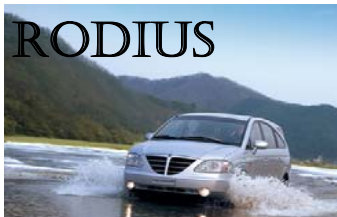




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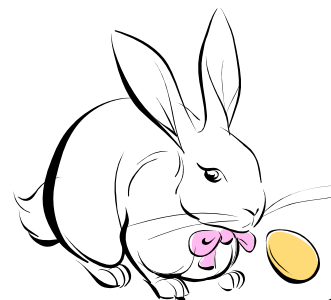
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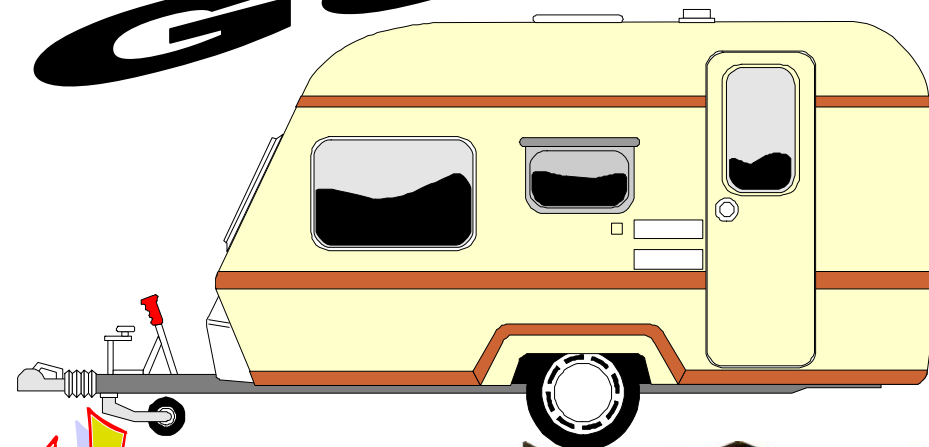
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Rally Goer



Happy Easter



Information from the Bedfordshire
Centre of the Caravan Club.

Easter 2007

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Chairman's Chat

By the time you open and read this RallyGoer hopefully, all the cold weather of winter will be long gone and we will have warm week ends, light evenings and you will be sitting out side your vans, with friends and the odd drink or two.



That's what rallying is all about, relaxing and enjoying yourselves. Perhaps while you are relaxing you will pick up your rally book, have a look inside and see that during this next year we have some very good rallies for you to attend.

The National, we already have over fifty vans booked in on the Bed's lines, and this the Club's Centenary year, it promises to be fantastic.

Our own 40th Birthday Celebration Rally is in June this year, filled with a full programme of activities, looks to be a weekend not to be missed so book in now.

We again host two 'Events' this year, the first being the National Motorhome Show, and later in the year 'The Glen Miller Festival' at Twinwoods, both to be well advertised by The Caravan Club so book in Early.

As well as the above, all the other weekends have a Rally, many with socials of some sort or other. So get booked in to some, if not all.

This year has all the makings of yet another memorable page in the history book of the Bedfordshire Centre.

*regards,
John*

Our Chairman has Moved!! NEW ADDRESS

**John & Cora Moules
8 Hillcrest Park
Wilbury Hills Rd.
Letchworth
Herts. SG6 4LF**

Rally Update:-

Connect 4 @ Flitton 9th - 11th March 2007

Rally Officers are Cora & John Moules with Bronya & Martin Findlay.

Fully Booked

St. Patricks Weekend @ Home Farm, Cardington 16th - 18th March 2007

Rally Officers are Caroline & Tom Gilks with Bronya & Martin Findlay.

Fully Booked

Quiz Night @ Whitehorse, Broom 23rd - 25th March 2007

Rally Officers are Jenny & Roland Wagstaff with Maureen & Tom Leath.

Fully Booked

Standalone Farm @ Letchworth 30th March - 1st April 2007

Rally Officers are Karen & Steve Waite with Vicky & Colin Pitts.

Slips to:-

Mr. S. Waite, 50 Brookes Road, Flitwick, Beds. MK45 1BX
01525 634 077 or Mobile: Steve 07940 069 206; Karen 07903 839 577

Easter Weekend @ Skegness 5th - 9th April 2007

Rally Officers are Caroline & Tom Gilks with Karen & Michael Zeebroek.

Fully Booked

Easter Follow On @ Skegness 10th - 13th April 2007

Rally Officers are Pat & Win Eaton with Lesley & Alan Jeffries

Slips to:-

Mr. Win Eaton 46 The Planes, Croft Estate, Kempston Beds MK42 7JU
01234 852 876

Rally information listed here will always be the latest information available in print. For up to date information on all our rallies and any changes that may have taken place including cancellations, venue changes etc please check out the centre's website which is constantly kept up to date.

www.bedscentrecc.com

If you wish to include any articles in the next Rally Update then please contact me as soon as possible via any of the methods below.

