

Dates for 2020 are coming in thick and fast with more bowling, our AGM and dinner and the Club Open meeting at the beginning of February, Whitley Bay in March and the Club AGM in April. All the dates for WingDings and Treffens are online so there is plenty to look forward to.

No more for now. Ride safely.

It's a busy world out there. Sent from the depths of East Anglia by an aging Rebel rider.

Diane XX

Capital Region

Capital's charitable activities have been bumped up a notch with Joe taking on the role of Charity Co-ordinator. We re-visited Meldreth Manor School in December for our Toy Run but WingSpan deadline meant that that report will have to wait until February. However, in November, following a request to Chairman Tim, we were very happy to gather together with other GoldWing friends to make something very special happen for a very special lady.

On Sunday 24th November, a few Moles along with two bikes from Tudor Rose - Victor & Pam and Terry & Deb - and two bikes from Broadlands - Martin and Tony, helped to make a young lady's dream come true. The Moles were Yetti, Joe & Margaret, Gordon, Barry, Colin, Wayne, Mick & Jan and Kevin and together the twelve bikes all helped to realise a long-held dream of Baba Self, a soon-to-be 105 year old lady on the 4th December.

Baba wanted a ride on a motorcycle. Tim Brooks got in contact with Yetti and the Moles rallied round and made it happen. They met at the Silver Ball Café on the A10 then drove onto Layston Grove Residential Home near Buntingford, Herts. Everyone was greeted warmly by the residents and families. Baba was helped onto Gordon's trike and loved every minute. Wayne took two kids in his side car and their Mum travelled on the back of Kevin's. Joe and a few others also took staff



members out. There was a tour around Buntingford town centre with Baba waving at everyone as the bikes passed. Back at the Home, the dream makers were greeted with the offer of tea, coffee or mulled wine and a few biscuits. As Yetti said: "We'll do anything for a biscuit."

Baba and her family were delighted that we had made her wish come true. In turn, we were all in great awe for a lady who has lived through two World Wars and was still game for a ride on a Goldwing.

Happy 105 Baba - you were, and still are, amazing. What shall we do next year - sky diving maybe?



Bab's Dream Ride

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Bab's 105th. Entourage

A suggestion was made at the December Mole night that as an appreciation to The Woodbine Inn for letting us use their conservatory for our meetings we would contribute to the pub's two charities - Haven House and St. Clare Hospice. The Moles present agreed that we would give a sum of money to the two good causes and help kick-start the Inn's fund raising.

CGR

January sees two significant birthdays for Capital members. Stuart, having won an Elf in the open-the-box raffle prize in December was very excited and let the cat out of the bag that Wendy would be 60 soon.



Stuart's Elf



Johnny, meanwhile, is still very sexy at seventy. We send our congratulations to both of them and hope they celebrate in style.



Johnny's 70th.

Wendy's 60th.

Well it's a short report this time round. A Happy and Healthy New Year to you all.

Miss (Helen) Whiplash