

Background:

The Camping and Caravan Club Voluntary Officers' Manual says the Technical Sub-Committee "advises the Club on items of a technical nature relating to camping, caravanning and its associated interests."

At Club Headquarters there is a small Technical Department, overseen by the Technical Sub-Committee (TSC). This provides technical help on all aspects of camping and caravanning to members and non-members alike. The Technical Department also produces practical technical documentation, writes regular features in the Club magazine, commissions technical Data Sheets and oversees the technical section of the Club's website, with help from other experts in the field.

Newsletter:

This newsletter is a new initiative from the TSC to keep Club Units up to date with our activities and to provide opportunity to submit items for discussion.

The TSC will be issuing an updated newsletter twice a year to National Councillors and Region, District Associations, National and Special Interest Section Secretaries.

Please encourage your members to suggest topics of a technical nature that we can consider, and send these by email to lan.hewlett@campingandcaravanningclub.co.uk

Current TSC agenda topics:

1. Data sheets:

- Data Sheets have received promotion in the January magazine and through press releases. Videos are being created to sit alongside certain Data Sheets and will be promoted on the Club's YouTube channel and through social media
- We are updating the *Camping with a Disability* and *Solar* Data Sheets

2. New technical topics:

- Converting existing on-board lighting to LED. This is likely to appear in the magazine
- A new Data Sheet *External load carrying on motorhomes and caravans* is being developed to include consideration around the challenges of carrying external loads including cycle racks.

3. Disposing of single use gas cylinders

Local Council requirements vary but the Club advice remains to take the empty cylinders to the local recycling centre for disposal.

4. Current Product Trials

Tyre Pressure Monitoring System (TPMS) – Tyrepal
