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Sunday 30th July

Black Country engines will be revving up in anticipation of the long awaited Black Country Vehicle Rally which takes place on Sunday 30th July 2006. This year's rally is a first for vehicles powered by Meadows engines. The rally, normally reserved for cars, motorcycles and commercials built in the Black Country will, this year, also be open to cars with engines from Henry Meadows of Wolverhampton.

Famous name marques including AJS, Bean, Fraser, Nash, HRG, Invicta, Lagonda, Lea Francis and Sunbeam, trip off the tongue like entries from a motoring Who's Who. Enthusiasts are sure to steer a fast track towards the 1899 Star Benz – the oldest car in the rally and hot wheel it over to the 1924 Bayliss-Thomas. Whilst the rare 1951 Jensen JLC 6ton truck and the 1903/4 Turner Miesse 10hp Steam Car are sure to be the torque of the town!

The Black Country Living Museum will be transformed into a sea of shiny chrome as over one-hundred motoring marvels gather together for an unmissable event.

There's nothing like a bit of backseat driving for working up an appetite and visitors can sample mouth-watering fish and chips from the 1930s Fried Fish Shop, all washed down afterwards with a pint of real ale from the Bottle and Glass Inn!

A tram ride to the traditional canal-side village will transport visitors back to a bygone era and costumed characters will rekindle memories from the past with stories from yesteryear.

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Photo Opportunities: Images attached.

Photo Opportunities: For unique picture opportunities of entrants please call Fiona Carding, Media Relations Officer on the number below.

Photo Opportunities: Journalists and photographers are invited to attend the Black Country Vehicle Rally on Sunday 31st July.

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The Museum is only three miles from Junction 2 of the M5 Motorway, and five miles from junction 10 of the M6 and is easily accessible from the Midlands Motorway network.

Opening times – every day from 10am until 5pm.