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Written by Patrick1 at Nov 05, 2008 11:03 pm

Hello,

Who can bring me in contact with 12/24, 11.9 and 11.1 owners?

They are difficult to find. I found two in New Zealand, and some pics of others.

Re: 12/24, 11.9 and 11.1 owners

Written by Patrick1 at Nov 26, 2009 12:47 pm

Hi all,

I nearly completed my little research about 12/24, 11.9 and 11.1.

Re: 12/24, 11.9 and 11.1 owners

Written by ROBERT WILLIAMS at Apr 11, 2011 9:12 pm

HI PATRICK

ONE OF THE PICTURES ON YOUR SITE IS SHOWN AS A LAGONDA 11.9 REG NO VA 6646 IT IS ACTUALLY A 1924 LAGONDA KK 12/24 WHICH I HAVE OWNED SINCE 1995 THOUGHT TO BE THE LAST KNOWN SURVIVER BY THE LAGONDA CLUB. HOPE THE INFORMATION IS USEFUL.

REGARDS

BOB WILLIAMS

Re: 12/24, 11.9 and 11.1 owners

Written by Colin M34 at Apr 13, 2011 9:12 am

Hello Robert,

Great to hear about your car VA 6646.

I am intrigued about your comment about your car being a 'KK' 12/24.

With 11.9s, 'KK' was the basic version of the model 'K' 2 seat tourer. Many items we would now regard as essential were omitted to make a cheap car. Because Lagonda wanted to go up market, I am intrigued that they continued the 'KK' model with the 12/24 and it would be great to see pictures of your car posted on this site.

I would not be surprised if this turns out to be the case because I'm sure that if a customer wanted to buy a really basic model I'm sure they would sell him one. In terms of luxurious fittings, etc, the contrast between the basic 2 seat tourer model K (or KK) and the saloon model S is enormous and it's really interesting to discover that both models survive to this day.

Best Wishes Colin M34

Re: 12/24, 11.9 and 11.1 owners

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Written by ROBERT WILLIAMS at Apr 13, 2011 10:32 pm

Hello colin,

Thank you for your reply the car registration is actually YA 6646 and not VA 6646 as shown on Patrick Jacob's photo of the car.

The car dash identification plate is stamped KK 5708 with the engine number being 8130. The V5 for the car shows chassis no 5766 and engine no 8130. Using information from Arnold Davey & Anthony May History of the Marque book and a letter from Tony Walsh the car seems to be a 12/24 coupe model. The car has the following running gear.

10" rear brake drums, 2- sets of brake shoes 1-set hand brake 1-set foot brake.

12 style engine with enclosed valve gear self oiling.

Magneto mounted at 90 in front of engine.

electric starter motor.

No brakes on front axle.

Clutch is a cone type & not plate.

The radiator is fitted with blue enamel badge and white letters.

The car spent the 1980's and early 1990's in Belgium until I purchased the car. I send photo's soon.

best regards

Bob Williams

Re: 12/24, 11.9 and 11.1 owners

Written by Colin M34 at Apr 14, 2011 12:17 am

Hello Bob,

Thanks for an interesting reply.

From what you have said the car certainly seems to be a 12/24 model. Clearly, in 1924 the sales department found that there was still a demand for an entry level 2 seater model KK 12/24. The type MC 2 seat coupe had the luxury of wind-up windows and was much more expensive.

Of course the model KK would be much lighter and probably the best-performing 12/24 of them all - so perhaps the crafty sales team used a KK as a demonstrator and then persuaded customers to add the luxury of the type MC at an extra cost, in much the same way that low cost airlines advertise a basic service which is almost impossible to buy!.

By the way, front wheel brakes were an optional extra in 1924.

Looking forward to photos.

Cheers

Colin

Re: 12/24, 11.9 and 11.1 owners

Written by Patrick1 at Apr 23, 2011 1:23 pm

Hi Bob.

I am happy to see you on this forum

Yes a 12/24 KK has been made. And quite late according to see this numbers of chassis and engine

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It's hard to see from pics what it is. In fact I didn't realise a 12/24 KK survived. So I had a go for the 11.9. I knew about the badge, but always thought it was replaced by the years, not realising to be a late KK model. So that's why I was thinking wrong about being a 11.9.

I love to see more pics of course.

Kind regards,

Patrick

Re: 12/24, 11.9 and 11.1 owners

Written by Patrick1 at Apr 24, 2011 2:01 pm

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Re: 12/24, 11.9 and 11.1 owners

Written by Ken Painter at Apr 27, 2014 9:10 am

Eight years on is a little late to add to anything to this discussion, but for the sake of historical accuracy, the KK type is the better equipped version of the K. The K Type was the really basic model, with the minimum of lights, no electric starter and no instruments. It was fitted with a one-piece windscreen and the KK had the more common two panel screen.

There is just one K Type survivor that we know and, over the years, it has been up-graded, with a starter motor, a set of instruments, better lights and a windscreen wiper.

The owner is not a member of the Club.

Ken Painter

Lagonda Club's "Light Car Model Champion"
