

DEVAMOG

SCENIC RUN AND PICNIC – SUNDAY 9 JULY 2023

Our next DevaMog event is a scenic run from Chirk to the home of Ian and Karen Aldred in Kempton, South Shropshire. The route runs along both sides of the Welsh/English border and takes in some beautiful countryside.

We plan to meet at Dobbies Moreton Park Garden Centre (LL14 5DG), just off the A5, and then head south down the A5 and A483 to Welshpool before taking to the minor roads which traverse the rolling hills of Shropshire. We end the run at the home of Ian and Karen in the small picturesque village of Kempton. Please bring your own picnic which can be enjoyed in Ian and Karen's lovely garden. Drinks, cakes and biscuits will be kindly provided by our hosts. Please remember to bring chairs to sit on and plenty of sun cream!

When entering the village, please follow the directions shown on the map below to avoid crossing a 'ford' (which is not recommended in a Morgan or in any other car for that matter!).

If you don't wish to participate in the scenic run, please make your own way to Ian and Karen's home.

To give Ian and Karen an idea of numbers, can you please let them know if you are attending, either by calling them on 01588 660219 or by email gingerbread.house@icloud.com Last minute attendees will also be most welcome.



DevaMog Scenic Run to Karen and Ian Aldred's house for a Picnic – Sunday 9 July 2023

Karen and Ian's address is South View, 17 Kempton, Lydbury North, South Shropshire, SY7 OJG (please note, the post code covers all of the village and not Karen and Ian's house specifically). Tel No. 01588 660219 or Mobile No. 07989 842594.

Meet at Dobbies Garden Centre, Moreton Park, Wrexham, LL14 5DG just off the A5 by the Gledrid Service Station at 11am for refreshments.

The Police in the area of our scenic run are very keen to enforce speed limits so please stick to them.

Set around 11.30am and join the A5 heading for Oswestry, cross over 2 roundabouts and at the 3rd roundabout head for Welshpool on the A483. Staying on the A483, drive through the villages of Pant and Llanymynech (watch your speed) and keep on for Welshpool. Enjoy some nice views of Shropshire to your left. At the Four Crosses roundabout continue to head to Welshpool on the A483. At the next roundabout continue to follow the A483 for Welshpool. At the next roundabout follow the A483 to Newtown. Follow the A483 for about 1 ½ miles and at the roundabout take the A490 to Churchstoke and Fordun. Pass Mid Wales Airport on your right and then shortly cross two bridges, the first over the River Severn and the second over the railway. The A490 then starts to climb which affords great views of the surrounding countryside. At approximately 1 ½ miles take the B4388, sign posted to Trefaldwyn and Montgomery. Continue along the B4388 for about 3 miles, driving through some picturesque countryside, you will enter the 30mph zone on the outskirts of Montgomery. Continue on until you reach an offset T junction and turn left onto the B4385, signposted Bishops Castle. Drive up a steep hill and pass through the town of Montgomery. Continue on the B4385 for approximately 3 miles until you reach a cross roads (staggered junction with the Blue Bell pub across the road on your left). Go straight across, following the B4385 to Bishops Castle. After approximately 6 miles you come into Bishops Castle. Go down a steep hill and at the T junction turn right, sign posted Town Centre, you will shortly pass the Cattle Market on your right. Continue to drive through the town until you reach a junction where you turn left onto the B4385, sign posted Craven Arms. You pass a petrol station on your right, followed by a church on your right a little further on and then you will pass a college on your right before reaching a cross roads. Go straight across onto the B4385, sign posted Lydbury North. Drive along the B4385 for approximately 3 miles, passing the Powys Arms pub on your right, before passing through the village of Lydbury North. Continue along the B4385 for approximately 3 miles where you enter the village of Kempton. Just after the village sign the first road on the right, which is signed '**Ford – unsuitable for motors**', should be avoided. Under no circumstances drive down this road otherwise you could end up with an expensive repair bill if you attempt to cross the Ford! Take the second road on the right, just past the layby/bus stop/red phone box, and follow the road down for approximately ¼ mile. After crossing a small bridge, turn right at the sign which states '**Ford – unsuitable for motors**'. After negotiating three sharp bends you will reach Karen and Ian's house on your left. If you inadvertently pass their house, DO NOT CROSS THE FORD which is a little further on from the entrance to their house. **PLEASE REFER TO THE DETAILED MAP OF KEMPTON FOR THE ROUTE IN AND OUT OF THE VILLAGE.**

We hope you had a pleasant scenic run and wish you an enjoyable picnic.



