



**CVTR - TR REGISTER WHEELSPINNER AWARD WINNERS 2010**

**COTSWOLD VALE TR GROUP – APRIL 2011 NEWSLETTER**

**Since the last Newsletter:-**

**SKITTLES  
COTSWOLD VALE v BIRMINGHAM  
26 March 2011**



After a three year break, Birmingham decided that they would try to recover the trophy, so Colin and Lesley arranged another evening at The Bluebell. A total of 44 attended, 36 participating in the bowling – although there were ringers on both sides!!  
CVTR Group – current holders – were in charge of the cup all evening...



Putter-Upper Cluley senior (Nigel, not Don) was worried about the refuge screen....



...but there were no injuries registered, despite the efforts of Barnes Wallis Trophy contenders Bob Ball and Phil Daniels! However, Bob (who sensibly elected to play for CVTR!) was highest scorer with 8 pins down in each of the three rounds. This was compensated for by the only zero achieved by precision, millimetre accurate bowling by Dave Roberts.....



Top lady was Tracy Daniels, with a total score of 21 – not surprising, as the Daniels family, including Imogen, are obviously dedicated skittlers...



....however, Phil's scores of 7, 3, and 5 need to be improved!  
And then there was the gnome which refused to be separated from Nigel...



...so look what evil Cluley did...



Andy called on the occult for assistance...



Colin wanted to dance the night away....



In addition to marking up the scores, Meg ran a raffle in aid of Air Ambulance. She has a talent for parting people from their cash – especially Richard! – and everybody gave generously.



A total of £71 was raised, distributed to:

1 <sup>st</sup> prize	Linda Browning	£20
2 <sup>nd</sup> prize	Dave Gibson	£10
<b><u>Air Ambulance</u></b>		<b><u>£41</u></b>

Well done everybody!!

Barry came close to winning the Best Dressed Gent award...



...but was gazumped at the last minute by Antony...



Impromptu impersonations were laid on during the evening by the usual suspects...





Suitable captions to the editor....

### THE RESULT

The scores were neck and neck after the first two rounds: CVTR 200/ Birmingham 199,  
But the Birmingham folded – no lasting power, or was the drink involved..?

CVTR				BIRM.					
NAME	HOME TEAM		TOTAL	NAME	AWAY TEAM		TOTAL		
RICHARD	8	4	5	102	ROB	6	6	6	99
LYNNE	3	2	6	309	LINDA	3	5	7	100
DAVID	5	4	4	109	IMOGEN	2	3	3	86
WENDY	6	6	7		EARL	6	8	5	
MALCOLM	3	6	6		PHIL	6	8	7	
AVE	7	6	7		JACCY	8	8	5	
COLIN	5	5	8		PHILIP	7	3	5	
PHIL	7	6	8		DIANE	2	3	5	
KEITH	5	6	8		JAKE	3	7	5	
DEBBIE	7	4	5		JANE	5	6	3	
TIM	4	8	7		JON	4	5	4	
SALLY	5	3	7		NIGEL	7	5	6	
DAVEY	5	6	-		DAVE	8	6	5	
FANNY	5	7	6		LORNA	7	5	2	
BOB	4	5	7		DAVEY	8	4	5	
MARTINE	6	6	-		ROSS	2	7	2	

Final score:

CVTR 309

BIRMINGHAM 285

So the trophy stays with CVTR. Phil was generous in defeat, (but please note the gritted teeth...!)



Birmingham are now looking for a local with a skittle alley, so a return match is on the cards. Thanks to organisers and all participants for making it another splendid evening.

April 6<sup>th</sup>. Neil Revington's Open Day

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April 10th. The Fox Inn at Loxley

was the venue for Sunday lunch kindly organised by Alan Wilding. 9 TR's in the car park plus the supporting Volvo. Super lunch with 21 people sitting down and Colin even got extra custard on his crumble ( courtesy of Alan making sure it was ordered). A good venue, we should use it again.

## MEMBERS CARS

**UPDATE:- John Walker's TR3A** passed its MOT first time around and no advisories! He was last seen wandering around the Oxford DVLA offices armed with sheaves of documents being given the run around by the pen pushers in his attempts to get his ex USA car UK registered in time for the good weather!

