



WEST WILTS MOTOR CLUB

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Club Meetings 1st Thursday in the month
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James Cup Trial	Sunday 11th February	Becky Addy Woods, Bradford on Avon
Annual Dinner & Dance	Friday 23rd February	Cumberwell Golf Club, on A363 Nr. B on Avon
John Miller Youth Trial	Sunday 25th February	Folly Woods, nr. Devizes
March Club Meeting	Thursday 1st March	Melksham House, Melksham 8.30pm
Hare & Hounds	Saturday 24th March	Naish Hill near Lacock
D Townhill Trophy Youth Trial	Sunday 25th March	Venue from Gill Barrett 01373 823093
April Club Meeting	Thursday 4th March	Melksham House, Melksham 8.30pm

Another AGM has come and gone, this was speedily despatched by our Chairman, Frank Sweeting. There were a few changes, the most notable of which was that our Club President Ken Lywood decided to stand down from this position that he has held for a good number of years. This came as something of a surprise to most of those present and made us all put our thinking caps on, however we soon had a firm proposal of Buster James to take on the position of President. Buster agreed to stand and was swiftly elected unanimously. Ken has been asked to become a Vice President of the club, and I am sure we all wish to thank Ken for his Presidency of the Club and trust that we shall be seeing him regularly at our meetings and sporting events in the future. The other change is that the proposal to increase the club subs was passed unanimously, 2007 rates on renewal slips now apply.

The club has not had an official Social Secretary for some time and this aspect of club activities seems to have lagged somewhat, however Clive Jones (the other one not our Treasurer) has indicated that, while he did not wish to be our "official" Social Secretary he was willing to organise a few events such as skittles matches. This is very welcome, and a date in April has been mentioned with the "Dog and Fox" or "Tucker's Grave" as possible venues, more info will be in the newsletter as soon as it is available, we must support Clive in any social events he organises.

All the Club Officers gave their reports on the activities they have been involved in over the last twelve months and it was mainly "as previous years", all were thanked by the meeting for their efforts on behalf of the club.

Some discussion followed on the subject of Youth Trials, particularly whether we should follow the example of other clubs locally and make our Youth Trials "Open to Wessex Centre" rather than "Closed To Club". As this change would not involve any organisational problems the decision was taken to go for it on a trial basis for this year. The hope being that it may improve our entry levels. This has to be cleared with the Wessex Centre Committee but we trust that this should not be a problem. Incidentally Steve and Gill Barrett have organised 9 Youth Trials under the West Wilts' name in the last year and they deserve the club's thanks for their efforts, along with the helpers who assist them in setting out and running the meetings.

Please note the next Youth Trial is on the 25th February at Folly Woods.

I hope this newsletter reaches you in time for it to be a reminder of the James Cup Trial on the 11th February at Becky Addy Woods. Observers please to Folly Woods by 10.00am, ready for 10.30 start. Phyllis Sweeting is Secretary of the Meeting with Brian Shuttleworth Clerk of the Course.

A bit more now about the Annual Dinner, Dance and Presentation of Awards, this is to be held on Friday 23rd February at Cumberwell Golf Club. Tickets have been going like the proverbial hot cakes this year and it looks as though it will be a sell-out again. At present there are just a few tickets left and if you are still thinking about going you should contact either Babs Phelps on 01225 723158 or Chris Kelly on 01225 865497 as soon as possible. I cannot guarantee you will get in but it is worth a try!

One final note now: if you have not renewed your membership for this year, this is the last newsletter you will receive. A further renewal slip is enclosed, so don't delay get it in the post with your cheque, payable to "West Wilts Motor Club Ltd", and send it off to Phyllis, at the address on the slip as soon as possible!

I think that's about all for this month, so wishing you "all the best".

Terry P.

