



FOUNDATION

Chairman of Trustees' Notes



When the new Board took over the running of the Foundation in late December we had no idea that the regular expenses far exceeded our regular

income. The level of expenses was increased by the old Board without any regard as to how this was to be paid for. Therefore, after much deliberation we have unfortunately had to make John Baker redundant in order to ensure that the charity can continue to function. Joanne will continue as before to work part time for the Foundation and we are finalising an outsourcing arrangement

with the Club which will reduce the monthly cost to a figure we can afford.

Hopefully, those of you who attended the Club's Annual Rally found Foundation trustees wandering around with their badges on so you could ask any questions you have. If not, then feel free to either post on the Foundation's section of the Club's forum, or email me.

The Foundation and the Club are working on a major press release regarding making the Experimental/West Wittering files available for free later this year. These scanned archives will be searchable via key words and be available to anyone, whether or not they are a Foundation or Club Member, thus fulfilling some of our charitable goals. We will obviously be very thankful for any donations for their use. This should hopefully put paid to any rumours regarding any

Archives being given or sent to the Science Museum or anywhere else.

The new Foundation Board is committed to undertaking charitable works, not just the archives, which is why we needed to get our expenses under control. We hope to announce at least one new charitable work by the end of the year, which will be undertaken with the Club and will be car restoration apprentice-related.

With regards to the repairs to Hunt House, the repairs to the roof(s) have started and the repairs to the conservatory has been quoted for and should be started in the autumn.

The Board hopes all their efforts will be rewarded with increased numbers of Members, so we can increase the amount of charitable works we undertake.

