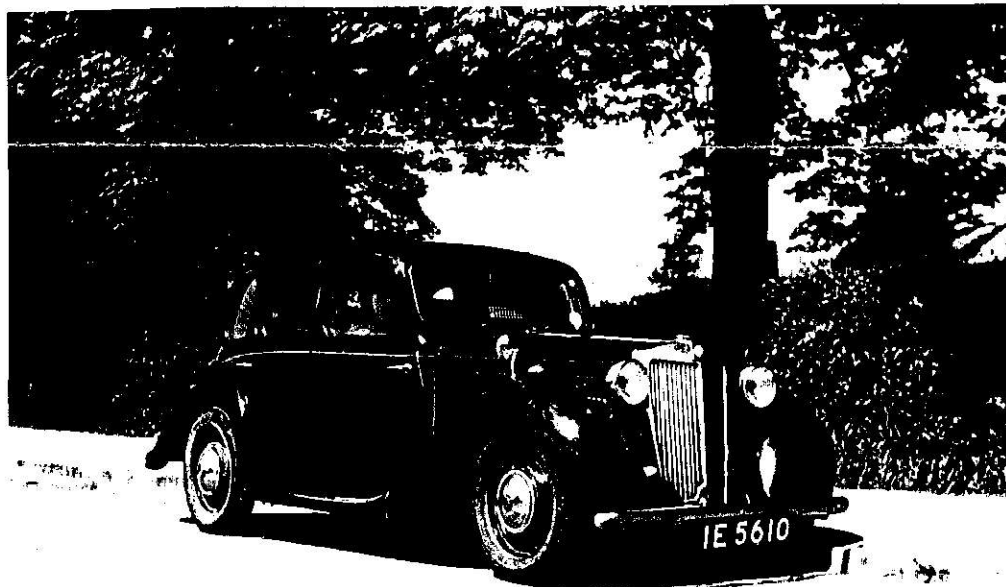


# The Classic 'Y'



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Roy Taylor of [REDACTED] sent in this picture of a Y-Type his brother Ian used to own in the mid-sixties. Can anyone tell us any more about it? Chassis number, whether it still exists, etc.?

\*\*\* *MERRY CHRISTMAS!* \*\*\*



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## Car Wanted

*In the last issue I mentioned Graham Eaton, who'd just contacted me again after a gap of over 25 years. Well now, here's another! Don Fry of [REDACTED], near Manchester, I last heard from when we used to hold our monthly meetings at the Greyhound pub' on the East Lancs Road, around 1985, so there's another break of just over 20 years! Don is currently looking to purchase a "YA" or YB, preferably in good, roadworthy condition, to judge by his letter. He can be contacted at: Newcroft House, [REDACTED] Tel: [REDACTED] - JGL.*



There being no other news etc. to hand at the time this Issue was finalised, I will continue with our "Reference Library"/TCY Index listing, as described in TCY 193...

