Lagondaforum: 16/80 steering wheel

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Written by oakley at Dec 25, 2007 11:04 am

Is there anyone out there who can sell me a 16/80 steering wheel - preferably in good condition but anything considered.

Re: 16/80 steering wheel

Written by bob at Dec 25, 2007 12:16 pm

what does it look like.

Can you attach a picture?

Re: 16/80 steering wheel

Written by bob at Dec 25, 2007 12:19 pm

http://www.steenbuck-automobiles.de/images/A_372_Lagonda_16_80_three_position_Cabrio/DSC0045_b639.jpg

is it this kind you are looking for?

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restoring 16/80 steering wheel

Written by alecrb at Dec 26, 2007 4:22 am

On a somewhat related topic, how are members restoring their steering wheels when the Cellulose cover is missing or in really bad shape?

Regards,

Alec

Re: 16/80 steering wheel

Written by oakley at Dec 26, 2007 6:46 am

Hello Bob, yes that is exactly the one I am looking for (although I can't see the advance/retard lever). Have you got one spare or am I allowed to pop round and remove this one from that car?

Re: 16/80 steering wheel

Written by Brian Savill at Dec 28, 2007 11:32 am

Steering wheel problems.

First a question for oakley. Do you have nothing of the steering wheel ?

The most important parts are the 4 pressed steel attachments for the ends of the arms.

The next is the rim and then the cast alluminium boss.

Who can repair ?

Wheelwrights, in Morecambe England can do this, they do a good job but the last wheels that they re Celluloid covered for me took 12 and 11 months to get to the end of the queue.

The Lagonda Club spares committee has tasked themselves to find/make parts so that we can eventually have available at least one of each type of the complete steering wheels, so as to offer these to Members on an exchange basis, the aim is to greatly reduce the time a vehicle is off the road.

Brian.

Re: 16/80 steering wheel

Written by oakley at Dec 28, 2007 7:56 pm

Thank you for your reaction - yes I have the steering wheel but the advance/retard lever is missing and the lower spoke has broken. I am not interested in anyone who takes 10 months to repair this; no matter how well the job is done. From the rest of your comment I deduce that my only option is to find out for myself or buy another - if I can find one. That is what I will do.

Re: 16/80 steering wheel

Written by Brian Savill at Dec 28, 2007 8:53 pm

The problem in having to wait is why the Lagonda Club is trying to get an exchange service under way. I have purchased spare arms from Wheelwrights in the past and this may be your way forward. The advance and retard lever can be fabricated.
Hope you find a satisfactory way forward.
Brian.

Re: 16/80 steering wheel

Written by M70 at Jan 01, 2008 7:09 pm

Hi Oakley,

I am currently building a 1936 Le Mans four seater replica. I needed an M45R steering wheel - the major difference is in the boss length. In my travels I bought some spares including a set of arms. If you are interested I can easily send you some photographs. I used Wheelwrights to refurbish the steering wheel for me. I do know they have some stock of steering wheels and may be able to help rather more quickly. Anyhow please shout if you are interested to my spare spokes, I also have an LG45 wheel in good condition. Kind regards, Stephen

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Re: 16/80 steering wheel

Written by oakley at Jan 04, 2008 8:36 am

Many thanks Brian and Stephen you for your advice. I contacted Wheelwrights but they didn't have what I need, it takes ages for them to restore my old steering wheel and they are very expensive. I therefore looked around in my area and a local garage who have done some very good work on my Lagonda before are now making a new set of arms from the correct spring steel, using a laser cutter; it will be an exact copy of the original, all ready next week and very cheap. I still need the advance/retard lever system though, so if anybody out there has one lying around - please let me know! Meanwhile, as I can now get these spring steel spokes, I can help other people getting their steering wheel problems sorted and I'd be more than happy to do so - just let me know what you need.
