

Megan Singer came 1st in the ladies class at our Sherington Ploughing Match and took with her the Ladies Rose Bowl

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NBVTC CALENDAR 2013

We still have a few calendars left. Pick your copy up at any of our events or order through our website **www.nbvtc.org.uk**

Club Subs 2013-2014

Club subscriptions will increase by £2 from October 1st 2013. Prior to this date subscriptions will remain at current rate. This is only the second increase in subs the club has experienced. In 2006 membership had an increase of £3.

Notes from the Editor

The weather forecast today said sunshine and showers... this was the view from our window when we got up this Sunday morning. Well the weather forecast was wrong...again! So what incentive is there to get out to our shed-workshop to get on with our next renovation project? I for certain am one looking for the weather to change as my very first Bolens tractor, well due for a change off its working clothes; it is having a complete make over this year. Imported into the UK back in 2000, the little Bolens has never been cosmetically restored, yet it was rallied until 2008. Since then it has been temporarily retired, until September last year when we took it out for a working event, it started first go and worked happily all weekend. So a complete overhaul is now scheduled. We hope to have it ready for Dorset this year; best get my skates on then...



The first club event of the year was the rescheduled ploughing match at Sherington. Considering the very unsettling forecast the week before the match, we had a good turn out with over forty tractors entered. It was great to see the ladies taking part and they all came so close in the points, but we now have another name on the Ladies Rose Bowl Trophy. A full report has been included in this edition.

Our Christmas road run was again well attended and club members made great efforts to dress up their tractors and themselves to win that prize Christmas turkey. But it was Neville's Massy 6455 dressed as Rudolph and the Christmas sledge pulled behind that stood out, a well deserved winner. Roger has kindly written up a report for us.

We had yet another successful Christmas quiz and as usual our quiz master put on a great show for us. Attendance was in the up and again we had Banbury and Bicester tractor club joining in. Well done to the team "Last Year's Winners" for coming in first and who surprise, surprise were last year's winners.

Stoke Goldington rally hopefully will go ahead this year and as you all know the club has a great deal of involvement with this event. We really hope some of you can come forward and give up a couple of hours of your time. For more information on how you can get involved is inside your magazine.

Some ideas have been put together to commemorate the club's 10 year anniversary but we are asking you the club members for your feed back. Please let us know how you would want to remember the past 10 years.

See you all around the rallies!

Deadline for material to be included in the **June** issue of the NBVTC News will be **end of May.** My email address is: **sandistockham@gmail.com**

Events & Rallies

April 19th Boddington Trip to Crich Tram Museum in Matlock Derbyshire Rushden Cavalcade in Rushden Northants May 4th- 6th May 11th & 12th Stoke Goldington Steam Rally MK Chiltern Hills Vintage Rally in Aston Clinton Bucks May 19th May 26th & 27th Lamport Steam Festival in Lamport Hall Northants Newton Longville Festival Of Transport in Milton Keynes May 26th North Bucks Country Show in Singleborough MK Jun 1st lun 1st & 2nd St Albans Rally in St Albans Herts (Ex L Buzzard By Pass) Bolnhurst Vintage & Country Fayre in Bolnhurst Beds lun 15th & 16th Haynes Village 100 Fest of Motoring in Haynes Beds lun 23rd Bloxham Steam Rally in Banbury Oxon lun 29th & 30th Hollowell Steam Rally in Hollowell Northants Jul 6th & 7th Jul 6th & 7th Chiltern Steam Rally in Prestwood Bucks Tingewick Classic Car Show in Tingewick Bucks Iul 13th Redbourn Steam Rally in Redbourn Herts Iul 13th & 14th Dacorum Steam & Country Fayre in Hemel H'stead Herts Iul 27th & 28th Blakesley Show Nr Towcester in N'hamptonshire Aug 3rd Aug 3rd & 4th Great Bucks Steam & Country Fair in Shabbington Bucks The Woburn Rally in Woburn Abby MK Aug 11th The Lincoln Steam & Vintage Show in the Lincoln Showground Aug 17th & 18th

The Boddington Vintage Association have arranged a trip to the Crich Tram Museum in Derbyshire. The coach will leave Upper Boddington at 8:30 am. The fare is £10 + admission. For more information contact Gerald on 01327 261491 or Brian on 01327 260044.

