

Single News – the KSM Volunteers News-brief – June 2023

May steaming weekend results

As expected the May Weekend of Power proved to be another very successful event with good attendance numbers and takings. The marquee proved to be a very useful addition allowing us to put on the

Day	Adults	Under 18s	Total	Takings	Net income
Saturday	207	52	259	£2,672	£2,258
Sunday	251	67	318	£3,404	£2,878

large display of models while at the same time keeping the inside of the museum uncluttered so that visitors could move around freely to view the great engines and other display items. Luckily the weather held fair so that the larger display items in the open could also be viewed in comfort. The marquee has been purchased by KGET so is now available for permanent use. The plan is to keep this in place during the steaming season so that it is available for various other uses such as talks and displays.

Kempton on YouTube!



Those of you who were present at the museum on the 19th or 20th of May will be aware that a young lady called Matilda River Walden was visiting us. With help from her mother and support from volunteers Colin Sowman, Bob Webb and Jerry Scholefield, Matilda has created a video chronicle of her visit to the museum. Filming both outside and inside over the two days, her talents and enthusiasm have resulted in some wonderful videos that are an excellent showcase of the museum. Her approach might especially inspire younger people and attract a next generation of volunteers.

The videos are all available on YouTube and some good examples can be viewed using the following links:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mgYiGglxQk&t=0s&ab_channel=MatildaRiverWalden

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CxcOXgkFmwY&t=0s&ab_channel=MatildaRiverWalden

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=paU9BcVt3M0&t=0s&ab_channel=MatildaRiverWalden

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JHc8D0kvWxl&t=0s&ab_channel=MatildaRiverWalden

Please do spread the word by sharing these links with friends, relatives and others as promoting the museum in this way can really help to bring in more volunteers and supporters.

Volunteer visit to SSS Gears

Mike Spooner recently arranged a visit for volunteers to SSS Gears, a company located nearby who specialise in the manufacture of automatic overrunning clutches for high power/high speed applications. Eight volunteers went along on Tuesday 16th May and were shown around the premises and given information on the company's products and production processes. The view was that it was great to see a British company doing so well although there was surprise to see inches and the UNF-UNC threading system still in use! All enjoyed the visit and found it an informative experience.



Thanks are due to Vince and Mark of SSS Gears for hosting the volunteers on the day and patiently answering their very many questions, and of course thanks are also due to Mike for arranging this visit.

For further information on any of these items or on other goings on at Kempton please speak with your team leader, or view the previous issues of Single News available on the website volunteer area.