



# WEST WILTS MOTOR CLUB

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Club Meetings 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday in the month  
8.15pm Melksham House, Melksham

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**Note: No Club meeting in August**

<b>September Club Meeting</b>	<b>Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September</b>	<b>Melksham House, Melksham 8.15pm</b>
<b>HARE &amp; HOUNDS</b>	<b>SUNDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> OCTOBER</b>	<b>FARLIEGH CASTLE 11.00am Scrutineering 9.00am</b>
<b>October Club Meeting</b>	<b>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Melksham House, Melksham 8.15pm</b>
<b>Errington Cup Trial</b>	<b>Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Folly Woods, Easterton Sands</b>

One event to report on this time, our Hare and Hounds at Naish Hill on 5<sup>th</sup> June. This was a great success with 138 entries with good weather and track conditions, it is very pleasing to be able to report this after the repeated disappointments of last year. As you may recall from the last newsletter we were not able to use the full electronic lap scoring and timing system as Tom Gerken, our expert on this was committed elsewhere, but the organisers were just able to get by with enough help from people to lap score, punch cards and clean numbers when necessary. Tom Gerken did all the Secretary of the Meeting functions before the event and Kay was Secretary on the day and worked out the results after the event. This was a time consuming business for her but all was resolved in the end and the results were published on the club's website in good time. Just to give you a flavour, a summary of the results is as follows: Best Performance (Overall winner), Tyson Maytom-Jones. Best Veteran Expert, Alastair Bramwell. Best Veteran, Dean Allen. Best 2T Clubman, Daniel Richards. Best 2T Sportsman, Mitch Frost. Best 4T Clubman, James Heath. Best 4T Sportsman, Jack Liddiard. Best Track/Trail, Rob Sheppard. Well done to you all. The clearing up session after the event was well supported and finished in good time, including the regrading of the track to take out all the berms and ruts. Many thanks to all who helped, particularly Brian Shuttleworth who once again was Clerk of the Course plus Tom and Kay Gerken who were joint Secretaries of the Meeting.

It is very heartening to have been able to report on such a successful event as the event above, but next of course we have our second Hare and Hounds of the year, this time at the famous Farleigh Castle circuit. Brian Shuttleworth informed us at the recent meeting that the course should be about 3½ miles per lap and we will be able to accept up to 150 entries. Let's hope that the attraction of riding at this venue on an extensive and testing circuit will attract a full entry, which would make the considerable work of preparing for the event worthwhile. On the day machine examining/scrutineering will start at 9.00am and the first group away will be at 11.00 am and the duration of running will be three hours. Tom Gerken is the Secretary of the Meeting and with no other commitments on the day he will be supervising the operation of the transponder system of timing and lap scoring. There will be working parties to help Brian lay out the course and I will be listing these in the September newsletter, which of course you can find on line on our website as above. Let's hope all factors combine to make this event all that it deserves to be.

Just one week later we should be running the Errington Cup Trial, an open to centre event at the usual venue of Folly woods. Phyllis Sweeting is the Secretary of the Meeting and the Regulations will soon be on the club website.

At the last club meeting Chris Kelly presented the final figures for the Annual Dinner & Disco held earlier this year and reported that despite a very tight budget she and Babs Phelps had managed to bring the event in under budget. Which with rising prices all around was quite some achievement and the meeting passed a well-deserved vote of thanks to them.

As you can see above there is to be no club meeting in August, this is because when asking around at the last meeting the Frank Sweeting our chairman could see that there would not be enough present to form a quorum and so the decision was taken to cancel and meet again in September.

All the best, Terry P

