

# Rolls-Royce Enthusiasts' Club

Great Western Section Newsletter – Late Summer/Autumn 2012



Egg and Spoon racing at the Jubilee Picnic

## **Club & Section Events 2012**

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> August  
Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> August  
Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> August  
Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> September  
Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October  
16<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> November  
Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> November

Classic & Prestige Cars at Axford Fete  
Visit to Fonthill Old Abbey Estate  
Best of British Show at Kemble Airfield  
Polo and Picnic at Cirencester Park  
Cheese Factory & lunch, Cheddar  
NEC Birmingham  
AGM & Lunch, Egypt Mill, Nailsworth

## **Confirmed Events for 2013**

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March  
Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May  
Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> July  
Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October

Icebreaker – Wadworth's Brewery, Devizes -Tour & Lunch  
Brympton D'Evercy House -Tour & Picnic  
Highclere Castle – Egyptian Exhibition & Grounds  
*A special event which will be revealed 25.11.12 at the AGM  
– limited to 40 people (bring your cheque book)*

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We are pleased to welcome new members:

Mike & Liz Bell of Kenn (formerly owners of the steam boat Annabelle),  
Messrs J. H. & D. Nightingale from Swindon, Mr. J. Hunter of Cirencester,  
Ken & Dot Sharp from Cheddar and P. Tomlins of Stroud together with  
Barbara & Neil Sturgess of Axminster.

We look forward to welcoming them at our events.

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## Chairman's checkpoint

I am very pleased to welcome so many new members to the Great Western Section.

Our aim is to enjoy our lovely cars and arrange a wide variety of events and visits to places of interest.

Making new friends and exchanging useful information are both part of our activities throughout the year.

Our thanks go to all who have helped with excursions so far and to those who have offered to organize future events and to Celia Fitzhugh for her ongoing management of the section website.

Both Keith Taylor and Peter Morris' cars won trophies at the Annual Rally. Congratulations to you both.

Lastly, a very big **thank you** to Malcolm Tucker and Clare for hosting our late Jubilee party in early July and for encouraging our own version of the Olympic Games.

You will see from the photo of the egg & spoon race on the front page how competitive we can be away from the judging arena.

We have numerous plans for the remainder of the season and hope that you will find some of them of interest.

Valerie Smallwood

## **Polo at Cirencester Park 8<sup>th</sup> September**

**Arrival instructions will be sent in due course. We have been offered the opportunity to buy a light lunch in the Club House at the cost of £20.00 per person.**

**Space is limited so please contact Valerie Smallwood if you wish to take up the offer.**

Tel: 01225 426063 - [valsmallwood@gmail.com](mailto:valsmallwood@gmail.com).

## **NEC Classic Car Show**

This is a reminder that the R-REC will be exhibiting at the Birmingham NEC Classic Car show which takes place this year from Friday 16<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2012.

Tickets are available on line at <http://www.necclassicmotorshow.com/tickets.php> and cost around £18.50 but there are discounts for groups and OAPs.

Alternatively, phone 0871 2301088 to buy tickets.

It would be nice if we could support the club at the show. If you are interested in going, please call Keith Taylor on 01934 877296 to co-ordinate visiting dates and times or possible travel arrangements.

Alternatively e-mail [keith971taylor@btinternet.com](mailto:keith971taylor@btinternet.com).



*Keith Taylor's car with Rosette*



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Mark Griffiths has passed on the following invitation from Club members Nick and Ashley

## **Classic and Prestige Cars at the Axford "Fete" (halfway between Marlborough and Ramsbury) SN8 2HA - Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> August**

In the past we have held a classic car (including tractors and motorbikes) show as part of the fete.

This year we are extending it to include prestige vehicles which can be modern as well as classic.

If you own a classic car or a modern Ferrari, Rolls-Royce, Aston Martin or other less common car then we'd love to have your car at the fete. So if you or anyone you know wants to bring a prestige or classic car you are most welcome.

Entry for exhibitors is free and cars can arrive any time after 1.30 at the Jubilee Field .  
No pre-booking necessary.

