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RESTORER

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A line-up of tractors on display at the 2017 crank-up at the Mattin's Meadow, Little Tey

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EDITORIAL

I was sorry to hear that the Long Melford Steam Rally will not be taking place after all this year.

Aldham bound large exhibits are invited to attend the EARM Transport Extravaganza on 27-28 May, where they can be left for onward move to Aldham 2 weeks later. Arrange this via email with nickwproud@btinternet.com

Two losses to the rail fraternity recently are Richard Hardy and Sir William McAlpine, both will be sorely missed. I wonder what will become of Fawley Hill Estate and the huge collection. We had a coach visit two years ago.

Lack of space means again holding over my memories of the *Clacton Queen* steam roller and Lamplight items.

Note the revised club meeting venues for May and July.

With the arctic March weather doing it's best to convince us otherwise, Spring and the rally season is here again and with our Aldham Rally less than two months away, it's time to get those entry forms sent in.

I have made it known during the last few years my desire to start handing over most of my involvement with the rally, and also club commitments - so far without much response. As my "tooth gets ever longer", so the need increases and must be addressed. I hope to carry on for this season, but even this is uncertain - depending on how my knees hold out, hopefully deferring any action the Doctor may deem necessary until post Aldham. There are various tasks that could be shared around. For the rally jobs, it would be good if new incumbents were to work alongside me this year to learn the ropes of the Ring Co-ordinator job on the rally weekend, prior to taking over the next year. Other rally tasks like publicity, programme design and production, planning parade order and timings, posters and entry form production, etc. will also need addressing.

Club commitments could be split without much trouble, the newsletter editorial role could be done separately, especially if members provided content, with me retaining the actual printing for now if required, with print ready copy being emailed to me. At present I also maintain a data base for print address labels and the distribution checklist, which could easily be taken over by someone. Various other things (Rally Entry and Club Membership forms, AGM Minutes, etc) should also eventually be handled by another, although these are not an immediate concern. If you think you could take on something but not want to commit without knowing more, please feel free to give me a call any afternoon or evening to chat.

The culprit is Osteo-Arthritis in the knees and thumbs, now a pain when climbing up to the top tier at Portman Road, but then so is watching most matches a pain and gives another excuse to not renew my season ticket!

NEW GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION

Included with this issue is a sheet explaining some of the requirements of a new European Regulation which all companies, organisations and clubs are required to comply with, regardless of size. This consent form needs to be completed and returned to the Membership Secretary by 25th May to allow us to continue to communicate with you by mail, phone or text. From that date, without your authority we would no longer legally be permitted to use previously held data to sent out newsletters, even if it is the same data as you put on the new form. In effect, unless we have your specific authority on the enclosed form, non compliance means that your newsletter will stop after this issue and we will not be allowed to contact you to say why.

For joint/family memberships all signatures are required (there is no mention regarding infant members!).

The club is required to provide a Privacy Policy which sets out how we collect, use or share your data and for what purpose. We do not pass on your contact details to any other organisation or individual, unless used in connection with any advert which you submit for the newsletter. The main use, apart from the obvious need to record who is a member, is for newsletter distribution, either by mail or in person using a membership checklist, also to notify members of any important short notice event change. The new law also requires a yearly renewal of your details and signed authority. The only other information that we record is a junior member's DOB and how long a membership has been held for. To assist in recording future late membership renewals, data will be archived for a reasonable period after expiry.

Officially seen as a step forward, with you having more control over how your data is used and how you're contacted by companies, to me it looks like an unmanageable monster is about to be set loose. Just as "Health & Safety" is banded about to cover anything, so too could this GDPR thing. I am not aware of any publicity giving advice on how it could affect small clubs, lending itself to whatever interpretation, ignorance or over reaction any club thinks necessary to cover themselves, giving us another H&S syndrome.

As far as I can see, our club is already applying the spirit of data protection, not having provided members with the popular yearly Membership Directory for several years and not generally divulging any unauthorised email, phone or address details to others. The existing wording on our Membership Form states that any general emailing to members will be limited to such things as short notice changes and that email addresses will not be divulged. We need to change the wording to a minor extent as the new requirement calls for positive specific acceptances, rather than by default with an opt-out option. This new requirement is for positive acceptance on an annual basis, which complicates membership renewal. We apologise for any inconvenience.