### Touring Articles (in which a Y-Type was used):

				Published in TCY etc.
Autocar	09/01/48	"Making The Grades"	by Michael Brown	( 4) 55; RSA
Autocar	01/07/49	"Exile In Lakeland"	by John Urbane Bull	( 2) 67; RSA
Autocar	19/08/49	"Day Out - and Straight Back"	by Michael Brown	( 2) 62
Autocar	07/04/50	"Sonning and Sewage"	by Michael Brown	( 2) 106
Autocar	26/05/50	"Downland Traverse"	by Michael Brown	( 2) 84
Autocar	23/06/50	"Border By-Pass"	by Michael Brown	( 2) 94
Autocar	30/06/50	"Pleasant Places in Wales"	by John Urbane Bull	( 2) 81
Autocar	21/07/50	"East Coast Tonic"	by Michael Brown	( 3) 69
Autocar	29/09/50	"Dovedale Revisited"	by Michael Brown	( 3) 83
Autocar	05/01/51	"Two Jumps Ahead"	by Michael Brown	( 3) 66; RSA
Autocar	02/03/51	"Coastal Glories - A Reminder of North Cornwall"	by G.C.Ellis	( 1) 113
Autocar	20/04/51	"A Buried Treasure"	by Michael Brown	( 2) 88; AUS
Autocar	17/08/51	"France on a Shoestring"	by Michael Brown	( 4) 65; RSA
Autocar	31/08/51	"Weekend and a Quarter!"	by Michael Brown	( 4) 61; RSA
Autocar	14/09/51	"Overseas Encounter"	by L.A.Ayton	( 2) 86; AUS-13
Autocar	02/10/53	"Carreg Cennen Convoy"	by Michael Brown	( 3) 63
Autocar	05/03/54	"Lullaby Ireland"	by "Longships"	( 4) 91
Autocar	23/12/55	"Norwegian Venture"	by "Longships"	( 4) 90; AUS
Motor	07/05/52	"Going West Quietly"	by E.H.Row	( 3) 111; 112
Motoring	??/??	"Peak of Perfection"	by John Penn	( 2) 125
M.G. Magazine	No.11 82/83	"The Year of the 'Y'"	by John Dugdale	( 5) AUS-13
Octagon Bulletin	08/86	Letter from David Chapman concerning his Y-Type's participation in the 1986 Octagon Wings Run	( 1)	RSA
Octagon Bulletin	10/86	"Travellying (Travelling with a 'Y', of course)"	by David Chapman	( 3)
Octagon Bulletin	1993	Cumbria Classic Caper	by Miles Harris	( 2)
Safety Fast!	01/90	"A Touring Holiday in Denmark with a 'YA'"	by Bill Tonks	( 2)
Safety Fast!	10/91	"Cumbria Classic Weekend" (featuring Miles Harris' YB)	( 2)	
Safety Fast!	01/94	"The Y-Type Tour of the Yorkshire Dales" by D.Pelham	( 2)	
Sports Car World	03/70	"An Intrepid Y-Type"	by G.Ledermann	( 5) AUS-10
		"Y-Type Summer Outing"	by Sandy Taylor	( 2) 83
		"Y-Type Sierra Tour"	by Tory Skopecek	( 2) 66
		Re-creation of "Norwegian Venture"	by Arthur Swales	( 2) 99

### Road Tests etc.:

			Published in TCY etc.
Autocar	09/05/47	"Meet A New M.G." (Y-Type description)	( 4) 70; RSA
Autocar	09/05/47	Road Test No.1332	( 2) 72; RSA

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Autocar	08/10/48	"An Open 1½" (YT technical description & road test)	( 1 )	BK; AUS-15
Autocar	04/08/50	"Green Mantled" by Michael Brown	( 2 )	51; BK
Autocar	03/08/51	Road Test No.1438	( 3 )	BK
Autocar	11/04/52	Road Test No.1461	( 3 )	BK
Autocar	24/10/52	Brief description of M.G. 1½ Litre Saloon (Motor Show Issue)	( 1 )	
Autocar	26/07/57	"Used Cars on the Road" (1951 'Y')	( 1 )	148
Motor	14/05/47	"The M.G. 1½ Litre Saloon"	( 4 )	BK
Motor	28/05/47	"The M.G. 1½ Litre Saloon"	( 2 )	BK
Motor	28/05/47	Continental Road Test No.1c	( 1 )	BK
Motor	13/10/48	"A New M.G. Sports Tourer" (Road Test of YT)	( 1 )	94
Motor	12/09/51	Road Test No.11/51	( 1 )	BK
Motor	12/09/51	"The M.G. 1½ Litre Saloon"	( 2 )	BK
Motor	15/10/52	"The 1½ Litre YB Saloon"	( 1 )	98
Motor Industry	08/52	"M.G. 1½ Litre Saloon"	( 1 )	
Motor Sport	04/53	"On The Road with the 1½ Litre M.G. Saloon"	( 2 )	
Motor Sport	??/??	"The 1½ Litre M.G." by Bill Boddy?	( 1 )	147
Restored Cars	09-10/76	"Drive Test - M.G. YT" by Ron Gay	( 3 )	17; RSA-6; AUS-5
Classic & Sportscar	10/86	"Seaside Specials" (YT v. Singer Roadster)	( 4 )	RSA
Octagon Bulletin	04/86	Daily Mail Motoring Guide "M.G. 1½ Litre Saloon"	( 1 )	RSA
		(1952?)	( 1 )	
Classic Cars	11/90	"Test Match" (1953 YB compared to four other fifties' saloons)	( 8 )	
The new Outlook on Motoring	??/49	"Road Test of the 1½ Litre Series 'Y'"	( 2 )	RSA
Practical Classics	11/95	M.G. YB v. Riley RMA	( ? )	
Practical Classics	Spring '98	"Fifties Foursome" (M.G. YB v. Jowett Javelin v. Riley RME v. Wolseley 4/50)	( 6 )	173
Herald Road Test No.15		"Comparisons" (Y-Types with other contemporary saloons) by Neil Cairns	( 1 )	AUS-13
		A reply to "Comparisons" by Trevor Austin	( 6 )	136
		"Comparisons Mk.2" by Neil Cairns	( 1 )	141

