

Wigtownshire Yesteryear Transport & Machinery Club

Newsletter November 2017

CLUB INFORMATION

Our Club website is open to a wide range of readers so please remember that the content reflects on the Club and its members. Nothing derogatory, contentious or rude please. The Committee have full editorial control. No phone numbers will be shown on the site but key members will have an email address linked to the site. Thank You.

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Ed's Bits

Well, Christmas is here again, within we have details of the Christmas lunch, this year to be in Castle Douglas. Within this newsletter there are details of how and where to find the venue. The menu and how to order and a reminder about the Secret Santa gift are also within.

Sadly though dear reader, despite Christmas in the offing, we have another sad month with another fellow traveller who has passed away. As a Citroen fan myself, and having worked through quite a significant number of Andre Citroen's front wheel drive cars, I shall miss the fellow Citroenist that was Helmut Schutz.

Ed.

P.S. I have just received this email from Thumper - "Good news. Joe (Mitchell) had a double bypass today and they are very pleased with him. Will keep you informed. Thumper". **Ed.**

M INUTES OF MEETING OF WYTMC – 6th November 2017

The meeting opened at 2pm with 19 members in attendance and apologies from Alan & Judith, Lynne & Derek, Alan McW and Lesley G. It was also good to see Sandy and Christine back in place after their marathon journeys to Glasgow over the last few weeks. Best wishes to you both. (Thank you Thumper. Ed)

We, Beryl and I, had a letter this morning (7th) telling us that Joe Mitchell will be going into the Golden Jubilee on the 8th to have his open heart operation on the 9th. Friends we met at Inga's funeral will be keeping us in touch with progress. He will be in for two weeks followed by respite in either Girvan or Ayr. We wish him well.

Ian then opened with the news of the passing of Helmut Schutz and we stood for a moments silence in remembrance. Helmut would be best remembered for his Citroen 2CV and an early Mercedes Benz.

Ian then went on to say we need to be giving thought to next year's events with regard to possible routes for runs. He and Rudi had a trial run around the Machars taking in the Bladnoch Distillery as a possible stopover. This could be our May 2018 pre Rally Run. Thoughts and ideas please, for this and other potential outings. Sandy then chipped in to tell us of the Dalmellington Waterside Industrial Railway centre as a visit venue and will get back Rudi with thoughts.

With nothing more to add Ian then passed over to Rudi who had two points to make, the first concerning the issue of the British Vintage Vehicle newsletter saying that if anyone wanted a look at this to let him know. As you know this is full of up to date information on the state of play regarding all aspects of the use and enjoyment of classic and vintage vehicles. He also told us that next year's Drive it Day will be the 22nd of April.

The question was then asked if anyone had any information on a Norman Taggart of Stranraer who is on the mailing list. Rudi had mail returned recently and has been unable to contact him.

Over now to Liz who told us we had £1812 in the bank and that membership renewal date would be 1st February with membership fee of £15 for existing members and £18 for new. Forms would be issued in January.

Alister had the Christmas Menu for the Kings Arms in Castle Douglas to be held on the 10th December. This will be circulated with the November Newsletter and you need to get your choice in quickly.

Keith then said he was in touch with the Morgan Club with a view to attending our Rally next May. The SVVF AGM is on the 19th of this month in Perth and Keith will attend as no one else volunteered to go.

Derek then came in to tell us of a Vehicle Trim Specialist based in Newton Stewart. She was recommended by Border Cars presumably in Dumfries as a check by Ian had revealed that Stranraer were not aware of her. More to come on this.

Over now to Liz who gave us a very interesting and enlightening talk on St John the Priory of Scotland.

Historically this goes back to 11th century Jerusalem with the Specialist Eye Hospital still well to the fore there. They are also very active, among others, in Malawi and Gaza irrespective of faith or creed with child health a priority. Liz handed out leaflets covering this and also our own area of West Galloway. This really is a wonderful organisation providing palliative and cancer care in full cooperation with the NHS D&G.

