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Scoot-A-Long Newsletter: Winter 2009/2010



Merry Christmas from Scoot-A-Long!



We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Wolseley Trust for the cheque we received from the grant application. They have given us £250.00 for our charity and this will be added to the fund we are collecting towards our trailer. This is a great boost to us in this economic recession.

So our heartfelt thanks goes out to the Wolseley Trust and if you wish to know more please visit their website at www.wolseley-trust.org to see the work they do and the help they give charities such as ourselves.

If you'd like to support our valuable and important work, please contact John Seamons (telephone 01752 360342).

A Trip Up The River

Saturday the 12th of September was a busy day for the Scoot-a-long team as we

started the day with a successful bag pack at the Co-op in Wolseley Road - so a big thank you to staff and customers there but that was not the end of it as in the evening we all mustered in best bib and tucker for a trip up the River Tamar on board the Silver Crest with the crew of Derrick and his father.

We all boarded at the Mayflower Steps and with the new boarding ramps it was easier for those of us either in a wheelchair or have difficulty walking. The weather was perfect for a night up the river with a calm wind and a red sunset looming and smooth water. We were then joined on board by our guests for the evening the Deputy Lord Mayor Councillor Jonathon Drear and his wife and duly set sale for our trip which was organised by Glynnis Bennett and Ian Brewster - who also provided a buffet which was first class.

The bar was open and the music playing and all seemed to be enjoying themselves but all too soon we were heading back to port but we still had the raffle to do so

our guest duly drew the lucky ticket holder which was won by Mrs Diane Horne and she won a remote controlled yacht and then we did the raffle which was well supported and we took £54.00 so a good evening was had by all and by 10.30, or 22.30hrs, (whichever you prefer) we had docked back at the Mayflower Steps and disembarked after a very enjoyable evening.

Thanks to the deputy Lord Mayer and his wife for joining us and supporting our charity.

We shall be doing another trip and they are not expensive so if you see it advertised why not join us and have a good, sociable evening. Tickets are always limited and are always on a first-come, first-served basis. We would love to see any of you there disabled or otherwise so keep looking at this space.

Guinness World Record

In October we were officially granted the



world record for the longest journey on an electric mobility vehicle: 8609.24 km (5,349.52 miles). Visit our website to view the certificate and you can also see the record in the latest issue of The Guinness Book

of Records, available at all good bookshops. The Guinness World Record certificate is available to view at: www.scoot-a-long.org.uk.

Next Events: December: collection outside Tesco Metro, Plymouth every Thursday 4 - 9pm until the 17th.
16th January 2010: bag pack at Morrisons, Plymstock.

Camel Trail Ramble August 2009

We (the Cornwall Rolling Ramblers) met Scoot-A-Long at the Borough Arms, Dunmere (near Bodmin) to ramble the Camel Trail from there to Wadebridge and back. Scoot-A-Long gave out scooters to those who needed them for a minimal fee.

Then six ramblers set off from Dunmere, under bright skies. There were cyclists and walkers along the trail, which is the route of the old railway track. This part of the trail is flat and rural, and keeps quite close to the Camel River. We passed by the Camel Valley Vineyards on our right, but didn't stop to sample their wares.

When we arrived at Wadebridge we stopped at the John Betjeman Centre (one of our members - not on this ramble - is a trustee). There we had lunch, with tea, coffee and tea cakes provided. Steve and I shared the leadership of this ramble, and soon we were back at the Scoot-A-Long caravan at the Borough Arms again. Hot pasties were given out by the two-man crew. Our thanks to them, and we ourselves felt proud at completing a ramble of 11.5 miles!

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