**Phil Barnet's TR6:-** makes an appearance at a CVTR meeting, no breakdowns this time, well done Phil,



The seats looked great and the wheels were enormous! There were lots of gleaming parts and paintwork, not to mention matching powder coated rear brake drums (how cool is that?), and here we see Colin Boother's shiny bits examining Phil's shiny bits:-



## **Andrew Racey, DOVE PHOTOSHOOT for TRIUMPH WORLD**

April 20th and Andy Racey's Dove was on parade at Gaydon Heritage Museum, with having what felt like hundreds of shoots taken for Triumph World magazine article on work of Harrington's coach builders (who built approximately 55 Dove's) Watch this space and see below some of the shots taken by Ian Brown.



They varied from, "drive by" to static, front shoots and side ones.



All of these were followed by the inevitable shot in front of a pub (-where we were treated to lunch by Mike Taylor who is a Freelance Journalist) shaking hands with Clive Harrington--son of the owner of the original Harrington's coach builders.



For those who don't know Harrington's not only built coaches to a very high specification but put coach built bodies on Rolls Royce's ,Bentleys and various other high end top of the range cars. Hopefully the article will do justice to the car and to the TR Register (for whom we must have plugged a dozen times!)

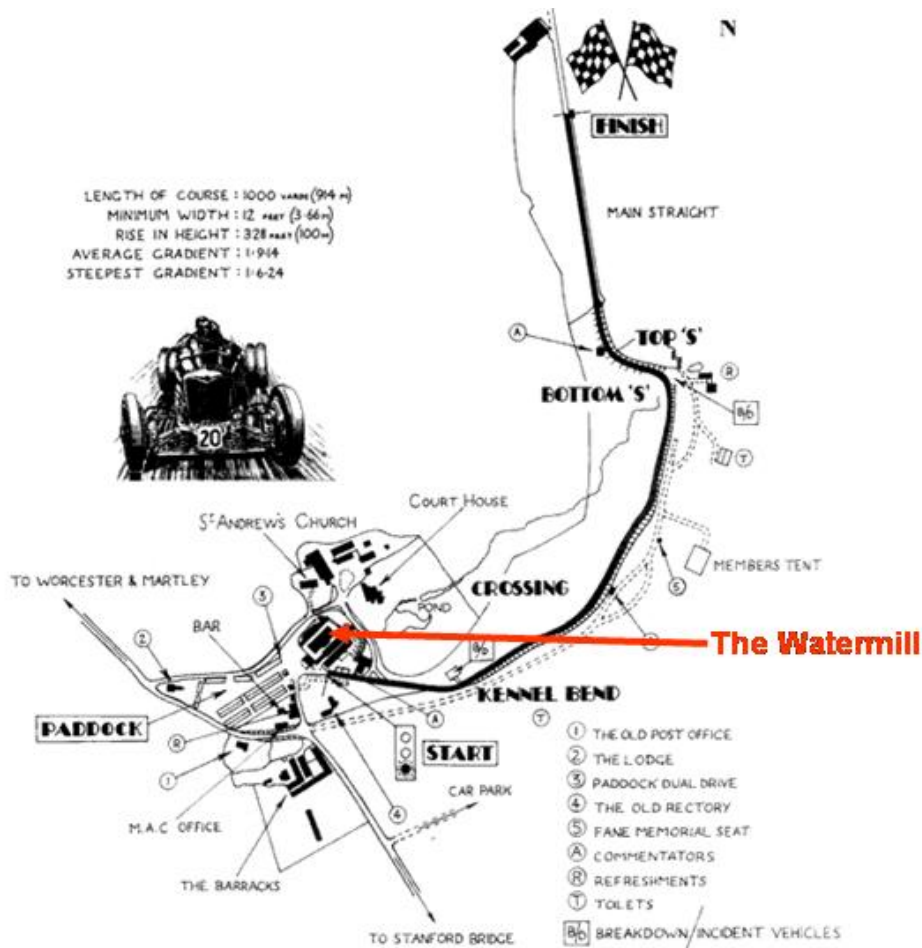


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**AND NOW FOR SOMETHING COMPLETELY DIFFERENT:-**

**Trip to view the restored WATER MILL at Shelsley Walsh**





Most of you will know that Shelsley Walsh is the oldest Motor Racing venue in the world, and again most of you will know that its genesis was founded in the search for a suitable venue to test the performance of the cars and drivers of the era, and it transpired that the owner of the farm was a keen motor sporting enthusiast and he had offered his land for competitive events. At that time it was very much a working farm, powered by the mighty work horses of that generation.



