



The Caravan Club  
**Bedfordshire Centre**  
**Rally Goer**

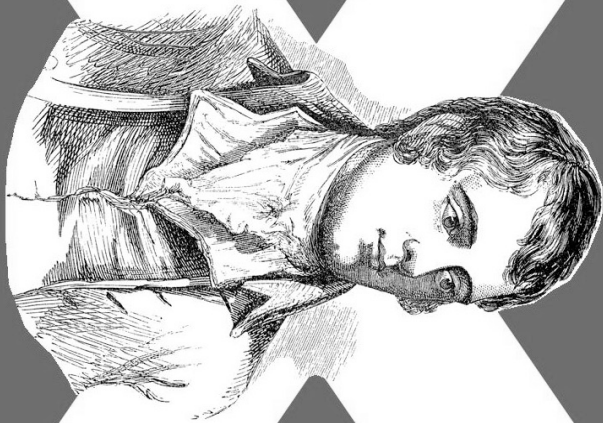


*Autumn 2010*

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# Welcome to Chairmans Chat

Dear Ralliers,

Welcome to this AGM edition, of the Rally Goer. It only seems like yesterday, that I was at the AGM looking forward to my second year in office and hear we are looking to do my 3<sup>rd</sup> and final year. Therefore this is a good point to say a BIG THANK YOU, to you all for your hard work and support.

No sooner am I back from my holiday and Andy is chasing me for this write up. I hope you have all enjoyed the good summer that we have had, the weather has been a lot better this year, better than the last few years, so lets hope that we are about to see some better summers in the future.

Since I last reported in the Rally Goer we have had some good rallies, Caravan Handling, The Raft Race, Fishing Rally, The Junior's Rally, Glenn Miller Event, and many more. We also Celebrated John & Maureen Gauge's Golden Wedding Anniversary and while in France we celebrated Bill & Chris Harts 40<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary, I would like to thank both couples for the spreads that they put on and to wish them many more happy years of marriage.

Talking of France, I have just returned from Carnac where Colin & Diane, together with the help of Caroline and me ran a holiday rally for Beds members and a number of visitors, apart from a couple of days the weather was kind to us and great fun was had by all. This was the first time that Caroline and I had taken the caravan across the water and our thanks go to Colin and Diane for all there help and advice in making the holiday a great one. I hope that in the near future we can run another holiday rally together.

Lets not forget the next few months where we have some good rallies coming up, Murder Mystery, Centre Darts Competition, Halloween, Christmas Party, New Year and also the Burns night in January, so please get your rally slips in now to avoid being disappointed.

I hope to see you all on the rally field very soon.

**Tom Gilks**  
Chairman

## Members Ads'

Do you have something to sell...

Let the PRO know, and it will appear here and on the Centre's Website.

If your item has been sold, or you no longer wish to advertise it, please let me know

[www.bedscentrecc.com](http://www.bedscentrecc.com)



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Aqua Roll .....	£20.00
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Spare Wheel (4 Studs) .....	£20.00
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Large Breathable Groundsheet .....	£10.00

**Pete Everett,**

Tel: 01462 815670

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Box Includes: Scott TRA/QR Stabiliser, Cam quick release, Easyfit chassis bracket, Car plate, Scott stabiliser cover. Original cost £69.99 ..... £30.00 o.n.o.

**Michael Cole,**

Tel: 01767 699888

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Venture Trident Full Awning to suit an awning rail length of 875cm. Colour - Burgundy/Grey with Fibreglass Poles. .... £200.00 o.n.o.

**Andy Gray,**

Tel: 01234 302746

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**Mick Challis,**

Tel: 01733 571332

### Contact your PRO:

*Andy Gray*



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# Just for Fun...



