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Entries now invited for this year's annual car show at The Donkey Sanctuary, Sidmouth, Devon

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The Donkey Sanctuary Car Show. Picture: Simon Horn.

Held at the charity's main international headquarters in Sidmouth, the show promises an eclectic mixture of motors from all eras, bringing together a relaxed day of spectacular automobiles, car conversation and live music for families and petrolheads alike.



Picture: Simon Horn.

Alongside the displays of fine vehicles will be a selection of motoring trade stands offering an array of automotive goodies. As a bit of fun, all exhibitors will be entered into the light-hearted 'Show 'n' Shine' awards, with various prizes up for grabs.



Picture: Simon Horn.

There are a limited number of spaces available and demand is expected to be high after selling out in 2018. Pre-booked cars cost £5 or £8 on the gate (subject to space and availability).

Delicious food and refreshments will be available throughout the day and a children's area with go-karts and bouncy castles ensures all ages are catered for.

The Donkey Sanctuary celebrates its 50th anniversary in 2019, and visitors can take a break from the show and meet some of the resident donkeys, explore the visitor attractions, relax in the restaurant or pick up a donkey-design souvenir from the gift shop.



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General admission to the show costs £3 per adult and under 12s are free. Parking is free and dogs are welcome on leads.

All proceeds help fund the work of The Donkey Sanctuary in the UK and across the world.

For more show and booking information, please go to: bray.news/car-show-19 or call 01395 573156





More information about The Donkey Sanctuary:

· The Donkey Sanctuary is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year. Since its foundation by Dr Elisabeth Svendsen in 1969, The Donkey Sanctuary has grown from a charity rescuing UK donkeys from neglect and abuse to an international animal welfare organisation transforming the lives of millions of donkeys and mules, and the people who depend on them for their livelihood. The Donkey Sanctuary's vision is a world where donkeys and mules live free from suffering, and their contribution to humanity is fully valued. The charity runs 10 sanctuaries around the UK and Europe, giving lifelong care to over 6,000 donkeys and mules. Its hospital treats sick donkeys and trains vets both nationwide and worldwide. Its donkey-facilitated learning programme helps vulnerable children and adults develop life skills by connecting with donkeys on an emotional and physical level. Worldwide, the charity operates programmes in almost 40 countries for animals working in agriculture, industry and transportation, and those used in the production of meat and skin. From the brick kilns of Asia to the rural communities of Africa and South America, programmes are collaborative, with local teams and partners impacting on animal welfare through the education and training of owners and other carers. Community projects are complemented by advocacy work with governments to put animal welfare on the legislative agenda. The role working donkeys play in strengthening livelihoods, accessing water, empowering women and enabling education harnesses their welfare to the United Nations' 17 Sustainable Development Goals, identified to alleviate global poverty, hunger, illiteracy and disease.

Kim adds: By pure coincidence, yesterday and for the first time ever, I visited The Donkey Sanctuary (with my family), before the above information about the car show reached me. I can confirm that The Donkey Sanctuary near Sidmouth is a fascinating and heartwarming place to visit at any time, to enjoy the tranquil surroundings amidst beautiful Devon countryside (and within walking distance of the sea), and importantly to see at first hand the wonderful work being done there to give the resident donkeys and mules some peace and happiness in their lives. Attending when the car show is on (7th July) would be a particularly enjoyable way to spend a day!!



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