



Monthly Newsletter

April 2009

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Group Leader's Notes.

Ten pin bowling.

14 members turned up for Ken's Ten Pin Bowling at The Hollywood Bowl, Bradford. It turned out to be a family affair with the Bailey family, Andy and Izzy Mawson, the George family and the Bower family. Young Alex Bower proved to be a star, scoring a "strike" with the first bowl. His younger brother looked on in amazement, hadn't a clue what was going on. The Georges and the Baileys "kids"/ adults just seem to get taller and taller. The highest score of 153 was achieved by Keith. After the bowling we all gathered at the pub for a carvery lunch. Time seemed to fly and before long we were asked to leave to make room for other clients. A good do, thanks to Ken for organising it.

Group Leaders' Meeting.

A couple of weeks ago, Mike and myself attended The TR Register Group Leaders' Meeting at Leicester. This year's meeting was much the same as usual, except for the second half when we were split into 6 groups to discuss various topics. I was in Group One and our task was to discuss "How we encourage members to be active in their local group". It is a fairly safe bet that those members who actively participate in local group activities are more likely to enjoy their TR, keep their TR, and remain, members of the Register. The most common reason for people leaving the Register is "I am selling my car because I don't use it enough and can't justify keeping it". Anything that we can do to encourage active participation will be good for everyone.

Topics discussed by Groups 2,3,4,5 and 6 included: "What is the future of the TR Register?", "What funding and support does a local group require?", "What controls or restrictions should be placed on the website and forum?", "What information should be included in the GL Information Pack?", "What is the best way of reaching potential new members?"

There is no GL Pack this year, as the information in it would have been the same as last year.

Recruitment – We attract about 40 new members each month – we need to attract 60.

A lot of information and ideas came out of these discussions, all of which have been noted by Committee and will be discussed at the next Committee Meeting.

P.S. Subs are now due!!

Stan Lowe.

Future Group events in 2009:

14 th April	Monthly meeting
1 st – 3 rd May	Traws Cambria weekend. Several members signed up for this, details in TRaction.
10 th May	Spring Clean Run
12 th May	Monthly meeting
15 th – 17 th May	Runswick Bay weekend. We've all booked, have you?
22 nd – 24 th May	Scottish Borders weekend. Details from Mike or Stan.
2 nd June	Darts and pool with Cleveland at Raskelf.
12 th - 14 th June	Derby Dales weekend. Details in TRaction.
26 th – 28 th June	Red Rose weekend. Book soon or miss out!

Christmas Party 2009.

As already announced we have made a provisional booking for the Tempest Arms for a party night in 2009. I need to confirm our bookings for **eight** rooms for anyone who wishes to stay over. Most of these are already taken by those who went last year so if you are interested, get in now! For those who have already expressed interest, please let me know what sort of room you want. Club rooms, Junior Suites and Executive Suites available. Ask Mike if you want more details.

Members' News.

Members' Details. Some members have given me updated details but I'm sure there are still some errors and omissions. Please check your details and let me know.

TR Action. If you have any news for the Social Scene report please send it to Stan or Mike at the address below. Items about club or TR activities are always welcome, especially if you have photos.

Newsletter.

To receive the newsletter by e-mail contact Mike at mike@mikesloan.freerve.co.uk.

Subscriptions for the newsletter are due now, please send them to John Hussey at 50, Gledhow Wood Avenue, Leeds, LS8 1NY or at the meetings.

Deadline for material for the next newsletter is **at least a week before the next meeting**. Please mail to: Mike Sloan at 3, Thompson Green, Baildon, Shipley, BD17 7PR or e-mail to mike@mikesloan.freerve.co.uk.

What is it?

No confirmation on this but Bill Piggott thinks it is from a Ferguson tractor engine!