

WEST WILTS MOTOR CLUB

Hon. Sec. Kay Gerken, 20 Gibbs Lease, Hilperton, Trowbridge, Wilts. BA14 7QN Club Meetings 1st Thursday in the month 8.15pm Melksham House, Melksham



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June Club Meeting Thursday 2nd June Melksham House, Melksham 8.15pm

H & H Working Party Wednesday 1st June All day, plus evening (after work)

H & H Working Party Friday 3rd June Morning and PM up to about 3.00pm

H & H Working Party Saturday 4th June All day course setting out

HARE & HOUNDS SUNDAY 5th JUNE NAISH HILL, nr Lacock, Scrutineering 9.30am

Start 11.00am

The main item to remind you all of this time is our Hare and Hounds at Naish Hill as above. Of course the date it was due to be on, the Bank Holiday Monday 30th May, proved to be impossible because Tom Gerken, Secretary of the Meeting, could not get ambulance cover or caterers on that day .Please note new date now Sunday 5th June. Tom now has everything under control and he told us at the last meeting that he already had 17 entries so hopefully we should get an entry level that will enable us to run this event. It has been very disappointing recently when we were forced to cancel events due to lack of entries. Let's hope that moving it off the bank holiday also helps with the entries.

I have spoken to our Clerk of the Course, Brian Shuttleworth, and he has given me some working party dates and times to prepare the course as shown in the calendar above. Please make every effort to get to some or all of these sessions as the route of the course will need marking and clearing in places, and this needs helping hands. The evening session mentioned is for those of you who are working can come along and lend a hand after work. Brian also asked me to give you his mobile number so that if you want any more info about times etc. you can ring him on 07803 134161.

One further detail, Tom Gerken has a prior commitment on the new date and in fact will be in the Isle of Mann for the TT races. As Tom is the only one of our team sufficiently savvy with the modern transponder/computer system of lap scoring we have been using for some time we shall have to go back to the old punched card system. Not a problem in itself but it does mean that we will need a few more bodies to do the punching and the lap scoring so any of you who can help in these areas let Tom or Kay know as soon as possible.

Machine examining/scrutineering at 9.30am and the start is set for 11.00am

All we need now is a good entry and it will seem quite like old times!

The only other event that must be mentioned this month is the Club Dinner and Disco, after the frantic push I gave it last time we had a good turn out and some very satisfied comments on the event. It was interesting to note the level of general chat that was going on throughout the meal and particularly afterwards, always a good sign. So much so that although we had decided to end this year at midnight rather than 1.00 am as in previous years, there were still lots, both young and not so young, still busy chatting at well past midnight. The only thing that did not seem to get people going was the disco, despite the best efforts of the disco man who kept the music coming. Most of the time there was nobody on the floor at all and people young or old just did not seem interesting in dancing. So much so that we are seriously considering not having a disco next year, no final decision yet, there is a long time to go but the organising team will give it some thought. Whilst mentioning the team, congratulations must go again to Chris Kelly and Babs Phelps for their organising work, from the prizes in the draw, the choice of menu, bangers and balloons to play with and of course for staying within budget! All that and included wine on the table, how do they do it? A major "well done" to them both!

Several of our members have been taking time off to go to the Scottish 6 Day Trial including our chairman and membership secretary, this left us a bit thinner than usual at the last club meeting but they are all back now and ready for the Hare and Hounds at Naish Hill on 5th June.

All the best, Terry P