

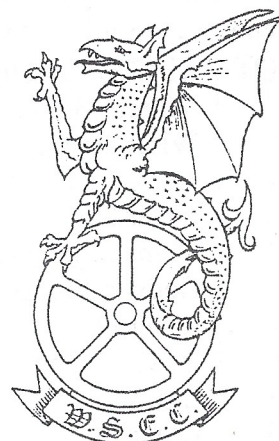


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NEWSLETTER



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******* EDITORIAL *******

Our President Robin, our Chairman Brian and the rest of the Committee would like to Wish a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all our members and friends. We all look forward to seeing you all at Club meetings and events in 2001.

******* CHAIRMANS REPORT *******

All too soon the Rally season has come to an end, but we still have a couple of Crank-Ups and autojumble sales to look forward to. The Committee has already compiled a full programme of events and guest speakers for next year and a lot of credit for this is due to the hard work and effort put in by our new Secretary Arthur Smith, he really is doing a splendid job. This is also the time of the year when we start thinking about next years Committee and the A.G.M. Yes I'm reminding you all the Club will not run itself, we need Committee members, so if you know a member who would be willing to serve, nominate them, or better still put your own name forward. With only two members of the fairer sex on the Committee we would welcome nominations from any female members and also any of our younger members.

BJB.

******* SUBSCRIPTIONS *******

The Committee has once again decided against raising the membership subscription despite rising insurance and postal charges. Subscription will be due on January 1st 2001, please remember after that date until you renew you are not covered by insurance if you exhibit your engine. Jackie will be at the Mince-Pie Crank-Up to take your subs and issue new insurance cards.

******* GET WELL NEWS *******

All members would like to wish a speedy recovery to member Cecil Giblet who has been in Hospital recently with chest and breathing problems (I think you have been leaning over that smoky old Lister D Cecil, ED.) I'm pleased to report Linda Pike is recovering after surgery on her legs, she is still limping, and as part of her therapy she has to walk THREE MILES every day! (You must be saving a fortune of petrol Linda, ED.)

******* AWARDS AT RALLYS *******

It has been brought to my attention that some members think the judging and the cups we award at the Wessex Rally is confined to Wessex Members only. This is not correct, every engine on display is judged, and the engines that are judged to be the best in their class are awarded the prizes irrespective whether they are club members or not. However at the Summer Crank-Up at The Court Hotel we award two Annual cups, one for the most unusual engine exhibited and one for the best restored engine displayed, both these awards are restricted to Wessex Members only.

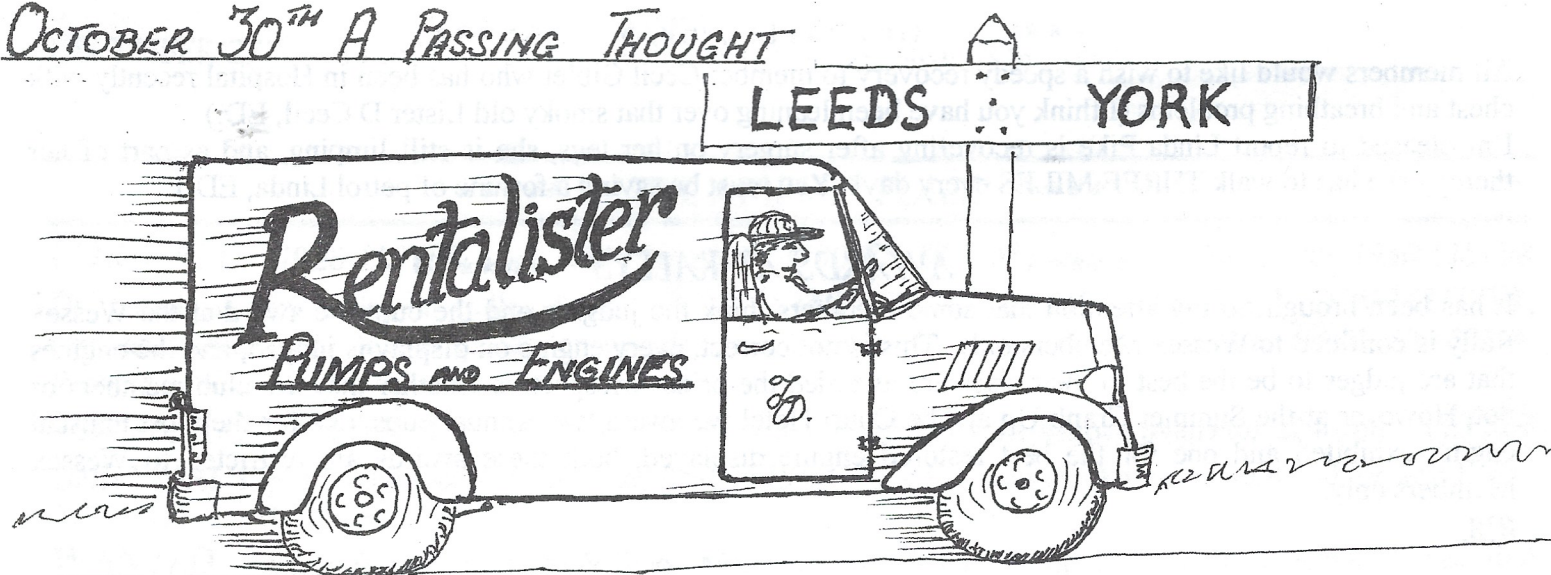
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The weather forecast was not promising, and on the way to Fairford it was raining. I arrived in good time for the outside lots and proceeded to make a list of the engines. I met a good group of Wessex Members and we had a look at what was on offer. The sale started and I managed to divide my time fairly well between the two auctioneers. The rain came across in sheets and eventually I gave up trying to write on sodden paper, so I missed a few tasty items. Here's a list of what I did get:-