Great Dorset Steam Fair in Blandford Dorset

For all NBVTC events contact Malcolm Foster on 07836 525672 for more information. For all other events contact Ernie Thomas on 07732 906704 who may be able to help.

Club Nights

Aug 28th-Sep 1st

We meet at the **NEWPORT PAGNELL FOOTBALL CLUB** for a prompt 7:30 pm start.

March 20th Mr. Grace on Life as a Policeman April 17th Kevin Varty a Magic Lantern Film

Our winter club nights are now coming to a close, but I am told a new programme is well under construction and we have some new and interesting speakers lined up for you. Watch this space.

All the dates above are confirmed at publishing, however if unforeseen circumstances arise, changes/updates will be posted on our website at: www.nbvtc.org.uk



STOKE GOLDINGTON STEAM RALLY May 11th & 12th 2013

The NBVTC is running the Tractor Section, the Ploughing Field & Working Area and the Tea Tent

Help is needed and donations of any cakes are most welcomed!

Please contact Ernie Thomas on 01908 37974 or 07732 906704 who will issue a free pass to anyone that can spare time helping in any way

Thank you!



NBVTC 10 YEAR CELEBRATION

Book of history & memories of the past 10 years

BBQ & Road run

Pig roast & Barn dance

Evening meal / Carvery

Have you got any other ideas?

Contact Malcolm on 01908 611160 or 07836 525672 ~ We want your feed back!

A Note from the Chairman

Hi Everybody.

It seems unbelievable that we are in March already - but it is nice to see it staying lighter at nights. On Saturday myself and a couple of other committee members went to the tractor show at Malvern and although it was cold the sun shone and we had a lovely day.

December seems a long time ago now but I feel I must give a mention to Ernie's quiz. We were a little unsure how it would go at the new venue but once again we had a full house and it was a resounding success with teams competing, not only from the club, but also from Banbury and Bicester. Thank you Ernie for yet another good night and also thank you to the ladies who prepared the food for us.



Until the very last minute we did not know if we would be able to hold the ploughing match at Michael Cook's farm at Sherington but somebody was looking down on us and despite the very cold weather we were able to go ahead with over forty tractors ploughing. It was lovely to have a ladies class at this ploughing match with four ladies ploughing. Well done to the winner Megan Singer – let's hope we can now have a ladies section at all our matches - maybe they can teach the men a thing or two! Many thanks to Michael for allowing the club to use his land for this event.

The Christmas road run at John Starsmore's was once again a great success - well done Neville for winning the turkey for the best decorated tractor. Despite the cold weather there was a good turnout and as usual (and as is the case with all our events) I was astounded by your generosity with buying raffle tickets and donating raffle prizes. Many thanks to the Starsmore's for letting us hold this event on their farm once again.

As most of you know the Stoke Goldington Steam Rally is hopefully going ahead again this year and is in the advance stages of planning at the moment. Both myself and Ernie have been attending committee meetings and you should have had your entry forms by now - any problems please contact myself or Ernie. This may very well be the last Stoke Goldington rally so your support for this event would be very much appreciated.

The summer programme of events is being put together at the moment and we hope to hold something special for out tenth anniversary year. Information about these events will be on the website as soon as details are finalised so watch this space.

Hopefully looking forward to a much better summer than last year.

Regards Mulcolm



Christmas Quiz Night 2012











Nice looking MFs belonging to club members David Jones, Andy Hunt and Michael Drage from Towcester





NBVTC Christmas Road Run 2012

We approached the road run this year with trepidation due to the continuous bad weather and rain.

We were lucky there was one fine day in the sequence and that was the 16th of December the day of the road run. This encouraged many drivers and we had a turnout of thirty two vehicles.



As usual the start point was Forest Farm, which has such endearing facilities as a heated barn/workshop where the club serve sustenance to the drivers, many of whom had driven some way just to get to the start.

There are many route options available from Forest Farm and Philip Starsmore had carefully planned a route through the

M: Leading from the start was Philip Starsmore on his New Holland B: Club member Ben Wheeler on his impressive JD 4320



We welcome new lady club member Di Sercombe who joined the run on her MF 35X

villages of Wicken, Pottersbury, Pury End, Silverstone and Whittlebury with a short cut should the weather be really inclement. As the weather was so good the long route was used by popular demand.