To contact your P.R.O.:-

George Loczy

88 Aldbanks
Dunstable
Beds. LU6 1AJ
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Letters page

This is the place where you get your chance to communicate with your fellow Ralliers.

"THANK YOU"

Peter and Margaret Wintle would like to send there sincere gratitude to our many friends in the centre and beyond that sent cards, phoned up, visited Peter in hospital or at home.

Peter is now at home and making slow but steady progress and hopes to be out on the rally field as soon as possible.

Many many thanks to you all for your concern and kind thoughts.

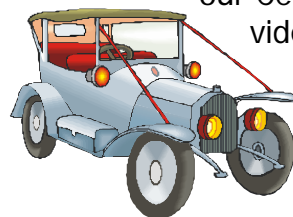
Peter and Margaret

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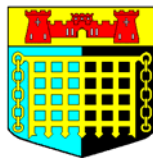
Bill Thompson's phone number should read
07708 431 591 in the rally book,

WANTED

Memorabilia from your years with the Bedfordshire Centre for our Celebration Rally in June. Photographs, items, video, stories etc. Please search out your loft, shed, scrap book for all those snippets of history with the centre.



Contact your PRO for details.



The Celtic Manor Wales Open Golf Tournament Rally

The Gwent Centre is arranging a rally to coincide with the Celtic Manor Wales Open, a leading European Tour Event at the Celtic Manor Resort, Newport



We will be offering a package with site fees, golf tournament spectator tickets and we also hope to be able to provide transport to and from the Celtic Manor Resort at an additional cost (Approx £6.00 per day for transport)



Costs

Rally Fee £3.00
Price per night £7.00

Adults Daily Ticket	£20.00*
Adults Season Ticket	£45.00*
Seniors Daily Ticket	£10.00*
Seniors Season Ticket	£30.00*

*Exclusive discounted rates for Caravan Club Members
Children under 16 years free if accompanied by an adult
Seniors aged 60 and over
Tickets are non-refundable



The Rally will open at 15:00 on Tuesday the 29th May till 13:00 on Monday the 4th June 2007. The site is approximately 9 miles from the Celtic Manor Resort, alongside the River Usk with a local pub within easy walking distance. The Alice Springs Golf club is situated nearby offering two 18 hole courses, a practice range and putting green. The "Spikes Bar" offers a large selection of bar meals catering for all tastes and a large restaurant will be open to any one attending the rally. The club will be offering society days should any one wish.

For anyone not wanting to attend the golf tournament there is excellent shopping available in Cardiff, Newport, Cwmbran and The Mall at Cribbs Causeway, just over the Severn bridge. Also there is a Steam fair in near by Abergavenny on the weekend 1st - 3rd June

All moneys to be paid by the 1st May 2007

For any more information please contact Grahame Payne on

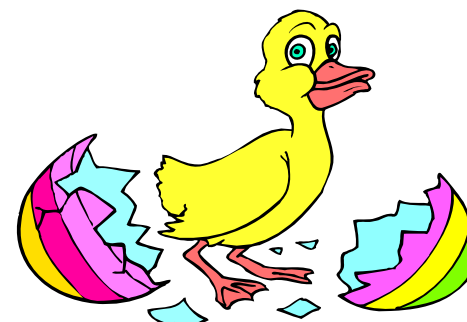
01633 881359 or 07762 499234

The Northern Home Counties Region is pleased to announce that the 'What's On - Your Guide to Local Events in Bedfordshire, Berkshire, Buckinghamshire, Hertfordshire, Oxfordshire, Middlesex and North London' is the first available as a download from the Club Website. The publication gives an insight into the varied Events and Centennial Celebrations being hosted by the constituent Centres throughout 2007 with venues and programmes to suit all tastes.

Particular attention is drawn to the Regional Road Shows piloted by the Northern Home Counties Region, the first of which will be held on the Four Oaks Club Site at Henley over the extended weekend 12-15 April. The Road Shows provide a unique opportunity for members to meet the Regional Council, more fully understand how the Club works & it's structure and share their concerns, aspirations and preferences for it's future development. Central to the above is an extended invitation to enjoy the company of like minded members for some light refreshments in a relaxed atmosphere. Whether you are on-site or would like to drop in a warm welcome is assured.

Finally, we are pleased to announce the launch of the Regions website - www.northernhomecountiesregion.info. For those served by the Northern Home Counties Region a visit to the website will give you a background to the Region, it's structure and it's intent. We are sure you will find the visit of interest and leave you knowing a great deal more about us - we in turn would invite your contact in order that we may likewise be better informed about you and how best the Region can serve the needs of those living within its boundaries.

