



WEST WILTS MOTOR CLUB

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Club Meetings 1st Thursday in the month
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August Club Meeting	Thursday 2nd August	Melksham House, Melksham 8.15 pm
September Club Meeting	Thursday 6th September	Melksham House, Melksham 8.15 pm
HARE & HOUNDS	SUNDAY 30th SEPTEMBER	CASTLE FARM, FARLEIGH CASTLE
Annual Dinner	Friday 22nd February 2013	Cumberwell Golf Club, Bradford on Avon

OK I know that 22nd February is a long way off but we have to book the date early with Cumberwell. So the date for our Annual Dinner and Disco has been booked, so please put it in the forward pages in your diary to avoid any double booking! Further details will be in future newsletters but one thing has been decided already, the price will be held the same as last year and the high standard will be maintained. So our organisers, Chris Kelly and Babs Phelps, will be giving us more information as time goes by. Another decision that was made at the meeting was that riders who have won awards at any of our events and elected to take them in the form of a cash voucher, can use them to pay for their dinner tickets if they so wish, just let Chris or Babs know when you book up for the Dinner and they will do the rest.

The main event since the last newsletter was the Hare and Hounds at Naish Hill. Ground conditions which with all the rain we've been having were a worry, but the sandy free draining nature of the ground there worked in our favour and the course conditions did not cause us or the riders any problems. The event went very well using the transponder system for lap scoring, although there was some delay in starting due to some last minute course layout modifications. A summary of the results, is as follows: Derek Bawn, Premier Award, Best overall performance. Dan Bishop, Best Veteran Expert. Charlie Frost, Best Clubman 2 stroke. Andy Noad, Best Clubman 4 stroke. Jim Munden, Best Veteran Clubman. David Threadingham, Best Sportsman 2 Stroke. John Brown, Best Sportsman 4 Stroke. Congratulations to you all. Don't forget you can use any award vouchers to help buy your tickets to the dinner to collect your awards! Another event safely tucked away and our usual thanks to all those who helped to run it especially Brian Shuttleworth, Clerk of the Course, and Tom Gerken, Secretary of the Meeting and chief computer operator for the lap scoring system. There was a collection held in aid of the Wiltshire Air Ambulance, and a good sum was collected which was added to from club funds, then forwarded to the appropriate organisation.

Looking on now to future events, our next and probably our most popular with the riders is our Hare and Hounds at Farleigh Castle on Sunday 30th September. This event will take its usual format with Brian Shuttleworth, (Clerk of the Course) and his helpers are looking to set out the longest course that can be fitted on to the land we are allowed to use. A target of 3.5 miles per lap was being mentioned at the recent club meeting. The duration of the event will be 3 hours, with the first man away from the start at 11.00am. Bike and rider scrutineering to start at 9.00am, and, as is usual these days, lap scoring/ timing will be by transponders, with Secretary of the Meeting, Tom Gerken in charge. This event usually attracts a large entry and there is a limit that can be accepted, so get your entry in as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

As many of you know we have some club members who are regularly riding at the top end of their branch of motorcycle sport under the club's banner and I try to report on their activities as often as I can in this newsletter. Well I am pleased to report that Adam Norris recently did very well in the Scottish Six Days Trial finishing 18th overall and was winner of the "Best Over 40" Award. On the last day of the trial Adam rode particularly well, only losing 16 marks with next man losing 23.

Well, that's about it for this month but I will do a newsletter next month particularly to advise you when Brian Shuttleworth will be organising working parties to get the course set out at Farleigh for the Hare and Hounds.

All the best, Terry P