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1-2 MAY

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EDITORIAL

THE WARM AND SUNNY SPRING DID NOT COME

I am convinced there is a major 'war' going on between the various weather gods!!!! For the last few days we have been getting four seasons in a day!! We well remember Rachael's 9th birthday, it snowed and we had a four day power cut! Today, 35years on, we have had the snow, but thankfully no loss of power and this is the 26th April!!

We are very sorry that The Magazine is very late this month, combination of reasons, not least a certain 26.2mile stroll round the London Streets last Sunday!!! For those of you who didn't know, Sue had been asked, last May, by the Spinal Injuries Research Charity to join their team for the 2016 London Marathon. She took up the challenge and after a variety of setbacks in training due to injuries and a very nasty virus she made it to the start. The rest of us managed to catch up with her at 22 miles and cheered her on to the finish. The atmosphere was fantastic, spectators sharing information, getting people to the front to see their 'special person or team' it really is an experience not to be missed! Whether Sue thought that at the time is debatable but the cheers for her and other team members afterwards at the Charity's H.Q dispelled any doubts.

Prior to all that excitement we had had our first trip of the season in the RV to visit the Peterborough National Motorhome Show. Thankfully we arrived on the Thursday when the sun had chosen to shine parked up safely in the ARVE area. We had a lengthy discussion about the state of the ground which was completely waterlogged in some areas. We had been warned about the state of the ground by a friend who had been to a show there the previous weekend.

On Thursday afternoon, knowing the Friday forecast we went off to take photos in the sunshine and chat to a number of people but said we would be back to chat in Friday's rain and concentrate on photos in the sunshine! Good job we did, we had just sat down to eat in the local Harvester when the rain came down and continued almost without ceasing for the next 24 hours!

Still lots to look forward to in the near future, not least, the CCNR at Weston Park to celebrate The Queen's 90th birthday. Do hope we are going to see a goodly number of you there. If the weather is good it really is a most lovely setting, and besides what is offered on site, off site there are some interesting places to visit. The weekend before the CCNR is the Newbury Show, and then in June is the ever popular Stratford Show, and with the celebrations going on for Shakerpeare's anniversary I guess Stratford will be a very busy place over the coming months.

To all of you happy and safe travelling hope to meet up with more of you in the coming weeks.

Jeni Rees, Editor