If you need more information contact Ashley de Safrin: 07584 354699 or e-mail:  
[Ashley.desafrin@gmail.com](mailto:Ashley.desafrin@gmail.com)

## **Sunday August 19<sup>th</sup> - Visit to Fonthill Old Abbey Estate with – Dr Amy Frost – fully booked**

Contact : Dr Valerie Smallwood, 6 Upper Church Street, Bath, BA1 2PT. Tel: 01225 426063  
[valsmallwood@gmail.com](mailto:valsmallwood@gmail.com)

## **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> August – Best of British Show at Kemble Airfield**

Details and booking form in last Newsletter

*Please note that the organisers of this event require you to carry your  
car insurance documents on the day*

contact details -Kemble Air Services Ltd. Cotswold Airport, Cirencester Tel.01285 771177  
Email [events@cotswoldairport.com](mailto:events@cotswoldairport.com). Web: [www.bestofbritishshow.co.uk](http://www.bestofbritishshow.co.uk)



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## Cheddar Cheese Factory Visit

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2012

Cheddar is arguably the world's most popular cheese and yet there is only one Cheddar cheese maker remaining in Cheddar itself. We are fortunate to have this cheese maker on our doorstep and to have the opportunity to visit their factory.

Our visit includes a tour explaining the various stages of the manufacturing process. A viewing gallery allows you to watch the cheese makers practise their skills, a DVD will also be available to enable you to view the process from start to finish in about 20 minutes.

Following the factory tour we will make our way to The Mousehole Cafe where we will sample the different style of cheeses made at the factory as part of a ploughman's lunch.

From the centre of Cheddar heading up the hill towards the Gorge, the premises are on the left about 200 yards from the turning. You will need to park in a public car park so unless you feel brave you have permission to leave your Club cars at home for this visit as space is tight!

The tour starts at 11am so we will aim to meet at 10.45am.

The tour and lunch at the Mousehole Cafe costs just £12.50 per head.

Address:-

The Cheddar Gorge Cheese Company, The Cliffs, Cheddar, Somerset, BS27 3QA

Phone:- 01934 742810

**Please complete the form below and return with your cheque payable to RREC GW Section to – Keith Taylor, 18 Avalon Close, Yatton, North Somerset. BS49 4AQ by 23<sup>rd</sup> September LATEST. Tel:- 01934 877296 [keith971taylor@btinternet.com](mailto:keith971taylor@btinternet.com).**

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### Cheddar Cheese Factory Visit – Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2012

Name .....

Address .....

.....Postcode ..... Membership no.....

Tel. No. .... e-mail .....

**Cheque enclosed for £..... being ..... people at £12.50 each.**

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## **Great Western Section**

**27<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting to be held at  
11.30 a.m. Sunday 25th November 2012  
at Egypt Mill, Nailsworth, Glos. GL6 0AE**

### **Agenda**

1. Welcome by the Chairman
2. Apologies for absence –
3. Minutes of the last AGM held 27<sup>th</sup> November 2011
4. Matters Arising
5. Chairman's Report
6. Secretary's Report
7. Treasurer's Report – Accounts will be available before the Meeting
8. Election of Committee
9. Future Events
10. Any other business

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## ROLLS-ROYCE ENTHUSIASTS' CLUB GREAT WESTERN SECTION

### Minutes of the 26th Annual General Meeting held on 27th November 2011 At Walton Park Hotel, Clevedon

Present: V. Smallwood	Chairman	J. Ball	Committee Member
P. Smith	Secretary	R. Welch	“ “
C. Rendall	Treasurer	K. Spinks	“ “
M. Ball	Vice-Chairman		

