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From the Editor



A Happy New Year to you all.

This newsletter contains the Notice for the 2014 AGM as well as Nomination Forms and Proxy Voting Forms at the centre of the newsletter which can be cut out and used as required. Please note that they are double sided.

With the newsletter you will find application forms for the National Rally and also a provisional rally list for 2014. This will allow you to plan the rallies you would like to attend in 2014 and watch out for the details of the rallies when they are advertised in the rally supplement in the centre of the newsletter.

You can also find updates on the ASOC website and Baz usually records these in his piece in the newsletter for those members who are on line.

I would remind you that if you haven't renewed your subscription to the club, you had better do so now if you want to remain in the club. If you don't renew then it is assumed that you have left the club.

Deadline for the February newsletter will be by 10th January 2014 and I can be contacted via email at: **daveatasoc@virginmedia.com** or contacted via post at the address given below.

David Mayne

Items for the newsletter **MUST** reach your Editor by the **TENTH** of the month. You may post them to 27 Mentmore Rd Leighton Buzzard Beds LU7 2NY or email to **daveatasoc@virginmedia.com**.

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Chairman's Chat

First and foremost - A happy and prosperous new year to you all.



When I was gainfully employed the period between Christmas and New Year was always a bit flat, so I used it as a time to review the year that was ending and how well it had gone in relation to sales targets and so on. It was also a time for planning how targets and other business objectives were to be achieved in the coming twelve months.

Since I retired I find that I still have that same period of reflection but now it is much more people focused. I find myself thinking of the friends we have lost during the year and, although this brings sadness, it also recalls happy times together. I am also reminded that many of our members have faced serious illness or have had to give up motorhoming for other reasons. We miss them all.

Then I look ahead to the coming year and the plans we have to make. There are new people out there waiting to become friends and that is something to look forward to. There are rallies to be booked, channel crossings to organise and a whole host of other things to do to be ready for new adventures. I do hope that we will meet you somewhere during this year.

Finally, I am reminded that all of this is possible because of a wonderful community of people who come together to become the Auto-Sleeper Owners' Club and I want to thank each and every one of you for making that happen. I am regularly amazed and humbled by what a caring, giving community it is. In our first twenty five years we have raised over £52,000 for our chosen charities and almost every day I see or hear of individual acts of kindness and generosity. I am truly grateful for the small part I am able to play in this very special club.

See you down the road.

Andy

John Jones would like to thank all those members who sent in Nominations for the 2014 Charity and to remind everybody that entry is now closed. An announcement will be made in due course of the chosen Charity.

Photographic Competition 2014

Photos to be judged at the AGM and will all be on display.

Set Subject category

MUST contain at least 1 Auto Sleeper Motorhome. On or off a rally but preferably on.

Open Subject

Anything at all, on or off a rally.

Up to 2 images can be entered in each category. ONLY Sizes either 6 x 4 inches or 7 x 5 inches.

In each category there will be:

1st prize £15.00 2nd Prize £10.00 3rd Prize £5.00.

During the AGM: an overall winner will be selected by the attending members voting. The winner will be awarded a £20.00 prize.

Closing date: **April 21st 2014**, no entries will be accepted after this date.

Got to be worth entering with a possible top prize of £35.00.

Photos to be sent to :

Jean Hollingsworth
24 Norton Grove
Kinston upon Hull
HU4 6HL

Please ensure the correct postage is paid otherwise I need to go and collect from the post office and pay additional postage charges.

Rally Reports

Marsden and Southport Rallies

We had a great time in Marsden, lovely venue, with use of the clubroom in the evening and good company. Bingo on one evening and the pie and pea supper on Saturday was spot on, followed by Play Your Cards Right and raffle. Very enjoyable. The weather could have been better but you can't have everything. Many thanks to Yvonne, Stuart, Rosemary and Pete.

Southport weather was much better than last year with rain only arriving on day of departure. Once again we had exclusive use of The Cafe in the evening for coffee. A lovely roast meal with veggie option was arranged on Thursday evening. This was followed by quiz answers (won by Mike and Heather Tucker) and the raffle draw (lots of tickets sold by Shelagh West). Many thanks to Wyn, Dave, Liz and Roger.

All good wishes for a happy and healthy new year to everyone.

Heather & Pete Martin 3145

Southport Rally

This was a very relaxing rally and blessed with good weather, not so last year, so I believe, which was wet and windy.