## Competition & Rally etc. Reports:

Published in  
TCY etc.

Autocar	27/06/47	Photo of car which was driven to Italy to report on the Mille Miglia ("DRX557")	( 1 )	124
Autocar	??/??/50	"Southward" (preview of 1950 Monte Carlo Rally - featuring photo of Betty Haig & Barbara Marshall in their "Y")	( 1 )	108; AUS
Autocar	02/06/50	Photo of "LPG796" showing how to rectify a skid	( 1 )	68
Autocar	06/04/51	"The Rest of the 1,000" (Circuit of Ireland Rally 1951)	( 1 )	
Autocar	15/06/51	1951 R.A.C. Rally Report.	( 2 )	85 (part)
Autocar	13/07/51	"Brighton Again" (F.M.Baker's "Y" on Madeira Drive)	( 1 )	
Autocar	16/05/52	"Success At Silverstone" (advert celebrating the first of three class wins by "UHK111" in the Production Touring Car Races)	( 1 )	82
Autocar	23/05/52	Photo showing "YJ3678" negotiating a hairpin in competition	( 1 )	
Autocar	20/03/53	Photo of three "works" YBs entered for the 1953 RAC Rally	( 1 )	56; RSA
Autocar	10/04/53	R.A.C. International Rally successes	( 1 )	AUS
Autocar	18/09/53	Photo showing "FAG260" at Bo'ness (hill-climb?)	( 1 )	84
Autocar	30/04/54	Photo showing "OZ5708" on the Circuit of Ireland Rally	( 1 )	82
Motor	14/05/52	1952 Silverstone Meeting Report	( 1 )	124
Motor	??/??/??	"One Form of Madness" (M.C.C. Rally) by Raymond Flower	( 3 )	147
Safety Fast!	1970s	"Track or Transport" by C.O.R.Ward (attempt to convince the membership of the M.G.C.C. of the merits of Y-Types - includes photo of Frank Vautier's "YA" in competition)	( 1 )	168 (photo)
Safety Fast!	1970s	Letters from Dick Jacobs & Frank Vautier in answer to the above	( 1 )	
Safety Fast!	1970s	Photo of Frank Vautier's Y/7171 at Lydden Hill	( 1 )	166
Safety Fast!	1970s	Photo of YB/1551, the ex-Dick Jacobs special-bodied YB and last YB to be built	( 1 )	
Safety Fast!	09/81	"The Life and Times of a 'Y'" by Frank Vautier	( 2 )	
Safety Fast!	09/90	More details on Frank Vautier's race-prepared "Y" (Y/7171)	( 1 )	
Safety Fast!	11/92	Further notes on S.J.Perelman's Paris-Peking trip	( 1 )	
Safety Fast!	03/93	"In Pursuit of Power" by Frank Vautier	( 1 )	
Safety Fast!	09/93	"The Works Ys in Competition" by Len Shaw	( 2 )	
Motoring		"Well - you were right" (story about the "Y" that was driven at over 100 m.p.h. by Goldie Gardner)	( 1 )	RSA-15
Motoring		Photo showing "Y" entered by Maj. Arnold Pownall in the Monte Carlo Rally, being loaded aboard the boat at Folkestone	( 1 )	
Motoring		Photo showing "Y" owned by J.Garner taking part in the B.A.R.C. Rally at Eastbourne	( 1 )	124
Sunday Times	03/09/78	"Perelman: only 10,000 miles to go" (article about trip in a YT from Paris to Peking)	( 1 )	

