

HOBBY Motorhome Owners Club

Chats from the Chair- Autumn 2021



Welcome to your new look Club newsletter

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2021 AGM

We were finally able to hold our 20th AGM in Corbridge earlier this year. 24 members were present and we welcomed two observers, who have subsequently joined the Club. Meeting highlights include:

- The following Committee members were unanimously re-appointed:
- Nick Anderson - Chair, Ruth Anderson - General Secretary, Christine Runagall - Membership Secretary, Peter Runagall - Rally Co-ordinator and Jackie Snowdon - Social Media Officer.
- The meeting said a huge thank you to Tony Charity for his many years of service to the Club as he stood down as Treasurer and we are pleased to announce that Nigel Molineux was unanimously appointed as our new Treasurer.
- The club voted to remove the Club joining fee (which stood at £25) as it is deemed no longer necessary and the club has healthy financial reserves. At Mar 2021 these stood at £6,701.
- The annual fee of £15 remains. It was subsequently agreed that new members would receive one night's free rallying at their first rally.
- The Club holds valid public liability insurance as well as Exemption Certificates enabling us to rally in places which are not formally approved campsites in England, Scotland and Wales.
- It was agreed that the club will investigate a revamp of its website during 2021/2022 and other public relations material.



Kircudbright and Falkirk rallies

Earlier in the year we enjoyed rallies in Scotland. Special thanks to Susan and Iain for organising both venues and Lenny and Catherine for being our tour guides in Falkirk. The weather was kind (especially in Kirkcudbright), the Kelpies were awesome and a good time was had by all.

Tony's Travels Talk

The 'legendary' Tony Flanders, with Pam of course, entertained us at our Corbridge rally with an illustrated talk about their recent 5 week trip around the Outer Hebrides.

As usual for this intrepid pair, they didn't go to the popular haunts on these delightful islands, instead their time was almost all wild camping. They explained how they managed to 'do the necessary' regarding clean and dirty water-taking advantage of facilities provided on the islands and described the fantastic scenery wild life and food and drink they encountered along the way.

It was very inspiring, so much so that a number of other members are planning similar trips later this year or next.



FUTURE RALLIES - CALENDAR

Sept 08-15 Bedfordshire

Oct 11 -17 Hampshire

Nov/Dec - open to members suggestions

Winter 2022 Andalucia Spain - Covid permitting

Sept 05-12 2022 Carsington Water

For all rallies visit <https://hobbyowners.org.uk> - members forum

MOTORHOMING TOP TIPS

Do your drinking glasses rattle the when you travel? Then make some glass cosies!

Get a fleece blanket (Ikea ones are cheap) Cut up pieces 40cm x 28cms approx- it depends on the size of your glasses. Sew or glue along the long side and one short side. Turn the other way out, pop your favourite glass inside and tuck in the unsown end. Hey presto - no rattle.

Please send us your Top Tip for happy motor homing - it could be something technical, practical or fun!

One of the benefits of the club is the sharing of motorhoming experience and information - this particularly happens at rallies Through this newsletter we would like to be able to pass these tips on to all our members.



Kirdcudbright walking and cycling fun



Nick Anderson your re-elected Chair working hard for the Club as usual!

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