5,000 turn out to enjoy vintage and steam gathering



BIG WHEELS: Willie Tomlins and his son Arnie, from Bampton, with their Burrell traction engine

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MORE than 5,000 people Pictures: OX68730 attended the West Oxfordshire Steam and Vintage Show, held at Springhill Farm, off the A415 at Ducklington, over the weekend.

> Anne Harris, the secretary of the Wychwood District Vintage Club, which organises the annual two-day show, said: "It was a bit wet on Saturday but after lunch the crowds came out, and so many people came on Sunday that it made up for the wet weather the day before.

"It went off beautifully, it was a really fantastic show."

The show featured more than 200 stationary engines of all shapes and sizes, including 17 steam-powered machines, full-size and miniature traction engines, vintage cars, motorbikes, tractors and commercial vehicles.

As well as the line-up of machinery and vehicles, visitors were able to enjoy Morris dancing displays and games for all ages.

Pick of the week: Getting all steamed up



PRIDE AND JOY: David Tomlins, from Bampton, and his son Arnie with their traction engine at last year's show

VINTAGE tractors and machinery will be on display this weekend at the annual West Oxfordshire Steam and Vintage Show.

They will show crowds how tasks such as log sawing and thrashing used to be carried out at the event, near Ducklington.

More than 200 engines are expected to attend the show, held by the Wychwood District Vintage Club, and there will be steam and tractor parades as well as a competition for the best engine.

The show will be held in a field off the A415, near Ducklington, on Saturday and Sunday, from 10am to 5pm.

Entry costs £5 for adults, £3 for children and is free for under-fives. Family tickets for two adults and two children cost £15.

For more information, see westoxonsteam.co.uk