

# Newsletter



Member of the Federation of  
British Historic Vehicle Clubs

Well here we are again -  
it's Christmas time once more  
and after the traumas of recent years  
isn't it good to reflect on what a full  
year of events our club has either  
organised or taken part in.  
A special THANK YOU to all our  
organisers and here's looking  
forward to 2024.



## What's Coming Up

**Key:**

- ⇒ Club event
- ◇ Club attendance as a group at a motoring or other event
- Everything else of interest. These items are shown for information only.

| December |    |                             |                                    |
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| ⇒        | 15 | Christmas Lunch             | Malcolm & Jill Cutler 01285 712173 |
| ⇒        | 29 | After Christmas "Bunny" Run | Ken Hinton 01285 712522            |
| January  |    |                             |                                    |
| ⇒        | 16 | Committee Meeting           | Geoff. Tebby 01453 883821          |

### Our November Lunch Run

An excellent run over parts of Wiltshire we do not often visit.

After assembling at the Three Trees Café at Chisledon we set off in rather damp conditions to explore the countryside around the Kennet valley, Marlborough and the Downs on our way to Winterbourne Bassett.

Despite being a little misty the views were good although the white horse at Hackpen Hill seemed to have sought shelter somewhere else.

However a warm welcome and some excellent cuisine awaited us at The Winterbourne Inn and altogether we had a very enjoyable day. Many thanks to Ash and Pam for organising the trip.



Plenty of chat  
...  
Excellent lunch  
...  
And pudding as well  
!!!!!!



### **Bunny (and Beryl) hop off**

As many of you will know Bunny and Beryl have swapped their house at Hankerton for a very pleasant flat in Malmesbury.

Those of you who have visited them in Hankerton will know how many possessions they had in their house and many more in the garages and workshop.

So on November 11th. Bunny with help from Abby, Alan, Malcolm and Jill assembled at No.1 Follyfield to help clear the workshop.

I will let Malcolm take over from here :-

### **Over £1,200 raised for the British Legion Poppy Appeal at Bunny's Garage Workshop Clearance.**

On Saturday 11th November club members, together with members of the Fairford Mens Shed, neighbours and friends met at Bunny Lees-Smith garage and workshop in Hankerton to help sort out and dispose of the amazing collection of tools and motoring memorabilia he has collected over the years. Whilst on one hand it was a sad occasion for Bunny, on the other hand he could see that many of the tools would find good homes and continue to be used in the future. Through this many of Bunny's memories will live on, in particular through the wall of rally plates (see photo), from car rallies undertaken by Bunny and which are now displayed on 'Bunny's Wall' at Harry's (Steve Harding's grandson) home. As the day coincided with the 11th November it was suggested that those selecting tools etc, could make a donation to the British Legion which resulted in an amazing £1,200 being collected for the charity - well done everyone and a gesture much appreciated by Bunny.

Malcolm Cutler

