



WELTON OWNERS CLUB
NEWSLETTER
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MUTTERINGS FROM YOUR CHAIRMAN.

My thoughts turned recently to Welton chairmen in my early days with the club. If it wasn't for Rex Milward and his family, we would not have a club today, as Rex and his two sons did most of the jobs and kept the club running for several years, albeit when my husband and I joined, with rallies just on Bank Holiday weekends. Then we had Ron French, who had been a wartime PT Instructor in the Forces and then a headmaster, and despite being many years older than most of us, was much fitter, and frequently seen helping other people with problems we get on the field. And Albert Rawlings, who had run a newsagent in Kent and then retired to Lincolnshire. During the war he was in the Tempsford in Bedfordshire. They flew under the radar, and their job was to drop the secret agents agents including Violette Szabo were taken out, and the lucky ones brought back, in these small planes, He said, "They (the agents), were a problem, they were so keen, they often wanted to jump before the plane had reached the drop zone, and I had to physically hang on to them to stop them jumping out." That is a conversation that you never forget.

You will by now have your 2023 rally book, so now is the time to start booking those rallies and looking forward to some warmer weather.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Jean

The rally slip has been redesigned so please use the new slip. There are a couple in your rally book. It will also be available on the website. I will also email every member an electronic copy. Please use as it has new information on it that many sites are now asking for.

Thank You. Tracy

It is the end of the year so anyone who has not renewed their membership it is now due. It remains £10 which you can pay by BAC's or send a Cheque to Tracy Totman name and address in the rally book.

Bank a/c details are

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Can you email Tracy if you pay by BAC's so that she knows and can send you your membership card.

Look forward to seeing you all next year.

Rally Reports.

Carsington Fields, Derbyshire.

We were greeted by Jean, Jeremy Christine and Boris, being the first to arrive we had a choice of pitches. There was hard standing, but it was near a fence and backed onto some trees which Jean felt left us out of any sunshine we would see, and so we all pitched on the grass. A bit of a mistake as it turned out to become somewhat muddy. Hind sight is a wonderful thing!!

The site was lovely, and the owners were very friendly and helpful. They had goats and chickens, roaming around, but they never came anywhere near our caravans. I know we will be returning as it was a great experience. Lots to do in the area. Very close to Carsington Water, being able to walk to the reservoir from the site, the water levels were shockingly low. Most of us took the opportunity to visit several National Trust properties around the area, David and I went to Calke Abbey and Hardwick House. Ashbourne was a few miles up the road, as was Belper. Several members went to Bakewell and to Dovedale.

Many of us drove Jeans recommended tour of the villages that took in Hartington, great place for cheese, Tisington, where we bought great lamb shanks from the local butcher, yum yum. The drive was interesting with beautiful views.

We all got together for a meal out at the pub The Miners Arms in Carsington, which was a lovely evening with great food and company. There was plenty of cakes and cups of teas, despite the weather being somewhat inclement at times.

Great area with lots to do, one place no one could get bored with. Good bus service too.



Tracy and Dave Totman.

AGM Rally at Winsford, Cheshire.

The site for the rally was a mixture of grass and hard standing pitches with first class facilities all of which were within easy reach for everyone.

The AGM of the Club was held during the rally.

The rally was marshalled by David and Tracy who once again kept everything running smoothly. There were 9 units on the rally.

There was a very nice pub within walking distance of the site where the AGM dinner was held and attended by all members present on the rally.

Places to visit included several National Trust properties and gardens, Port Sunlight village, Cheshire Oaks Shopping centre and many others.

Thanks to everyone who helped in any way to make this rally a success.

David Vigors.

Broadhembury, Kent.

Hello fellow campers, firstly we would like to thank Viv and Bernie for marshalling our 10 days in Kent.

We had an enjoyable time, we had a games evening, it was a bit chilly in the room, but we soon warmed up. Afternoon cream tea with scones and a natter put the world to right. Ha Ha.

We would like to Thank David and Tracy for booking all our sites. We wish everyone a Happy Christmas and a Happy New Year and look forward to seeing you all in 2023.

Phil and Gill Dance.



Hon Secretary Vacancy.

This is notice that Tracy will not be standing for Secretary after the 2023 AGM. We are looking for someone to take over this position please. Tracy is happy to discuss the role with anyone interested and is happy to help anyone into the role.

Jean will be standing down as Chairperson and Tracy would like to take on that role. Jean has already served longer in this position than she should have done but it has been unprecedented times with COVID. Tracy feels with David being Rally Secretary it is too much to do both roles. **WE NEED YOU TO VOLUNTEER.** Without a Hon Secretary we cannot continue to run.

The Chairman, and Committee would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and look forward to seeing you on a rally in 2023.



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