This year the run proceeded at a fair pace given the field included such flyers as the Fordson N and Field Marshall, the winter road run also seems to produce more tractors with cabs and some even have heaters.

I am always impressed at these road runs with one of our family members, this year for some convoluted reason that I cannot remember he absolutely had to drive the tractor with the cab whilst wife and child were on the open Cropmaster. Last year it was the sheep trailer to house the children, I look forward to next year.

T: John Warner on his Ford 4000

B: Fay & Ellie catching a ride inside the cab of Simon Galliford's new Renault 5834









It was good to see two different models of Trantor this year, an ideal winter road run vehicle. The big JD4320 is always an impressive sight. Simon for a change turned up a Renault keeping to his Continental theme, there was also a series one Land Rover and the ex military CF of John Marchant.

At the end of the run soup and rolls were provided by the ladies. Best Christmas display, this year it was won by Neville Gowton with his MF 6455 who was awarded a turkey donated by Vice-chairman Pete Godwin.

We are again grateful to John Starsmore and family for allowing us the use of their farm and making us very welcome. Proceedings from the road run were to go to Willen Hospice by request of John.

- T: Bob Leeson on his Fordson Dexta
- B: Richard Cook on his cabbed MF 35 with sons Evan & Robin



Best dressed up tractor on the day was this MF 6455 belonging to club member Neville Gowton, he was awarded a turkey



Competitors in the Classic class making a start on the Sherington ploughing field

Ladies on Tractors at Sherington

Back in September we were approached by club member David Turner with the offer of some 100 acres of ploughing land at Sherington, an offer we could certainly not refuse. Land owner Michael Cook wanted to commemorate the life of his son Peter Cook who ran the farm and who died of cancer in April 2011, he was only in his late forties.

Peter Cook was Sherington born and bred; he was well respected within the farming community in Sherington and surrounding villages. "An outstanding boss and a true young gentleman" are words used in describing Peter. To commemorate Peter, father Michael had a silver salver engraved with the Ferguson System and by request the entry fees from the match were to go to Willen Hospice where Peter ended his days.

M: Joanne Cowley on the Fordson came 3rd in the Ladies class B: Laura Wry on the Fergie also in the Ladies class came 2nd









After the disappointment of having to postpone the match in December, we were lucky to just catch a break through in the weather on January 6th this year. The week prior to the match we had rain and snow, the field was wet and boggy and we thought it was not going to dry up in time. We were certainly taking a gamble on going ahead with it. However the gamble paid off as although conditions were very cold the land had slightly dried and ploughing conditions were somewhat favourable to most. Only a small area at the one end of the field was a bit sticky... sorry ladies!

We had forty three tractor entered and only two unable to make it, but some places were allocated to ploughmen who turn up on the chance, one thing we were certainly not short of on this occasion, was land. Classes were novice, vintage trailed, vintage

M: Winner of the Ladies class was Megan Singer on the Ford B: Barnaby Curtis on the Fergie came 2nd in the Novice class



Ray Gibbins in the VMounted class came 1st

mounted, classic, ladies and Paul Gent in the horticultural.

Our lady competitors did really well and there was not much in the final scoring. Joanne Cowley on her Fordson Major was receiving a few tips from her partner Adrian who was himself competing with his International in the classic class. Laura Wray on her grey Fergie had a couple of admirers, the two Singer boys (George and Teddy) were commenting her every move. Our younger lady competitor Megan Singer on her Ford 2000 was the winner in this class; she took away with her the Rose Bowl award. And almost doing it all by herself, that was when not receiving a few tips from Richard Martin.

It was a hard decision for our judges to choose whom to award the Peter Cook trophy, in the end based on the best looking

T: In the VMountd class was Brian Sear with his Fergie
B: Colin Jamieson came 3rd in the VTrailed with his E27.N









finished plot, Tom Baird with his MF 35x, who also came first in the Classic class took this award.

I understand that Sherington will now remain in our ploughing calendar for the forthcoming years, most sincere thanks to Michael Cook and family for allowing us to use the venue. Thanks are also in order to Peter Godwin, Hugh Vale, Brian Reynolds and Bowen Jones Senior, who were our judges on the day. To the ladies who helped with the catering, to Fay and Ellie for their continue support with the raffle and to all who helped with the organizing and setting up of this event. On behalf of the club £300 was presented to Michael Cook for Willen Hospice.

