

NEWSLETTER

April 1977 Number 3

Forthcoming Events

1. MAY MEETING

At Old Down Inn, Emborough 30.5.77.

This will take the form of an "Engine Drive" which is similar to a Beetle Drive with a difference. Bring along a dice and play engines. For further details, please get in touch with Mary Chapman.

2. DODINGTON RALLY - 14th and 15th ~~April~~ MAY

Even if you have not entered come along and support your club.

3. ROYAL BATH AND WEST SHOW

Most of our members have been invited and will be spending all week at the Show as a Club - publicising the club with a Club Stand. Many thanks to Geoff Cullen, Royal Bath and West steward for inviting us. Commencing 31st ~~April~~ MAY for five days.

4. SOMERVALE SCHOOL

Somervale School are holding a "leisure activities" weekend on Saturday and Sunday (28th and 29th) ~~April~~ MAY. We are welcome as a club and will have a classroom to set up static exhibits as well as running engines. Anyone who would like to participate, please contact the secretary Mary.

5. BEAULIEU RALLY

Rally forms are now available for 31st July.. Please see Mary.

6. CAMERTON RALLY

Entry forms are to be in to John Spear by the end of this month. A Club barbeque will be held on Saturday evening. The club tent will be there as usual publicising our club and hopefully, attracting new members.

Club Badge

The design has been finalised and we are having some lapel badges made to sell soon. Later on we hope to have car badges etc. Also some pens are being purchased in the form of a "nut and bolt" with the club name and badge on for sale generally. The prize for the badge was won by David Chapman with 9 votes.

Do you know your Committee

Chairman	Eric Brain
Hon Secretary	Mary Chapman
Asst Hon. Secretary	Ailene Conibear
Treasurer	Ann Brain
Camerton Liaison	John Spear
Camerton Steward	Phil Lane
	David Farendon
	Ben Whittock

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Agenda of last Committee Meeting in brief

Forthcoming events
Fund raisers
Camerton Rally
Stationery
Insurance

March Meeting

This was the first meeting at the Old Down Inn Emborough and I am sure all will agree that the venue was admirable to our needs and that we were very hospitably welcomed by the landlord. David Edginton, Editor of the Stationary Engine Advertiser gave a most interesting talk on Petter Engines, illustrated by colour slides and B and W transparencies. Many thanks to David and to Doreen for managing the projector. The meeting was well attended 90% of the members present and the membership stands at 30, anyone knowing of potential members, bring them along.

The raffle was won by Wilf Andrews and John Spear. The second prize was auctioned and raised £1.00 for club funds.

Welcome to new members

1. David Odam
2. Michael Harper

Insurance

By the next meeting we should have cover as a club for rallies. Anyone requiring cover can obtain it from the Secretary Mary at a small fee of £1.00 whereupon they will be issued with an endorsed copy of the club certificate which will cover them for public liability upto £250.000 at any rally they attend - renewable annually.

This form of insurance is a REQUIREMENT at most rallies in future so be safe do not get turned away from a rally for the sake of £1.00.

Chairman's Report on Wooton Bassett Rally - 19.3.77

This 'early in the season' rally was organised by club member Mike Harris on March 19th as an added attraction to a model exhibition.

Six club members were present, namely Dave and Mary Chapman, Mike Cannon Ailen Conibear, Mike Harris and Eric Brain.

Engines exhibited were Tangye Lamp Start, 2 x 2½ Lister Atybes, Bamford 3Hp OC with Neals water pump, 2½ Amanco Hired Man, Wolsely WD11 2Hp, Ruston PB 1½ Hp and of course Lister D Type.

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Mr Harper and son Michael exhibited their newly restored 1914 4Hp Lister and 1/2Hp Stuart Gas engine - this being their first rally. Nice to make their acquaintance at our March meeting.

The only mechanical derangement of the afternoon occurred when Mary Chapman, whilst shopping in the town, lost a split pin from Hannah's pushchair wheel, or did Dave pinch it for the Bamford when her back was turned?! We all took turns keeping Mike Cannon's Tangye blow lamp pumped up and I am sure Mike will be glad to hear that our burnt fingers are pretty well healed up now. All in all, a very enjoyable afternoon which even the odd shower or two of rain did not dampen.

E Brain

Easter Bunny Rally 10.4.77

Engines Present

David Chapman	Victoria 4 Hp, Bamford 3 Hp, Amanco 2 1/2 closed crank
Mike Harris ,	Amanco 2 1/4 - open
M Cannon	Amanco 2 1/2
E Brain	Amanco
T Randall	Hobbs 2 Hp
R Parsons	Lister 5 Hp L type
E Brain	Crossley 2 Hp
J Spear	Lister 1 1/2 D Type
G Chapman	Lister 1 1/2 D Type

This very enjoyable small rally was held on Easter Sunday in very cold weather with a few showers at Kilmerston Hill. In spite of the weather we had a good turn-out of members. Many thanks to all who came and to their long suffering wives.

The 'sponsored - swing' gave much entertainment and added greatly to club funds. The 'swingers' were Ailen, Mary, Mike Harper and Dave. Mike did the most swings 94 in all , well done Mike.

Tom Randall spent all the previous week assembling his Hobbs and brought it along for display.

The 3hp Crossley was attending its first rally never having been run before for over five minutes (on petrol) and whilst investigating the intricacies of turning over to Kerosene the Left hand flywheel complete with key detached itself and went bowling off into the distance just missing Tom's Hobbs and almost steam-rollering Gordon Chapman. (Anyone not having rally insurance please note - and contact the secretary for details). We all left the field after a thoroughly good day.

A cake supplied by Mrs Chapman was raffled off, and won by Roger Parsons.

Note

If anyone would like to write an article for the Newsletter, please get in contact with Mary, we are open to suggestions.