

ADVERTISEMENTS FOR SALE

- 16" Ransomes Mk13, 1951, c/w 250cc Sturmeys Archer engine and grass box, good condition, £100; 18" Ransomes Auto Certes Mk1, c1951, c/w Villiers engine and grass box, pristine condition, £90; 18" Lloyds Pegasus Model G, No T1313, c1955, c/w JAP2A and grass box, just needs cleaning; 17" JP Super Mk5, c1960, c/w 125cc Villiers engine and grass box, small amount of work to finish; 16" Ransomes Mk4, 1926, c/w 198cc Blackburn engine and grass box, nice condition except cracked roller, ex museum machine, famous owner when new, £150. Open to offers. C: John Bloxham T: 01438 833157 (Hertfordshire)
- 16" Qualcast 16 motor mowers x 2, c/w boxes; 16" Qualcast 16 "Royal Blade" x 2, c/w boxes; 12" Qualcast Panther, 1950's x 2, one with box; 12" Qualcast B1, c/w box; 12" Qualcast E1, c/w box, 12" Qualcast Superlite Panther x 2, c/w boxes; 12" Qualcast Super Panther, no box; 12" Suffolk Colt x 2, c/w boxes; 14" Suffolk Punch Mk 7, c/w box; 12" Suffolk Super Swift, c/w box, blades are worn; 12" Suffolk Superbe; 10" Suffolk Viceroy II; 12" Webb Witch; 18" Webb petrol mower, c/w Briggs & Stratton engine; 8" Webb childs mower; 10" JP Minor, c/w box; 10" Folbate J1; 12" Ransomes Ajax Mk5 x 2, c/w boxes; 14" Ransomes Minor Mk 6, c/w box; 12" Sidewheel mower, 1960s "British Made"; 12" Black & Decker Electric cylinder mower, 1980s, c/w box; Atco lawn edger, 1950s. All in working order, no reasonable offers refused. C: Colin Gilderson T: 01245 257633 (Chelmsford)
- 12" Greens SM junior, c1935, £35; 14" Royal Enfield, c1938, £30; 14" Ransomes Mk5, c1940s, £25; 20" Ransomes Mk13, 1940s, £25; 20" Ransomes Mk14, c1950, Sturmeys Archer engine, £25; 14" Ransomes Minor Mk6, c1955, £20; Ransomes Overgreen Tractor Unit, £30; 14" Atco Standard, 1920s, £50; 16" Atco Standard, 1920s, carb replaced, £40; 2x 22" Atco Standard, 1920s, carb replaced, with grass box, £40; 24" Dennis, 1946, c/w box, restored, as seen in GB6, GWO, £100; 30" Atco Deluxe Heavyweight, c/w box, restored, GWO, £150. C: Stan Hardwick T: 01723 514722 (Filey)
- 24" Dennis, 1932, fully rebuilt and restored, sale due to lack of space, £400. C: Richard Dent T: 01525 385374 (Leighton Buzzard)
- 12" Ransomes Ajax Mk3, c/w box; 14" Atco kick start, 1950s, c/w box. C: Anthony Lovett T: 01566 773867 (Launceston)
- Ransomes Ajax Mk3, c/w box, £10; Rotoscythe, £10; Suffolk 16SW, c/w B&S, £10; Qualcast B1, c/w box, £10; 18" Flexa, £25. C: R Thomas T: 01985 217974 (Warminster)
- Warehouse clearance of NEW, shop-soiled Villiers, JAP and BSA engines available including the following models: Villiers Mk7/1, 10, 12, 12/1, C12, 15, 20, C25, C30, C45, F15, Villiers 2S Mk2 MID, 4G, 25C, 25A, 7F; JAP 2A, 2S, 3, 5, 6, 55, 600 SV; JAP 2S 34cc, 80cc; BSA 50cc, Mod 90 Std, Mod 90 reduction gear type, 120cc side-valve Amal, 120cc side-valve Zenith, 420cc; quantity of 50cc engines with missing camshaft, end cover, etc. Prices negotiable. Viewings by appointment please. Will ship anywhere, please ask for quote. Large stock of spares also available. C: Gordon B. Davenport T: 01743 462950 E: enquiries@davenport.pb.com (Shrewsbury)
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- Qualcast 16, c/w box and instructions; 12" Webb motor mower, no box. C: Mike Tomkins T: 0121 353 6618 E: petomkins@hotmail.com (West Midlands)
- Dennis, 1962; Atco, 1950s. C: Tony Matharu T: 01926 833890 (Daytime) E: tmatharu@parker.com (Warwick)
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- Atco kick start, 1950s, complete. C: David Clark T: 01494 715262 E: davidgeoffreyclark@yahoo.co.uk (High Wycombe)#
- Webb hand mower. C: Sandra Williams T: 01582 611817 (Luton)#
- 12" Shanks hand mower, c/w box; 10" Qualcast Model E, no box; Brill Cutwell, 1928, no box; 12" Ransomes Atlas Mk2, c/w box; Webb Miniature, complete; 10" Webb Whippets (two off), c/w box. C: RM Mummery T: 01227 751751 (Faversham)#
- 24" Webb Model 271 motor mower, 1970s, complete. C: PG Wilde T: 01803 326275 (Torquay)#