## QUESTIONS THAT PUZZLE ME... 2!

1. Why do they call it an asteroid when it's outside the hemisphere, but call it a hemorrhoid when it's in your butt?
2. Did you ever notice that when you blow in a dog's face, he gets mad at you, but when you take him for a car ride, he sticks his head out the window?
3. Why do we press harder on a remote control when we know the batteries are going dead?
4. Why do banks charge a fee on 'insufficient funds' when they know there is not enough money?
5. Why does someone believe you when you say there are four billion stars, but check when you say the paint is wet?
6. Why doesn't Tarzan have a beard?
7. Why does Superman stop bullets with his chest, but ducks when you throw a revolver at him?
8. Why do Kamikaze pilots wear helmets?
9. If people evolved from apes, why are there still apes?
10. Why is it that no matter what color bubble bath you use the bubbles are always white?
11. Why do people constantly return to the refrigerator with hopes that something new to eat will have materialized?
12. Why do people keep running over a string a dozen times with their vacuum cleaner, then reach down, pick it up, examine it, then put it down to give the vacuum one more chance?
13. Why is it that no plastic bag will open from the end on your first try?
14. How do those dead bugs get into those enclosed light fixtures?
15. Why is it that whenever you attempt to catch something that's falling off the table you always manage to knock something else over?
16. Why do we, in winter, try to keep the house as warm as it was in summer, when we complained about the heat?
17. How come you never hear father-in-law jokes?
18. And Finally... The statistics on sanity is that one out of every four persons are suffering from some sort of mental illness. Think of your three best friends -- if they're okay, then it has to be you.

Caroline Gilks  
Hon. Secretary

## Letters

Your chance to communicate with your fellow ralliers.



### Thank You...

We collected £32.00 for the Race for Life from the caravan members and I have now completed this at Ferry Meadows. I collected all together £156.00.

Thanks again.

*Maureen & John Gauge*

### Thank You...

We would like to say a big thank you to Colin, Diane, Tom & Caroline for a very enjoyable holiday rally in Carnac, France.

Matt certainly enjoyed the swimming pool, as he was in it every chance he got.

We're all looking forward to the next one.

Thanks

*Andy, Jo, Emma & Matt*



## Have you got something for the next edition?

Send your letters, rally write ups, Jokes or whatever it may be to your Centre PRO by 14th November 2010

### Thank You...

We would like to say a big thank you to everyone who made our weekend at Willington most

Enjoyable. The gifts we received were quite over-whelming. And we thank you again. Also a big thank you to Terry & Pat, Jill & Bill and Jenny & Les.

Regards

*Maureen & John Gauge*

### Thank You...

Special thanks to Diane & Colin Richardson for arranging the excellent Holiday Rally in France this August. As Co rally officers we were complete novices as far as taking the van abroad and the support and organisation that Diane & Colin put into the Rally planning was tremendous. We all had a fabulous time and really look forward to 2012 when we plan to do the next holiday rally.

Thanks again for making our holiday so special, it was really great.

*Tom & Caz*

### Thank You...

I would like to thank everyone who has worked so hard on the Centre Committee for the past year. It is sometimes taken for granted that this group of people who give up their free time for the enjoyment of others will continue to do so going forward. There is an enormous amount of work behind the scenes to ensure the finances and administration of the Centre runs smoothly, the Rally programme and Rally book are all produced in house, the Website is maintained in house and even the printing of the Rally book is done by our past Chairman Martin Findlay. Socials are planned, Events are arranged, competitions are organised and so the Centre continues to run successfully for the benefit of you the membership.

The Committee members benefit too, as we all share one thing in common and that is a love of caravanning and our social club on wheels and the warmth of the friendship that is found on the Rally field.

I would like to thank all the Committee for their support in my role as Centre Secretary. I have been working cross boarder in Berlin for much of the year in my "real job" as some of you know, and without the support of Tom, who has a lot of expertise in my role having served as Centre Secretary himself for a number of years, and the rest of the Committee, I may not have met all the deadlines and kept on top of the Centre administration quite so well.

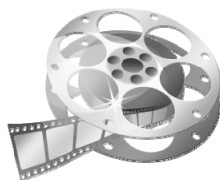
Thanks to everyone for your continued support and I look forward to seeing you on the Rally field soon

*Caz*



## Kids go to Cineworld

On the weekend 12/14 November 2010 the Junior Committee will be paying for all Beds Centre Members Children attending the rally to go to the Aspects Cinema in Bedford.

