

# PLUGS&LEADS

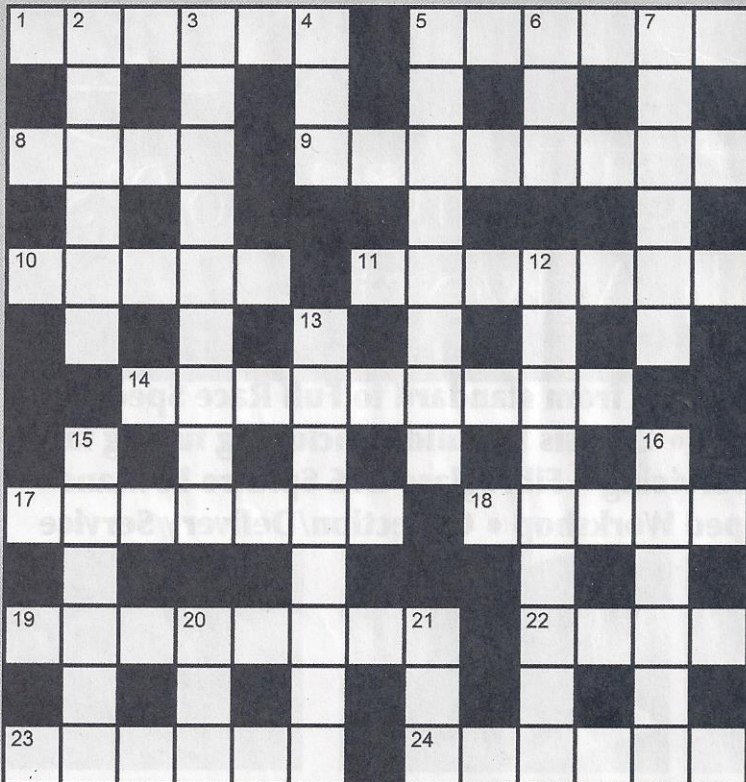
## Classic Crossword 120

### Clues Across

- 1 Which model completed Ford's 'Three Graces' line-up along with the Zodiac and Consul? (6)
- 5 See 15 down
- 8 Exposed - like any roof-down convertible (4)
- 9 Fiat Panda-based SEAT model (8)
- 10 Vauxhall's HA, HB and HC cars from the 1960s and 1970s (5)
- 11 French marque which stopped building cars in 1967 (7)
- 14 See 17 across
- 17 & 14 across Official name of the car company set up by Robert Jankel in 1972 (7,9)
- 18 \_ Simca Bagheera, 1970s sports car (5)
- 19 Skoda models released in 1959 (8)
- 22 \_ wheelbase, like the Rolls-Royce Silver Spur (4)
- 23 \_ bull, Lamborghini's iconic emblem (6)
- 24 A winning Vauxhall model? (6)

### Clues Down

- 2 Mid-engined Lotus unveiled in 1975 (6)
- 3 Kei roadster from the 1990s never officially imported into Britain (5,4)
- 4 Revs (3)
- 5 Mondials and the like (8)
- 6 Roy, late British car designer (3)
- 7 Lamborghini Jarama predecessor (6)
- 12 \_ brakes, a feature of the Riley RME (9)
- 13 Key contributor to a car's handling (8)
- 15 & 5 across Italian front-wheel drive car that evolved into the 2000 in 1971 (6,6)
- 16 Well-known American utility vehicle from Ford (6)
- 20 Citroen 2CV offshoot introduced in 1961 (3)
- 21 Sport utility vehicle, for short (3)



## Answers to crossword 119

**Across:** 6. Pre-War 7. Sprite 9. Air-cooled 10. Tom 11. East 13. Scorpion 15. Soft-tops 16. Bond 19. RMA 20. Two-seater 22. Daewoo 23. Family. **Down:** 1. Gear 2. Wagon 3. Spiders 4. Fiat Tipo 5. German 6. Phase 8. Blackpool 12. Safranés 14. Station 15. Strada 17. Derby 18. Merak 21. Twin20. Ami 21. SUV



## C&SCC CELEBRATES 25 YEARS

The Classic & Sportscar Centre has been enjoying exciting times recently, having seen staff levels nearly double in the past 18 months across three divisions covering sales, restoration and maintenance. Earlier this month, the Yorkshire-based classic car specialist also celebrated 25 years in business with a star-studded event at the National Railway Museum in York.

"It's a sign of our appreciation to those people that have spent a lot of money with us over a long time and also a good way to give something back, plus put on some really good entertainment in a fabulous place," said James Szkiller, speaking with CCM at the event.

The company was set up in 1991 as Grundy Mack Classic Cars in Huddersfield by James' father Nick: "It was the second worst recession in living memory, we were trying to start a business in classic cars. How do you do that? Well, we've always been about PR and different ways of doing things."

As Nick revealed, this included amusing classified adverts in the *Yorkshire Evening Post* that were either "funny, stupid or rhyming". His first such ad being: "The winter rain, the frost, the sleet, a dozen batteries dead, who'd be selling classic cars when there's snow falling on your head? With jump leads in my hands and a battery on my back, I whistle as I start them in the yards of Grundy Mack."

In 1998 the business moved to the Malton area in North Yorkshire and in 2006 James took over the running of the business, having graduated with a business degree at York several years earlier.

At the same time Grundy Mack was rebranded as the Classic & Sportscar Centre and in 2010 set up Malton Coachworks, offering classic car restoration, paintwork, bodywork and maintenance. More recently, in October 2014, a new five-bay mechanical workshop was also set up in Malton adding to the range of services offered.

To date, the Classic & Sportscar Centre has sold close to £40 million of classic cars worldwide.

The evening featured motoring journalist and television presenter Quentin Willson as its guest speaker. In addition to praising the work of James and his team, he offered his impressions on the classic car hobby and its current rude health, surmising that "it isn't going to go away, it's going to get bigger, it's going to get better, it's going to get more mainstream, and we're going to see more people coming into it."

Find out what the Classic & Sports Car Centre has in its showroom right now by visiting [www.classicandsportscar.ltd.uk](http://www.classicandsportscar.ltd.uk) or speak with a member of the team by calling 01944 758000.