- Ransomes sidewheel, possibly Leo, c/w box. C: John Waite T: 01202 671582 (Bournemouth)#
- 12" JP Maxees. C: Elizabeth Duncan T: 01747 871969 (Wiltshire)(NM). Webb Miniature, complete. C: Mr Muldoon T: 02380 771630 (Southampton)#
- 12" Webb or Qualcast hand mower. C: Miss B Shaw T: 0208 648 8737 (London)#
- Ransomes Ajax Mk3, c/w box, £75. C: Derek Mitham T: 01727 852735 (St Albans)#
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- Suffolk Colt. C: Michael Yates T: 01773 602241 E: mailto:mikeanbike@tiscali.co.uk (North Derbyshire)#
- 24" Atco Standard, c/w box; Ransomes Mk10, no box, c/w Sturmeys Archer. C: Peter Wright T: 01582 833545 (Harpending)#
- 12" and 14" Webb Battery Mowers, 14" c/w box. C: Keith Salisbury T: 01932 770676 E: keith.salisbury@btinternet.com (Weybridge)#
- Ransomes Ajax, c/w box, free to good home. C: Roger Wolfe T: 01473 726649 E: roger@wolfe4800.freeseve.co.uk (Ipswich)#
- Suffolk Super Colt, c/w box, free to good home. C: Richard Stephenson T: 01932 783159 E: byeways@ukonline.co.uk (Sunbury-on-Thames)#
- Westwood Gazelle 6hp tractor mower, c/w handbook and spare cutting blade; Landmaster Garden Master, Model 80 Series 2 Rotorvator, c/w scarifier attachment and original handbook. C: John Ormshaw E: john.ormshaw@btinternet.com #
- Ransomes Ajax Mk 5, c/w box. C: Derek Wilde T: 01394 384557 E: jillderek@care4free.net (Woodbridge)#
- Shay Rotoscythe, free to good home. C: Mr Parker T: 01793 526844 (Swindon)#
- Webb Battery Mower. C: Barry Messham T: 01908 665662 E: barry_messham@yahoo.co.uk (Milton Keynes)#
- Atco motor mower. C: Anne Sibley T: 01634 234209 E: a.rainbow9@blueyonder.co.uk (Rainham)#
- Ransomes 16" Mk 5, No 13503, c/w Sturmeys Archer engine, c1935. C: James Avery T: 01872 277875 E: AVERYBEDRUTHAN@aol.com (Truro)#
- 12" Greens Mulum In Parvo; 12" Ransomes Patent Gear Automaton; 17" LL&Co Pennsylvania; Greens Silens Messor?, no 128069; Ransomes Ajax. C: Chris Simpkin T: 01359 231263 E: Chris.Simpkin@btinternet.com (Pakenham)#
- 17" Suffolk Punch, £40. C: Dave Bimson T: 01823 410014 E: Davidbimson@aol.com (Taunton)#
- 22" Atco Standard "Oval Frame", c/w box. C: Des Butcher T: 01926-632127 M: 07976-558806 E: des.butcher@warwick.ac.uk (Coventry)#
- Webb Miniature, c/w box. C: Gwyneth Yallop T: 01603 623008 E: gwyneth.yallop@btinternet.com (Norwich)#
- 18" Godiva motor mower, c/w JAP engine. C: Michael Wise E: michael.wise@ihug.co.nz (Mower in UK)#
- 12" Ransomes Patent Chain Automaton. C: Paul Hatton T: 01422 254944 E: jacinta@blueyonder.co.uk (Halifax)#
- 12" JP Maxees. C: F Stockley T: 01270 583332 (Crewe)#
- 30" Dennis Premier Mk1, c/w box. C: James Dix T: 01223 690782 M: 07980 563194 E: jamesdix@ntlworld.com (Cambridge)#
- Presto Rollmo, 1930s, c/w box. C: Chris Kirkman T: 0777 199 8510 E: chris.kirkman@ntlworld.com (Leicester)#
- Webb hand mower, 1950s, c/w box. C: Chris Nicholson T: 01306 74 0232 E: chris@nicholson2.plus.com (Dorking)#
- Webb hand mower, c/w box. C: Claire Matthews T: 02476697386 E: member@clairematthews01.wanadoo.co.uk (Coventry)#
- Qualcast Panther, 1950s, c/w box; Greens hand mower, 1950s, c/w box; 14" Suffolk Punch, c/w box. C: David Tod T: 01350 727 151 E: d.tod@tesco.net (Perth)#
- Gamage "New Champion" No 18, c/w box; Sidewheel, possibly Follows & Bate A1, c/w box. C: Wayne O'Brien T: 01202 529276 E: info@blue-monkey.co.uk (Bournemouth)#
- Greens Lightweight x 2; 16" Ransomes motor mower; Qualcast 16 motor mower; Maxi Mow; unknown motor mower; 16" Green hand mower; 14" Qualcast hand mower; 12" Folbate hand mower; Barford Atom rotovator x 2; Allen scythe. C: Robin Cross E: janandrobincross@mac.com
- 10" Webb Whippet Mk3, c/w box. C: John Hamilton T: 0141 586 7238 E: john.hamilton23@ntlworld.com (Glasgow)#
- 9" Ransomes Lion, no box, £25. C: Keith Miles T: 01525 753471 E: keith.miles1@ntlworld.com (Leighton Buzzard)#
- Atco motor mower, 1950s, c/w box. C: Dave King T: 01732 503544 E: ckingcr2@aol.com (Tonbridge)#

