.

It was never intended as a 'restoration project', but to create a working, local carriers' lorry as I remember them in the early /middle fifties plying their trade in the Salisbury (Wiltshire) markets and surrounding villages. Around 2000 hours in 21 months saw the project operational as I had a dead line of the 10th August 1999, the start in London of the Albion Centenary Road Run, a once in a life time event, to the site of the old factory in South St, Scotstoun, Glasgow and then the Albion Rally at

Biggar, the birthplace of the Albion Motor Co. on 31st December 1899

The return journey took in John O' Groat's to Lands End which accomplished without 'missing a beat', driven around 1400 miles in 12 days raising over £3300 for local charities – with co-driver John Poole.

There is only one other operational example of a CL122 (L - long wheelbase) at this time although 9 other incomplete or nonrunners are known in the Albion records. Whether any of those will ever appear is another matter. Owned and rebuilt by John Pomeroy with the help of John Poole and others.

September 97 – July 99

Since then, apart from many static events, it was become the most widely travelled pre-war commercial in the country taking part in the following commercials vehicle road runs:-

1999: The Wroughton Run, The Albion Centenary Run, (London to Glasgow), Biggar, John O'Groats to Lands end, 1st CTP Bournemouth to Colerne Run

2000:2nd CTP Gillingham Gathering, CTP A2Z Millennium Run, 22nd Devon Coastal Safety Run, 1st Isle of Wight Run, 2nd CTP Bournemouth to Colerne Run, 1st Great West Run (Aust Services to Toddington Railway, Glos.)

2001:3rd CTP Great Gillingham Gathering, 1st CTP A2Z Spring Road Run, Salisbury to Hollycombe, (*Guildford*) 23rd Devon Coastal Safety Run, 2nd Isle of Wight Run, 3rd CTP Bournemouth to Colerne Run, 2nd Great West Run.

2002: 2nd All Albion Run, (*Bristol to Glasgow*), Biggar, 3rd Isle of Wight Run, 6th West Coast Run (*Lockerbie to Skye and the Western Isles, Stornaway, 800 miles*), 4th CTP Bournemouth to Colerne Run.

2003: 5th CTP Great Gillingham Gathering, 3rd, CTP A2Z Spring Road Run, 25th Devon Coastal Safety Run, 7th West Coast Run (*Lockerbie to Oban and the Isle of Mull*), 4th Isle of Wight Road Run, 5th CTP Bournemouth to Colerne Run.

2004: 6th CTP Great Gillingham Gathering, The Cheshire Run, 4th CTP A2Z Spring Road Run, The Cornish Run, The Millbank Run (*Wimblington to Earls Colne, Suffolk*), 26th Devon Coastal Run, 6th CTP Bournemouth to Colerne Run.

2005: The Cheshire Run, The Ulster Vintage 2 day Road Run, The CTP Great Pre-war Road Run, 50th Cornish Rally, St Agnes, 7th Heart of Wales Run.

2006: Biggar Albion Rally, Onslow Park, Shrewsbury, 8th Heart of Wales Run.

2007: Southern Ireland Tour (540 miles), The CTP Mendip Meander, 29th Devon Coastal Safety Run, The Hampshire Road Run, The CTP 36th Bournemouth to Bath Run, 9th Heart of Wales Run.

2008: CTP 10th Great Gillingham Gathering, The Shetland Isles Tour (550 miles), Scorton, Lancs. Albion Road Run (Morecambe Bay) & Rally, 30th Devon Coastal Safety Run, 10th Heart of Wales Run (300 miles)

2009 Rested - Driver's not Vehicle!

2010: 12th Great Gillingham Gathering, Malvern Enthusiasts Day, New Forest Rally, Isle of Man Tour, 32nd Devon Coastal Run, 27th Noggin, Nosh & Natter, Amberley Museum & Heritage Centre, 39th Bournemouth to Bath, 12th Heart of Wales Run, Berwick Country Fair.

2011: 1st Norfolk/Suffolk Tour, *Prov.* The Atwell Wilson Museum, 33rd Devon Coastal Run, Lingfield Show 40th Bournemouth to Bath Run, 13th Heart of Wales Run.

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