29 Section Members were present.

- 1. WELCOME:** The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- 2. APOLOGIES:** Don and Isabel Evans, Russ and Jackie Herbert, Gwynneth Harris, George and Jan Hutton, Reg and Paulette King, Wendy Parfitt, and David Smith.
- 3. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:** These had previously been circulated to members and since there were no matters arising it was proposed by Katie Spinks that they be accepted. Roland Billson seconded this motion and all members were in favour.
- 4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:** The Chairman welcomed Rolf Kuhnke, management representative to the meeting and thanked Suzanne and Nicholas Finch for acting as hosts the previous evening. She welcomed new members Steven and Tracy Jefferies and David Carne to the meeting. Then she ran through the events of 2011 which had been a particularly busy year and thanked John and Margaret Ball for hosting our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party at their home. It was proposed by Celia FitzHugh that the Chairman's report be accepted and seconded by Oliver Perks, all were in favour.
- 5. TREASURER'S REPORT:** Charles Rendall, Treasurer reported that we had had an expensive year as a result of our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and had a small deficit but we still had a very satisfactory balance sheet. It was proposed by Simon Smallwood and seconded by Malcolm Hobbs that the Treasurer's Report be adopted. All were in favour.
- 6. ELECTION OF COMMITTEE:** At this point the committee stood down and Suzanne Finch took the chair. She thanked the committee for all their work and indicated that Keith Spinks and Richard Welch would be standing down from the committee.

Nominations had been requested and one received from Keith Taylor.

A proposal from Simon Smallwood and seconded by Mark Griffiths was put forward for the re-election of the remaining committee en bloc and to include Keith Taylor. This was unanimously accepted and the committee was re-elected.

Pat Smith was resigning as secretary but will remain on the committee.



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7. **FUTURE EVENTS:** The committee outlined proposals for events for 2012.
8. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS:** The chairman said how pleased we were to have Oliver and Philippa Perks at the meeting. A presentation was made to Pat Smith upon her resignation as secretary and presentations were made to Richard Welch and Keith Spinks upon resigning from the committee. Mark Griffiths thanked the chairman for such a well run meeting.

## **THE MEETING CLOSED AT 12 pm.**

At this point management representative Rolf Kuhnke addressed members. He stressed the importance of the Year Book to the club finances and the positive results from our stand at the NEC. He spoke of the difficulties involved in organising the Annual Rally and that numbers were going down. He spoke of the Club Conference and the importance of attending and the need of topics for discussion from members and encouraged members to visit the Hunt House to see the facilities available. He encouraged members to participate in international rallies in Europe and in the UK.

Suzanne Finch gave a short update on the Hunt House and asked for members support for the new body that is being formed.

The Chairman thanked members for attending and invited everyone to retire to lunch.

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## Great Western Section AGM Sunday 25th November 2012

Great Western Section's 27th AGM will take place on Sunday November 25th 2012 at Egypt Mill, Stroud Road, Nailsworth, GL6 0AE commencing with coffee at 11.00am followed by the meeting at 11.30am. Nominations are requested to the committee which will take office at the AGM.

A committee member is expected to attend the 3 – 4 committee meetings held each year and also to arrange and be responsible for some events, so you will see that duties are not arduous and a great deal of enjoyment can be had. If you've got some good ideas and enthusiasm then please consider it.

Below is a nomination form, which it is necessary to complete and obtain a proposer and seconder both of which must be a member themselves.

The Secretary must receive completed forms no later than Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2012.

Depending upon the number of nominations it may be necessary to hold a ballot of members at the AGM. Any member wishing to vote by post (in the event of a ballot been necessary) must apply to the secretary for a ballot paper.

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### Annual General Meeting R-REC Great Western Section

Sunday 25th November 2012

Nomination Form for Committee Membership

**Persons willing to be nominated to serve on the Committee of the Section for 2012/13 should indicate their agreement below and be supported by a proposer and seconder.**

Nominee's name (Block Capitals)	Nominee's Signature	Proposer's Signature	Secunder's Signature

**Please return this form to: M. A. Ball**

Chaseside, Kenn Street, Kenn, Clevedon, North Somerset BS21 6TL

Email: [Margaret.john@btinternet.com](mailto:Margaret.john@btinternet.com)

Closing date Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2012

Acting Secretary: Margaret Ball, Chaseside, Kenn Street, Kenn, Clevedon, North Somerset BS21 6TL  
Tel. 01275 874077 – Fax 01275 342050 – email [Margaret.john@btinternet.com](mailto:Margaret.john@btinternet.com)

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