Phil Batchelor - Northern Home Counties Region PRO



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4th - 7th May 2007 - Bank Holiday Lakeside Denver



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Directions Easterly on the A10 from Ely to Downham
Market. Over great Ouse, turn left into
Denver, follow brown windmill signs
through village. Site on right 100 yards
before windmill.

Rally Officers Colin & Diane Richardson with Jean and Geoff Stewart.

Rally slips to C Richardson, 16 Sage Close, Biggleswade, Beds, SG18 8WH
Tel:- 01767 314019 Mobile:- 07802187292 .

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Spring Evening Walk



15th May 2007
6:45 pm

Enjoy a spring evening walk around the River Ouse, Kempston.

Followed by Tea/Coffee and Hot Dogs.

Hot Dogs £1.00

Start at: Kempston Mill, at 6:45 pm.

Rally slips to: Danny Pickett, 8 Harris Close, Kempston, Beds. MK42 8HT.

Slips to be returned by 1st post Monday 30th April 2007

Directions: Take A421 from M1 towards Bedford. At Asda (Swan) r/bout turn left. At next 3 r/bouts turn left through Kempston. At King William PH turn right into King William Road, turn left into Riverview Way and follow round to T junction sign. Turn left and follow to river car park. Look for rally signs.



If you turned up to an Event or Rally but the Rally Officers decided not to, you would be at the least fed up and disappointed.

If you book for an Event or Rally and do not turn up without telling the Rally Officers, it may leave them disappointed and fed up. But even more important, they may have reserved Social tickets and arranged catering. Please spare a thought for the Rally Officers; they are unpaid representatives of the Club and do what they do because in an organisation like ours, the voluntary effort put in enables the rest of us to enjoy our rallying. If you find at the last minute you can't make it to a Rally or Event, please do everything possible to let the Rally Officers know and avoid them incurring financial embarrassment. Please be aware that should you not arrive on an Event or Rally and not advise that you are unable to attend, the Centre Committee reserves the right to make a charge at their discretion.

If you cannot get hold of the Rally Officers please call me on 07729078600 and I will pass on your message

DO YOU HAVE AN E-MAIL ADDRESS?

I am trying to collate a list of our members e-mail addresses.

This would help in getting information to you a lot quicker. Information such as a rally may have been cancelled, a venue has had to be changed, or you may be on the waiting list for a rally and a space has become vacant. It could be to send you a copy of Update or RallyGoer as soon as it comes out. If you have an e-mail address, then please let me know by sending your e-mail address to me at

thomas.gilks@ntlworld.com or secretary@bedscentrecc.com

I look forward to hearing from you.

Tom Gilks
Hon. Secretary

Amendment to Rally Fee

Steam Rally June 1-3 June 2007 @ Leighton Buzzard By-pass

Fee is £21.50, £20.00 is to be paid directly to the organisers of the event and £1.50 admin is payable to The Bedfordshire Centre.

Bedfordshire Centre Children's Rally

9th December 2006

35 children attended the afternoon party, ranging from age 2 - 12 years.

A disco was arranged for them this year, which Martin kindly donated his time and Tom was in his glory acting as MC, both Sandy and myself thank them both very much.

During the disco, games were played and spot prizes were awarded. We bought a range of gifts from Poundland Store in Northampton for as the name suggests one pound each. Every child received a gift. We also gave the children a glow stick wand, which they all seemed to appreciate, and waved them through out the afternoon.

Tea was served in little boxes provided by Auntie Sue and Uncle Ron, this seemed to go down very well.

As usual Father Christmas arrived to rapturous applause and the children all received yet another gift from him.

All in all the afternoon ran very smoothly, and the children all appeared to have enjoyed themselves.

Photographs were taken through out the afternoon after seeking the permission of the parents first.

*Social Secretary
Morris McDowell*



The Centre's 40th Birthday Rally.



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Morris McDowell

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As the Bedfordshire Centre Sports Officer for the coming year I am keen for the centre to enter as many of the sports competitions as possible at next years national rally. As I am sure you are all aware next year the National is at Blenheim Palace and is therefore only a couple of hours away for most of us. I am aware that the centre is expecting a good turn out for next year's national and if we can field teams in many of the sports we may be in with a chance to walk away with a trophy or two?

Therefore I would like to hear from any members who are interested in representing the centre in the below sports:

Football Netball Volleyball Lawn Darts Tug of War

Once I get an idea of numbers, ages and what sports members are interested in I will look to put some teams together. You can catch me on the rally field, give me a call on 01582 751036 or send me an email:

sports@bedscentrecc.com

Please support your centre and join me in some of the teams at next years National rally.

Jerry Waite - Bedfordshire Centre Sports Officer

Remember this is your RallyGoer
Please send in your articles, news, Rally Updates to your PRO by either email or just plain old 'pigeon post'.

