

THE SARUM MODEL TRACTION ENGINE CLUB

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Welcome to the Sarum Model Traction Engine Club newsletter.

Your Committee members are:

Pete Parrish, Chairperson
Sharon Staton, Treasurer
Peter Hounslow, Committee member
David Watts, Committee member
John Findley, Committee/webmaster
Martyn Jones, Secretary/Newsletter editor

Forth Coming Events.

- 16th August Hospice Garden Party. Wilton House, Wilton. Further details Pete Parrish.
- 30th August. Wallop Vintage Gathering and Car Boot Sale at the Over Wallop Sports Field, Salisbury Lane. 10.00am-4.00pm. Sarum Club invited to attend.
- 31st August. Newton Tony Steam Up and Road Run including static model display.
Coal and water supplied, details P Parrish.
(Bank Holiday Monday, Newton Tony Village Fête)
- 13th September. West Wilts Society of Model Engineers (Westbury). All engines in steam invited plus static display. (further details please contact Pete Parrish)

Hospice Garden Party. Wilton House, On the 16th August, members are invited to attend this event but entry to exhibitors is by pass only due to new estate security arrangements, please contact Pete Parrish as soon as possible if you would like to attend and he will arrange your pass and issue any further entry details. Coal and water will be supplied for exhibitors.(no pass no entry!)

Club members wish Roger Melton a speedy recovery after his recent stay in hospital.

Club Secretary, this is a reminder that the club secretary/newsletter editor is standing down at the next Annual General Meeting in April 2016 after five years in the post. The role is not to onerous and if need be could be split between two volunteers one carrying out the secretarial role which covers general club correspondence, membership details, taking minutes of committee meetings etc, and the other volunteer producing the successful monthly newsletter either in it's current form or a completely new format, the choice is yours. If there are any members willing to take on these roles please let the Secretary know so that there can be a smooth transition next year, any help, assistance and guidance to the new post holders will be readily available from the outgoing club secretary.

Durrington Village Show and Vintage Vehicle Gathering

After a hard rain storm between 5.00am and 6.00am the show was held in glorious sunshine, exhibitor numbers was again up on last year and the site was packed from fence line on all sides, the number of spectators was the most ever attending so the organisers are doing something right. The model steam line up was well supported as usual with the club stand manned throughout the day by club members. Pete Parrish and Mike Penny kept the engines supplied with coal and water and answered many questions throughout the day from the enquiring spectators. Club members with engines in steam included Steve Anderson, Andy Rogers and Elliott, Dave Watts with their Burrells, Tony Taylor with his Foden Wagon, Phil Edney and his Fowler and Ted Austin with Paul Cossens Minnie and back in the club gazebo Bob Holden was showing his recently completed 2" Burrell.

It was good to see Paul Cossens back on the circuit keeping an eye on every one!.



Model steam line up in the arena .



Best steam entry went to Dave Watts with his handsome 4" Burrell 3 speed road Locomotive.

On a new note, would the club membership like to have its OWN ground to do yearly boiler testing? If there is enough interest there is some where the club could have, but it will need some tidying up and maintaining i.e serious gardening and grass cutting . All this would have to be done on a regular bases and NOT left to just a couple of members, the club would have to insure the site for public liability just in case there are any accidents on the property, but this site would not be open to the public only members and invited guests. The site has vehicle access and is locked and secure. If the club is to get involved in this venture you must ring the chairman (01980 610346) with your views and I will put it to the committee . The site is near Salisbury but will be kept secret until the club makes a decision! SO COME ON YOU GARDENERS.

Bristol Model Engineering and Hobbies Exhibition, this takes place at the Leisure Centre, Thornbury, Near Bristol, BS35 3JB, and is on the 14th, 15th and 16th August, admission from 10.00am and costs £9.50 adult plus concessions.

For Sale.

1½" Allchin Traction Engine. Complete set of castings, complete boiler kit including flanged end plates, front and rear wheels started but not fully finished, complete drawing set and build manual. All for £375.00 yes £375.00. please ring Mike Herron 01935 420086.

3" Burrell Traction Engine and driving trolley, copper boiler, on rubbers, finished to a high standard and very clean. £6750.00 ono. Tel. Bob Thomson 01722 322778.

3½" scale Minnie Traction Engine. Built 1987 with current boiler certificate, complete with two passenger trolleys and vehicle box trailer with 12 volt winch fitted and ramps. Open to offers. Tel. Paul Cosen 01264 394107

Display cabinets suitable for model trains 00, 0, gauge 1, model cars etc, 1 off 41 inches long, 21 inches high and 2½ inches deep, 5 shelves. 1 off 41 inches long, 22½ inches high and 4½ inches deep, 3 shelves. £125.00 each. Tel. John Gardener 02380 783079.

Books,

Steam in the Village by R A Whitehead. £8.00

Fairground Engines in Focus by John Crawley. £12.00

Burrell Showman's Road Locomotives by Michael Lane. No dust jacket. £20.00

Great Dorset Steam Fair programs from years past, please enquire.

The Traction Engine Archive, volumes 1,2 and 3, as new £10.00 each.

Traction Engines in Colour by Barry Finch. With dust cover £5.00

Please contact the editor (Martyn Jones) for further details on the above.

Wanted

Old motorcycles or just parts, anything considered, realistic prices paid. Contact the editor.

Items for the news letter, short write up and a picture will do fine. Please send details to the editor.

"Just The Ticket Engineering Supplies", Roger Melton (club member) can supply from stock tools and materials for the model engineer and the light engineering industry. Typical stock includes drills, reamers, taps and dies, various lathe and milling cutters, BA nuts, bolts and washers, rivets, paints, steel/brass stock and much more. Catalogues are available so please give him a call on 01980 610058.

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