

Newsletter

CHAIRMAN'S CHAT!

Well we are at the end of May already where is this year going. When it was announced that Sledmere House was the venue for the 2011 Rally I for one thought we would have few members who would attend because of the distance to travel but we find that we still have nearly 30 vans on the Nottinghamshire lines which is really encouraging.

Since the last newsletter we have celebrated the wedding of our future king on a rally, some members have had caravan manoeuvring lessons, held a very successful sports weekend and held the annual golf competition – all very varied and hopefully has appealed to all ages.

It was heartening to see so many young families at Shardlow Marina for the sports rally and Ian and Justin, not forgetting the two Andreas, worked very hard over a very successful weekend.

The annual Inter Centre Rally will this year be hosted by the Leicestershire Centre from the 17th to 19th June and it would be great if we could have good representation again this year. The 2010 Rally was very successful as we won both trophies, for the team sports events and also for the Children's running races.

Good luck to everyone who is participating in any event at the National and inter Centre rallies and let us hope we have chances to celebrate!

Although we had hoped to replace the marquees over the last couple of years it hasn't been possible but the committee have made the decision that a concerted effort will be made for this to happen this year. We have had our money's worth out of the marquees but they are now showing signs of wear and tear.

We will be holding events at the Chairman's Rally at Clumber Park on the August Bank Holiday weekend. The programme is currently being finalised but so far we have a live act on the Saturday evening and a racing evening on the Sunday. Any money raised will go towards centre funds for the purchase of new equipment including marquees and catering equipment. Please support your Centre.

Best wishes.

Jackie and Andy



Notts Centre Press Officer – Tina Caldicott

Your next Newsletter will be February so if you want anything featured then please contact me as follows:
email: tinacaldicott@hotmail.co.uk **Tel:** 07593694568 or hand any hard copies to me at any Rally I attend. PS: Don't forget to send in your Rally Reports

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May Day Rally - Ashover 28 April to 2 May 2011

Marshals: Andrea & Justin Wallhead, Helen & Dave Pickering and Faye & Joe Robinson

Well the marshals took this rally on thinking that it would be a nice three day relaxing rally – what they didn't envisage was Prince William deciding to get married on the Friday of that weekend!

The rally started on Thursday night with the Notts Centre's very own Stag (Paul Tomkinson) and Hen (Jane Tomkinson) nights. Lots of fun and games during the evening courtesy of the marshals.

Friday morning dawned and the marshals had provided us with a 42" television set up in the marquee – we were there bright and early to watch the wedding with our union flags and bucks fizz.

In the afternoon a few of us had our own street party and in the evening we were fed hot dogs and a royal themed quiz. Ellie Reid and Jamie Cooper won the children's fancy dress competitions so well done to them.

Saturday teatime a bar had been set up in the marquee with punch and beer and also games for all the family including darts, table football and table tennis. This went on into the evening when a buffet was served.

Sunday morning a few hardy souls walked around Ashover, led by Mick Yeomans were given Bacon butties before they left.

The plans for Sunday evening had to be changed when a gust of wind decided to try and take one of the marquees!!! Needless to say all marquees were dismantled very quickly. Thanks to everyone who helped – it was great to see how many people who helped.

After flag on the Sunday evening we were all fed again with a lovely chilli and jacket potato.

Thanks to all the marshals for a fabulous weekend.



Use of Fire Extinguishers on Rallies

Information received from the Health and Safety officer at East Grinstead states that there is no specific requirement for the centre to supply extinguishers on normal rallies. However, they should still be supplied as per the risk assessment for large events or where the marquees are to be used.

In future the rally equipment will not contain a fire extinguisher. It is ralliers obligation to carry their own extinguisher.

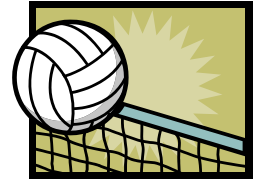
17th to 19th June – Inter Centre Rally – Brooksby College

The Inter Centre is to be hosted by the Leicestershire Centre this year.

Why not come along and support the centre.

Ian and Justin are looking for team members for football, netball, volleyball, tug o War and also for the children's running.

If you are interested in taking part then please contact Ian or Justin.



This is a prepaid rally – To book please send slip and cheque to Franz Hohmann – the rally fee is £21.00 the cheque should be made payable to “The Caravan Club, Leicestershire Centre”.

Leicestershire Centre have informed us that there will be a Fish and Chip Van on site on Friday night and hot food will be available to purchase on Saturday all day and Sunday morning during the Motor Sports.

Shardlow Marina - Sports Rally 13 to 15 May 2011

Marshals: Ian & Andrea Pilgrim and Justin & Andrea Wallhead

Well a great time was had by all at the rally - the young and not so young.

Ian and Justin decided that this year it would be slightly different - we were having our own mini tournament so on Friday night every person who was on the rally had their name in a hat and what must be for the first time ever we had a random draw to see who was going to be in the Unicorns Captained by Ian Pilgrim and Andrea Wallhead and who would be in the Lions Team captained by Justin Wallhead and Andrea Pilgrim.