21" Atco motor mower, Model 6221, c/w box. C: Laraine Skippen T: 01325 259321 M: 07751894390 E: loz.skippen@ntlworld.com (Darlington)#

Dennis, c/w box, round petrol tank model. C: Linsey Giles T: 01454 329684 E: lgiles@giles-it.com (Bristol)#

10" Ransomes Leo, c/w box. C: Margaret Trench T: 0117-9755699 E: matrench@blueyonder.co.uk (Bristol)#

Suffolk Swift, c/w box and instructions. C: David Merrett T: 01529 497585 E: merrettd@aol.com (Sleaford)#

Qualcast Panther, 1968, free to good home. C: Terry Brown T: 01279 445254 E: member@burnettpark.wanadoo.co.uk (Harlow)#

Arundel Coulthard Presto, 1940s, no box; 19" Atco kick start, 1952; 19" Atco Four Stroke, 1970s. £100 the lot (negotiable). C: Tom Oaks T: 01963 250577 E: tomoaks@ukonline.co.uk (Sherborne)#

Atco Standard, in pieces, c/w box. C: David Home T: 01361 882 190 E: enquiries@wedderburn-castle.co.uk (Duns, Berwickshire)#

24" Webb motor mower, no box. C: John Gorman. T: 0118 973 2365 E: gormans@waitrose.com (Hampshire)#