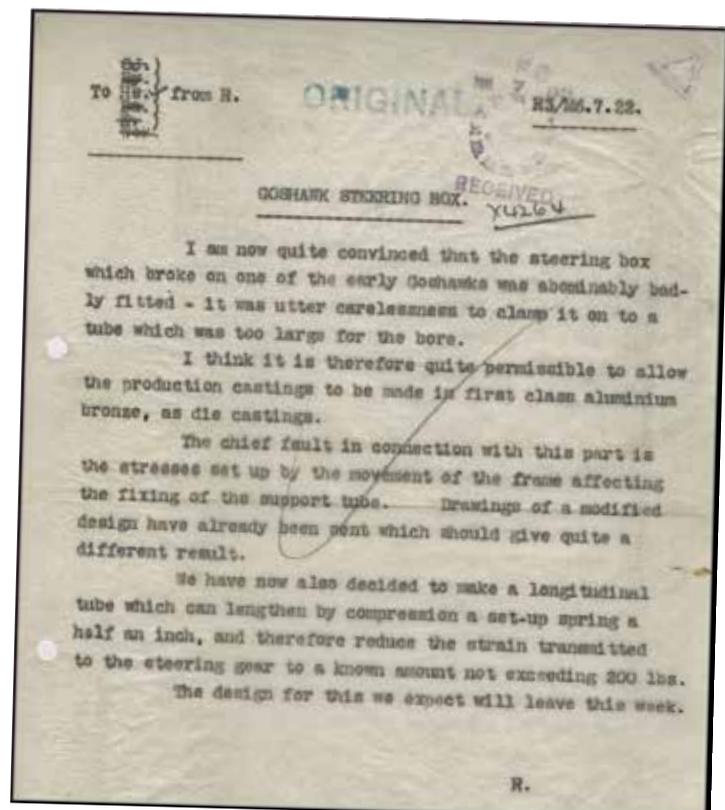
Bob Fuller
Chairman of Trustees

FROM THE ARCHIVES 100 Years Ago... The Office Of Sir Henry Royce

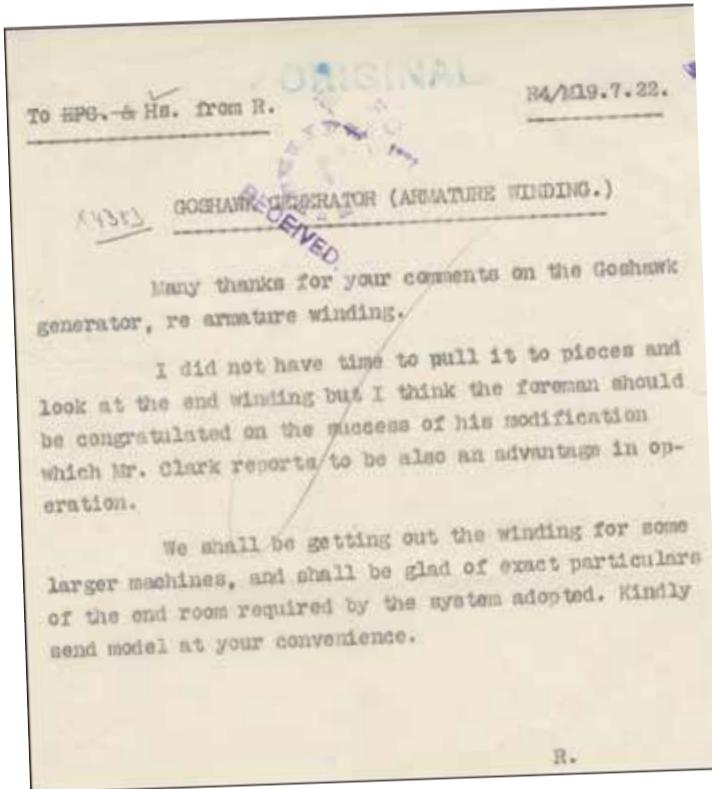
The scanning of over 240,000 original documents contained in 183 boxes of the West Wittering and Experimental files is now complete. It is the intention to make the digital scans freely available for the benefit of not only SHRMF and RREC Members, but also members of the public.

Contained in the Archive are several thousand original documents, sketches, handwritten notes, comments, criticisms, and compliments written by Henry Royce. The contents of these documents give us a unique record of Henry's thoughts. A prototype webpage has been designed and is now being peer reviewed by authors, restorers, and researchers, in preparation for inclusion in the public part of the RREC website.

To follow are examples of Henry Royce's words.



MATTERS



July 1922

Henry Royce had **very** firm standards: whenever any of his employees did not match up to these standards, he very speedily made his views known as can be seen in this document regarding poor workmanship.

The Goshawk was the experimental codename of the 20hp model.

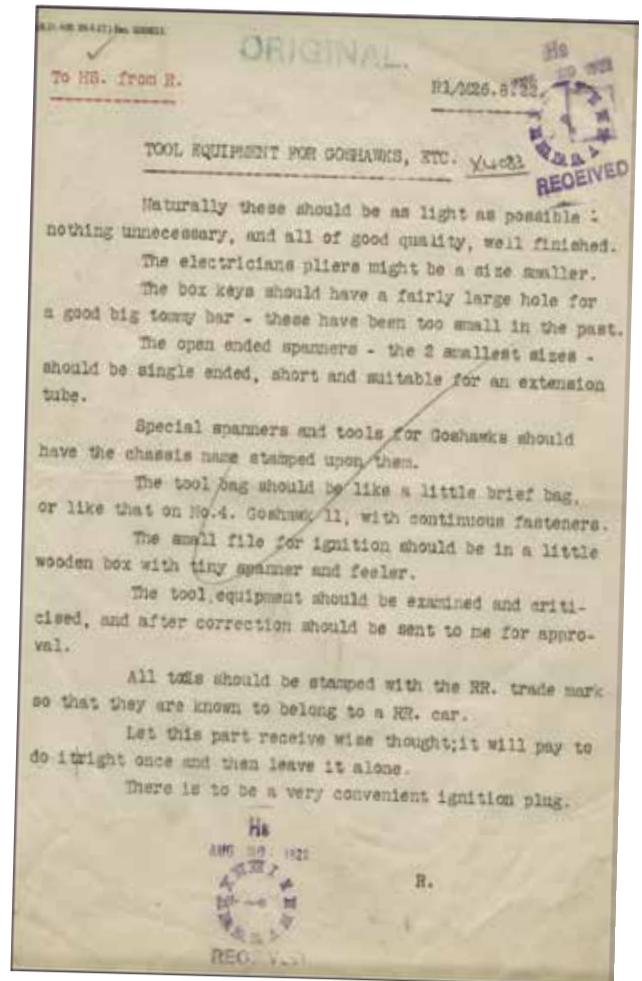
On this memo, Henry made his feelings known to all of the senior personnel of the company including Managing Director, Claude Johnson (CJ)

... Henry also made complimentary comments when any employee, no matter what rank or position, took an initiative and made suggestions for design improvements.

One can imagine the pride of the foreman in the Electrical Department when he was undoubtedly told of Henry's congratulations by department head, Eric Fowler-Clark!

August 1922

Henry Royce, in his position as Chief Engineer and Mechanic, was always involved in all aspects of the Company's motor car and aero engine production.



In this memo to Ernest Hives (Hs), head of the Experimental department, Henry is clearly specifying his views regarding the design of the tools and equipment for the 20hp Goshawk model.

His comment regarding the RR trademark shows he was keen to make sure that the name continues to be seen as much as possible.

His final comment, "Do it right once and then leave it alone" was repeated many times throughout his life; he was very reticent when engineering changes were suggested.

Graham Mead

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