Please return the completed form to Christine Attmere, 15 Station Road, Earls Colne, Colchester. CO6 2ER. Alternatively you can scan it and email to her at the address on the line below.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS Membership Sec: Christine Attmere |

No new members notified this month. Club clothing will be on sale from the tent at the Rally.

REPORT ON RECENT CLUB EVENTS

FEBRUARY CLUB NIGHT –

An Essex Police Commercial Vehicle Unit presentation covering regulations relative to our activities, including towing and licences. Those relating to towing categories were quite complex, likely to not be fully understood by members even now – probably also applying to most police officers! For example it seems an ordinary car licence is ok if pulling a trailer capable of carrying more than, but not actually loaded above 750kg. A very good question and answer session followed, with some booklets and goodies available.

MARCH CLUB NIGHT -

Geoff Gibling talk - "His Working Country Life". Geoff kept us entertained with his recollections over the years.

FORTHCOMING CLUB NIGHTS AND EVENTS

APRIL CLUB NIGHT – Thursday 19th

A visit from the Old 20 Parts Company to give a talk on their organisation, so any items that you may wish to order beforehand can be delivered at that time and so avoiding your carriage costs. Tel.01332 792698

MATTINS CRANK-UP at Little Tey. Sunday 6th May. PH.

Alan has confirmed that this will go ahead. Help is required for setting up on the Saturday from 10am, particularly as Pauline will still need to take it easy after her operation, although progressing well. Contact Alan to confirm attendance and any offer of help.

MAY CLUB RE-ARRANGED VISIT – Thursday 17th 7.00pm.

(The proposed visit to Ernest Doe & Sons has unfortunately had to be called off because of insurance issues).

Now a visit to the Mattin's Private Collection at Little Tey. This is not the stuff normally seen at the crank-up, although parking as usual in the meadow in Church Lane.

ALDHAM RALLY 9th & 10th June

Time to get those entry forms in as the closing date is now only two weeks away. A rally poster is included with this issue. More forms are available on line, or I can email to you on request. **Help set up** Thursday 7th. Please remember to return any trophies awarded last year to Alan Mattin. Auction payout will now be by post.

JULY CLUB VISIT 19th **7.00pm** – To the revamped Maldon Military Museum Display. Directions in next issue.

AUGUST CLUB VISIT- Thursday 16th. Now confirmed.

Visit to Bill Kembal's collection at Bentwaters. The club will cover the normal £10 adult admission charge (*which makes your club £10 membership fee good value*), so defraying your transport costs. We will need a list of those going, so add your names to the list in the club tent at Aldham. But please honour any booking, do not add your name just in case. To see it all in daylight we need to meet at the Control Tower for a **6.45pm** start, so beware of traffic delays at Copdock Mill junction. We will likely be taken around the locations by tractor on passenger carrying trailers. Full directions and sat-nav info will be in the June issue.

OTHER EVENTS which are requesting our club members participation.

Tattingstone Tractor club will hold their annual Tractor Run from the White Horse on Saturday 12th May, also a gathering beside the Orwell Bridge in the grounds of the Suffolk Food Hall on Saturday 25th August.

An Entry Form for May is on www.tattingstonetractors.com/bookingform.pdf which you could also use for the Bridge if you alter the event and date shown. Details of the event are also shown on the web.

(The exhibit booking fee mentioned includes a pub lunch at Tattingstone or meal at the Food Hall).

Coach excursion to the Dover Transport Museum 14th July.

Whilst we are not planning our own coach this year, members are welcome to join this one being run by the IDHTS (Ipswich & District Historical Transport Society). £40 Includes evening meal on return leg. Pick-up could be arranged for opposite Eight Ash Green Holiday Inn 9.00am. Details/book/form IDHTS 01473-402152

Marks Hall will be holding a "Country Fair" event in their grounds on w/e 21-22 July, just up the road from our own rally. They specifically ask for participation by our club members. Book directly with them, 01376 563796 or get an entry form from rebecca.lee@markshall.org.uk

Layer Marney Tower Festival of Farming, working weekend. Sun-Mon 25-26Aug PH. Full details later.

Club participation is encouraged. A big new event with emphasis on all working aspects through the year.

Ploughing Matches in our region - a few known dates.