Atco Standard. C: Laurence Jones. T: 01245 226337 E: laurence@jones33.fsnet.co.uk (Chelmsford)#

Shanks Wizard, c/w box; Atco kick start, 1950s, c/w box. C: Maurice Edwards T: 01384 292030 (Dudley)#

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Grass box for a 14" 1460 model plus any other Atco grass boxes. C: Ian Tabernacle T: 01606 553173 (Northwich)

To add to my collection: Drummond Willing Worker motor mower; 1920s JP water cooled motor mower; Shanks Jehu; 1920s Greens motor mower; John Shaw Governor water cooled motor mower. Can exchange for 1920's square tank Dennises and others. C: Dusty Miller T: 023 92632620 E: dusty@pmler7.fsnet.co.uk (Portsmouth)

Small 150cc two stroke engine for special project. C: Tony Houghton T: 01268 727321 E: tony@janus13.plus.com (Chelmsford)

Clinton or Villiers engine (or suitable replacement) for Ransomes Typhoon. C: Bill Galley T: 01624 482706 (Isle of Man).

Ransomes Certes hand push. mowers, any models. C: David Bolland T: 0161 427 5669 (Manchester).

Pre 1940 lawn mowers. Anything considered except Atco including individual machines and whole collections. Write to Michael Duck, 1 Belmont Terrace, Shepton Beauchamp, Somerset TA19 0JX.

Allen Scythe accessories, manuals, tools etc, especially spraying attachment. Will take complete machine if necessary; grass box for 14" Atco Standard in good condition. Will take complete machine if good, original example. C: Mark Baigent T: 01425 475452 E: m_baigent@hotmail.com E: mark.baigent@nhs.net (Ringwood).

Magneto for Ransomes Mk4. C: Kevin Phillips T: 07949 260982 (MK).

Webb Witch or similar. C: Judith Alcock E: frederick@fadcock.wanadoo.co.uk #

Merrytiller Titan cylinder mower, rotary mower and aerator attachments. C: Eric Heugh T: 01748 818345 (Catterick)#

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Important Note: C: = Name; T: = Telephone; M: = Mobile; E: = Email; F: = Fax; # = Non-Member

When submitting adverts for Grassbox please use the following format: size and name of machine, supporting details inc presence of grass box, contact name, telephone number, email address, location. Thanks.

AGM of The Old Lawnmower Club

Milton Keynes Museum, Wolverton, Milton Keynes

Sunday 21 May

11.30am

Formal Business will include: selection of Committee & Officers for coming year; ratification of Accounts for 2005/2006; consideration of motions. All Members are entitled to attend the AGM. Exhibiting at the Rally is optional. Members attending the AGM are requested to bring their Membership Cards for free Museum entry.

HALL & DUCK INFORMATION SERVICE

The Hall & Duck Trust can provide information on almost any make and model of lawn mower. For just £6 per machine they will search their extensive information archive and provide copies of documents found, dates of manufacture and more. Special rates for multiple queries. Please make cheques payable to "The Hall & Duck Trust". Send queries with cheques to: Andrew Hall, Archivist, The Hall & Duck Trust, 16 Malcolm Road, Wimbledon, London SW19 4AS
T: 0208 946 8036/E: archivist@hdtrust.co.uk/W: www.hdtrust.co.uk

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Membership runs from 1 June to 31 May each year and lapses for those who do not rejoin by the end of July. Members who join between 1 January and 31 May during a particular year will not need to rejoin until the July of the following year.

CLUB INSURANCE

The Party Public Liability Certificates for 2006 have now been sent out to all UK members. Members joining after 1 March will receive their certificates later. We have been advised by the insurers that all mowers (hand and motor, pedestrian and ride-on) are covered as long as the guidelines sent with the certificates are followed. If you were expecting a certificate but have not received it yet please contact Keith at the usual addresses.

WHAT'S IT WORTH?

