

SOUTH DOWNS ESCARGOTS 2CV CLUB

As a National 2CVclub, 2CVGB, we try to make sure that our events are not only for own enjoyment but are also an opportunity to raise money for good causes. Matt Damper continues.....



This year we have a great opportunity to help a cause which, for me, is very close to home. In October 2013 my friend Silke's daughter Sinead, then aged 7, was diagnosed with a brain tumour after a football trainer and a drumming teacher at school both noticed problems with the way she was able to use her left arm and leg. Thank goodness they spotted her difficulties and raised the alarm, because less than a week later a 4x2x2 cm tumour was discovered where her spinal column joins her brain stem.

Thanks to a heroic effort by Mr Sparrow at Southampton General, the bulk of the tumour was almost completely removed from the spinal column but the nature of this type of tumour is that it leaves an intrinsic residue in the brain stem. She is now a happy and bubbly 9 year old and, while under regular observation, is doing well and learning to live with the impairments left by the operation.

Brain tumours kill more children and adults under 40 than any other cancer, yet only 1-2% of national spending on cancer research is allocated to this devastating disease. With this in mind, all profits from the sale of T-shirts for this year's National will be donated to brain tumour research in the hope that greater awareness and earlier diagnosis will lead to more effective treatments for children like Sinead.

Having given up her fine arts course to look after Sinead, Silke was keen to use her art to raise money for this cause and has produced the drawing we are using as the logo for this year's meeting. The design, in dark brown on a sandy background, features a 2CV with the backdrop of Chichester harbour and the cathedral, and the basket of apples is of course a reference to the cider farm which is our venue for the event. She and Sinead are modelling the shirts in this photo.

Silke, Sinead and her two brothers now have a 1971 Ami 8 and are looking forward to joining us at the meeting, so let's make sure they see us all wearing the T-shirt!

Sizes and styles available to order: **Mens: S 34/36" M 38/40" L 42/44" XL 46/48" 2XL 50/52"**
Ladies: S 8 M 10 L 12 XL 14 2XL 16 Kids: XS 3/4 S 5/6 M 7/8 L 9/11 XL 12/14

Prices will be £12 for adults and £10 for children, orders to be collected at the event.

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