Rochford Hundred Ag. Soc. Ploughing Match Sat 22nd September at Hawkwell Hall Farm, Rectory Road, Hawkwell, SS5 4LL. Booking contact not known but see Ernest Doe web site.

Greensted Green & District Agricultural Club Ploughing Match 29th September at Little Mapelstead Hall Farm, Church Lane, Lt Leys, CM3 1PG - contact Ken Vince 07850 579413 or janice.bodger@yahoo.co.uk

STEAM TRAINS.

It was another instance of the curse on steam trains to East Anglia. Recently *Flying Scotsman* had a visit postponed after developing a hot bearing at Peterborough, then Britannia class 70013 *Oliver Cromwell* suffered a similar fate at Diss on 22nd February with an overheated big end bearing, delaying arrival. The return train was diesel hauled – not so bad as after dark, unless you paid for a ticket! The repaired engine and support coach returned to Southall depot under it's own power the following Wednesday – ironically when no other trains could run because of the snow! The Sizewell tour ran on April 15th but gauging problems saw the B1 replaced with vintage diesel power, the 37 sounding great climbing up to Westerfield.

MEMBERS MARKET PLACE Nothing notified this month, probably as the Aldham Auction is near.

EVENTS DIARY – MEMBERS OCCASIONAL GUESTS ARE WELCOME **WITHOUT CHARGE AT NORMAL CLUB NIGHTS.**

Omissions do not imply an event not taking place, just not seen dates confirmed yet. Some details could change later.

DIRECTIONS TO OUR STANWAY ROVERS MEETING ROOM ARE ON YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD.

If required, a Directions Sheet with Map can be obtained by email or post, by contacting the Editor.