LOT	MAKE/MODEL	CLASS	BID	REMARKS
9	Villiers WX11	2	£180	SOLD
10	Wiscona PEP Motor	2	£610	SOLD
11	Argosy Pump (DEP type)	1	£ 35	SOLD
12	Lister DEP Pump	1	£ 35	SOLD
13	Climax Pump (DEP type)	1	£ 35	SOLD
14	Godwin Pump	4	£ 40	SOLD, inverted piston type.
17	Lister D	3	£ 26	SOLD, Replica 2-wheel trolley
29	Fowler 1.5hp	2	£ 90	SOLD
33	Lister D	3	£ 38	SOLD
56	Lister D	3	£ 38	SOLD
57	Godwin Pump	4	£ 38	SOLD
58	Lister D	3	£ 45	SOLD
110	Petter PU 8	3	£ 40	SOLD, Flat twin air cooled, ex-military.
144	Lister D	3	£ 52	SOLD, replica trolley.
149	Ruston PB 3hp	3	£ 75	SOLD
160	New Way, Model G	2	£140	Not Sold, air-cooled vertical.
262	Jap 2A + ALCO generator	3	£ 42	SOLD, Ex-GPO, 24 volt.
269	Lister 1 ABL generator set	2	£170	SOLD, air-cooled petrol, original, 50 volt.
270	National 4cyl diesel gen set	3	£540	SOLD, Ex-military, 1942, 1 of 40 made. Large Heavy item, needs mounting on lorry, 415 volt, 3 Phase.
273	Lister L, 1918, 5hp	1	£270	SOLD, trailer mounted - instant exhibit.
543	International	1	£280	SOLD
617	Lister A Spec. 14	2	£120	SOLD, Hopper cooled, single flywheel.
636	Ruston APE	2	£700	Not Sold, reserve £1300.
658	Lister D + generator	3	£125	SOLD, mounted on a well made trolley - with 'Showmans' style curved roof with twisted brass supports and bulbs. Generator converted from motor.

Those I missed included Wolseley WD11 in hammer finish paint, Hercules 5hp, 1916 Class 1, 2 enclosed crank Bradfords, 3hp, Capel vertical 4 stroke, off lighting set, Tiny Tim generator, complete and class 2, Briggs and Stratton model zz with generator on skid, ex WD Crossley No 98291. By ALAN ROGERS.

OCTOBER 30TH A PASSING THOUGHT



TRUST ME WE CAN MAKE SOME MONEY OUT OF ALL
THAT RUBBISH YOU KEEP TELLING ME I'VE BOUGHT.

***** IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT *****

I reported in last month's Newsletter that due to Family commitments I could not run a Mince-Pie Crank-Up this year, however there has been a change of plan, Gordon and Jackie at the Nunney Catch Transport Café has come to the rescue and offered to hold it at Nunney. So the Crank-Up will take place at Nunney on the usual date of December 27th, start at 9am. The usual raffle will be held, donations of prizes would be most welcome. Bring and Buy items by your engines would also be welcome. Gordon and Jackie will not be cooking hot meals but the Café will be open for hot drinks and of course 'Mince Pies' and sausage rolls. This event has always been open to all comers, not just Wessex members. Let's have a good display of engines etc. on the day.

BJB.

***** FULL QUART CRANK-UP *****

Once again the day of the 'Full Quart' Crank-Up dawned, number 20!, yes 20 years ago we began this merry social gathering at the end of the rally season. And what did the weather do? It rained and turned the field into a soggy mess, but that didn't stop the ralliers arriving to set up their exhibits and happily brave the elements making the Crank-Up a success. We had a good contingent of exhibits including an excellent display of stationary engines followed by a good selection of vintage and classic cars, tractors, organs, motor cycles, commercials, a model railway but sadly only one steam lorry. There was the usual fruit and bric-a-brac stalls and bygone exhibits. Many thanks to all who provided those super draw prizes – 52 in all – it always makes a happy ending to the day. The Crank-Up raised £709, Tencrest Crank-Up donated £295.28, and our old treasure chest collected £103.72 making a total of £1108 for CLIC. Sadly we have decided to call it a day due to creaky bones and ill health. We would like to thank all exhibitors and friends who have supported us over the 20 years, especially Don Roger who always helped to 'set-up' the day before and must have wrung gallons of rain water from his drawers and beard!!! A special thanks to all those wonderful friends who travelled long distances to be with us. You have all helped us to collect a grand total of £19,560 for CLIC.