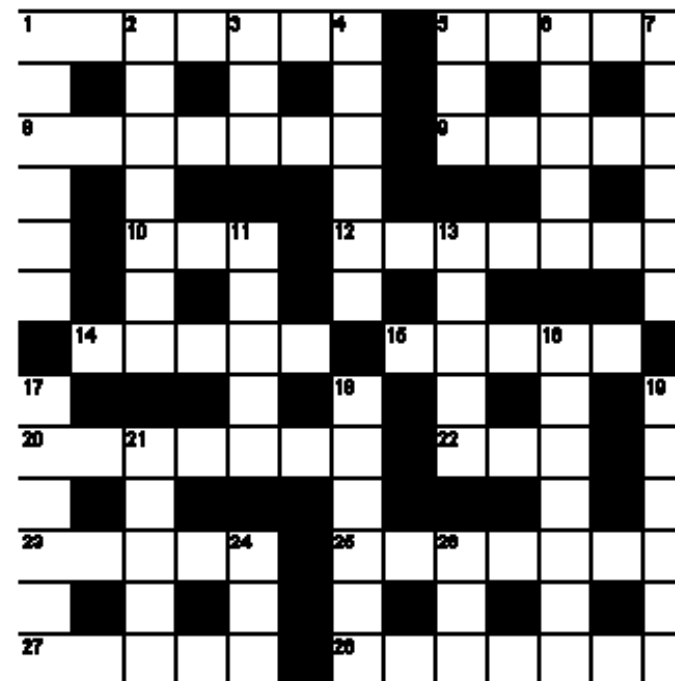


**Emma Gray**  
Junior Chair

## Puzzle Page

Can solve the puzzle

### Catch Words



#### Across

1. \_\_\_ speak louder than words (7)
5. Pieces of \_\_\_ (5)
8. Trade \_\_\_ (7)
9. The Holy \_\_\_ (5)
10. \_\_\_ the lion (3)
12. Lead by \_\_\_ (7)
14. A little rough around the \_\_\_ (5)
15. Last but not \_\_\_ (5)
20. Time is of the \_\_\_ (7)
22. Tic-Tac- \_\_\_ (3)
23. A \_\_\_ playing field (5)
25. Sorely \_\_\_ (7)
27. \_\_\_ your bets (5)
28. Many happy \_\_\_ (7)

#### Down

1. Question and \_\_\_ (6)
2. \_\_\_ pink (7)
3. The \_\_\_ and only (3)
4. You can't beat the \_\_\_ (6)
5. Chicken and \_\_\_ (3)
6. \_\_\_ the nettle (5)
7. Fortune \_\_\_ (6)
11. A drop in the \_\_\_ (5)
13. Secret \_\_\_ (5)
16. Helter \_\_\_ (7)
17. Health, \_\_\_ and happiness (6)
18. \_\_\_ late than never (6)
19. Jack of all \_\_\_ (6)
21. \_\_\_ by the bell (5)
24. Let sleeping dogs \_\_\_ (3)
26. \_\_\_ his match (3)

# 2010 Rally Programme Updates

For more information on these rallies visit our website

[www.bedscentrecc.com](http://www.bedscentrecc.com)

## New Rally

**Rally No. 48E**   **Oct 01 - 03**   **Old Warden Village Hall - New Venue**  
**Attractions:** Biggleswade & Shuttleworth collection near by. Ideal location for pleasant walks. Possible social in village hall Friday & Saturday evenings.  
**Directions:** From Bedford, take the A600 towards Shefford. After passing through Deadmans Cross, at cross roads, turn left into Northwood End Road, SP Old Warden/Ireland. After approx 2 miles turn right into Bedford Road. Site on left in approx 1/2 mile.  
**Postcode:** SG18 9HQ  
**Rally Officers:** Gill & Mick Leath with Sally & Robert Taylor  
 Tel: 01767 682364   Mobile: 07939 453899

## Change of Address

**Rally No. 51**   **Oct 22 - 24**   **Darts Rally**  
**Rally Officers:** Steve & Karen Waite with Rod Waite  
 39 Brookes Road  
 Flitwick  
 MK45 1 BU  
 Tel: 01525 633027   Mobile: 07940 069206

Please confirm they have you BOOKED IN

## Rally officers Added

**Rally No. 57**   **Nov 19 - 21**   **Regional AGM - Princes Risborough**  
**Rally Officers:** June Taylor & The Committee  
 Tel: 01895 255971   Mobile: 07949 489408

## Rally Cancelled

**Rally No. 58**   **Nov 26 - 28**   **Aspley Guise**  
**Cancelled:** This Rally has been cancelled, due to great concerns over the size of the entrance to the rally field.

