



WEST WILTS MOTOR CLUB

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Club Meetings 3rd Tuesday in the month
8.00pm Dog & Fox, Bradford-on-Avon.



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| JAMES CUP TRIAL | SUNDAY 18th MAY | BECKY ADDY WOODS BRADFORD-ON-AVON |
| May Club Meeting | Tuesday 20th May | Dog and Fox, Bradford-on-Avon |
| Hare & Hounds Working Parties | Wednesday 28th May | Brian Shuttleworth on site all day See below |
| STEVE HILLMAN TROPHY HARE & HOUNDS | SUNDAY 1st JUNE | NAISH HILL |
| June Club Meeting | Tuesday 19th June | Dog and Fox, Bradford-on-Avon |

Two future events to mention this time, first the James Cup Trial at Becky Addy Woods, Brian Shuttleworth is Clerk of the Course for this and he may well need some help for clearing the ground and setting up sections, Brian may well have someone lined up to help with this, but if you can give him some help then give him a ring on the mobile number below. Phyllis Sweeting is Secretary of the Meeting so any queries on entries etc., give her a ring on 01225 862506.

The second event is the Steve Hillman Trophy Hare and Hounds at Naish Hill, once again Brian Shuttleworth is the Clerk of the Course and Tom Gerken is Secretary of the Meeting. Brian will certainly need assistance to clear the route of the course and do the necessary marking out so he has given me a list of times that he will be at Naish Hill. He will need the help of working parties to do the number of jobs involved, so if you can give a hand then turn up at the course on Wednesday 28th May and Brian will be along. I have talked to Brian about how many times he will need help and it is difficult to predict. So he has asked me to suggest that you give him a ring on his mobile 07803 134161 before going to Naish Hill, and he will know the situation and could avoid a wasted journey. I think it is a safe bet that help will be needed on the Saturday before the event so try to make it there at least on that day. As usual, Tom Gerken our Secretary of the Meeting, will be taking care of the transponder lap scoring equipment; this system is pretty routine these days and it is just another example of the ubiquitous computer replacing people. There is no way of putting the clock back, and who knows one day we may get an entry from a rider-less computer controlled bike! Finally don't forget that all the track layout has to be cleared up and stored away after the event has finished so try to hang back afterwards and help to clear the course, this usually happens very well, so take this as just a gentle reminder.

Speaking of computers replacing people, I have just had a thought. When I was writing the club newsletter in the late 1970s the routine was, I wrote it out long hand, then took to a competent typist who typed it on to a Gestetner template, then it was passed to our operator of the clubs' Gestetner copier who ran off all the copies these were then put into envelopes and posted. At least three people employed, now it is just me and a computer!

I don't know how many of you were listening to Radio Wiltshire at 4.00pm on 24th April, but our Chairman Frank Sweeting was "on the air". He was being interviewed in a series aimed to get support in terms of membership, for local clubs and societies. We may have to find a larger meeting room if this is successful!

A couple of news items now about club members, first, the wedding took place of Chris Kelly, our long serving Competitions Secretary, and Ian Nairn on Friday 2nd May. Many congratulations to you and best wishes for a long and happy marriage from all members of West Wilts Motor Club to you both.

On quite a different subject, we were pleased to hear from Frank Sweeting at the April meeting that Adam Norris has entered the Scottish Six Days Trial as a West Wilts Club member. This is a great honour for the club as the Scottish Six Days is at the pinnacle of trials events in this country.

Well I think that is about all for this month, so once again. All the best, Terry P