Thanks again.

ROY & IVOR COX

***** CLIC *****

Mr & Mrs Roy Cox
4 Laurel Drive
Uphill
Weston Super Mare
Somerset.

Dear Carol, Roy and all our friends of the Crank-Up Project,

It only seems like a week ago that I was writing to you as a result of last year's Crank-Up, but here I go again. May I ask one question, why do you always pick a wet day to do your wonderful work for CLIC? I don't know how you do it because whatever the weather you always turn up trumps and provide our charity with a magnificent sum of money. It has always been over a thousand pounds and this year we have to thank you for £1108. What an achievement in the pouring rain!!!

I am sure there are many people that I ought to write to if I haven't already done it but I want you all to know how grateful we are that you support our charity year in, year out – what can we say? We are very lucky people, any many, many thanks to you all. We wish you all the very best for the future and I shall look forward to writing another letter to you next year.

Yours very sincerely,

Pat Dain
President – Weston and District Branch of CLIC.

***** **EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY** *****

SUNDAY 3RD DECEMBER. ANTI-FREEZE CRANK-UP at Nunney Catch Transport Café. All members welcome. The Café will be open for cooked breakfasts and lunches. Let's make an effort to bring out some of the rarer and larger engines. We shall be having the usual raffle, donations of raffle prizes will be most welcome. This is also a chance to sell items by your engines so if you have anything to sell bring it along.

WEDNESDAY 27TH DECEMBER. MINCE-PIE CRANK-UP at Nunney Catch Transport Café. Café open for hot drinks and mice pies. Usual raffle, prizes would be appreciated, open to anyone, all exhibits welcome.

SATURDAY 30TH DECEMBER. SORT-OUT AT WINFORD MARKET.

29TH JANUARY 2001. CLUB NIGHT AT THE OLD DOWN INN.

***** **PROGRAMME OF EVENTS 2001** *****

JANUARY 29TH – Guest Speaker:- Bob Burgess – a talk and showing of agricultural implements.

FEBRUARY 26TH – ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

MARCH 3RD – Engine Jumble/Sortout at Cheddar rally Site.

MARCH 27TH – Guest Speaker:- Jack Guest O.B.E. (Ex-Policeman) Talk entitled 46 years laughing.

APRIL 1ST – Visit to John Upton's engine collection at Grateley (near Andover).

APRIL 16TH – Mells Daffodil Rally.

APRIL 29TH – Crank-Up at Nunney Catch.

APRIL 30TH – Guest Speaker:- Reg Dalley (Ex Somerset Coal Miner) talk on his life in the local coal mines in the Radstock area.

MAY 21ST – Guest Speaker:- Our Club Chairman putting on a slide show.

JUNE 17TH & 18TH – ANNUAL CLUB RALLY.

JUNE 25TH – Rally autopsy & table top auction.

JULY 30TH – Crank-Up at the Court Hotel.

AUGUST 5TH – Annual Coach Trip – Swindon railway museum & Shopping Centre.

AUGUST 20TH – Guest Speaker:- Phillip Thornton-Evison (waiting confirmation).

SEPTEMBER 24TH – Guest Speaker:- Ron White a talk on the life of a Formula One racing mechanic during the 50's and 60's.

OCTOBER 20TH – winter Engine Jumble at Cheddar rally Site.

OCTOBER 29TH – Guest Speaker:- Dennis Chedghey a talk on the Radstock Museum (waiting confirmation).

NOVEMBER 26TH – Guest Speaker:- Judie Dexter a talk on the social history of coal mining in the Radstock area from the late 1780's until 1923.

DECEMBER 2ND – Nunney Catch winter Crank-Up.

DECEMBER 27TH – Mince-Pie and engine gathering at Nunney Catch (New venue).

***** **THE MARKET PLACE** *****

FOR SALE. 1926 LISTER L. on skids 5hp £200. 1930 PETTER M, tank-cooled 3hp £300. 1950 LISTER DK petrol/paraffin, 1.5hp on trolley £120. 1927 LISTER A on trolley £120. BENTALL CHAFFCUTTER, restored, power feed, various speeds, on wheels, circa 1928-30 for further details ring Alan on 01380 830344. Westbury, Wilts. Area.

FOR SALE. LISTER 'L' 5hp, 1922, tank-cooled on trolley, full history available £240 ono. PETTER UNIVERSAL 3hp, 1930 tank-cooled on trolley £240. LISTER D 1.5hp, anti-clockwise rotation £30 for details ring 01747 840835. Mere area.

WANTED. Any information of the Villiers 'Mar-Vil'. Also wanted a silencer for this machine. Please ring Tony on 01373 464982.