1955 3.0 dhc in Monaco

Written by SRD at Mar 16, 2015 2:16 pm

The car is a 3.0 dhc and dates from 1955.
See this url:

http://www.carandclassic.co.uk/car/C589283

"I am reluctantly selling my gorgeous Lagonda 3-litre DHC by Tickford, only to fund an important acquisition (another british car from the '50s).
This car is in excellent condition, mechanically and cosmetically. It drives smoothly and effortlessly.
I can send more photos, but I prefer the interested parties will come to view it in Monaco.
Don't hesitate to ask for more details.
Interesting history. UK registration.
Not cheap but very sensibly priced, comparing with the prices recently achived by much less fascinating and much more ordinary cars."

I have no connection with this seller. Possibly same gentleman who has sold several DB Lagondas from this area

Car appears to be an "Amaranth red" type colour with black hood and white wall tyres. This is a mk 2 car from a side view, petrol filler caps are the easiest give away clue..

Attachments:
A.jpg (filesize: 38.08 KB)

Re: 1955 3.0 dhc in Monaco

Written by SRD at Jun 23, 2015 9:23 pm

This car is now for sale on eBay:

http://www.ebay.co.uk/itm/281728781383?ssPageName=STRK:MESINDXX:IT&_trksid=p3984.m1436.l2649

The interior colour and body colour are an original factory combination. Normally seen in Amaranth Red.

Re: 1955 3.0 dhc in Monaco

Written by SRD at Jul 01, 2015 8:03 am

With 3.5 hours to go, it has slowly risen to £55,000, but clearly will not reach its reserve, unless there is a big surge in price in the last minute or two..

The car did not meet its reserve and reached only £58300, far to cheap, and of course eBay is the wrong place for such a fine looking dhc...

Re: 1955 3.0 dhc in Monaco

Written by Keith at Jun 23, 2016 11:37 am

I'm the chap who bought it!
After being an under bidder on the car with 'Fangio connections' at Bonhams, AM Works auction, I decided to throw caution to the wind and break all the rules: I made my buying decision based upon photos and the Sellers description!
I have paid a healthy price. Meaning; both sides are satisfied. The car's value is not my primary interest. Considering its rarity, condition and build quality / specification, I feel like I just got a fabulous car. As they say; 'find me another'.
The Lagonda Club records the car as being Blue when manufactured. However, all subsequent paperwork refers to simply 'Red' or 'Maroon'.
The front suspension and steering are tired and the exhaust is in need of replacement. I will fix these issues and drive her for a year as a preserved car while I complete another restoration project. I then plan to carry out a full nut and bolt, detailed restoration.
I plan to take her to the Wyboston meeting on 31st July.

Re: 1955 3.0 dhc in Monaco

Written by SRD at Jun 23, 2016 1:21 pm

Keith - welcome to the forum, fabulous car with drop dead gorgeous looks. If the car is driving, I would recommend that you try and keep it that way, these cars are all long term restoration projects

If you have not already joined, I would encourage you to join the Club, many hitherto unobtainable parts are being remade for the DB Lagondas and the club has become far more supportive in recent years and of course great people.

Kind regards

Simon

Re: 1955 3.0 dhc in Monaco

Written by David at Jun 23, 2016 8:29 pm

Looking forward to seeing you at Wyboston when if the weather is fine we will bring our 62 Rapide.
congratulations anyway!
David

Re: 1955 3.0 dhc in Monaco

Written by Keith at Jun 24, 2016 12:47 pm

Thank you Simon & David,
Looking forward to meeting you both at Wyboston.
To answer your question; yes, I have also joined the Lagonda Club.
I'm also a member of AMOC but not active. All my free time is spent in my workshop, restoring a DBSV8.
I think your advice is sound. IE: Keep the Lagonda rolling for the time being and get to know her and acquire some knowledge before commencing a full-on restoration.
I've managed to get her running but she 'wanders' a lot when driving. I may have little choice but to use the trailer to get to the meeting.
Thanks again
Keith

Re: 1955 3.0 dhc in Monaco

Written by David at Jun 24, 2016 6:40 pm

Wandering, that sounds like my 1974 series 3 Land Rover. Just needs positive control of the steering wheel!

Re: 1955 3.0 dhc in Monaco

Written by Rich5ltr at Jun 24, 2016 7:35 pm

Nice to hear of another AMOC member on here too Keith, there's a few of us!

Don't be shy to post the odd update on your DBSV8, lovely car that. I have a DB 2/4 MkIII and an 18/60 Tourer as my Lagonda / Aston pair :-)

Re: 1955 3.0 dhc in Monaco

Written by TVJL at Jun 24, 2016 11:22 pm

I'm so glad to learn that this car has found the right kind of home at last. Welcome Keith.

Regards,

Tim