The cafe opened especially for us to have a welcome meeting on Monday evening, supplying us with a 2 course meal on Wednesday and farewell coffee on Thursday. So along with a quiz and raffle, we were well catered for.

Southport provided some interesting shopping along Lord Street and a drive south to Crosby to view the Anthony Gormley sculptures on the beach was fascinating.

A big thank you to marshals Dave and Wyn ably assisted by Roger and Liz.

Janis and Mike Wood. 4201

No I.O.W. Rally in 2014

Hi everyone, you may have noticed there is no Isle of Wight rally this year, this is because my glamorous assistant Mac has decided to go to France.

I may have managed to find someone else to run it with me but I don't expect that they would have the same sense of humour as Mac and I, and we've run quite a few together and it wouldn't be the same. Normally I've run it in June when my wife Margaret was in respite but now she has gone into permanent nursing care I am more of a free agent, my problem now is whether to keep the van to use on my own with the dog or to give it up altogether. As it has been quite heavily adapted because of Margaret's disability it would have a limited market, but it also means I'm able to attend possibly more rallies than I have in the past, as I always needed electric and somewhere fairly flat to manage her in her wheelchair.

I will see if I can get to the national rally this year, and also the rallies that follow on from it, so to all the friends I've met over the years, on the Isle of Wight and other rallies I've managed to get to, I would like to wish you all a peaceful and prosperous New Year and hope to see you in 2014.

All the best.

Ken Bolton

A Reminder, A Warning & A Wish

A Reminder that if you haven't yet renewed and do not want your membership to lapse, please do it now.

A Warning to those who (like us) don't like getting up early. An ASOC member left a card tucked into our Auto-Sleeper door handle while we were still in bed. A kind thought, BUT we were then unable to open the door from inside and ultimately had to clamber out through the driver's door!!

A Wish to you all for
A
Safe,
Outstanding &
Comfortable 2014

Jill Bertlin
Membership Secretary

NOTICE
THE TWENTY FIFTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Of
THE AUTO-SLEEPER OWNERS' CLUB

Will be held on

SATURDAY, 3RD MAY 2014

At 10.30am.

At the National Rally

In the Cedric Ford Pavilion

Newark and Nottinghamshire Agricultural Society Showground.
Newark. Nottinghamshire.

Nomination forms for election to the Management Committee/Honorary Examiner and Proxy appointment forms are included with this Notice or are available from the Secretary, who requests that Nomination forms and any resolutions for consideration at the meeting should be received by him, on or before **Monday, February 3RD 2014**. In the case of Proxy appointment forms they should be received by him on or before **10.30am Thursday 1ST May 2014**.

Members are informed that they have a right to appoint a proxy.

Members are reminded that admission to the Annual General Meeting is subject to proof of membership, and that current membership cards should be carried at all Club events.

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THE NATIONAL RALLY 1st - 5th MAY 2014

**COME AND CELEBRATE THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF
THE AUTO-SLEEPER OWNERS CLUB**

As this is a special celebration there will be a FREE Buffet on Friday evening

This is the first year that Electric hook-ups will be available for everyone who requires it.

Further details will be in the Application Form enclosed in this January 2014 Newsletter.

The proposed Programme is as follows:

The Cedric Ford Pavillion

Thursday

Evening Meal followed by a get together to meet or make friends.

Friday

Question & Answer Session with staff from Auto Sleepers - Line Dancing - Free Evening Buffet followed by a Quiz. The results of the Cake Competition and then the Cake Auction

Saturday

AGM followed by Open Forum.
Evening Dinner followed by The Raffle Draw and Dancing to Ashby Big Band
Dress is as formal or informal as you wish. As it is the silver anniversary of ASOC if anyone wishes to wear silver items this would be fine, but not essential.

Sunday

Sunday Service - Presentation of cheque to the chosen Charity
Followed by Tea and Coffee - Carvery Lunch
Evening entertainment provided by Ian Scott – Tom Jones and Neil Diamond Tribute Act.

Stuart Goodwin Pavillion

Friday & Saturday

Crafts - Cakes - Bring & Buy - Jigsaws – Bring & Buy motorhome spares or equipment, Books and Regalia Stalls - Technical Advice - Photo and Cake Competitions. Tea & Coffee will be available

Sunday

CLOSED

A free minibus service will run on Saturday and Sunday afternoons to 'Southern Motor Caravans' to see motorhomes for sale. There is also a small accessory shop. Some refreshments will be provided.

