



Nottinghamshire Centre

Newsletter

CHAIRMAN'S CHAT!

Well I have written numerous articles for the website and other things when Press Officer but can honestly say when it came down to write my first Chairman's Chat I didn't know where to start!

First I must thank those members who have taken on roles on the Committee for this year. I feel we have a good mix of experienced and new members. I think some of the new committee have wondered what they have let themselves in for as for some posts this is the busiest time of the year.

I personally felt that the Rally Launch was very successful with only two rallies having to be cancelled with a number of new marshals volunteering to run rallies for next year. Incidentally we had around 18 different families for 2010 and 30 different families for 2011 which is quite heartening for me as a new chairman.

The centre has had a difficult year with a number of rallies having to be cancelled for various reasons and hopefully this won't happen next year. I know from talking to other centres they have had the same problem also.

Although it looks like the Bonfire Rally will not be as well attended as in previous years it is heartening that the remaining rallies this year all look to be well supported.

As I said at my first flag I will not always get it right but I will always try my best and although I will not be attending every rally I will ensure I support marshals as much as I can and as Phil said in his Chairman's Speech at the AGM – this is our hobby as well as yours!

Thank you for your support and Andy and I look forward to seeing you on the rally field.

Best wishes.

Jackie



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: <mailto:pressofficer@nottscentre.com> or hand any hard copies to me at any Rally I attend. PS:
Don't forget to send in your Rally Reports

All Newsletters are posted on the Website in downloadable PDF format

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Christmas Social

The price for the Christmas social has now been agreed. It will be £7.50 for adults and teens, £3.75 for children and Under 5's will be free.

The Christmas party is as usual £2.00

All ticket money to be paid to Assistant Social Secretary Anne Newcombe.

There will be a choice for starter and dessert - either Prawn Cocktail or Soup and then Christmas Pudding or Gateau for dessert. You will be asked to write down your choices and pass them to Anne upon payment so we have a record. The starters and puddings will be served to you at your table as there is plenty of room at Newark Showground.

If this proves to be too difficult then it won't be repeated!!!!

Please note:

Newark Showground will not be signposted with the usual N.C.C signs due to a letter being received regarding these signs being illegal on a public highway. Please ensure your route is properly planned before making your journey. Thank you.

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## NOTTS CENTRE NEW YEAR RALLY 2010/11 Newark Showground

Here is the plan for bringing in the New Year:

**28<sup>th</sup> December** – Gets the party started with the **'Blues Brothers Tribute Band'** – offers a hugely enjoyable evening's entertainment, complete with a high energy performance. Paying homage to the famous Jake and Elwood Blues.

**29<sup>th</sup> December – Dress your Best – invites you to Ladies Day at Ascot** – so ladies here's your chance to impress with a very special prize for the lady wearing the best hat. The evening will start with drinks in the paddock followed by the opportunity to back your favourite on a few exclusive races. Then you're in for a real treat with **'The Bootleggers'** Glenn, Captain, Russ, Steve and Rob probably one of the more superior cover bands around. In their signature smart and sexy suits they deliver a dynamic and energetic performance filled with funky new arrangements of popular songs across many musical genres, including up to the minute hits from 'rock n roll', rhythm and blues and a little bit of soul. Robbie Williams, Mavericks, Beatles, Van Morrison, Rolling Stones, Drifters, Peter Gabriel to name but a few.

**30<sup>th</sup> December – Fancy Dress Night – meet us for an evening in the 'Wild West Saloon Bar' – Cowboys and Indians all welcome.** The band for this night is **'The Sharp Cuts'** the name stands for everything that you could ask for in a party band, sharp suits, terrific tunes, and bundles of fun. With an expanding repertoire, which incorporates classic tracks across many musical genres, whether you're a soul man, a blues baby or a rock chick, 'The Sharp Cuts' have something for you.

**31<sup>st</sup> December – New Year's Eve**, is again time for you to be the stars for the night with your own acts but beware we have 3 very special judges to host **'Notts Centre's Got Talent'** Then we leave the rest of the night in the capable hands of our hired **Professional DJ** and music maestro for the evening – where he will conduct us through an evening of top quality entertainment. Guaranteed to set the dance floor alight with all your favourite music and requests to ensure we capture the party atmosphere as we see in the New Year and into the early hours.

**This rally is now full**



Trip to Rollerworld in Derby  
(Notts Centre private hire party)

Sunday 13th March 2011 5.30 – 7.30 pm

Why not come along for what will be a fantastic couple of hours. There will be disco music and there is a bar and café available on the premises. It will be worth it just to see Darren Pilgrim on rollerskates!!!!