With the OLC well into its second decade, writes Tony Hopwood, how good an investment has that restored mower been? What's happened to mower prices over the last ten years? The short answer is not a lot for the majority of old mowers. There are still old mowers for free in local papers or Grassbox. It's still possible to get a complete and easily restorable pre war motor mower for less than £50 at auction or private sale. I saw a couple of complete but tatty late 1920s Atco Standards only make a fiver at a local farm auction not so long ago. Even restored rare mowers aren't that expensive. A restored 14 inch Emery Clipper with grass box only made £85 at a steam rally auction. So what is making the money? Early small push mowers and lawn edgers. Anything for sale under 10 inches cut and made before 1900 gets the phone ringing and the bids climbing. There are two reasons for this. First is the popularity of anything, except motor mowers, to do with vintage gardening. Second is that repainted old push mowers look good and are small enough to be sold as garden antiques. So prices go up as the supply of "gardenalia" dwindles. The odd thing is while ancient and decorative push mowers climb in value, functional motor mowers haven't shared in collectors' enthusiasm for automobilia or stationary engines of similar age. In the same way the book trade breaks antique books to sell the prints, a vintage mower is often worth more to someone who knows that the engine fits a vintage motorcycle and can provide magnetos and other useful parts. It's odd that while a working magneto sells for up to £75 on an autojumble stall, the same magneto on a mower as found at an auction may make less than £30 with the whole machine. Even restored motor mowers don't sell readily - there are so many Atco Standards that the collectors' market is saturated. One future possibility is that the penny may drop when people realise that working vintage motor mowers are a greener alternative to buying an expensive new plastic toy mower or garden tractor. With mower servicing costs around £20 an hour, fixing and using a vintage mower on your grass makes sense as well as pleasure. You should choose a machine for which spares are still available, and which is easy to use. Some vintage mowers are not very practical, although really early machines may be more valuable than useful to compensate!

The growing use of vintage motor mowers may eventually push average prices to more realistic levels compared with new or second hand machines. In the meantime, it's a good time to get in at the grass roots and enjoy vintage mowing!

SOUVENIRS

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Sweat Shirt	£15.00
Polo Shirt or Pilot Shirt (available small, medium, large, extra large)	£14.00
Baseball Cap	£6.00
Sew on Badge	£5.00
Pin Badge	£2.00
Key Fob	£1.00
Car Sticker (round)	£1.00
Exhibit Log Sheet	£0.10
Loan of Banner (must be booked)	Free

PUBLICATIONS

Calendar 2006 (A4 or A3 - please state)	£3.50
Directory of Lawnmower Models	£6.00
& Manufacturers (can be supplied on 3.5in PC disk on request)	
Set of seven old black and white photographs	£10.00

TRANSFERS

Atco Standard Transfers (set of 4)	£10.00
Atco Standard Transfers (set of 6)	£15.00
Atco Standard Transfers (individual)	£3.00
<i>(these are 1920s Atco Standards, set of four for mowers without grass box, set of six for mowers with grass box)</i>	
Atco "Cutter Release"	£2.00
<i>(76x23mm, for use on some Atco Standard rear roller chain sprockets)</i>	
Atco "Normal" (c162x41mm)	£4.00
Atco "Normal" (c133x34mm)	£4.00
Atco "Normal" (c75x19mm)	£4.00
<i>(The later ATCO transfers on mowers from the late 1920s onwards)</i>	
Atco "George VI Crest" (111x170mm)	£10.00
Automower (149x97mm, gold, black, red)	£6.00
Folbate	£3.00
<i>(163x27mm, red lettering, black edges, gold background)</i>	
JP "Super Lawnmowers"	£3.00
<i>(75x123mm, oval with wording around edge)</i>	
JP "Normal"	£3.00
<i>(52x103mm, oval, green, gold, black, no surrounding lettering)</i>	
JP "Minimower V1"	£3.00
<i>(73x44mm, oval for some Minimowers, straight lettering)</i>	
JP "Minimower V2"	£3.00
<i>(80x45mm, oval for some Minimowers, italic lettering)</i>	