T: 1st in the VTrailed class was Max Cherry with his Fordson N

M: In the Classic class with his Fordson Major was Pete Shirley

B: 1st in the Classic class and winner of the Peter Cook Trophy was Tom Baird on his MF 35x



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Peter Cook Memorial Ploughing Match @ Sherington

Classes	Vint	age Tra	ailed									
Plot Nos.	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	10	11	12	13	14
Opening	11	5	14	8	11	4	6	10	5	9	8	13
Start	9	7	14	10	9	6	7	13	7	12	8	14
Seed Bed	10	7	12	10	9	9	8	9	5	6	8	13
Firmness	10	7	11	10	10	10	8	8	5	6	8	13
Uniformity	11	7	14	11	9	8	8	11	5	6	7	14
Finish	11	6	15	7	9	12	11	14	4	0	6	16
Ins & Outs	10	10	10	8	8	8	8	15	4	5	5	14
General Ap	12	7	15	9	10	10	8	12	4	8	8	15
Total	84	56	105	73	75	67	64	92	39	52	58	112

Classes	Clas	ssic (C	ont)	Ladies			Vintage Mounted					
Plot Nos.	15	16	17	18	19	20	23	24	25	26	27	28
Opening	10	7	10	8	9	7	8	6	14	14	10	12
Start	8	8	10	12	8	10	8	10	11	12	13	14
Seed Bed	7	11	11	9	8	8	9	11	14	10	10	14
Firmness	6	11	10	8	7	8	9	10	14	11	11	14
Uniformity	7	11	11	8	7	8	8	10	14	11	12	13
Finish	7	7	4	6	5	12	8	9	12	8	9	11
Ins & Outs	5	6	7	7	10	10	10	9	10	12	13	14
General Ap	7	8	8	10	7	9	10	10	14	12	10	12
Total	57	69	71	68	61	72	70	75	103	90	88	104

Classes			Vintag	Novice								
Plot Nos.	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
Opening	15	11	14	9	12	15	13	14	10	8	4	14
Start	13	15	11	9	16	12	12	12	10	10	8	10
Seed Bed	11	12	15	7	11	10	11	11	9	11	6	6
Firmness	11	12	15	8	10	10	11	11	9	10	6	6
Uniformity	11	12	15	7	12	10	11	11	9	9	6	6
Finish	11	11	16	7	8	11	14	15	12	10	5	6
Ins & Outs	13	12	15	9	11	11	10	9	9	9	5	4
General Ap	12	12	16	9	9	11	11	10	10	13	5	6
Total	97	97	117	65	89	90	93	93	78	80	45	58

Classes	Novice (Cont)										
Plot Nos.	41	42	43	44	45	46					
Opening	8	6	10	13	7	8					
Start	8	10	9	14	12	8					
Seed Bed	7	9	9	10	10	7					
Firmness	7	9	9	10	10	7					
Uniformity	7	9	9	10	10	7					
Finish	6	7	5	10	8	6					
Ins & Outs	7	8	10	9	8	12					
General Ap	10	8	8	9	11	9					
Total	60	66	69	85	76	64					





Trophies

Peter Cook Trophy Tom Baird **Ladies Rose Bowl** Megan Singer

Results

Vintage Trailed

1 Max Cherry 2 Richard Cook

3 Colin Jamieson

Classic

1 Tom Baird 2 Michael Brandon

3 James Cook

Ladies

1 Megan Singer 2 Laura Wray

3 Joanne Cowley

Vintage Mounted

1 Ray Gibbins

2 Russel Emmery

3 Bob Newton

Novice

1 Mark Collins 2 Barnaby Curtis

3 Tom Howe

Horticultural Paul Gent



An outstanding collection of Roadless belonging to George Yardwood of Cheshire

Newark 2012

Celebrating its 10th year in 2012, the Newark Vintage Tractor & Heritage Show took place on November 10th & 11th and the NBVTC had again a special spot in the Stephenson Hall. Since the show's humble beginning in 2003 when there were only 130 exhibits, it has now grown to become the most attended and much-admired vintage tractor show. There were over 900 exhibits this year.

