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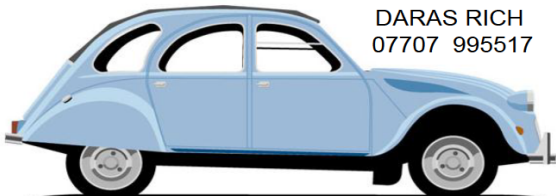
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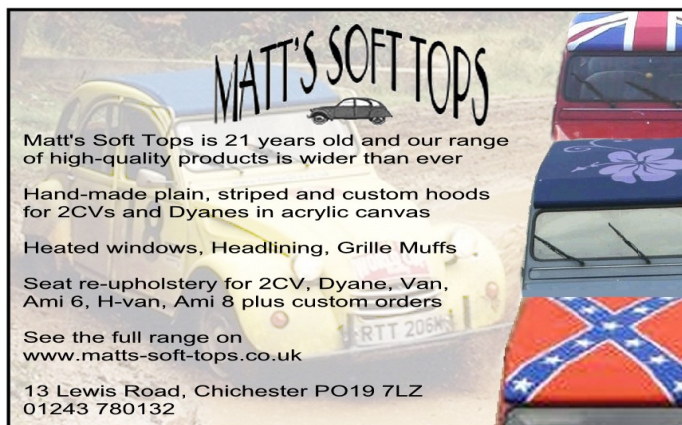
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HAT CAMP 2020

Our reduced activity, laid-back, Hat Camp was blessed with very good weather, suffering only a couple of short overnight showers in the early hours of Saturday and a minute number of spots of rain from a random cloud around Sunday lunchtime. All who booked turned up giving us a total of 30 attendees plus one infant and all three days were largely sunny and warm.

Friday evening was quiet and sociable with a number of separate gatherings well scattered due to the ample space in our very large field. The short scenic drive on Saturday morning to the Peacehaven Meridian Line and the coastal cliffs, ably organised by Mark Montague-Drake, was well enjoyed by many, while others made their own trips or just relaxed in the field. In the evening there were quite a few separate barbecues around the tents before everyone enjoyed our camp fire in the sheltered 'Dell', below the main field. This was a smaller gathering than usual which allowed for good social distancing. Sunday, as ever, was the time for our infamous Water Boiling competition followed by the Hat competition, both with a few changes to keep people distanced from each other. Jon Colombo won the water boiling with his wood burning stove and would have had a very close competitor in John Shelley had John not needed to change the canister on his gas burner when he realised the original was empty! A good number of hats were displayed and prizes distributed. Yet another relaxing day concluded as everyone started to pack up and wend their way home.

What a joy it was just to be able to get out the tent and camp in a field!

Maurice

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