

NWMMOC NEWSLETTER

March 2021





At the committee meeting in January we conferred honorary membership on **Julian and Susie Marshall** in recognition of all their support over the years. They wrote:

"Thank you for the fine certificate, we shall treasure it. We feel very honoured to be given such a privilege from the club, please convey our gratitude to the committee. We also have a very smart new front door now, and the generous gift from the club helped to pay for it, so we have visible reminders of our happy days with all the members and activities which we partook in with the club. Our thanks for that too! We look forward to seeing you when restrictions are eased. We would like to come down for the Rally."

2 Feb 2021 Dear Gill and All at Northwests Branch, How lovely to receive my card and present. I have enjoyed writing for the club, and who knows, perhaps there will be a time when I can resume it. sadly, my walking is a but limited, and I haven't run for ages. I'm looking to exercise wim my dodgy hip! I'm probably going to get a mountain bike so that I can enjoy our country park without hurting my hip. I notice the gift card can be used at Halfords. Perfect! All the very best to everyone at North Wilts and a

In response to the thank-you card and voucher we sent to **Sarah Higgins** for her work on Newsletters and Branch Reports to Minor Matters, we have received a letter from her, reproduced here. Thank you Sarah, and we hope your mobility difficulties can be relieved soon.



Susan Akrill, MMOC Branch Liaison Officer, wrote to us on 22 February:

"Well done and thank you to all in North Wilts for keeping your branch active, lively and together during these awful past months."

"Linolite" talk, 27 February

Sharon Nolan, Chair of the Council of Athelstan Museum Malmesbury, sends thanks for NWMMOC's donation to funds. "Thank you to those who joined us, for your positive feedback on this unique story, and for your support for the Museum."

Please check out our Website extensively updated by Ash Holmes. Your contributions/updates are requested for the Branch Cars section. www.northwiltsmmoc.co.uk and ash.holmes221b@icloud.com

NEXT EVENTS

Saturday 27 March: Members' Zoom Meeting, NEW TIME 7:30 pm. Present your car or your hobby, 5 minutes. We have some entries, but would welcome more. Contact Bill now please. bill@euclidvillas.co.uk

From 29 March: HAMPER RELAY 2

Max distances between members about 20 miles, but only 10 miles if you arrange to meet half way for hamper handovers. Further details to follow. In the meantime we have heard from Mike Welsh:

"That is good news. Hope all is well with you and the Club. We are now running a Goddard Park Foodshare directly from school every Wednesday afternoon from 3-4.30pm with the support of Swindon Night Shelter and staffed by the Satellite Rotary Club to provide key food necessities for those families in need in the south and east of Swindon. So another Hamper then will be gratefully received. We can seek further publicity at that time. Looking forward to when we eventually can meet together again."

Sunday 25 April: BRANCH BUBBLE DAY

Drive-It-Day cannot take place as planned. Instead we propose **BRANCH BUBBLE DAY**. Here's what to do: Arrange to meet on 25 April with one other member in your area, at a location with an interesting background if possible. Get a photograph of yourselves with your two cars and send it to Bill (full resolution please). We will then compile all the photos together and post them on our website and in a Newsletter. If you need to find a member close to you, please contact **Gill** for information.

Sun 23 May: Drive-out

We hope this can be the route originally planned for Drive-It-Day. More information when the destination is confirmed.

SATURDAY 3 JULY: A NEW DATE AND A GREAT EVENT FOR OUR 40th ANNIVERSARY BRANCH RALLY at the Army Flying Museum in association with "Wallop Wheels and Wings". FULL DETAILS TO FOLLOW VERY SOON.



Summer: North Wilts Minors On Tour to Peak District

A few days camping or B&B, meet up with Julian & Susie Marshall in Wirksworth. Contact Bill if you are interested.

Other events:

26-27 June: MMOC National Rally, Kelmarsh Hall. Andrew Stone writes: "If we get the go-ahead, people will need to pre-register on the club website / office to ensure the club can manage numbers. Further details in the May Minor Matters."

10-11 July Market Lavington Vintage Meet CANCELLED

6-7-8 August: Glos Vintage Extravaganza, S. Cerney AWAITING CONFIRMATION

30 August: Cowley Classic CONFIRMED

Dragonfly have launched a 2021 series of "Classics for Carers" rally plates in support of NHS charities. Last year, £17,500 was raised. You can get plates and stickers here: shop.dragonflyrally.co.uk