Many well known historical figures and places have been involved. Malta, Torpichen, David 1 of Scotland, Napoleon and many others. They are also involved in rescue on mountain and at sea with specialist vehicles for both mediums. In West Galloway they have two dedicated rooms at Stranraer for palliative care taking in 50 patients annually. We should all be very proud of Liz for her dedication to this organisation which deserves our full support.

There being no further business, Ian called for a vote of thanks and then closed the meeting at 3.15 pm.

Thumper

WYTMC 2017 Events Program

November	Monday	6	Club Meeting	02:00 PM	Belted Galloway, Newton Stewart. A speaker of St. John's Scotland will come to speak about this organisation.
December	Monday	4	Club Meeting	2:00 PM	Belted Galloway, Newton Stewart. Our member Derek Smith will give a talk about Classic Car electrics. At a later date he shall give the talk about Quick Response Medical Emergency.
	Sunday	10	Christmas lunch		Christmas lunch: the Kings Arms in Castle Douglas. You can find details for the time and the menu in this Newsletter.

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January	Monday	1			No meeting. Next meeting February 2018.
February	Monday	5	Club Meeting	2:00 PM	Belted Galloway, Newton Stewart.

Obituary

Helmut Schutz – In Memoriam

Sadly it is with regret that we have to announce another club member's passing. Helmut Schutz passed away on Friday October 27th.

Helmut came to England from Germany, then eventually moved to Dublin where he worked as an electronics engineer and it was here he met Pat. After a time there, they moved on and eventually settled in Carluith 15 years ago.

Helmut and Pat joined the Club over 10 years ago and were well known for their 2CV cars. This was one of many types which Helmut had in his eclectic collection.

It is only recently that we heard of just how much travelled Helmut and Pat were with their Citroen Tractions and their 2CV.

This is a synopsis of some of their adventurous travels -

- Paris to Moscow twice
- Milan to Moscow
- Paris to Beijing through Mongolia and the Gobi Desert
- Australia twice
- West Africa through countries which are now impassable to travellers
- Alaska and on down through Canada to America.

There are probably others which we haven't heard about yet.

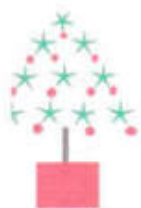
Our thoughts are with Pat and her family at this time.

Liz.



UK Registered Citroen Traction Avant as seen on t'internet. Ed.

WYTMC 2017 XMAS LUNCH MENU



*The King's Arms Hotel
Courtyard Restaurant
Christmas Menu 2017*

*Homemade Parsnip, Coconut & Chilli Soup
served with a Warm Bread Roll (gf)
Garlic Mushroom Crostini topped with Melted Brie (v)
Smoked Salmon & Prosecco Pate served with Oatcakes
Festive Melon served with a Passion Fruit &
Mango Sorbet with a Peach & Malibu Coulis (gf)*

*Traditional Turkey with Trimmings
Fillet of Salmon Veronique
(Poached Salmon in a Chardonnay &
Green Grape Cream sauce) (gf)
Braised Beef in a Red Wine & Shallot gravy served with Winter
vegetables
Stilton, Mushroom & Spinach Lasagne & Seasonal Salad (gf)*

Boiled Potatoes

Roast Potatoes

Chef's Selection of Vegetables

*Christmas Pudding with Brandy Sauce
Chocolate & Raspberry Snowflake
Winter Berry Pavlova (gf)
Glen Urr Ice Cream (gf)*

*Coffee / Tea &
Chocolate*

2 Course Lunch £15.95

3 Course Lunch £18.95



WYTMC 2017 CHRISTMAS LUNCH VENUE

Kings Arms
31-33 St Andrews Street
Castle Douglas DG7 1EL

Car Park is accessed from Queen Street

On street parking on St Andrews St & Queen St

Approach from the north along A713 which magically becomes At Andrews St

WYTMC 2017 MENU CHOICES FOR CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Please make your menu choices and then tell Alasdair Gordon

Alasdair's phone number is 01557 330542

and his email address is aygordon@talktalk.net

Alasdair needs to know your choices by or on the December 4th Club meeting. **NO LATER.**

WYTMC 2017 CHRISTMAS LUNCH SECRET SANTA

Don't forget to bring a Secret Santa gift to the Christmas Lunch

The gift should not cost more than £5

Gifts should be wrapped and are to be handed in on arrival

Gifts will be distributed during the meal

WYTMC 2017 TIMING FOR CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Arrival time is 12:30pm for 1:00pm

and now, I wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year, Ed.

