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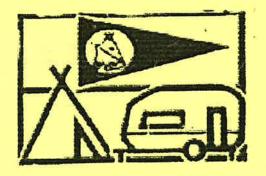
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### CHESHIRE CHAT



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# Change of venue. The midsummer meet is now at the BOARS HEAD P.H. Walgherton June 4-8 2009 The theme is Disney cartoons.

The meet at Strines is now cancelled.

SEEN IN A DAILY NEWSPAPER, SOMEONE WHO DOES NOT LIKE CARAVANS.

■ JUST when you thought that the news couldn't get worse, caravan sales are soaring!

#### Chairmans Report

As you will read further on in the chat we have been out every

weekend for the last five weeks and four out of the five meets

there have been around 50 units out, it was great to see, so many people out, what I ask, can we do as a D.A, do to get this many members out, I know we keep asking the same question, but to see around 50 units out at Styal was amazing.

once again I ask if you know of any sites or there are things we could do to change things please tell us.

Congratulations to the members who went to Ebury Hill I beleive once again a good job was done and I am sure you

all enjoyed it again.

Pauline Sim-Mutch our hard working secretary and Cheshire Chat editor has had to resign from the committee, thanks for all your hard work Pauline and thanks for staying on as webmaster for us, but this leaves us without a secretary, Hayley and myself are overseeing it at the moment, but we do need a secretary, please contact myself or any committee member for more details, Vera McGee is once again doing

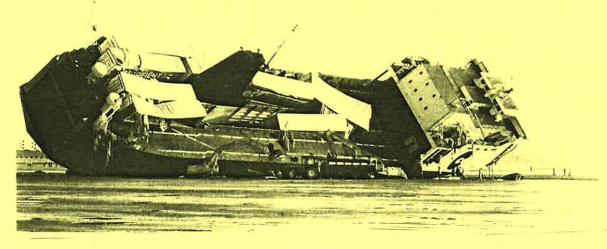
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Cheshire Chat, thanks Vera and I am sure you all know what I am going to ask for now, letters any kind of letters or photographs, you all know what I mean.

To any of our members who are not feeling too good I hope you feel better soon.

Hope to see you all Out and About.

Carol



THE STRANDED LORRY FERRY AFTER THE STORM BEACHED AT CLEVELEYS.

#### **GAS REFILL**

Holly Tree Farm Chester Road PLEASE NOTE as from the beginning of MAY 2009 the farm shop will be closing down, but you will still be able to buy gas.below are two telephone numbers if you require gas just telephone one of these, and leave a message and contact number and you will receive a returned call to make arrangements, please allow a couple of days leeway. Contact Karol L Bailey TEL.01565-651835 or 07779081925.

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#### **CORONATION STREET**

Try to find the characters who have appeared in Coronation Street.

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#### Easter at Clitheroe

A nice quiet ride down, and we did not get lost once, Harold met us at the

gate with a smile and his hand out for site fee's, we find a pitch and set up,

it was nice because the sun was shinning but the breeze was a bit of a

sting, still we were happy it was dry, set up with a brew in hand we sit and

watch the units come on and it was nice to see so many units, Dennis and

Vera turn up and Dennis takes over stewarding, Friday we just nip to the

shops for bits I had forgotten and it was back to the site and the units are

still comming on, the weather was still good to us, Saturday to give Dennis

a break I take over selling the raffle tickets for a while the raffle prize a large

Easter Egg from Thorntons which Dennis left in my awning for me, OH NO

I am sure you all can guess what happened next, when closing the awning

up at the night time I realized that I had not moved the egg OH NO it had

melted in the sun just the front of the egg the back was perfect it looked a

sorry state' Sunday we decide to go to Cleveleys and we would pick up a

new egg to replace the melted one, Hayley and Ian met us there we had

fish and chips I had not had any for 6wks (Lent) and an ice cream no ice

cream either (Lent) so I really enjoyed myself, the one problem we faced

there was not an Easter Egg to be found because all the big shops were

closed, now we had a problem, we all go back to the site and I go and tell

Dennis the news, he jumps in his car goes to the local Spar

and gets an

Egg, this time he keeps it in his own "van". Monday brew and prize giving

and the raffle, before the raffle was drawn I did say I was sorry about the

melted egg and all people did was laugh, the first ticket was drawn and I

was told to draw it again this I did five more times including me (well I

still had the melted egg) at last someone took the egg and we finnished

off the raffle, the quiz and Easter bonnet parade over we still had a lot of

cream eggs so all the children got one each and all the ladies as well.

A friendly meet with lots of nice weather and lots of units made for a

nice weekend. Thanks to Dennis and Vera for stewarding the meet and

thanks to Harold Purvis for standing in for Dennis.

