



NWMMOC NEWSLETTER

October 2023

More Awards for Ash's Convertible



Ash Holmes has won two more awards for his restored convertible: *Best in Show* at both the Isle of Wight Branch Rally and the Bristol Branch Rally. Many congratulations.

Pam writes, on the IOW Branch Rally, 1-2 September: *Pleasant drive and visit to the Donkey Sanctuary on Saturday afternoon, and then the rally took place at the Havenstreet Steam Railway on Sunday, where many rally participants went for rides on the steam train, tram and vintage open top double decker bus.*

Bristol Branch Rally 16 Sept

Ash and Pam along with Bill represented North Wilts Branch at the Bristol Branch Rally at the East Somerset Railway near Shepton Mallett.

An excellent venue with steam train rides, cafe, model shop and lots of railway and local history.



Wiltshire Air Ambulance, 26 September



Critical Care Paramedic Louise brought along a photo of her first car!

On Tuesday 26th September NWMMOC members met at Studley Grange Garden Centre. After refreshments at 12.15pm 8 cars departed with Alex leading and Steve at the rear. We passed by the Avebury stones, Devizes and continued through villages on the route to Westbury.

On the outskirts of the village of Erlestoke Harry had stopped in a lay-by due to a puncture in the front offside wheel. Several cars had stopped and members were assisting Harry in replacing the wheel. We then proceeded on our way to the air ambulance station arriving just in time for our 2pm meeting. When we entered the air ambulance station we observed the helicopter landing after attending an incident.

Bill and Alex positioned their cars adjacent to the helicopter and photographs were taken of the group. Then Simon the pilot and Paul the paramedic gave an informative talk on their work with the air ambulance.

Before leaving a raffle was held and we raised £130 which included £50 donated by the club for the Wiltshire Air Ambulance.

Stephen Rogers

Please note new address of Webb's Garage, previously of Cherry Tree Lane, Cirencester. The telephone number is unchanged.



Nice to see a Traveller as a symbol of the British motor industry, in the Welcome Area of the National Motor Museum, Beaulieu.

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DEADLINE 25 OCTOBER

Please send contributions for the November Newsletter by 25 October.

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A diesel-hauled passenger train in "blood and custard" livery speeds through Chapel-en-le-Frith Central station at the Model Railway Exhibition at STEAM Museum, Swindon, on the weekend of 9-10 September. Three Issigonis designs are in the foreground. What are the other two cars?

NORTH WILTS BRANCH EVENTS

Sunday 8 October 2:00pm: North Wilts Branch AGM at Castle Eaton Village Hall. Slideshow of the year's events; quiz and feely-bag competition; teas and coffees; Chairman's report and Treasurer's Report; election of Chair and Committee for 2023-24; Area 4 Liaison Officer Jenni Wood will be present to update us on recent and future activities. Contact [Gill](#).

Sunday 5 November: "Autumn Colours" at Westonbirt Arboretum. Contact [Kathleen](#)

Sunday 17 December: Christmas Indoor Picnic Lunch at Castle Eaton Village Hall. Mulled wine. Please bring your contributions to this year's **Christmas Hamper for Swindon Night Shelter**. Contact [Gill](#).

January 2024 (date to be confirmed): New Year Lunch. Contact [Gill](#)



This carnival float "A Windmill in Old Amsterdam" was built by the ambulance station team and residents of Burnivale, Malmesbury in 1973, on the Traveller belonging to Dave Thornbury. Here's the same place 50 years later.

Visit to the Classic Motor Hub

Paul Kimmens has offered to arrange a weekday visit if enough people are interested. Please contact **Paul** to express your interest: pkdj@sky.com. Hub info is at <http://classicmotorhub.com/>



A card from Jeff and Jacquie Hide



Dear NWMMOC members,

This is just a thank you all, on the occasion of the club's 2023 AGM, for the years of enjoyment my Jacquie and I had with you in Baggins before I injured my left knee preventing use of a clutch.

Baggins went on the market on a Monday and was sold for the asking price on the following Friday - it was a good Moggy and has now gone to a new home in Essex.

As it was not possible to find an automatic Moggy, I have had to buy a Merc SLK 2 seater automatic and pay the exorbitant tax and insurance.

I wish you all good fortune, good health and maintained exemptions for historic vehicles.

Jeff and Jacquie



Many thanks Jeff and Jacquie for your card, and your past contributions to the Branch. We look forward to our paths crossing at future events!

Bill, on behalf of NWMMOC