

ALAN RICHARD BLAKE

Chairman 1992-1994



Born in Kingswood in Bristol in 1933. Married with two children.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

1951	RAF in the Dental Branch served two years in the Canal Zone Egypt, spent most time at Headquarters Middle East Air Force & spent time travelling the whole area inspecting Dental Services at smaller airfields.
1955	J.S.Fry & Sons. Ltd. Advertising Dept, gained Diploma in Advertising.
1957	With Avon Tyres Ltd. Started in Technical Department as assistant on Process Development. Then successively spent 2-3 years in many departments including Tyre Test operating special Test Rigs. Tyre Design, working on Truck & Agricultural Tyres.
1965	Appointed Tyre Test Manager.
1967	Special Test Manager looking at future trends in car/tyre usage.
1969	Competitions Manager Car Racing & Rallying Motorcycle Production Racing. During this time joined the Motor Sport Committee of The SMMT. [Society Motor Manufacturers Traders] also founding Chairman Tyres Sub Committee. Was also a member of the Organising Committee for Avon Motor Tour Britain.
1976	Organised the Avon Bike Roadrunner Championship for 4 years.
1978	Sales Marketing Manager Motorcycle Tyres.
1985	Appointed Technical Director MCIA
1994	Retired.

Recreational activities have included:

- Rugby, Tennis, Squash, Badminton, Golf, Amateur Dramatics
- Dabbled at Motor Racing [Formula Ford - expensive], Motorcycle Racing [couldn't afford a decent bike is my excuse.] Time Trials