Greetings

We wish all fellow members of ASOC a very happy and healthy new year and hope to meet up at a rally somewhere in 2014

Regards, Joy and Nigel Wilkins.

From 'Bonnie Gallawa' (A GREAT location for Rallies)

**May the best ye hae ivver seen be the warst ye'll ivver see.
May the moose ne'er lea' yer giral wi a tear-drap in its ee.
May ye aye keep hail an hertie till ye'r auld eneuch tae dee.
May ye aye juist be sae happie as A wuss ye aye tae be.**

*(May the best you have ever seen be the worst you will ever see.
May the mouse never leave your grain store with a tear drop in its eye.
May you always stay hale and hearty until you are old enough to die.
May you still be as happy as I always wish you to be.)*

**Where'er ye gae in the world sae wide,
We wish ye a neuk on the sunny side,
Wi' muckle o' love and mickle o' care,
A wee bit pursie wi' siller to spare,
Yer ain wee ingle when day is spent,
In a wee bit housie wi' hearts content.**

*(Wherever you travel in the world so wide,
We wish you a pitch on the sunny side,
With much love and little care,
A 'low season' site fee with money to spare,
Your own little Eberspacher when day is spent,
In an Auto-Sleeper Motorvan with hearts content.)*

**Nollaig Chrìdheil agus Bliadhna mhath ùr!
(Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!)**

Ricky & Ann Smith

p.s. For Sale (Dec) contact was wrong.

rathlarg@btinternet.com

01776 705628

I understand that if I am elected to be a member of the Management Committee I will as such be appointed a Director of a Company Limited by Guarantee, a post that is regulated by the Companies Act and monitored by Companies House.

I also understand that I may from time to time be required to agree to be the subject of a credit or similar check by the Club's Banks, insurance providers, suppliers, etc.

I confirm that I have never been convicted of or charged (but not yet tried) with a criminal offence other than (road traffic) motor offences nor have I received an official caution for a criminal offence within the last three years other than a (road traffic) motoring offence.

I also confirm that I have never been declared bankrupt and/or have been subject to any winding up order, insolvent liquidation or administration or have made any composition or arrangement with creditors.

I have never been a director or partner of a company which has gone into insolvency, liquidation, receivership or administration.

I have never been prosecuted for failure to comply with any Health and Safety or Welfare or Environmental Protection legislation.

In respect of any business which I, my partners or directors have been involved with, no insurer has ever declined, cancelled or refused any proposal of insurance. Nor have they cancelled or declined to renew any insurance or imposed terms or conditions.

**AUTO-SLEEPER OWNERS' CLUB
PROXY FORM**

I, _____ Membership Number _____

Hereby appoint _____

**As my proxy at the General Meeting of The Auto-Sleeper Owners' Club to be held on:
Saturday 3rd May 2014 and at any adjournment of the meeting.**

Signature of Member _____ Date _____

I confirm that I am acting as Proxy for no more than two members.

Signature of Proxy _____ Date _____

This form is to be returned to the address below to arrive before 10.30am Thursday 1st May 2014. Any forms returned after this time will be deemed invalid.

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-----CUT ALONG LINE-----

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2. A person can only accept appointment as a proxy on behalf of a maximum of two members.
3. To appoint a proxy using this form, the form must be received by the Club Secretary on any day between Mondays to Friday inclusive and no later than 48 hours before the time appointed for the meeting at which it is to be used.
4. The proxy must be signed by the relevant member and by the proxy being appointed.
5. Any alteration to the proxy form must be initialled by the member.

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REPRESENTATION BY PROXY

This is the fifth year of the introduction of Proxy Voting, and I therefore hope that this article will explain to old and new members the way proxy voting works for the A.S.O.C. Some who are reading this will see that I have cribbed parts from the previous years.

When the Club became a Company Limited by Guarantee in 2002. It followed the requirements of the Companies Act 1985 and 1989. These Acts did not allow for proxy representation in a company with no share capital.

When the Companies Act 2006 was passed to consolidate the above Acts, cut down on red tape and simplify the running of companies, it introduced proxy voting.

Section 324 of the Act, Right to appoint a proxy, states “a member of a company is entitled to appoint another person as his proxy to exercise all or any of his rights to attend and speak at a meeting of the company”. This section overrules anything stated in the articles of Association. So at the AGM in 2010 we changed our Articles of Association to comply with the Act.