Perkins derivatives were the major theme of the show, and Perkins Engines of Peterborough and their Heritage team put on an extensive exhibition to commemorate 80 years of production and innovation in the agricultural industry.

On display in the featured marquee was the Perkins "Wolf" the 28th engine off the production line and believe to be the oldest Perkins engine in existence. It was designed in 1932 and manufactured in 1933, the "Wolf" was the first high speed diesel engine and mainly used by Albion and Commer as a diesel option for their trucks. Now in working condition, after 18 months of rebuild, the "wolf" was to fire up on the hour and ran sweetly for all to admire.

To highlight the garden and horticultural

T: Oldest Perkins engine in existence is the "Wolf" designed in 1932 M: Featured Hedgerow tractor was a Fordson County FT E27.N

B: This Smart car was the most popular exhibit in the marquee



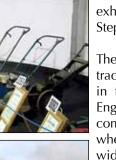






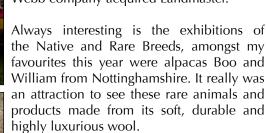
Our club stand had again its special spot in the Stephenson Hall





industry, a secondary theme was introduced this year, Landmaster was the chosen manufacture and a most comprehensive exhibition in the marquee adjacent to the Stephenson Hall was on show.

The first two-wheeled Landmaster garden tractor, the Mark I Rotary Hoe was made in the late 1940's by Byron Horticultural Engineering in Nottingham. In 1953 the company name changed to Landmaster Ltd when a much-improved Rotary Hoe with a wider range of attachments was made. As production increased, the company moved to bigger premises to Poole in Dorset in 1971 and in 1975 the Landmaster-Gilson ride-on tractor was marketed. In 1980 the Wolselev Webb company acquired Landmaster.





Another cracking show and full credits must be given to all involved in the making. With the sun shinning on both days it was an excellent way to end what this year was such a disappointing rally season.

T: The Landmaster was the featured horticultural tractor of the show

M: Neat living accommodation behind this 1954 Atkinson L644 **B:** This is Boo one of the alpacas that came from Nottinghamshire



Going By Bus

Anybody who attended November's meeting when a talk regarding satellite farming seemed to be have genuinely interested and gripped the audience made one wonder, How did we get to this point in the technical revolution in farming? The main thanks must go to the US military for the use of their GPS satellites maintained by the US government and made available to users world-wide free of charge. But what about the rest of the technology, quick thinking hydraulics, self-steer, intelligent gear selection, and efficient use of engine horsepower.

Nowadays when people mention hydraulics, what they are really thinking of is Electrohydraulics. This is why no account of the trend in mobile hydraulics' would be complete without the consideration of in the field of control. One of the most important trends in this field was the growing relevance of data transmission by CAN bus, or Controller Area Network, while the Bus is a term for a communications highway that connects components within the vehicle designed for the rapid exchange of data.

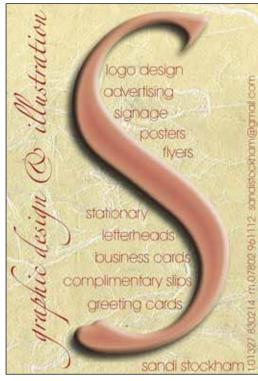
Developed by Robert Bosch for automotive applications CAN bus soon became established in other fields as well. The CAN protocol became the subject of an international standard [ISO11898] and has been implemented in silicon by many chip manufacturers. First fitted in production in 1986 to a BMW 850 coupe it reduced wiring by 2kms, overall vehicle weight by 50kgs and using half the amount of connectors. For the first time each of the vehicles systems and sensors were able to communicate at very high speeds [25kbps-1mbps] on single or dual wire communication lines as opposed to previous multi-wire looms. CAN bus has been adopted by the majority of tractor manufactures.

To bring us up to date implement manufactures are employing a bus system, so

implements can talk to tractors by means of a single 9-pin plug and lead. ISO bus was developed by Dutch company VICON one of KVERNLANDS group brands as far back as 1985 and held the patent till 2001, when this was released to increase the scope in the agricultural machinery industry. The name ISO bus or ISO11783 comes from International Standards Organisation, is the communication protocol for the ag-industry. So there we are how long

will it be before the whole of the farming community is going by BUS.













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