The Smiths + 1

#### Fishpools with L&SWL

We like Fishpools and Ebury Hill was too far to go for a weekend, (by

the time we have picked Olivia from school and got the "van" hitched

up it well after 4) Olivia's friend Hannah came with us, it was the first

time she had stayed in a caravan like ours (usually a static) and was very

excited, Olivia showed her how to get the water and all the other jobs

that she does, the weather was a bit miserable and cold Saturday we

went into Winsford to do some shopping and it was back to the "van"

the girls sat on the bed with the work unit down and did some painting

and stuff. Sunday the weather a bit better we had a brew and we were

homeward bound.

This meet had about 50 units out, and we were right next to the youth

area and did'nt hear a thing from them, well done the youth of L&SWL.

#### The Smiths + 1

#### Fishpools with South Lancs

This weekend was more or less like last week, only the weather was

a bit better, S.L are a very friendly D.A and lots of people say hi to you

there was to be a sausage sizzle on Saturday ( a sausage bar-b-q)

which cost us a £! per adult so Saturday afternoon off we go, every

one had taken their chairs and were just sitting round and eating the

sausages, once again a good weekend had been had. This meet had about 50 units out.

The Smiths + 1

## THE CHAIRMANS DINNER SIDDINGTON. & A.G.M.

The A.G.M.went smoothly but once again, out of the 50 or so people who attended, no new faces came forward to help run the D.A. apart from members who were leaving, changing their minds and staying on the committee otherwise the D.A. would have ceased to exist, as we did not have the required number., a few days later Pauline Sim-Mucth resigned for personel reasons, so we are now short of the important roll of secretary. As you will see elsewhere Vera McGee is to do the Cheshire Chat again after a break, as her last stint lasted about 15 years. Which included winning the clubs BURNAM TROPHY in 1987 for the top newsletter of the year. I am back in action once again, and asking for members news to include. The Chairmans dinner was a success and very well attended, the meal was beautifully cooked and the tables nicely set. Neville Ramsbottom the clubs past chairman along with his wife Kath came to present a certificate to Bette and Gordon Amos for 50 years membership of the club, A second presentation was a Certificate of Honour to Dennis and myself for our work for the D.A. since we joined the committee,, Dennis in 1981 and me in 1983. We joined the club in 1973. Many thanks to people who organized the evening and the flowers for both ladies.

Vera McGee

#### Ebury Hill

Lovely sunny weather, is what we were enjoying for a week. One evening most of the conservation party enjoyed a meal at the Dragon King a Chinese restaurant in Shrewsbury

A garden was made by some of the stronger members earth was dug and a wooden curved edge placed around it, and a tree stump placed in the centre as a feature surrounded by flowers, but no bulbs as the rabbits dig them up.I did not see a lot of them running around no more than three.

The squirrels gave us a lot of laughs but again only two or three, One was really cheeky, he came to our van and climbing up the pole to raid the nuts on the bird feeder, this was annoying Dennis, so fixed an upturned dustbin lid halfway up, but the squirrel would not be beaten he stood on the hand brake lever and made a jump for it sometimes missing and falling to ground, but eventually getting on the top and nicking the nuts. Once he climbed the front of the van and watched us through the window.

CHEEKY CHEEKY.

Vera McGee.

#### Ebury Hill Club site

Once again North East Cheshire members were joined by members of other D.A.s on the conservation meet. Many various jobs were done clearing leaves and branches from the camping area , painting and replacing fences ,cementing and repairing roadways, erecting a new fence near the lake,and setting out the site ready for the new season, signs ,waste bins , fire points, life belts,forms, bird boxes, etc.

Another task was clearing an area over looking the quarry of weeds ,roots, and stones, and putting an edging of logs around it, and planting various plants and bushes with a large tree root feature in the centre.

If any of our D.A. members camp at Ebury Hill during the season it would be nice if they could just keep the plot looking neat and water the plants during the good summer we hope we are going to have ,thanks.

Dennis McGee.

#### A TRIP TO CLEVELEYS.

Early on this year, when we were having the cold blustery winds and rain, a ferry was blown ashore on the beach at Cleveleys and loads and loads of people went to see it . including Dennis and myself and our youngest daughter Angela, after spending time viewing the poor stricken boat, we decided whilst up here in Cleveleys we'd have a ride further on to Fleetwood' and have lunch there as we were wanting some sustenance. We called in a cafe and had a wonderful meal of steak pudding chips and gravy that was really delicious. We has a look at the sea and decided we would spend a penny Angela and I' before coming home. I had no money to hand but Angela found a 20 p coin in her pocket' so we found what looked like a few garages grouped together HEY PRESTO the coin fitted the slot. it didn't say Ladies' or Gents toilets anywhere. but being as the coin fitted we went in, and came face to face with a stainless steel loo'.. I decided I'd go first, no sooner had I started to do what I had to do than the toilet flushed itself. it startled me, but I thought will it work the same way for Angela when it's her turn? well it did the same for her but it was later then the first go, Well didn't we laugh e were so busy laughing the door opened' and a man walked in. I asked Angela how did he get in? we must not have locked the door. After a while i realised there were toilets in the cafe, we could have used. I'll remember next time.

VERA MCGEE.

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