Saturday morning the games began with under 11 football, teenager football and adults football. There was also Petangue, Lawn Darts, Volleyball for men and women and also netball. Everyone enjoyed supporting their side and tea and coffee and squash were provided throughout the day.

After lunch there were running races for all the children which they all seemed to enjoy.

Saturday evening we were treated to a hot roast cob and salad and new potatoes courtesy of the Pickerings and Yeomans families celebrating Jeck Pickering's 17th Birthday and Georgina Yeomans 16th birthday. This was followed by the ever popular panda racing!

Thanks to the marshals for a fantastic weekend and thanks to everyone who supported the centre.



New Year Rally 2011 - Newark Showground 28th December to 1st January 2012

We have a few places available for this years New Year Rally.

If you are wanting to know more about the event then full details are available on the website.

If you would like a booking form then please contact treasurer@nottscentre.com

Fellowship Awards

Vice Chairman Sandra Purdy will now be completing all the details for the fellowship scheme.

Could all marshals please ensure that Sandra receives the attendance list for their rallies as soon as possible after the rally has finished.

If you want to email the attendance list please email vicechairman@nottscentre.com

Don't forget you also need to contact Sandra for the ordering of rally plaques.

All rallies run by the Centre are due to start at 12 noon - if you would like to arrive earlier than this can you please ring the marshal as a matter of courtesy to make sure it is okay with them.

Members are reminded that there is no obligation for marshals to provide newspapers on rallies.

There are no rules or regulations governing the provision of newspapers and marshals who offer this service do so at their own discretion.

Rally marshals spend a lot of time planning rallies and running them for our enjoyment so please respect any decisions they make regarding the provision of newspapers.

Therefore: if the marshals decide to provide newspapers for you, be grateful - if not please make your own arrangements.

Distribution of Rally Books

We are still experiencing difficulties with regard to notification by the Caravan Club of those members who have newly joined the centre or who have re-registered.

If you have registered with the Centre but have not yet received your book then please contact the Caravan Club to ensure you are listed as a Centre member.

Motor Sports officer

Interested in Caravan Manoeuvring??
The committee are looking for someone who would like to take on this role.
If you want to know more please contact Jackie Carlile or email webmaster@nottscentre.com

Membership Renewals

Please remember when your Caravan Club Membership is renewed - you MUST send the reply slip back to retain your membership with the Notts Centre otherwise you will not be eligible to receive the new rally book.

You are now able to renew your centre membership on line.

Full details are on the caravan club website

If you would like to see details of rallies run by other Centres, Gill Hitch, Secretary has a copy of all their rally books.



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Future Rallies

3rd – 5th June – Netherton Hall- This rally has been cancelled.

10th -12th June – Widmerpool – Spaces available – Cheese and Wine Social on the Saturday night

24th to 26th June – Trentfield Farm – Lots of Fun and Games for all the family. For more information contact Helen Pickering

8th – 10th July 2011 – Dunham on Trent Summer Ball

Why not come along to this not to be missed event – a chance to get the glad rags out!!

A sumptuous 5 course meal followed by entertainment by “Un Divo” – the Superb Tenor Carl Taylor.

There is a £10.00 deposit on booking – please send rally slips to Richard Hitch

29th to 31st July – Thorpe on the Hill - Only a couple of spaces remaining on this rally.

The holiday rallies at **Padstow** and **France** are both now full.

5th to 7th August, Winthrope – The social is now full.

Chairmans Rally – Clumber Park - 26th to 29th August



Why not come along to what many believe is our premier rally venue in the beautiful Clumber Park which belongs to the National Trust.

We have lots of activities planned for the weekend for all the family including a live act, horse racing, fun run, tombola, cake stalls – we look forward to seeing you there.

Rally fee is £28.60 plus a small social fee to cover the act

Please send bookings slips to Jackie Carlile – details are in the rally book or email webmaster@nottsscentre.com

Page	Rally No	Date	Venue	Alteration
25	19	8th to 10th July	Summer Ball	Venue now to be DUNHAM ON TRENT (Long Clawson are no longer taking bookings for rallies). Directions to the venue are on page 41 (Early Bird Rally - No. 45).
26	22	29th to 31st July	Thorpe on the Hill	Rally fee is £9.75 NOT £16.55
30	29	2nd to 4th Sept – now 9-11 sept	Kelham Hall	This rally will now take place on the weekend 9th to 11th September and not the date in the rally book. Please note that Sharon Rookes mobile number begins 07971 and NOT 01971
32	30	9th to 11th Sept- now 2 to 4 September	Donnington Park - cancelled -	This rally has unfortunately had to be cancelled due to the MOTO GP taking place at Donnington that weekend. There will now be a rally at Shardlow Marina
41	44	20th to 22nd January 2012	Gangsters and Molls	This rally will now be held at ROBIN HOOD SCOUT CAMP at Blidworth and NOT Long Clawson - directions to the venue are on Page 35 of the Rally Book (Photographic and Rally Launch Rally).