Skating and hire is £2.00 per person and spectators pay 50p.

For more details see Ian Pilgrim or Justin Wallhead or contact  
[webmaster@nottscentre.com](mailto:webmaster@nottscentre.com)

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## **POLISH SCOUT CAMP, TORKSEY - LN1 2EJ** **21ST TO 23RD JANUARY 2011** **BURNS NIGHT**

We rally here by kind permission of Mr W T Mankowski

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| <b>Route</b>      | From Nottingham take the A46 Newark road, continue along the A46 towards Lincoln until Newark Showground. Turn left onto the A1133. Cross over the A57 at Newton on Trent, signposted Gainsborough. Follow centre signs. |
| <b>Marshal</b>    | Mick Yeomans                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Co Marshal</b> | Justin Wallhead                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Activities</b> | Saturday evening social - Scottish Theme - with piper, kilts etc.                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Rally Fee</b>  | £14.25                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |

**To receive a plaque please book by : 9 January 2011**

To book please use the slip in the rally book or print rally slips via the Notts Centre website. For contact details of the marshals, email [webmaster@nottscentre.com](mailto:webmaster@nottscentre.com) or see the contact sheet on this newsletter.

### Birthdays



#### **November**

4<sup>th</sup> – Nikki Wright  
15<sup>th</sup> – Savannah Purdy  
4<sup>th</sup> – Lee Austin  
7<sup>th</sup> – Joel Robinson  
8<sup>th</sup> – Alan Needham  
9<sup>th</sup> – Paula Winter  
9<sup>th</sup> – Chris Shipley  
10<sup>th</sup> – Katie Hickling  
13<sup>th</sup> – Dawn Storer  
17<sup>th</sup> – Brian Ellis  
22<sup>nd</sup> – Ken Redgate  
29<sup>th</sup> – Joyce Healer  
30<sup>th</sup> – Andy Kirkland

#### **December**

3<sup>rd</sup> – Scott Carlile  
8<sup>th</sup> – Libby Pilgrim  
10<sup>th</sup> – Brian Richardson  
11<sup>th</sup> – Cliff Rylance  
17<sup>th</sup> – Justin Wallhead  
20<sup>th</sup> – Laura Winter  
24<sup>th</sup> – Anne Newcombe  
24<sup>th</sup> – Jill Taylor  
27<sup>th</sup> – Angela Debbage  
29<sup>th</sup> – Naj Walker  
31<sup>st</sup> – Emma Pilgrim

#### **January**

5<sup>th</sup> – Heather Mountain  
11<sup>th</sup> – Lorraine Austin  
15<sup>th</sup> – Savannah Purdy  
21<sup>st</sup> – Tom Mead  
27<sup>th</sup> – Alex Pass

### Wedding Anniversaries



**4 November - Tom and Dallas Mead**  
**14 November – Ian and Dawn Storer**

**23<sup>rd</sup> January – Ken and Sylvia Redgate**  
**31<sup>st</sup> January – Brian and Lynne Ellis**

If you would like a birthday, anniversary or other special occasion to be mentioned within the newsletter please contact myself or a committee member who will be happy to pass the details along.

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# **RALLY REPORTS**

## **Winthorpe Cricket Club 6th to 8th August 2010**

*Marshals: Tom and Dallas Mead & Ian, Diane and Jamie Reid  
Report and Photographs by Jackie Carlile*

Well the weather wasn't as good as we have come to expect but again another fabulous Cheese and Wine rally.

A few of us had a get together on the Friday evening and then Saturday afternoon we all tucked into cheese, wine and nibbles – and of course there was the appearance of the snails for everyone to try.

Tom organised a couple of great quizzes during the afternoon. The rally field was quiet early evening – I wonder why – and a few of the ralliers were quiet on the Sunday morning!

Thanks to the team for another great rally and we are hoping that it is repeated again next year!!!!



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## **2500th and Chairmans Rally - Clumber Park 27th to 30th August 2010**

*Marshals: Phil Rookes and Nottinghamshire Centre Committee  
Report and Photographs by Jackie Carlile*

Well it was finally here – after all the planning the 2500th Rally was underway.

A band of volunteers braved the rain, wind and a little sun to peg out the field, erect the marquee and put the stage together, not to mention put together packs and make sure the signs were out so everyone knew where to go!!!

The vans started arriving at just after 10.00 a.m. and there was a steady flow of arrivals all day. It was a nice warm sunny day and we all hoped that would continue over the weekend!!!!

The opening ceremony on Saturday was well attended and Trevor Pressley the Estates manager for the National Trust at Clumber formally opened the rally – he was surprised there weren't more Elvis jokes!

