



WEST WILTS MOTOR CLUB

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Club Meetings 1st Thursday in the month
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BVM Trophy Youth Trial	Sunday 14th February	POSTPONED
Annual General Meeting	Thursday 1st February	Melksham House, Melksham 8.15pm
James Cup Trial	Sunday 11th February	Becky Addy Woods, Bradford on Avon
Annual Dinner & Disco	Friday 23rd February	Cumberwell Golf Club, nr. B on Avon
John Miller Youth Trial	Sunday 25th February	Venue from Gill Barrett 01373 823093
March Club Meeting	Thursday 1st March	Melsham House, Melksham 8.30pm

Following the sad announcement I had to make about our longstanding club member Diane James, her husband Buster has asked me to include a piece from himself.

"Buster thanks all Diane's friends for their cards, letters and donations. Also for the wonderful send off at Semington Crematorium and afterwards at the Somerset Arms. A heartfelt "thankyou". We had a wonderful life together."

"PS. The amount of donations to the Huntington's Disease Association now stands at £1,350."

(This, of course included a donation from the club). Thank you Buster and I am sure everyone wishes you all the best for the future and we all look forward to seeing you at the club's events both social and competitions in the coming years.

You may recall that in the September newsletter last year I told you that Andy Frost, a local rider and overall winner of our Hare and Hounds at Farleigh Castle, was a member of the team nominated to represent England at the International Six Days Enduro in New Zealand. Well the event has come and gone and the England team has returned home, although not the outright winners they did manage 12th place out of an entry of some 70 to 80 teams. Which is certainly a better showing than a certain other English team has recently managed in the Antipodes! Andy has sent a letter to our chairman thanking him for some support from the club, and in this letter Andy recounts some of the highs and lows of his ride. Clearly there was certainly some very tough and challenging parts of the course and some very wet weather which caused several sections to be abandoned, one in particular where a bridge over a flooded river had collapsed leaving no way to continue on course. Andy, unwilling to lose time decided that fortune favours the brave so he decided to jump the river! He describes it in his letter thus, "I turned around to give myself a run up, nailed the KTM and launched it over the river. My back wheel just caught the lip on the bank on the opposite side and, once I opened my eyes, I realised I had made it". Well done Andy, unfortunately, others were not made of such stern stuff and the organisers scrubbed the check due to the "impassable" river! Sadly, Andy injured himself on a later day and was advised by the Team Doctor to withdraw so he was disappointed not to receive a Finisher's Medal. Never the less, he was very pleased with the whole experience.

Please remember that the club Annual General Meeting is on the 1st February and is followed by the regular club meeting.

So far there is one proposal to be placed before the meeting, and that is:

"It is proposed that the club annual subscriptions shall be increased to £5.00 for Individual Members and to £6.00 for Joint Members".

This led to flurry of early renewals for this year at the January meeting! Who said, what a load of tight wads?

I must just make a mention of our Dinner, Disco and Presentation of Awards, which is taking place on 23rd February at our venue for the past several years, Cumberwell Golf Club. As usual this will be a quality event and the organisation is well in hand. Tickets are available from Chris Kelly on 01225 865497, or Babs Phelps on 01225 723158. Get your orders for tickets in quickly as for the past several years it has been a sell out and the venue has a strictly limited capacity. Once again the event will represent excellent value for money.

Well that's it once again, and wishing you all a **Happy and Prosperous New Year!** All the best. Terry P.