What this means for the Club, is that if a member wishes to appoint a proxy, they have to fill out a proxy form and get their proxy to sign the form, and then send it to the Club Secretary before the due date.

As this is a legal requirement you are hereby notified that you have a right to appoint a proxy to participate in the 2014 General Meeting, on your behalf, using the Proxy Form enclosed, which must be received at the address given on the proxy form before 10.30am Thursday 1st May 2014.

May I make three things clear, the person who is nominated, as the proxy does not have to be a member of the Club. I know that this may seem strange, but that's the way the Act is written.

Secondly that you cannot just put down Chairman, Secretary etc on the form, they will be considered invalid. Thirdly it must be remembered that no proxy can act for more than two members. That is why they must sign the form.

As you can see this change though important, will not alter the running of the Club. It only means that the AGM the voting procedure will take a little longer while we count the votes.

Changing road safety rules in France could spell bad news for British drivers.

Mike and I spent September in France, we enjoyed the French rally at Montreuil Bellay, thanks to the rally marshals. The weather was good and we explored the Charante area and Creuze regions, whilst there I picked up a French newspaper and read an article on the changing rules re road safety.

Although drivers north of the Channel are welcomed, the new changes to road safety laws could have some very unpleasant surprises for British, Danish and Irish tourists alike. As yet these countries have not signed up to the “EU Directive on Road Safety”. Many people drive in excess of the stated speed limits, knowing that they can ignore the speed cameras – the only way that they can be caught is literally red-handed, by the police or gendarmes at the roadside. Now that the French authorities are able to exchange digital files across the European Union, meaning that, if an EU national is flashed speeding they can be automatically sent a fine but not as yet to the UK. This will inevitably mean that the speed police’s attention will be turned towards those on British, Irish and Danish plates; Brits being the majority of traffic will of course attract most attention.

One common tactic being currently employed is for the traffic police to conceal themselves with speed cameras a few kilometers before a toll booth (*peage*) and then radio ahead to colleagues who will pull drivers over when they get there. For extreme speeding, on-the-spot cash fines can be as much as €1500!!! Claiming not to speak the lingo will not help either (these motorway teams usually have an English speaker), neither will pointing to an empty wallet. Once you have been pulled over the Gendarmerie has the opportunity to inspect your vehicle and, for instance, should you have the gas ‘on’ then this can attract an additional fine up to €1500. I am not sure how a van that has the automatic switch-over system on their fridges (*turn off the ignition, on goes the gas*) will be received; I will have to continue reading the press to discover the outcome!

An “on-the-spot” fine means just that, “on the spot”. If a driver does not have the cash with them, they will be taken by a Gendarme to the nearest town or ATM to withdraw it. If the driver does not have enough money in the account, then an on-duty judge will be called to decide what to do but this could mean waiting around for up to three days and your vehicle not allowed to be moved.

So be WARNED! Turn the gas off when travelling, watch your speed within the limited areas and be mindful that when in town, if you see a

pedestrian about to cross the road, be prepared to stop quickly and let them cross because *Pedestrians now have priority*. These new laws may well result in the police and gendarmes paying particular attention to those driving on British plates, their Christmas Funds may need boosting!!

Mo Valentine

As and from the 1st Jan 2014 you must drive through Switzerland with dipped headlights, fine is 1000 Euros.

Mo

Cab Blinds

I see Auto-sleepers are now fitting Dometic Seitz cab blinds. Has anyone had experience of these or know anything about them if they are a good idea or do they cause condensation. We have always used a Silver Screen with the fold down front and we are very happy with it as we never have any condensation.

The only thing is if it is a wet night I don't like the idea of having to put it on so we just pull the curtains round. When the screen is on and if it is wet when I take it off in the morning. It is not always possible to get it dried out completely before moving on and it is not a good idea to pack it away damp. We had considered getting these cab blinds fitted but were wondering if they would be a good replacement for the silver screen or if we could justify the price just to use them on wet nights in place of the curtains. Would anyone have any thoughts on this? Maybe it would help us decide. We have a Broadway EB.

Thanks,
Bobbie Gordon 4396

In Place of Cancelled Waterlogged Beaulieu Rally 2012

Well, we travelled to Dorset via the coastal road following Chesil beach, out to Portland then back to Weymouth, camping at Bere Regis with the BCC and spent a pleasant evening in sunshine. Friday's weather was not so good and we drove to Poole, Bournemouth and Christchurch visiting museums, also Highcliffe Castle, making good use of umbrellas. Homesley C & CC provided us with a pitch on Friday night in the pouring rain. No problems here, this was a WWII airfield with plenty of hardstandings.

