

This newsletter from the TSC has been produced to keep Club Units up to date with our activities and provide an 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 ian.hewlett@campingandcaravanningclub.co.uk

Current Agenda topics

1. Trailer Registration Bill 2018

This current legislation applies solely to commercial trailers in current form or trailers over 3500kg and therefore includes no requirements or implications for member units.

2. Damp Test Matrix

The NCC has introduced a damp test matrix for workshops to identify the appropriate inspection needed for different types of caravan construction. This was done without input from the Clubs so we are requesting AWS provide clear guidance on when a damp test is needed and what other water ingress checks are deemed acceptable. Members are encouraged to continue requesting a damp test report (with figures and locations recorded as appropriate to the construction method) to provide a suitable record of a water tight vehicle.

3. Data Sheets

Once we have completed and published the current round of Data Sheets, we will look at updating the remaining 35 Data Sheets. It is easy to see if we have amended any Data Sheet as there is an amended date on the search tool located here:

<https://www.campingandcaravanningclub.co.uk/datasheets/>

4. Matching Service

Towsafe has introduced a new website, improved results page and a new layout tool in MOMS allowing filtering of 2017 or newer caravans by the layout type. In addition, they have moved from a limit applied over 3 months to a 10 match limit to be used any time in a year. Please have a look and feedback any comments.

5. Calorlite Update

It is our understanding that the Calorlite replacement LPG cylinder is at least delayed and may not happen at all as Calor do not see a demand for it. Our advice is if a light cylinder is needed for ease of use or a noseweight issue on a caravan, look at other alternatives such as the Flogas Gaslight. This will be covered in the magazine in due course.