Naturally the horsepower of that era required refueling, and there were so many horses in use on the farm that production of their food was a major undertaking in itself. Half the crops grown were to feed the animals for horsepower (nothing new there then, the original bio fuels!), and half was

for human consumption. Such were the demands on time that the process of food production for the horses was mechanized via the construction of a water mill, powering not only the grind stones, but the root chopper and other farm implements.



There has been a watermill on or near this site since 1308, but the current mill shows three stages of construction spanning 200 years. It was last used to grind animal feed around 1923.

The Society has restored the mill to a working condition for use as a visitor attraction and educational resource, as well as providing active conservation of wildlife habitat.

As well as having two pairs of millstones there is also a geared shaft taking power from the waterwheel into the farm buildings where it drives the original Chaff Cutter and Root Chopper.



Everything is in working order and is occasionally used. Follow the restoration of the mill and learn more about the history of the mill and the local community that it served.

If anyone fancies a visit to the mill, and walk up Shelsley Walsh Hill, we could arrange a CVTR trip! The trip is free, but donations towards the restoration are welcomed (we paid £5/head)

## APRIL 2011 MONTHLY MEETING REPORT

April 27th. CVTR monthly meeting at The Fleece. A lovely evening brought out 36 members and 11 cars. Apologies received from Mike Perry, Alan Stevens, Phil and Sandy Blake and John Walker. It was great to see Phil and Debs at the meeting along with his TR6.

Andy started with feedback from the Group Leaders meeting which he and Keith Brown attended. There was a lengthy discussion on our Insurers Towergate and the negotiations currently on going with our insurance. Andy will send out the minutes of that meeting so we will cut short this feedback and leave our members to read the minutes. There are also proposals to change the format of TR Action in particular the social section. Therefore the next issue 250 will show the new style. If our members have any comments about the change of style then they should write to the editor with their views.

The end of April and early May are a busy period in our calendar-- so here goes with "what's on"

April 29th Barbecue at Drakes Broughton village  
aimed at a fun event ,the cooking will be carried out by Meg and Richard--all welcome from 2.00pm onwards

April 29th to May 1st Welsh weekend

A number of CVTR members are attending -so we expect great reports on the event for our next newsletter.

May 1st - Hody's Place at Wickhamford

in aid of the Chernobyl children's charity. A lovely setting with tea and cakes available plus other classic cars and various stalls etc. Please get you car there for around 1.00 to 1.30pm

May 2nd Cropthorne Walkabout.

Contact John Carver on 01386 860295 if you would like to attend. Parking for classic cars will be in Holland House, half way up the hill on the left.

May 8th Sunday lunch

cancelled because of the event on:-

May 14th. Wye Mill Boat club

social evening--Organised by Terry Smith and Jackie. Starts at 6.30pm for food at 7.00pm Cost 10 per head ( CVTR will subsidise some of the event). Please come along --the setting at the Mill and by the river is great --so a good night should be had by all.

May 14/15<sup>th</sup>

Prescott classic car event --hosted by Rotary

May 25th

CVTR meeting at The Fleece

May 30th B/H Monday

Asparagus open day at The Fleece. Nigel would like a number of cars if you are available.....

June 11th Throckmorton Airfield Open Day, in aid of Help For Heroes

Names to Andy canning please, details were posted at the meeting and Andy has sent the flyer out to everyone on e-mail.

June 18<sup>th</sup>, Kemble Air show

By now you should have booked this event, see Terry Smith

## June 26th Welesbourne Wings and Wheels

further details will follow next month, but if you wish to see Vulcan XM655 undertaking a full throttle fast taxi run, this is your chance!



## EXHAUST

And, if you thought fitting a bucket seat to a motorbike was impossible, here is how its done.....



*Andrew Racey, Ian Brown and Richard Durrant (your local photographer)*