



West of England Section News



Our 2015 Annual Lunch and Planning meeting will be on Sunday 1st March at The Britannia Inn, Bath Road, Wells, BA5 3LP. Meet at 12 midday, sit down and order meal at 12.30. Can you please allow at least an hour to sit and talk after the meal, about what we are going to do as a section this year. Coming in a classic Citroen is not obligatory

Below I have listed a number of possibles to do. Can you all please have a think about them in order to let me know how you feel about them. I hope to send a list of other 'possibles' before we meet on the 1st March.

March

Sun 29th tbc. Redhill Village Hall, Church Lane, Redhill, North Somerset, BS40 5SG Breakfast meet - just turn up between 9.30am and 12.00 for breakfast. They are able to provide anything from a cup of tea to a full scale English breakfast.

April

Sun 26th. Drive It Day Brimar Car Run and Display will start at Cadbury Garden Centre, Congresbury, finishing at Clarks's Village, Street. Well known Point's West television presenter Alex Lovell will start the Brimar Car Run again this year.

Date TBD. The Bakelite Museum, Orchard Mill, Williton, Somerset, TA4 4NS.

May

Sun 10th. Mendip Vintage & Classic Tour. This superb prestigious event will start at Dobbies Garden Centre, Shepton Mallet and attracts vintage and classic car enthusiasts from all around the country. An interesting scenic route will take entrants to the lunch stop at Ston Easton Park and then to the finish on the lawns in front of Wells Cathedral. Limited to 150 entrants-often over subscribed.

Fri 29th midday - 4pm on Sun 31st. Vintage Nostalgia Festival, Stockton Park, Stockton near Warminster, Wiltshire is a hidden gem in the heart of the Wylve valley....."sssh don't tell everyone!" The event focuses on the past and celebrates all that was great from before the turn of the century up to the 1980's. So whatever your interest, Vintage/classic cars, Veteran Cycles, Vintage Fashion, antiques, rusty automobilia, dance and music, There is something for everyone at VNS whether your 8 or 80! With live bands, Ringwood fine Ale bar, cocktail bar and dance troupe, Vintage Village, Tiger Moth air display and traditional children's entertainment it's not to be missed! The festival is run by enthusiasts for enthusiasts and is a wonderful opportunity to relax and enjoy the company of family and friends in beautiful surroundings. Camping onsite for pre booked weekend ticket holders. We also have a Vintage camping area....don't forget to get in touch if you would like to be in this area. There is a general / family camping area for modern camping units.

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Sat 20th and Sun 21st. Bath Festival of Motoring previously Bath Pageant of Motoring, Walcot Rugby Ground, Landsdown. Like 2014 this Pageant is a charity event to raise funds for "The Wizzybug" and hopefully 2015 will prove to be just as successful and enjoyable.

Sun Jun 21st. Father's Day. Berkeley Classic Car Show, Auto Jumble, Antique & Collectors Fair. 10 am - 4.30 pm at Berkeley Castle (in the meadows) Gloucester, GL13 9QL.

Sat Jun 27th. 2.00pm - 4.30pm. Lympsham Village Show, Manor Gardens, Lympsham, BS24 0DT. Off the A370 near Weston-Super-Mare 2.00pm. Nice little show this. Great family event with proceeds to the local church. Cream teas, Stalls and games, Beautiful gardens. The manor is an early 19th century gothic pinnacled, castellated Rectory Manor House with 2 octagonal towers set in 10 acres of formal and semi-formal garden surrounded by paddocks and farmland. The garden's main features are its carefully preserved, fully working Victorian kitchen garden and greenhouse, an arboretum of trees from all parts of the world, large stocked fish pond and a beautiful old rose garden.

July

Sun 19th. Glamorgan Classic Car Club's Show, in the grounds of The National History Museum at St Fagans. Also excellent for those who have no interest in cars....! Free entry although you pay for the car park!

Date TBA. Catcott Open Gardens. The village of Catcott is near Bridgwater and this event is made unique by transport between the gardens being provided by vintage limousines. Approx 400-500 visitors enjoy 14 varied gardens whilst enjoying a Glass of Pimms, home-made ice cream or even a cream tea along the way. A fantastic day for gardeners, car enthusiasts, children and 'Sunday Strollers'. Proceeds are split between the local village association for improving plantings, cleaning the village and putting on local events and also Local Charities. Plant sales, jewellery sales, bespoke furniture and local produce at the main reception area and teas and ice creams along the route. £6.00 adults including unlimited limousine travel and entrance to all gardens; children free. Buy tickets (event passports) on the day at Edington Village Hall. No entry to gardens or limousines without ticket.

August

Fri July 31st, Sat Aug 1st, Sun Aug 2nd. TOC Annual Rally at The 41st Gloucestershire Steam Extravaganza, South Cerney Airfield, on the outskirts of Cirencester off the A419, Cirencester Road, Glos. It includes a Steam Arena, with non-stop steam action, Model Aircraft displays, both in the air and on the ground, a Countryside Arena, with ferrets to shire horses, The Timber Arena, where trees turn to tables, trade stands, licensed bars, a fairground, tractors, commercial vehicles, vintage bus and coaches, motorcycles, miniature steam, industrial trucks, classic cars, emergency vehicles, and so much more!

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Date TBA. Kingswood Village Show, Kingswood Village Hall and Field, Wickwar Road, Kingswood, Wotton-Under-Edge, GL12 8RY. From 12.30pm to 5pm. Contact Rod Alexander on 01453-843398. This annual event promises a fun-filled day out with plenty of arena events including a dog show, plus sideshows, a popular art show, classic car show, produce and handicraft tent and barbecue. This is an afternoon show, but would like cars on the field before 12 midday.

Also bring along any suggestions of things to do or for the section in general.

Hope to see you at the Britannia Inn. Could you please let me know either way whether you will be coming.

For details of future planned activities contact:

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