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Written by TVJL at Oct 03, 2011 9:50 am

Dear Aunt Lag,

I'm always keen to get these things right - in the Lagonda world as much as anywhere else. So, imagine my disconcertion when a well-known(ish) pre war trader type and sometime Lagonda fancier referred to the 'M Four Five' in conversation. Is he right? Have I been getting it wrong, blithely, for years by calling things 'M Forty Five' and 'LG Forty Five'?

Yours (red faced),

Tim

Re: Agony Aunt Corner (I'm sure there should be one) - Correct pronunciation?

Written by DavidLG45 at Oct 03, 2011 11:33 am

Well I say "Forty Five". I know some say "Four Five".

I've never know which is right, or whether there is a right.

David

Re: Agony Aunt Corner (I'm sure there should be one) - Correct pronunciation?

Written by bruffsup at Oct 03, 2011 1:24 pm

I guess it depends on the origin of the number . If it refers to 4.5 litre displacement Meadows than I suppose "four five " would be more appropriate.

Re: Agony Aunt Corner (I'm sure there should be one) - Correct pronunciation?

Written by Julian at Nov 05, 2011 9:46 am

Morning Barry,

I personally have always said, 45 and will carry on doing regardless of others, I think the "Four Five" crew is led by the young fresh faced auction college dropouts trying to be "in the know" 🤪 Don't blame them for not knowing better, just pity them 😞 😞 😞

Generally in other marques and also in the trade, "Four Five" or "Three Four or Four and a Half" refers to a chassis on one, say a 3 litre Bentley with an engine from another, say a 4 or 4,1/2 litre Bentley hence Three Four etc. So as we Lagonda's don't have a 4 litre or a 5 litre we should stick with the "45" nomenclature!

julian