The Bedfordshire Clanger was a suet crust dumpling made by the women for their

men folk to take to the fields where they were working. It consisted of two courses, meat at one end, jam the other - main course and dessert all in one! It was very filling and sustained the men engaged in outdoor work as well as being easy to cook when facilities were limited. If it was made on Monday, the remains of the Sunday joint were used.

The meat course is delicious with buttered mashed potato and green vegetables and the jam roly poly with cream or custard.

Any left over pastry was made into very small balls, the size of a walnut and dropped into the simmering water. When cooked (in about half an hour), they were scooped out, put on a plate and covered with

milk and sugar. These were called 'Swimmers' and were often given to children as a treat.



He's Behind You !

It was a nippy evening as we set off for Turnpike Farm on 12th January 2007. The wind was blowing and the cold January night air whipped around the field.

Ignoring the cold and most of us still recovering from "Chairman Flu" we gathered for a hearty mug of soup and fresh bread rolls at the rally officers van. Saturday was an easy day for shopping or enjoying a pub lunch or simply relaxing in readiness for our evening out organised by our rally officers Ron, Sue, Martin and Bronya.

The coach arrived on time and we were soon on our way to Stevenage to watch Dick Whittington, the journey was a jolly experience, lots of laughter and a great atmosphere filled the coach ready for a great night out. We met up with those members not on the rally but keen to join the evening event, there were about ninety of us in total, an excellent turnout for a winter evening. The pantomime was excellent as usual, ice cream drinks at the bar everything you required and a coach home to take us safely back to the rally field.



Tea and coffees served at flag and as usual nothing stopped the saleable goods officer who was there with his wares as usual including souvenirs for the RNLI.

Our thanks go to the Rally officers who make this lovely weekend possible each year no matter what the weather and for the planning that goes into seating everyone, ordering our tickets and arranging the coach so we can all enjoy a safe drink at the Theatre Bar.

Hopefully see more of you there next year

Panto weekend will be 11-13th
January 2008

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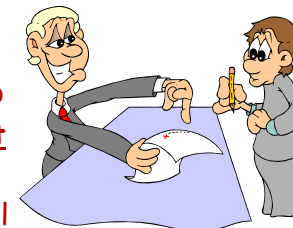
CENTRE REGISTRATION CARDS

A REMINDER

When you receive your Annual Caravan Club Membership Card, the accompanying letter contains a Centre Registration Slip attached.

This slip must be filled in and returned direct to the Caravan Club at East Grinstead if you want to be registered with The Centre. (You are not automatically re-registered with The Centre when you renew your membership).

The Centre Secretary is advised by The Caravan Club of all Registered Members, so if you do not register, your records will not be held by the Secretary, therefore you will not receive a Centre Rally Book. You will also not be allowed to propose or second and Member for an Officer or Committee position, neither will you be permitted to stand for any position, or speak or vote at the Centre A.G.M.



So please, remember to re-register each year.

RNLI Collection.



I'm starting to collect any unwanted items that are suitable to be sold at a car boot sale, if you have any items make contact with me and I will arrange collection of the items and when sold all profits will be going to our charity.

Martin
Vice Chairman

Centre Trophy in memory of Ron & Betty Mitchelmore



The family of Ron and Betty Mitchelmore have kindly donated a beautiful trophy to be awarded annually at the Centre Fishing Competition. The family have chosen the trophy to be awarded to the competitor who in the eyes of the Committee and the rules displayed at the competition has the "best overall catch of the match".

As members will remember both Ron and Betty enjoyed fishing and always encouraged younger members of the centre to share their passion. It is hoped that this Trophy will be awarded and treasured by members for many years to come.

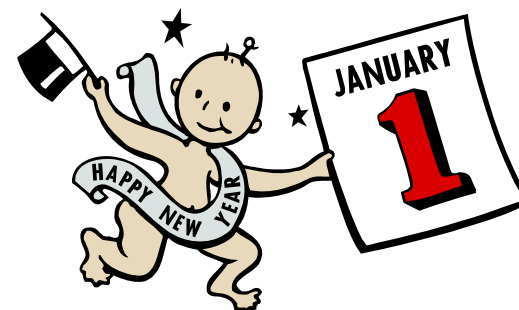
Attention!

All Rally Officers

If you require any assistance
the Junior Committee are
more than happy to help!
Please do not hesitate to
contact us.



December 28th 2007 until January 1st 2008
Gamlingay Village College



Book now to avoid disappointment as the rally is filling up fast, a full programme of events will be available later in the Year, rest assured it will be fun and Celebrations for all

Rally officers for the holiday Celebrations are Tom & Caz, Martin & Bronya and Mike & Karen

*Rally Slips to
Tom Gilks, Second Chance, 16 Evelyn Road,
Dunstable Bedfordshire LU5 4NG*