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CARAVAN OWNERS CLUB

The Roundup

The Latest News and Reviews around the Rallies



Sunday morning—Lincoln Steam & Vintage Rally

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Rally No 8 Copt oak - Spring Bank Holiday Thurs 26 - Tues 31 May 2016

Marshals: communal effort

Rally report Adrian

We arrived Thursday 11.55 and opened the gate closely followed by Eric and Pauline who were having their lunch at the Copt Oak pub at the side of site a Marsden's house, we went for a steady walk around Copt Oak, vans steadily arrived for a first night total of 7, coffee and cake at 730 and sat outside until about 930.

Friday Vanessa and I went to Ashby de la Zouch a very nice town with plenty of traditional shops, we bought the provisions for the weekend from the coop most people went exploring the area including the space centre various N/T properties and more vans arrived to make 11, Mike arrived mid afternoon with his 2 marquees { Thanks Mike } Phil and I put them up assisted by Carlton. Vanessa booked us in at a N/T property 2 mile down the road called Stoney well house, we had lovely afternoon there, well worth a visit. evening soon arrived and time again for tea and cake this time in the marquee, we finished off with toast made on the Oz Pig { first time out of his Sty this year } I lost Vanessa's favourite knife and it was the talking point all night it turned up next morning on top of the urn, thank fully for me!

Sat, Phil and Lyn's windscreen man came to repair his screen he was hit with a stone on route to his walk last week!, more vans arrived to make a total of 14 Most people went exploring again Beth and Garth went on the train at Bosworth, Carol, Vanessa Graham and I went to Market Bosworth and then onto the Bosworth battle grounds, we came across a nice little cafe in a medieval barn that Graham and myself said we won't be able to afford this it looks to posh, but we got a very pleasant surprise 4 meals and drinks for under £30! We then walked around the battle grounds, very interesting. Thanks to Harrison, Carlton and Talyn for selling the raffle tickets. Back to site to get ready for the evening American supper, what a spread as usual! Flag was held which Graham took. birthday Cards were giving to Talyn & Dave T, Karen brought a cake which was very nice, Anniversary cards to Mick and Jackie Ford Eric and Pauline foster, Graham and Jane Milton. Lucky van was won by Graham and Carol Kirkman

Vanessa and I left the happy campers to go home as we were going to a family wedding on Sunday. Adrian and Vanessa would like to thank the members who rallied round and supervised the rest of the rally, which from verbal reports went well.



WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Paul and Melanie from Lincolnshire

Colin & Karen again from Lincolnshire

Howard and Elaine from North Lincolnshire

Martyn & Alison and family from Nottinghamshire.

Rick & Lynn from North Lincolnshire

Some of the above have already rallied with us, but to those who have not a warm welcome awaits

Rally No 9 Fishing Rally The Willows Laceby - 3-5 June 2016

Rally Marshalls Simon & Vicky

Rally report by,-Granville

Most vans arrived on Friday afternoon the approach road to the sight was slightly confusing because of the temporary road closure. Some of us had a fish on Friday afternoon and as a whole the fish were quite obliging. We met in the marquee for tea coffee & a sausage cob, Simon & Colin proceeded to peg the pond out for the match on Saturday Those of us who were fishing the match all drew our pegs Nos. Some confusion arose to what parts of the pond we could fish so we had to adjust pegging accordingly.

Saturday morning arrived we were up about 6-30 to a gloomy cool morning .The match started at 7-30 & it became apparent quite quickly that the fish once again weren't going to play. We fished till 12-30 and the eventual winner was myself Granville with 5lb-7oz of bits (small silver fish) Graham was sec with 4lb-4oz & Martin 3rd with just over 3lb. Beth won the ladies match once again. The competition was won by Richard & Diane , & the lucky van was the young couple Matthew & Laura. We met up on Saturday evening at the Marquee for a bar-b & age together & flag, most said their goodbyes on Sunday but some us stayed on till Monday and guess what the fish came out to play again That's fishing folks that's probably why I've stuck it for over 60 years.

Rally No.10 Graizelound Thur 16 - Tues 21 June 2016

Marshalls Barry and Val supported by Grand daughter Esme.