4 SALE – CARS, COLLECTIBLES, SPARES, SUPPLIES

Deadline for inclusion is 10th of the month of issue to allow for processing

Please Note. After some discussion at a club meeting I have been asked that Club Members who want to advertise their cars or spares as “reasonable offer” please help their fellow members by quoting a price. Please also note that ads will continue to appear until the advertiser tells me to remove the ad either by phone or email, thank you.

Miscellaneous

Club Copy of 2016 Moffat Rally Video

The Club has a copy of the excellent video of the 2016 Moffat Rally & Run. It features every car at least twice that were on the Saturday jaunt (300 entries) & shots of the rally day, many by drone. The club has made it available to members at rental of £1 per member. **Contact Rally Secretary, Keith Jakeman**, contact details on newsletter front page, for details.

Custom Car Magazines

Is anybody interested in Custom Car Magazines from the 70's and 80's bound by year in hardcovers?

If you are, please contact me, Rudy, by email (rudy.bruens@btinternet.com) so I can put you in touch with the present owner.

WANTED (Members please contact me if you want to place a wanted ad for cars or parts)

FOR SALE

BOAT

AQUASPORT 21ft Cabin Cruiser on galvanised break back trailer, with Johnson GT 200 outboard. Bargain price £2,500. Ring Alan for details. **Tel. 01988 500029.**

VAUXHALL

1986 Vauxhall Cavalier MK2 convertible, 1.8 injection, 92000 miles, leather seats, No MoT but has 4 brand new tyres and is a good runner, offers around £4000, **Phone 07517 832970**, the car is in Newton Stewart. (These cars were converted by Hammond and Thiede in Germany for Opel)

SPARES

Morris

Morris 10 Crown wheel and Pinion for sale complete with Differential and Nose piece. It has been preserved in very thick grease for the last 40 years and is in very good condition. Price is £20.00p to a good home. **Phone 01557 330668**

Saab

Saab 99 glass – 2 laminated screens and some rear side windows for Combi hatchback and 2 door booted saloon. **Saab 900 glass** - 2 rear windows and hatchback glass from 900. Free to good home. Please call Sandy on **01655 770393**

TRADE SUPPLIERS

Batteries

Lincon Batteries, Southend on Sea, Essex, supply batteries by post if required, the acid is also supplied complete with instructions on how to fill the batteries. **Their number is 01702 525374/528711.**

Ford Spares

Ford Enthusiasts Club for all Ford models, Dumfries Organiser, Paul Pattinson, 01387 268422

Upholstery

Lyon Leathers Ltd, Northampton, can supply **leather skins** for small and large projects. Small parts, e.g. straps and gaiters, can be made to measure. **Telephone 01604 639346**

Engineering

Thomas McKean, Precision Engineers & Engine Reconditioners, 66 Annan Road, Dumfries - tel: **01387 253091** Fax: **01387 259877**

MoTs

Edinburgh Hill Autos, Stranraer will offer a deal on MOTs (both classic and more recent vehicles), mention the club when booking in, **Phone 01776 702451**

Sandmill MoT Centre, Commerce Road, Black Parks Industrial Estate, Stranraer. **Ask for WYTMC members rate**, Old and modern cars, m/cycles, 3 wheelers, campers & minibuses, very competitive rates for tyres, Ring Harry or Jamie on **01776 889635**

Motorwise at Holmpark Ind.Est. Minnigaff will carry out MOT's for WYTMC members for **£35.00** with no additional charge if a retest is required. Members should mention their club membership when phoning to book the test. **Telephone No. 01671 404080**

Windscreens

Solway Windscreens - We offer a complete chip and repair replacement service as well as repair and replacement of classic car windscreens. Over 25 years experience. Mike Richardson 01387 261465 or 07860 922333 (www.solwaywindscreens.co.uk)

Bodywork

Reids Accident Repair Centre
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