JP "Maxees Oval V1"	£3.00
<i>(115x55mm, oval, Maxees larger than JP)</i>	
JP "Maxees Oval V2"	£3.00
<i>(110x63mm, oval, JP larger than Maxees)</i>	
JP "Maxees Scraper" (122x41mm)	£3.00
JP "Maxees Sideplate" (123x60mm)	£3.00
Pull Fast-Return Slow	£1.50
<i>(49x19mm, red/yellow for 1960s models)</i>	
Qualcast: Panther Chain Cover (254x126mm)	£7.00
Qualcast: Panther "Panther On Logo"	£5.00
<i>(129x108mm, for Panther/Super Panther)</i>	
Ransomes "Scroll" (130mm)	£2.00
Ransomes "Scroll" (200mm)	£3.00
Ransomes "Grey Crest"	£4.00
<i>(70x90mm, rectangular for some later models)</i>	
Ransomes "Oil Levels" (Assorted ovals, gold/black)	£3.00
Royal Enfield (190x126mm, rectangular for boxes)	£8.00
Suffolk Super Punch 17" Dual Drive	£10.00
<i>(202x190mm, for grass box)</i>	
Suffolk Punch Dual Drive Mk7	£10.00
<i>(228x223mm, for grass box)</i>	
Suffolk "14 Super Punch Mod"	£6.00
<i>(35x170mm, red/gold/yellow/black modern design)</i>	
Suffolk "Super Colt Modern"	£6.00
<i>(135x170mm, red/gold/yellow/black modern design)</i>	
Suffolk "Punch Modern"	£3.00
<i>(86x95mm, gold with black edge to lettering)</i>	
Webb "Wizard" (197x62mm)	£3.00

Members can view colour versions of transfer on the Club website at: www.oldlawnmowerclub.co.uk/transfers/transfer.htm
If you have original transfers that the Club could borrow to copy for the benefit of other members contact Keith at usual address.

ORDERING ITEMS

Send orders for all souvenirs to Keith Wootton, Old Lawnmower Club, 7 Church Lane, Cold Higham, Towcester, Northamptonshire NN12 8LS. Allow 28 days for delivery. **Cheques payable to: 'The Old Lawnmower Club'. PayPal and Nohex accepted (send email for details).**

THE OLD LAWNMOWER CLUB

Auction Sale: Entry Form

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Entered by:- Name: Membership No:
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I agree to abide by the Conditions of Sale as set out overleaf: Signature..... Date.....

Reserve Prices: The reserve is the figure below which the Lot will not be sold. If you wish a Lot to be sold without reserve, enter NR in the 'reserve' column. Reserves will not be accepted on Lots expected to sell at £10 or below.

Please copy this section if more than three entries required.

MAKE A DATE FOR THE ANNUAL RALLY

The Annual Rally at Milton Keynes Museum is on the weekend of 20/21 May. As always, it's the best chance of the year to meet and chat with other members. I hope that many members will be able to call in at some time over the weekend. As usual there will be special souvenirs.

Accommodation

We have been given permission to camp at the Museum on the Friday and Saturday nights to make it a full weekend. Let Keith know if you intend to camp on either night so that adequate space can be prepared. If you do come on the Friday, please aim to arrive between 7.00pm and 9.00pm because the gates will be open and someone will be there to meet you. If you expect to arrive after this time you will still be able to get in as the gates can be unlocked but let Keith know a few days before so that we can look out for you. On the day, Keith can be contacted on his mobile (07778 315966).

There are also plenty of local hotels and B&Bs. Keith will be happy to supply a list. If you are bringing mowers and/or trailers it will be possible to leave these at the Museum (as long as someone is there) before checking in to your hotel. Ask Keith if unsure.

Saturday Evening Event

There will be our usual party at the Museum on the Saturday evening. This is organised for the Club by the Museum's volunteers and will be provided at a low 'all inclusive' price to keep it simple. Any profits go to the Museum. Let Keith know if you would like vegetarian food.

Auction

We are going to hold an auction on the Sunday (specific time to be confirmed) after the AGM and would welcome entries which should ideally be made before the event. The aim is to have a bit of fun while hopefully ensuring that members get an equal chance to buy unusual mowers and sellers to get the best price. For this reason we feel it is important that any items entered into the auction must be sold there rather than withdrawn over the weekend because a "private deal" has been agreed. Further details below.