Thu	19 April	Club Night Old 20 Parts Co. Nick Battelle – collect ordered parts & paint on night. -	
Fr-Su	20-22 April	North Norfolk Railway Spring Steam Gala	NR26 8RA 01263 820800
Sat	21 April	Cheffins Vintage Auction	CB6 2QT
w/e	21-22 April	Eastern Counties Vintage Show, Norfolk Showground.	NR5 0TT 07753 182065
w/e	21-22 April	London Transport Museum & Depot, Acton. Open Weekend. 11am-5pm	LTmuseum.co.uk
Sun	22 April	FBHVC National Drive-it Day. Blow the cobwebs off time	-
Sun	22 April	EARM Chappel, 2for1 drivers entry on Drive-It Day & drive diesel for £5	01371 859084
Sun	29 April	Old Buckenham Airfield,Wings & Wheels. www.oldbuck.com	NR17 1PU 01953 860806
Sun	6 May	Club Crank-up & run in Mattin's Meadow, Little Tey.+ set up help Sat	01206 210307
Sun	6 May	HCVS London – Brighton Run	01403 822045
Sun	6 May	ITM Ipswich-Felixtowe Road-Run. From Christchurch Park 11am	01473 715666
Su-Mo	6-7 May	Stradsett Park Vintage Rally. Near Downham Market.	PE33 9HA 01945 880091
Su-Mo	6-7 May	Truckfest, Peterborough Showground	PE2 6XE 01775 768661
Sat	12 May	Tattingstone Tractor Run. Entry form & details from c@cftom.com	01473 328000
w/e	12-13 May	Saffron Walden Crank-up. Sparrow's End, Newport	CB11 3TU 07882 175438
Thu	17 May 7pm	Club Night Visit -Revised A visit to the Mattin' Private Collection. 7pm	
w/e	19-20 May	Milton Keynes Industrial Museum, Old Lawnmower Club Rally. MK12 9EL	01908 316222
w/e	19-20 May	Stonham Barns Steam Rally. www.stonhambarns.co.uk	IP14 6AT 01449 711111
Sun	20 May	Museum of Power, Langford. Olde Tyme Rallye	CM9 6QA 01621 843183
Sun	20 May	Stow Maries Airfield. Wings & Wheels www.stowmaries.org.uk	CM3 6RM 01245 808744
Fr-Su	25-27 May	Dordt in Stoom, Netherlands. Biennial Steam Fest www.dordtinstoom.nl	See website
Sa-Su	26-27 May	Duxford Air Festival	CB22 4QR
Sa-Mo	26-28 May	Strumpshaw Steam Rally www.strumpshawsteamuseum.co.uk	NR13 4HR 07850 195622
Sun	27 May	Kettle Autojumble. Church Farm,Kettleburgh,£3.50 8am-1pm	IP13 7LF 01728 724858
Su-Mo	27-28 May	EARM Chappel, Transport Extravaganza, club members welcome.	01371 859084
We-Th	30-31 May	Suffolk Show. (Beware- Admission £28 Adults)	IP3 8UH
w/e	2-3 June	Woolpit Steam Rally, Warren Farm, Wetherden.	IP14 3JX 01449 737443
Thu	7 June	Rally Field Set up evening. Can you lend a hand?	01787 221588
Fr-Su	8-10 June	Epping-Ongar Railway Steam Gala.	CM5 9BN 01277 365200
w/e	9-10 June	Aldham Rally	CO6 2PP 01787 221588
Sun	10 June	Euston Park Rural Pastimes	IP14 2QL 01359 269465
w/e	16-17 June	MEBCC Rally, Great Waldingfield Airfield www.mebcc.org	01245 420168
w/e	16-17 June	Great Yarmouth Air Show. www.great-yarmouth.co.uk/air-show	NR30 3JF -
Sun	17 June	Vintage Horticultural Garden Machinery Display at Ipswich Transport Museum	01473 715666
w/e	7-8 July	Long Melford Vintage Rally CANCELLED	
Sat	14 July	Tendring Show Club Display. Book with Dave Culham in good time.	01206 323944
Sat	14 July	Coach to Dover Transport Museum. Pick-up at Holiday Inn bus stop.	01473-402152
w/e	14-15 July	Duxford Flying Legends Air Show	CB22 4QR
w/e	14-15 July	Cambridgeshire Steam Rally. www.cambridgeshiresteamrally.co.uk	07990 947510
Sun	15 July	Langford Museum of Power Barleycorn Fayre. sallyb@museumofpower.org.uk	01621 843183
Thu	19 July 7pm	Club Night Visit. To the revamped Maldon Military Museum. 7pm	
Fri-Su	20-22 July	Weeting Steam Rally. www.weetingrally.co.uk	IP27 0QF 01842 810317
Sat	21 July	Cheffins Vintage Sale	CB6 2QT
w/e	21,22 July	Marks Hall Garden & Country Show. rebecca.lee@markshall.org.uk	01376 563796
w/e	21,22 July	Stow Maries at war www.stowmaries.org.uk	CM6 3RM 01245 808744
w/e	28-29 July	Old Buckenham Air Show. www.oldbuckenhamairshow.co.uk	NR17 1PU
Thu	16 August	Club Night Visit to the Kemball Collection at Bentwaters– <i>book your place</i>	
w/e	18-19 August	Lincolnshire Steam & Vintage Rally. www.lsvr.org	LN2 2NA 01507 605937
Th-Fr	23-24 August	Clacton Air Show. www.clactonairshow.com	CO15 1LA 01255 686633
Th-Mo	23-27 August	50 th Great Dorset Steam Fair. www.gdsf.co.uk	DT11 8HX 01258 860361
Sat	25 August	Tattingstone Tractors event at Suffolk Food Hall near Orwell Bridge	01473 328000
Su-Mo	26-27 August	Festival of Farming. Charringtons, Layer Marney Tower.	CO5 9US 01206 330784
w/e	8-9 Sept	Haddenham Steam Rally www.haddenhamsteamrally.co.uk	CB6 3PT 01487 842771
Period	6-9,13-16 Sept	National Heritage Free Open Days. See local press	
Fr-Su	14-16 Sept	Bedfordshire Steam & Country Fair. www.bseps.org.uk	SG18 9EP 01462 851711
w/e	15-16 Sept	Henham Steam Rally. www.henhamsteamrally.com	NR34 8AQ Various. See www
Thur	20 September	Club Night. The Great Essex Earthquake, by Petwr Jones.	
w/e	22-23 Sept	Duxford Battle of Britain Air Show	CB22 4QR
Period	23 Sep-02 Oct	Paddle Steamer Waverley Excursions 23,25,26 Sep, 1-2 Oct.	0141 243 2224
Sat	20 October	Wheels by Lamplight at Ipswich Transport Museum. 5.30 to 9.00pm	01473 715666
Sat	20 October	Cheffins Vintage Sale	CB6 2QT