Lymington was sampled on Saturday, more broly work, more museums and cafes. Milford-on-Sea was uninviting due to the fierce sea state. We called into Bucklers Hard and explained our situation. Sharron, the restaurant manager was most helpful. We were invited to pitch on the coach park away from the manoeuvring area. The rain had stopped and we levelled up and walked the 2 miles through the forest near the river to Beaulieu Village and back for the experience and the exercise before dark.

On Sunday we were given tickets to Bucklers Hard Village Museum and a discounted boat trip on the River Beaulieu with the opportunity for an EHU that evening. We spent a warm pleasant day there and were able to visit Exbury Gardens where we watched the miniature steam train depart. Onto Lepe Country Park where immediately after arrival there were a number of loud retorts. There was a re-enactment of a WWII beach landing. I climbed up to another level to a surreal view of German troops moving through the forest park and a large gathering of American troops and military vehicles.

Monday we checked out and visited Beaulieu Motor Museum, quite different from our previous visit in 1966! 'Parley Glade' was our next site on grass overnight. Tuesday we dressed for the wet weather and bussed into Bournemouth and yet another museum - Russell Coates this time - seemed appropriate! We were able to eat there on a mezzanine floor overlooking some of the exhibits, enjoying a ploughman's lunch. A further bus delivered us to Poole Bus Station. We walked through the Arndale Shopping Centre, through the Old Town in bright sunshine. On arrival at the Quay, more rain and into yet another museum of local history, before returning to the site by bus - the fields around being flooded.

The next day we went to leave only to be embarrassed when the Nuevo would not move off the level. wet grass. (lesson learned, I now leave all four wheels supported by either ramps or plastic 'crate' mats).

Our next stop was Kingston Lacey where we checked our umbrellas and donned overshoes for the house tour, during which time thunder was heard outside but we did enjoy a short tour of the gardens during a weather window.

The journey home involved quite a lot of surface water and the radio warned of flooded roads and we had to divert to avoid these.

Roger Russel 4743

Towns and Cities Quiz. Have you been there?

Each question gives a town or city in Gt, Britain.
Questions are cryptic clues Some of which **"may only sound like the name"**.

- 1 / Wiseman became wise, Bartholomew became _____.
- 2 / Edible products final date for sale _____
- 3 / Two thirds of a macho chocolate bar _____
- 4 / Police enquiries may follow up on these _____ .
- 5 / This river crossing can carry 20 hundredweight. _____
- 6 / Piggot used to ride horses _____.
- 7 / The late Rod and Emu _____ .
- 8 / The world war two bomber (used to drop the bouncing bomb)

- 9 / A plateful of sandwiches passed round but no one had an appetite .
How could we tell? _____
- 10 / Tupperware lids , not screwed down , just _____ .
- 11 / Tony Radio one's first D J . _____.
- 12 / Could this be Scotland's answer to thick chips _____
- 13 / Like spiders and Bugs , this town may be creepy _____ .
- 14 / Traditionally a ruffians game played by gentlemen _____.
- 15 / A Mafia contract on Mr. Knock's mother? _____
- 16 / B & Q 's range of Timber for the D I Y _____
- 17 / A drink but not wine or spirits .? _____
- 18 / Laminated wood and facial orifice ? _____

- 19/ Six O'clock position on the compass - finally - upon the ocean

- 20/ Would a less eloquent cockney highwayman have simply said this ...
 ----- *your money.*
- 21/ Ding Dong ! ----- *calling* .
- 22/ This car is old but gets you from A - B ----- .
- 23/ A steam train runs through here, just stand on the platform and

- 24/ In this city you can draw water from a hole in the garden

- 25/ Paint entrance to field, to match middle traffic light. -----
- 26/ Has the Swedish pop group donated some .?.. -----
- 27/ According to E U ruling we no longer go there to spend a penny, we go
 there to Euronate -----

Quiz courtesy of Brian Ellis

Answers next month

Technical Group & Website



Webmaster and Chairman Technical Group: Baz Wellard can be contacted at 18 Greenwood Close, Fareham, Hants PO16 7UF or email : technical@asoc.uk.com

Buying New Tyres:

If you are due to buy new tyres soon, I recommend you buy them well before the spring season starts. As I've mentioned previously, but worth repeating, once the season starts there is a great peak in demand and it can be several months before the next batch is produced and imported. General advice for tyre replacement is often given as from 5 to 7 years maximum.

