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Written by SRD at Jul 07, 2017 9:05 am

A 1953 Lagonda 3 litre Tickford drophead coupé, registration number NYC 820, chassis number LAG/50/503, engine number VB6J/71, blue

Have seen pictures of the car before, the owner has now come down significantly on what he wants for the car.

Clearly first sold with a 2.6 litre engine

http://www.charterhouse-auction.com/classic-cars-and-motorcycles/

16 July with estimate of 85,000 - 95,000 pounds

Re: 1953 3.0 litre Lagonda dhc for sale

Written by SRD at Jul 20, 2017 4:38 pm

This car didn't sell, I rated it as a condition 3 car overall after taking a good look at it and felt the estimate was too high.

Re: 1953 3.0 litre Lagonda dhc for sale

Written by Colin M34 at Jul 20, 2017 5:07 pm

Interesting,

This just reminds me that with all fine art, the sound advice is to buy things you like, not just because they are an investment. Indeed if the price falls, one can be surrounded by more nice things for the same money.

Perhaps I commit heresy by saying that post-war Lagondas have never excited me as much as pre-war ones. Many of my friends have great pleasure out of vintage Austin Sevens.

I am sure the lagonda DHC will find a suitable new owner.

Colin

Re: 1953 3.0 litre Lagonda dhc for sale

Written by TVJL at Jul 28, 2017 1:44 am

This car is still an interesting prospect for someone. Personally, I love the post war cars every bit as much as the pre-war ones.

Re: 1953 3.0 litre Lagonda dhc for sale

Written by h14 at Jul 28, 2017 9:38 am

It seems to me that if one were to analyse the posts on this forum pre and post-war, one would find that pre war are generally technical, and post-war are generally price and sales. Perhaps parts are easier to come by and the cars are easier to work on, post-war model-wise.

Seems odd to me that David Brown called his cars Aston Martins, when in reality, those cars were far more in the pre-war Lagonda mould than pre-war Aston Martin. Perhaps it's simply that he bought A M first, and was therefore committed to that name. At least perhaps this accident gave him the opportunity of reviving the Lagonda name for (simplistically) the 4-door Astons.

Laurence

Re: 1953 3.0 litre Lagonda dhc for sale

Written by Colin M34 at Jul 28, 2017 8:26 pm

Hi Guys

It's possibly a generation thing.

I find 50's styles not to my taste. I was born in 1949 so remember the 1950's when were all poor (especially the middle classes) but many people I knew were able to tap a hole and some had a lathe in their shed. Some had vintage cars tucked away as well. Many of us, including me (and my brother), went on the study engineering thanks to Willesden tech and decent universities who were expanding at the time.

I also remember the two marvellous living vintage car museums - Havestock Hill in Hampstead (where I was born but we were too poor to live there, Kingsbury had to do), and of course Addison Road around Olympia.

And let's face it 1950's Lagondas are horribly posh and complicated - inboard brake drums and bearing "cheeses" in the LB6 engine. Suitable for royalty, not us. In comparison, Elephant motors would sort you out with your old car bits.

Add to this, one of my friends (recently passed away) told me about Jack the breakers on the N Circular Road near Staples Corner. Jack had just "put the torch through" a Delage but my friend bought a type 57 Bugatti from him. He quickly sold it when he found white metal when he drained the oil. Wise man.

I appreciate the attractiveness of post-war Lagondas but for me, pre-war cars are so much FUN and I will continue to enjoy driving round the lanes in my 90 year old speed model Lagonda.

I am sure that people who understand "Senior Debt" and "Mezzanine Capital" will continue to drive up the prices of Aston Martins. Not me.

Colin

ps: As kids we used to go to the rear of Colindale depot to see trolleybuses being scrapped and saw many a Weymann body go up in flames.

Re: 1953 3.0 litre Lagonda dhc for sale

Written by TVJL at Aug 09, 2017 9:07 pm

Colin, that has to be one of my favourite forum posts of all time. Loved it. Thank you.

Atb, Tim

PS Is it Okay to love them all (pre- and post-war)?