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Lincs/Notts Air ambulance paid us a visit and the children got the chance to sit inside the helicopter if they wanted – the visit had to be cut short as they were called away!!!!

All the children enjoyed the games organised for them and the dog agility in the afternoon was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone and gave us such a laugh – well done to Paul Wright and Mollie on their victory!!!

During Saturday evening we were entertained by girl group Sinergie, who made Chairman Phil Rookes night by dancing round him – how Jedward got through Boot Camp and they didn't on X Factor last year we will never know – and they were followed by Tom and Darren, known as Switch who made sure the dance floor was full for the rest of the evening.

Sunday morning started with a fun run – well done to all those brave souls who took part as it was very cold and kept raining on and off – well done to Callum Batson from Leicestershire who won with Nathan Caldbeck from Notts second and Tom Yates from Derbyshire Third. First girl back was Jess Stimson from Leicestershire Centre who was attending her first caravan rally!!!!

All the children seemed to enjoy the Treasure Hunt – and although Sandra asked that there wasn't anything that breathed to be collected she still managed to be handed 3 frogs and 2 ladybirds – all of which were set free I might add!!!!

The sun came out for the cream teas, and there was a chance to look at Centre memorabilia.

Sunday evening was our second night of live entertainment with Brother and Sister, Vincent and Maureen, otherwise known as Side by Side entertaining us first followed by the 80's Affair where we all got the chance to dance to our favourite 80's records – well done to all those people that stayed to the end on what was a very very cold evening!

Monday saw the end of the rally with the closing ceremony and the drawing of our raffle – well done to all the winners – a list of all winners and prizes will be attached shortly. The raffle raised in excess of £600 for Phil's chosen charities, so thank you very much for that.

Thanks to everyone who supported the rally and we hope that you all enjoyed yourselves and there was something for everyone



It was my 65th birthday 2 weeks before 2500th Rally at Clumber Park at August Bank Holiday. It was also Daniel 18th on the rally as we had a combined party I would like to thank all that attended, for the collection they made. I bought myself more charms for the bracelet that my sons got me for my birthday.

Hope you all enjoyed yourselves  
Thanks once again

**Glenis**



## Trip to See Nottingham Panthers - Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2011

As the event was so successful last year Paul Hickling has again organised a trip out to see the Nottingham Panthers v Coventry Blaze

The price will be £10.00 per adult and £5.00 per child.

If you would like further information then please contact Paul or email

[webmaster@nottscentre.com](mailto:webmaster@nottscentre.com)

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Lyndon Top, Rutland Water - Cycle Ride

10th to 12th September 2010

Marshals: Jackie and Andy Carlile & Andrea, Ian and Amy Pilgrim

Sixteen vans were in attendance during the weekend – the site overlooks Rutland Water and is very picturesque.

We all gathered on Friday evening for music and a quiz with a supper of hot dogs and onions.

On Saturday morning 26 brave soles decided to cycle round Rutland Water with a number of members being sponsored with funds to go to the Chairman's Charities.

There were plenty of stops on route to recharge batteries and half way round we were met by the Chairman Phil and wife Sharon who provided everyone with tea, coffee and squash and also brought cheese and onion rolls and biscuits for anyone who wanted.

Our final stop was a mile away from the site which just happened to be a pub where we all gathered and were met by all those who did not take part.

On the Saturday evening we all enjoyed a supper of jacket potatoes with various fillings and cake with music but a few of the ralliers were a little subdued – I wonder why – must have had something to do with the miles they did cycling!!!!

Thanks to everyone who took part and it looks like around £500 will have been raised for the Chairman's Charities.

A special mention to Kyle (4), Kona (7) and Joel (7) who all managed to cycle the majority of Rutland Water – they did around 13 miles of the 17 mile route!



Presentation to Lincs/Notts Air Ambulance

A cheque for £5,500 was recently presented to Air Ambulance representative Marion Jenson by immediate Past Chairman Philip Rookes. Thanks to everyone who have been so generous.



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HIRING OF THE CENTRE DISCO EQUIPMENT:

During Novembers committee meeting it was decided that from now on the centre disco equipment can be hired by the marshals to use on their rallies. This will be at a minimum cost of £20 per weekend rally. If the rally is over a bank holiday weekend or longer then there will be an additional charge of £10 per night.

It has been decided that at this stage no deposit is required, however, collection and delivery of the equipment is the sole responsibility of the rally marshal's. This can be arranged through the audio officer – Ian Pilgrim.

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Centre News

Many thanks to everyone who has volunteered to marshal rallies next year.