Scribe Peter

Sailing steadily down the A161 looking for the left turn, "There it was", so with all the traffic on my back bunk I just had to continue and we did towards Misterton. Now there is a rally from the past. We found a mini roundabout and conducted a U turn. Its fun with a van on the back and the traffic behind wondering what's happening. Coming from the other direction was easier and we turned in and followed the road round the bends and passed the good looking CL and loo block to the rally field passing some fishermen en route. The site was a nice square field with some hard standing, and reasonably short grass and was right at the end of the fishing lake we were going to use. We got set up and I disappeared over the hill with fishing tackle like a great white hunter, where I had a fun couple of hours before tea. Some, those who are unfettered by the chains of work, had been there for a few days but for the working class, the Friday tea and biccy session and as much gossip as you could spread was had in the great red and yellow marquee.

Next morning it was agreed that some of us would again be the hunters and John and I met on the lake shore, but no Granville, well it was his anniversary.....

Uncle Barry came along and gave me the benefit of his knowledge (its nice being a younger member some times) and armed with that and a tin of sweet corn I proceeded to pick up fish most of the day. A bit later Granville and Barry both came out to play. Barry kept pulling in big Tench, I had a very nice Tench and then John managed to land a very nice Barbel. Well it was all too soon tea time. Some struck up bar-b-que,s, and others dined in other ways. Then we all met up again in the marquee for exchanging stories of the one that got away and many other tales of daring do, and to pass comment on my face which was redder on one half than the other. Everyone had been having a nice day outdoors and were quite tired so the gathering broke up quite early.

Sunday morning the sun was up and it was a glorious day, Flag was taken in the now open awning, and the new couple Des and Margaret came to visit with their soft top Moggy thousand. . The usual goings on were taken care of and Esme, assisted by Grandad gave the prize for her competi-

tion to the winners which were selected from three by the cut of the cards. Tom and Stephanie being the winners. Jenni and Granville won the lucky van. Cards were presented for birthdays to Stephanie and Jenni. Anniversary cards went to Dave and Val, Granville and Jenni, and Tom and Stephanie. The raffle was a fun time hosted by Esme, and the site owner Andy, even gave a bottle of wine to the table. Just as well the rally has been rebooked for next year. The morning was just drawing to a close and Val took charge and announced that for fathers day, Esme, would be presenting all the men with a bottle of beer as a fathers day gift. Very nice gesture. Thank you it was much appreciated. Some sat around discussing the weather and what nots, Granville and I slid off to the local golf course and Bren and Jenni, went to a garden centre. Others did what others do. Once back mid afternoon, it was a quick bite and packed up and off home, as I am one of the younger ones who still is fettered by the thing called an occupation. Note the lack of use of the four lettered W word. Having said our farewells we exited the gate and headed home.

I had a great weekend and enjoyed my fishing and golf.
Looking forward to next year already.

Rally No 11 Benniworth Springs Fri 1 - Sun 3 July 2016

Marshal: Steve & Debbie

Report: Vanessa

We arrived Friday lunchtime to be greeted by Steve and parked in our spot for the weekend. After a relaxing afternoon of sunshine, showers and the occasional gale, the marquee was erected. We met up at 7.30 for coffee and cake provided by our Marshalls and also Sue's famous carrot cake.. After a pleasant evening of chat and banter we retired to bed.

Saturday everyone went out and about to Mablethorpe , Louth and Horncastle to name but a few. We headed up to York for our Granddaughter Alice's 3rd birthday party. Which was great fun .Even had a go on the bouncy castle! There was a barbecue planned for 6.30 but unfortunately it had to be abandoned due to the weather. Everyone met in the marquee at 8p.m. We joined them when we returned from York at 9p.m. Yet another enjoyable day.

Sunday dawned quite bright and sunny and we went for a walk round the lakes on site and watched a family of swans swimming serenely around. Flag was at 11am taken by Peter. We tied with Peter and Brenda in the quiz but they beat us on a cut of the cards. They then went on to win the lucky van too! After flag Adrian and Graham spent quite some time dismantling our water heater as it's stopped working. We then had a nice alfresco lunch and headed home.

Yet another great weekend in a really picturesque setting thank you Steve and Debbie.

Rally No 12 Golf rally 15-17 July 2016

Marshals: Brenda & Peter

Report: Jenni

Five vans & a motor home arrived on Friday afternoon unfortunately Tom and Stephanie had rung to cancel as Tom was unwell. Legs down and settled in. It was a nice sunny evening so we were able to sit outside for a chat and enjoy Sue's delicious carrot cake.