Bring & Buy

A popular feature of the rally is the bring and buy section. A number of members bring mowers and spares to sell and there are usually some bargains. If anyone would like to bring anything, feel free. And don't forget to leave some space in the boot, trailer or holdall to take something home!

Food and Catering

The Museum's tea room will be open on the Saturday and Sunday to provide refreshments including snacks, salads, sandwiches and cakes so there's no need to bring your own picnic or packed lunch (although you can if you wish). The tea room will also be open on the Saturday and Sunday mornings for breakfast.

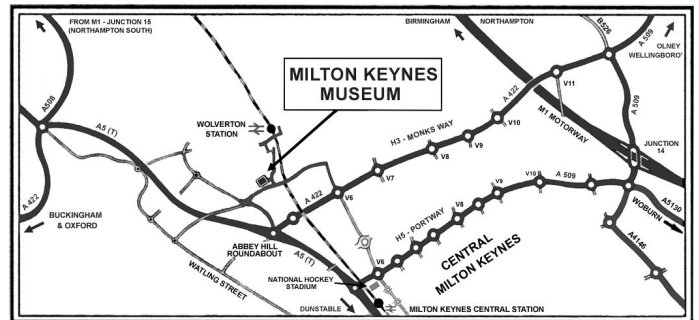
Club Shop

The Club Shop will be open for a limited period each day to sell the full range of souvenirs (as listed on the Grassbox advertisement sheet), so if you need a new sweat shirt, some car stickers or transfers for your Atco Standard, bring some cash!

Cars & Parking

Lots of people come to the rally and it can get very busy with cars. Please take care when driving on the site and keep your speed to 5mph. This year there will be restricted access to the main site between 12noon and 4pm on each day. Please check at the Museum entrance or with one of the Club's committee members if you need to drive on the site during these periods. We always try to keep the display areas clear of vehicles so only park where you are asked, not where you would like. It helps everyone and makes for a much better event. Keep gates closed on site at all times.

This year the AGM will be held at 11.30am on the Sunday.



Museum is on McConnell Drive (off Millers Way, MK gridroad H2) in Wolverton at north west of city. From A5/A422 junction and locally follow brown signs for "Museum of Industry & Rural Life".

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NOTES ABOUT THE AUCTION

The auction will be held at Milton Keynes Museum on Sunday 21 May following the Club's AGM. The objective is to enable members to have a fair chance of buying interesting mowers and for sellers to achieve the best price for their items. We are organising the auction in the hope that some interesting mowers will be entered rather than commonplace machines that are unlikely to attract many bids. It would be great if a few of the regular "bring and buyers" entered items for the auction.

AUCTION CONDITIONS OF SALE

- 1 Bids can only be accepted from members of The Old Lawnmower Club.
- 2 Entries must be made before Saturday 13 May to allow a list of items to be prepared.
- 3 Items entered for sale must be brought to the rally. Entries withdrawn after the closing date (eg during the rally weekend) will incur a penalty of £5.
- 4 There will be a 5% seller's premium and a 5% buyer's premium which will be retained as a donation to club funds.
- 5 A final bid of £5 or under on any item will be regarded as a donation to club funds.
- 6 Unsold items must be removed by the seller by 5pm on the day of the sale. Buyers must remove items by the same time.
- 7 All statements by members of the committee concerning the description or condition of any lot are statements of opinion and are not to be relied upon as statements of fact. Any intending buyer must satisfy himself by inspection as to the true nature of the lot.
- 8 While the committee will make every effort to safeguard items left for sale they do not accept responsibility for loss or damage to any item while it is in their custody.
- 9 The conduct of the auction and the resolution of any disputes which may arise are solely at the discretion of the auctioneer.

Note: Enter details of entries on table on other side of this sheet using one line for each entry. Sign to confirm acceptance of conditions of sale and return completed forms to Keith Wootton at 7 Church Lane, Cold Higham, Towcester, Northamptonshire NN12 8LS. Entries should arrive by Saturday 13 May. Copy the form if more entries are required.