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New Search Facility on Caravan Club Website

The Caravan Club Website now has the facility to search for centre rallies around the country.

The search options available are :

Type of rally i.e. weekend/holiday/overseas

Location - which county

Centre - which centre running the rally

Country



The website is updated on a monthly basis by the Caravan Club.

Let us know if you do use this facility and how easy you found it.

Advance Notice

Join us for a "Party in the Park" to celebrate the Queens Diamond Jubilee
6th to 8th July 2012 in the grounds of Stanford Hall, Loughborough

All the centres from the Central Region will be invited and the rally will be hosted by Leicestershire Centre. The programme is currently being formalised and once more details are known will be posted on the website and future newsletters.



Birthdays



June

- 4 – Grant Hammett
- 4 – Sylvia Redgate
- 6 – Keith Revill
- 11 – Chloe Preston
- 12 – Graham Mountain
- 22 – Mick Coope
- 23 – Gabriel Williamson
- 24 – Jordan Austin
- 29 – Shane Caldbeck
- 29 – Andrea Wallhead
- 30 – John Hollingsworth

July

- 2 – Thomas Wakelin
- 4 – Ian Reid
- 5 – Mark Caldicott
- 5 – Mick Yeomans

July contd....

- 8 – Paul Tomkinson
- 9 – Lauren Carlile
- 13 – John Shipley
- 13 – Roy Taylor
- 15 – Andy Carlile
- 16 – Jennie Guest
- 17 – Tina Caldicott
- 22 – Steve Preston

Wedding Anniversaries



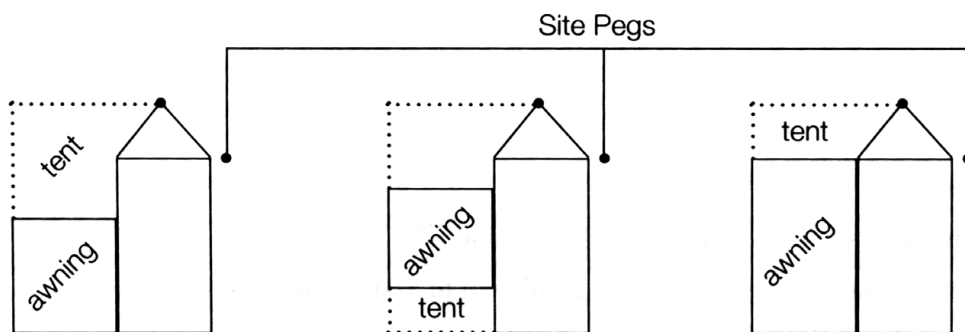
- 2 June – Phil and Pam Pattinson
- 15 June – Lee & Lorraine Austin and
Mick & Sam Yeomans
- 22 June – Dave & Helen Pickering
- 6 July – Steve & Sharon Preston
- 17 July – John & Joyce Randall
- 19 July – Ian & Diane Reid

Tents on Rallies

Now that the nicer weather is hopefully on the way can we just remind members about the rule governing the use of tents on Nottinghamshire centre rallies.

14. A small tent may be used, in addition to a caravan, for sleeping only, by members or their children. On weekend rallies it may be used either alone or with a small awning provided that the total length of the awning and tent does not exceed the shipping length of the caravan and it is positioned as shown in 'siting of caravans at rallies' (see figure below).

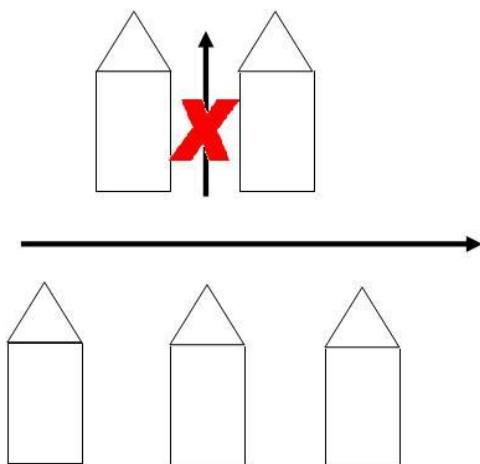
On holiday and bank holiday rallies a tent may be used as well as a full awning provided that there is sufficient room and that the rally marshal gives their consent. The rally marshal can also permit the siting of tents in other locations, at their discretion, having regard primarily to safety and also to the comfort of others.



Please ensure that Tents are not positioned at the back of caravans encroaching on the roadway. This is a safety issue first and foremost - Tents are not easily visible when dark so anyone driving may not see the tent.

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Can we please also remind you that you should not drive **or cycle** through the caravan lines - you should use the roadway that divides the rows (as per the drawing below).



Please remember to keep at walking speed at all times