Saturday dawned bright and clear, Brenda, Peter, Granville and I went for a round of golf, others went out for the day and played golf later, Granville went for another round under the guidance of Adrian and Dave, Granville marked the position of his ball with a 10p coin Adrian thought it was his birthday and promptly pocketed it ! Good job Granville had a shoe horn with him to retrieve it. Our evening started with playing chipping the ball into a bucket girls v boys which the girls won 4 -3 day dah, this was followed by singing happy birthday to Eric White plus a lovely birthday cake made by Sue an enjoyable evening was had by all.

A beautiful sunny morning greeted us on Sunday some went to the car boot ,others a round of golf .I would like to thank Vanessa and Karen for my gift of BORIS THE RABBIT he will travel in the caravan with us lol, The men's golf winner was Adrian and the ladies by Jenni the lucky van was won by Dave and Linda. We all had a jolly good weekend our thanks go to our Marshall Brenda and her assistant Peter .

Rally 13 Aviation Heritage Centre – East Kirkby 22nd -24th July 2016

Marshals: Peter & Brenda

Report: Clare

We Arrived Friday tea time and were met by Peter. After legs down and settling in we went over to the marshals awning, for tea, coffee, cake and biscuits, with all the usual chat and banter.

Saturday more dawned with lovely sunshine, Chloe went off to the seaside for the day with Grandma and Granddad (Mavis & Brian). It was our 11th wedding anniversary, so we had the day to ourselves. Paul and I looked round the Aviation Centre, well worth the entrance money. I thought very interesting and it was lovely to see the Lancaster Bomber. Chloe, grandma and granddad came back after a brilliant time at the seaside. At 4pm we all gathered on the field for the bowls and flat cap competitions. It went well and was a good laugh. After tea we joined the marshals at their awning for a game of pictionary which was very funny with the usual banter, even our Chloe went up and had a go, afterwards the evening continued with chat and banter. A really brilliant day.

Sunday morning we awoke to lovely sunshine. We all gather for Flag, Anniversary cards were given out to us and Karen & David Tomlinson. The week-end quiz was won by Pam & Ken Boulton. We would like to say a big thank you to Peter and Brenda for a brilliant week-end, we really enjoyed it.

Then we left to carry on our holiday by going up to Filey.

	GENTS	LADIES	CHILDREN
BOWLS	ERIC FOSTER	MAVIS WHITE	HARRIET
FLAT CAP	DAVE BROWN 13.71M	VANESSA HAMBLETON 13.56M	HARRIET 7.73M

Rally No 16 Lincoln Steam & Vintage Rally – 19th - 22nd Aug 2016

Marshals: Adrian & Vanessa

Report: Rose

We arrived on Friday at 12.30 to rain and wind, had a quick walk round in between the showers. We all met up a coffee and natter at 7pm outside Adrian and Vanessa's van. There were 17 vans on this rally and Vanessa said it was the most we have ever had. We learned that our friends Teri and Maurice had a drastic run down, as the clutch of Teri's car had packed in and they had to get the R.A.C. out to recover it and fetch Maurice's care from Sutton on sea so they could proceed to Lincoln with the caravan, they did make it in time for the coffee and natter.



Clive and I had a walk round on Saturday morning expecting rain again as forecast with our macs on and it was lovely and sunny all day. There were loads of stalls and machines. Clive headed straight for the motorbikes and steam engines. I like to see the steam engines and the vintage cars. Saturday night it rained heavy, so we had a couple (or more) of glasses of wine in the van instead of going down to the beer tent.

Sunday morning was lovely and sunny again, we had flag at 11am and welcomed two new members Lynn and Rick to the fold. It was nice to see Stephanie and Tom back on track as they have missed a few rallies due to ill health. In the evening we sat and watched a load of vans, motorhomes and various vintage cars, tractors etc leaving the site nose to tail, and to our surprise the Red Arrows came over and gave their 9 up display in formation fantastic. Another good rally enjoyed, see you all soon.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS & 2017 CALENDARS

Oh no I hear you say, but yes as sure as night turns into day the Christmas Season will soon be upon us. If you would like to send your friends in the Mustang Caravan Owners Club a Christmas Greeting please let me know as soon as possible so that I can publish them in the next edition of the Round up. The cost is £1.00 which all goes back into the club funds.

2017 Calendars—Again if you wish to purchase one of these please let me know as soon as possible. I can have them ready to distribute at the Christmas Dinner Rally or at the New Year Rally. Unfortunately these will increase to **£2.25** per copy with postage extra if required. As in the past **£1.00** from each copy sold will be donated back to the club.

Thank you Stephanie

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Could you please submit any articles or write ups up by **23rd October 2016**
via e-mail: mustangcaravanoc@ntlworld.com

Thank you—Stephanie