

# Okehampton & District Community Transport Group



## Newsletter 3



### **New Vehicle**

We are pleased to announce that we have been able to obtain funding to purchase an 8 seater, wheelchair accessible vehicle, which will be available for a variety of uses including transporting wheelchair users to hospital/medical appointments. We are hoping to create a timetable to include a Sunday lunch club, cinema and other excursions. Please let Sue know if you would like to be included in any of these trips. We would like to thank the Okehampton United Charity, Devon County Council and The Clare Milne Trust for their generosity in providing grants towards the purchase. The vehicle should be available from the beginning of May.

### **Saturday/weekday Trips**

We are considering arranging excursions to new destinations, eg. National Trust properties such as Buckland Abbey. Please let us know if you would be interested in visiting these so that we can decide whether to fit them into the schedule. Thank you.

### **We are moving!**

We are hoping to relocate to a main street site in the near future - we will keep you posted!

### **New Logo/Website**

We have had a new logo designed, which will be used on all our stationery and also on our new vehicle. We are currently updating the brochure and these will be printed in the near future. We are setting up a website which will be located at [www.odctg.co.uk](http://www.odctg.co.uk) with useful information on our services.

### **100 Club**

#### **March**

1 <sup>st</sup>	80	Mr RG Scrutton	Okehampton
2 <sup>nd</sup>	49	Mrs Gina Marshall	Okehampton
3 <sup>rd</sup>	70	Mrs Anna Bush	Chagford

### **Please help us to help you!**

Please consider whether your journey could be possible by the Ring and Ride Bus Service rather than a Voluntary Car - this helps us keep costs down (we pay drivers mileage to reach the passengers and they are not always available close to passengers) and also is cheaper for you! As we are a charity we need to obtain grants and fundraise to cover this shortfall. Thank you!

### **Charity Awareness Event**

We are jointly hosting an event in the Charter Hall, Okehampton on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July with EX20 Lottery. This will be from 9am - 12noon and refreshments and free entry into a prize draw will be included in the £1 entry. We are anticipating that there will be approximately 20 LOCAL charities represented, promoting their group and raising funds through the sale of gifts. Please come along and support us.

## Community Car Drivers

We are saying goodbye and thank you to Harold Jones and Sue Allain for their support. We welcome Mrs Elizabeth Burke to our team!

## Newsletter Ideas

If you have anything you would like published which may be of interest to our passengers, please let us know.

If you would like your newsletter in LARGE PRINT, please let me know.

Thank you to everyone for their positive comments in favour of our newsletter - we are striving to increase and improve our services to passengers.

## Money Boxes

Thank you to everyone for sending in your nicely filled boxes! Please ask one of our drivers if you would like a box for your loose change!

## ODCTG Committee

If you would like to become more involved in our organisation and feel that you have ideas to share, please contact us to discuss joining our committee. We have meetings in Okehampton approximately every 2 months.

## Saturday Trips

2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Bude	£6.00
9 <sup>th</sup> May	Tavistock	£5.50
16 <sup>th</sup> May	Dawlish	£6.00
23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Easy Going Tour - Dartmoor National Park	£8.00
30 <sup>th</sup> May	Lifton Farm Shop & Roadford Reservoir	£6.00
6 <sup>th</sup> June	No trip	
13 <sup>th</sup> June	Bideford	£6.50
20 <sup>th</sup> June	Tiverton	£7.00
27 <sup>th</sup> June	Easy Going Tour - Dartmoor National Park	£8.00
4 <sup>th</sup> July	No trip	

## Legacy

If you have had good service, please remember us in your will. Thank you.

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