

# Community Speed Watch Bulletin



**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A  
HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM  
MARTHA CAROLE AND SUE**

## Winter Watch Tips

- Only operate in good light conditions
- Don't operate if the roads are icy or wet
- Reduce the length of your session if cold
- Wrap up warm
- Always operate in accordance with your site assessment

## Coordinators' Return

I'm back! Having had a few weeks off recovering from my hip operation, I'm now back and ready to take over the reins from Jenny O'Inn whom many of you have been in contact with.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Jenny, Carole and Sue for keeping things running in my absence.

Very shortly I'll be putting together our end of year report, and will be circulating statistics for Speed Watch. Just to give you a flavour of what to expect, for the first time our teams have completed over 1000 sessions with more than 8000 letters having been generated. This represents a huge commitment of our volunteers as it equates to over 4000 hours.

It would be impossible for Dorset Police to enforce every road that we have complaints of speeding on, but with Community Speed Watch, the mobile and static camera enforcement, and Police Officer enforcement, speeding motorists are far more likely to come to attention and be dealt with.

*Martha*

## September Conference

It's been a busy year for Community Speed Watch in Dorset.

In September we held our first Speed Watch Conference. The Conference gave Dorset Road Safe officers an opportunity to showcase their work and show how Speed Watch contributes to road policing.

The Chief Constable James Vaughan, together with the Police and Crime Commissioner Martyn Underhill, and Head of Alliance Roads Policing Chief inspector Adrian Leisk were in attendance, and all expressed their appreciation for all that you do in helping to raise awareness of the need to reduce speed within our communities. Community Speed Watch is now an integral part of Road enforcement in Dorset and our scheme is receiving attention from other forces across the country.

To build on the success of the Conference in 2019 we shall be running a number of events aimed at further improving our scheme.