Up to date programme with marshals has now been uploaded on to the website.

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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.

It 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.

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Hi All!

I have now started putting the 2012 - 2013 rally programme together. If any one has any venues or dates they would like to see on that programme then please get in touch with me before the end of February 2011 and I will do by best to fit them in to the program (certain dates Exempt)

*Thanks.
Jen Guest
Rally Secretary*

(Please note, Any requests received after this date may not be accommodated)

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*

Notts members visit Germany!!!!

The rally started for us at 4 a.m. on the 1st of July when we where knocked up by Pete Ward. Unfortunately our alarm didn't go off, so it was a case of a quick wash, dress and hook up exercise to make sure the three units, namely Pete and Maureen Ward, Colin and Edna Chapman and ourselves Graham and Heather Mountain got to the ferry port at Dover for 5 a.m. ready for the 6 a.m. sailing to Dunkirk in France.

The crossing was very calm and we managed to get a welcome breakfast before we retired to the V.I.P. Lounge courtesy of the Caravan Club.

On arrival at Dunkirk we got straight on the road for the journey through France Belgium into Germany which was blighted by several long hold ups the longest of about an hour due to traffic in Belgium which were queuing on the motorway on their way to a pop concert.

We finally arrived at Camping Suleika at about 6.p.m. a beautiful site overlooking the Rhine, where we met up with Franz Holman who had journeyed down a few days earlier. The weather was well into the 30's and setting up the vans on site was quite an experience for me as I somehow managed to get the 4x4 with a front wheel about a foot off the ground. The lady owner seeing our plight and taking into consideration the heat emerged with a crate of ice cold German beer. I can tell you beer never tasted so good.

Franz made sure we made most of our stay beside the Rhine by taking us to several places of interest, Castles and mountain walks, which nearly always finished with a meal in some hilltop restaurant. I wonder where he gets his energy from?

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One of the highlights was a boat trip on the Rhine to Boppard where we made a visit to the famous cuckoo clock shop. We also witnessed the "Rhine on Fire" which is an amazing firework display watched from the dizzy heights of the vineyards above the site, looking down on the Rhine it was a picture, with all the boats and barges in attendance.

Soon it was time to say our farewells as myself and Heather accompanied by Colin and Edna left Pete Maureen and Franz to return to England. This was an amazing journey and one we wouldn't have missed for the world.

Heather and Graham Mountain



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Holiday Rally – France 2011

The Notts Centre is holding a French 10 day holiday rally starting on 19th August 2011

The site is 35 miles from Cherbourg, 60 miles from Caen and 283 from Calais so is accessible from numerous ferry ports or the tunnel. It is a rural area of France, unspoilt by tourism but with many places to go and activities to do in the area. The Normandy landing beaches are a short drive away, it is a nice 10 minute stroll into the local town with a good market, many shops, bars and restaurants. Le Mont St Michel is an excellent day trip and is well worth a visit.

If you just want a lazy holiday in the sun the site offers a free pool from 10am to 8pm, bar on site, excellent carp fishing and lovely surroundings in an apple orchard. Bikes can be hired on site for a small fee. Socials will be arranged during your stay. The cost includes your electric hook up, toilets and showers, and activities such as football, volleyball, archery are all included should you wish to take part.

Bookings forms are available from Sandra Purdy - follow this link [France Holiday Rally](#) to request a form or call - numbers are in the rally book. We have rallied on the site 3 times previously and know the area well so if you need any further information or advice re ferries etc please get in touch.

Your marshals are the Purdy Family and the Winter Family. The rally is limited to 25 places and bookings are confirmed upon receipt of a non returnable £40 deposit. There has been a lot of interest shown and bookings are on a first come first served basis. If you fancy a little ooh la la for your holiday next year you will be made most welcome.

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CORNWALL HOLIDAY RALLY

Harlyn Bay Caravan Park, Padstow, Cornwall
30th July – 13th August 2011

Marshals: Richard & Gill Hitch, Paul & Lisa Hickling

The rally is being held on the Beach Field at Harlyn Bay Caravan Park, a commercial site situated 3 miles west of Padstow and 14 miles north of Newquay.

We have booked pitches on 'the Beachfield' which has extensive views across Harlyn Bay (As shown on the picture below taken at the holiday rally 2010) and is right next to the beach!



The rally is limited to 40 vans.
The cost of the rally is £385 per outfit (2 week bookings only)

The site has everything you need for a great family holiday. For more information and details of how to book, please click on this link
[Cornwall Holiday Rally](#)



If you wish to find out what else the site has to offer, follow this link to their website:
www.harlynsands.co.uk