Club Library:

- **Instruction Manual:** Malcolm Thacker has kindly sent me the instruction manual for a 1994 Executive and several other instruction pamphlets relating to that model. If anyone else has literature that they no longer require, please consider sending it to me. Postage will be refunded.
- **Model Reviews:** If you are thinking of changing to a different model, or would like a review of your current model; there are 153 available, and they cover the majority of A~S models. E-mail or send a SAE, with membership number, please.

Are we losing trust?

Answer not fully - but it is being stretched. Examples from recent weeks: -

- I've had e-mails from 3 members, who have had their address book attacked, containing hyperlinks to various unknown sources.
- A long telephone call (*I was interested to hear the sales patter – which could be convincing to some?*) telling me that I have a very serious fault on my computer windows software programme, which he would correct. But, eventually, he could not even tell me what version I had!
- Three telephone calls from different companies informing me my central heating maintenance contract had run out and offering to renew it. I've never had a maintenance contract!
- To renew our free EHIC (European Health Insurance Card) we 'googled' EHIC. The first 3 listed appeared, for all intent & purposes, to be the official site, but no - they do charge! The 4th listed is the actual hyper-link to the official free site - **www.ehic.org.uk**. Don't forget that the EHIC needs renewing every 5 years.
- I received: "Dear PayPal member. You made a payment of GB £39.00 for Skype 3 month subscription. If you haven't authorised this charge,

please Click Here *** for full refund". I do not have, and never had, Skype or Pay Pal in my name!

- The usual e-mails from various banks telling me that my account has problems!
- There could have been other rogue e-mails but fortunately I have a good spam filter.
- And finally:- I always activate a 'live update' on my virus software immediately I return after being away for a while, and before opening e-mails. A simple precaution I've previously recommended members to consider.

Moral: It pays to be very wary!

Website Updates:

- **Latest:- 01/14 – Rally list** Rally list and spreadsheet for 2014.
- **Previous:- 06e/13 to 06k/13: - Rally List,** development of the rally planning for 2014, and **Technical,** Peugeot service recall for spare wheel lowering – Not a safety issue.

And finally: Dorothy and I would like to wish all our friends in the Club our very best wishes for the forthcoming year. Enjoy your travelling and we look forward to meeting many of you during 2014, especially those on the French rally.

Baz

A Warm Welcome to New Members

Membership Numbers from 8567 to 8601

Mike & Sue Hedges	Winchester	Lancashire
David & Liz Goddard	Huddersfield	Broadway
Richard & Millie Riddell	Chippenham	Topaz
Stan & Sandra Thopmson	Daventry	Symbol
Albert & Elizabeth Toseland	Norfolk	Harmony
Gerald & Lilian Weaver	Kidderminster	Cotswold
John & Thea Church	Dorking	Burford
David & Maureen Tippins	Blackpool	Kemerton

Bryan & Sandra Beverly	Wirral	Broadway
Alan & Janet Duke	Rye	Warwick
Jack Morris	Preston	Dorset
Stephen & Cindy Alcock	Allestree	Nuevo
Gerald & Brenda Russell	Bexley	Symbol
Tony & Janet Northmore	Plymouth	Nuevo
Mike & Sylvia White	St Albans	Symbol
Paul & Janette Green	Kingsbridge	Kemerton
Brian & Barbara Chamberlain	Watford	Symbol
Chris & Fran Poole	Wallington	Lancashire
Reg & Kathy Spencer	Pontefract	Broadway
Robin & Chris Beeby	Walton-under-Edge	Topaz
Tony & Margaret Heithus	Derby	Broadway
Tony & Carmen Dunster	Hayes	Rambler
Tony & Lorraine Fearn	Yeovil	Nuevo
Alan & Ann Jones	Weymouth	Nuevo
Frank & Anne Jones	Rushden	Ravenna
Richard & Doreen Maisey	Cerne Abbas	Sussex
Shaun & Barbara Streater	87470 Haute-Vienne	Executive
Clive & Sue Parsons	Birmingham	Symbol
David & Margaret Scott	Glasgow	Broadway
George & Janette Langham	Dunfirmline	Nuevo
Robert & Ann Liddle	Derby	Nuevo
Andrew & Grace Brown	Dumfries	Broadway
Paul Beresford	Leicester	Broadway
Andy & Sheila Brown	Colne	Amethyst
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