I still have some rallies that require rally officers for 2011, if you are interested in running one of these rallies then take a look at the rally board, otherwise they may be pulled from the programme.

Do you have a favourite venue... Is there a venue you would like to rally at... Or perhaps you would like to run a rally...

If so, then let me know, and I will try to accommodate your wishes.

**Jo Gray**

Rally Secretary  
[rallysec@bedscentrecc.com](mailto:rallysec@bedscentrecc.com)

## New Rally Slips...

A new rally slip design has been produced for you to use. It will be available in the 2011 rally book and on our website [www.bedscentrecc.com](http://www.bedscentrecc.com), an example is shown below.

You will now be able to advise the rally officers of some additional information. Perhaps you have a Motorhome, a twin axle van, you may have a long outfit, or one of you party may be disabled.

This extra information is useful to the rally officers when setting out a rally field and deciding where to position outfits prior to their arrival. This extra information though does not necessarily mean that you will be positioned close to a social event.

Please start to use the new version when you have used your existing ones up.

**Andy Gray**  
 PRO

Bedfordshire Centre Rally Slip						
Rally Name: .....	Rally No: .....					
Surname: .....	Arrival - Day/Time: .....					
Forenames: .....	No. of Nights: .....					
Address: .....	Vehicle Details					
Postcode: .....	Registration: .....					
Tel: .....	Type: Caravan / Twin Axle / Motorhome					
Mobile: .....	Length: .....					
Centre: .....	Adults   Teenagers   children					
Membership No: .....	My Party Includes: <table border="1"><tr><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr></table>					
Disabled: Yes / No	Social Tickets: <table border="1"><tr><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr></table>					
First Rally: Yes / No	Birthdays / Anniversaries: .....					
Rally Plaque: Yes / No						
I agree to abide by the rules of the Centre and understand that I will be liable to an Administration fee for non-attendance or late cancellation.						
Signature: .....						
This slip should arrive with the Rally Officer by the date shown in the rallybook.						

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# Twinwoods Festival 2010

Twinwoods Festival is an event at held at Twinwoods Aerodrome, Clapham, Bedford. This is where Glenn Miller took off from on his last fateful flight. It is a celebration of Glenn Miller music, kept alive by his cousin, John Miller.

This year as usual it was fantastic, the weather was not too good to us, but as true caravanner's we didn't allow it to stop us enjoying a really terrific weekend of music.

All sorts of caravans arrive, some we know some we don't, but this year the ultimate in accommodation arrived. We couldn't believe our eyes when this appeared. I hasten to add not on our site !!!!

The main arena hosts Three Big bands, The John Miller Band, The String of Pearls Orchestra, Joe Loss Orchestra and loads of support artists. People were dressed in period uniforms and costumes, the Ladies resplendent in the period garments, and some in Lindy hop dresses, complete with seamed stockings and petticoats, enough to get the men hot under the collar!!!!

Couples were invited to learn how to Lindy hop if you had enough energy, wore me out just watching. Vintage cars were on display and you could even have a ride on old time Swing Boat. Far to much going on to report.

Next year 2011, Twinwoods are celebrating their 10th year and are promising a really big bash, if interested in joining us you will need to book early.

All in all, despite the weather everyone had a really Swinging Time.



*Sandy McDowell*

# Rally Plaque Book.

If you want to see the rally plaque book to help decide on the motif you want on the plaque, don't hesitate in contacting me. You can be lent the rally plaque book for you to take a look at, but please remember to return it, so that others may have the opportunity to see and use it. Plaque motif's can also be found on our website.

**Andy Gray**  
Centre P.R.O.



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