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Sunday Times	23/12/79	"Perelman's Last Piece" (as above)	( 4)	
Autosport	16 & 23/03/51	Details of Dick Jacobs' special, "SHK7"	( 3)	95
Autosport	15/02/52	Small photo showing at least three Y-Types in the paddock at Silverstone during the 1951 R.A.C. International Rally of Gt. Britain	( 1)	
Autosport	15/02/52	"All in the Day's Work" (Gregor Grant covers the 1952 Monte Carlo Rally in Y-Type "UMG297")	( 4)	110; AUS
Autosport	11/04/52	one page from 1952 R.A.C. Rally report (showing two-tone "Y")	( 1)	124
Autosport	25/04/52	"A Great 'Little Rally'" (London Motor Club)	( 1)	104
Autosport	25/04/52	"A 'Circuit' in Sunshine" by Wilson McComb (1952 Circuit of Ireland Rally report)	( 4)	
Autosport	02/05/52	"Welsh Weekend" (Midland M.G.C.C. Rally report)	( 2)	
Autosport	09/05/52	Walsall & District Car Club driving tests' report (mention of Len Shaw's Y-Type)	( 1)	
M.G. Enthusiast	11/95	(article about Frank Vautier's Y-Type)	( ?)	
Enjoying M.G.	07/98	"Peking to Paris"	( 4)	174
		"Time for Misty Eyes"		
		- review of Lombard R.A.C. Golden Fifty Rally featuring "HMO909"	( 1)	167
		Photo of 1952 YB "PKJ570" taking part in the "Little Rally" of 1953 (via J.V.R.Dick)	( 1)	93
New England M.G.	"T" Register's	"Circuit of Britain 1990"	( 3)	100
		Copy of Yugoslav stamp depicting YB on 1953 Yugoslav Alpine Rally	( 1)	100
		Extract from S.J.Perelman - a life by Dorothy Herrmann	(20)	
		"Circuit of Ireland" by Dave Mullen & John Lawson	( 2)	142
		Details & photo of YB/1551, the ex-Dick Jacobs coupé (David Rouse)	( 3)	182

## Original Colours/Modern Equivalents:

Published in  
TCY etc.

Safety Fast!	1970s	"A Question of Colour" by Martin Brent (original colours & modern equivalents)	( 3)	
Safety Fast!	1970s	Some notes on mixing of original colours	( 1)	
Safety Fast!	1970s	Some notes on original colours (plus photo of three Y-Types)	( 2)	
Safety Fast!	11/92	"Colour Codes" by David Haig	( 1)	
Octagon Bulletin		"Modern Equivalents for Original M.G. Colours"	( 1)	
The Wind Machine		Modern U.S. equivalents for original M.G. colours	( 2)	114
N.T.G. Newsletter	Winter 1993	Details of aerosol paints in original colours	( 1)	
		"Y-Type Paint Colours" by Richard Prior	( 4)	AUS-15
		Letter of 27/11/56 from W.E.Blower of M.G. Service Technical Department giving details/specification of duo-tone green colour scheme	( 1)	RSA
		"Colour Schemes YA-YB-YT" by Mike Green	(11)	
		Original I.C.I. paint specification codes	( 1)	127; AUS-14
		Some thoughts on original colour schemes (in letters from Trevor Austin)	( 4)	159
		Some thoughts on shades of green (ref. to "Browns Classic Car Keyrings")	( 1)	168
		Some further thoughts on shades of green/Elizabeth Grey (ref. early colour slides)	( 2)	171

## Notes

- Figure in brackets after description of item indicates number of pages comprising that item.
- Abbreviations in 'published in' column:  
AUS: Published in Tony Slattery's Australian Y-Type Register newsletter or original of item sent to Tony Slattery to assist in setting up his Australian Y.T.R.  
RSA: Published in David Lawrence's South African Y-Type Register newsletter or original of item sent to David Lawrence to assist in preparation of *Let There Be Ys*.  
BK: Reprinted in *M.G. Y-Type Saloons and Tourers* by John Lawson (1988).

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