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Points to remember

Marshals should let the rally coordinator know when their rallies are fully booked.

Always carry your ASOC membership card when attending rallies.

Inform the marshal if you plan to bring a car, tent or trailer to a rally.

All rallies start at 12 noon unless otherwise stated in the rally information.

Running a rally

If you would like to run a rally, contact the rally coordinator for "Guide for Rally Marshals". When a date and venue is chosen you will receive the "Rules for Rally Marshals" and asked to sign a marshal's declaration which should be returned to the rally coordinator. Assistance and advice is available from the rally coordinator or a committee member.

If you would like to assist a rally marshal to see what is involved in running a rally, or interested in the details of possible rally sites we have, contact the rally coordinator.

Important

All potential rally dates and venues must be checked with the rally coordinator, who will check that the club will be able to comply with regulatory and insurance requirements.

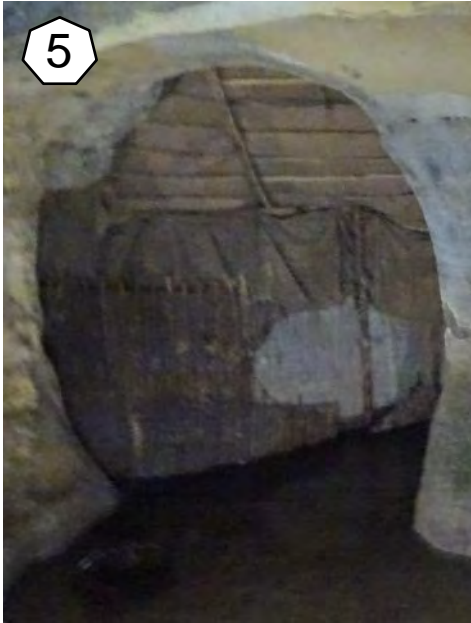
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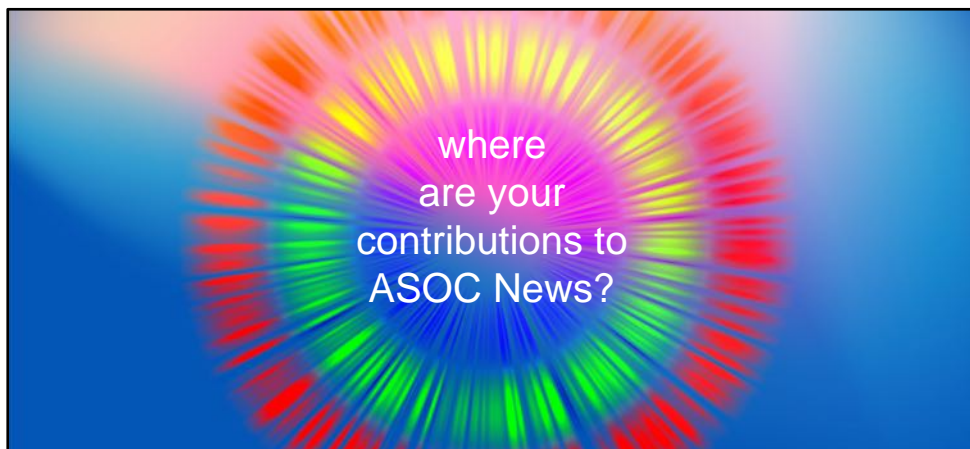
Welcome to June News.

I can't believe it is a year ago since I started to edit the club magazine. Having just returned from the AGM, I find myself elected to continue being the editor of News and now asked to look after the website as well. I know what you are thinking, what's he going to do with the website. Well, I don't really know yet, so you will be pleased to hear it may not happen for a couple of months. At the open forum a few things came up about the look of the magazine and I have not forgotten what was said. We have a couple of new additions to the team and you can find the list of the committee members on the inside front cover. Thank you to the members who took the time to seek me out to talk about the magazine.

We want more members to take up the electronic option of News. The one advantage that most if not all, the photographs are in colour. Don't worry, you will always get the printed version posted to you every month.

I know that many members receive notification of website updates from the webmaster. You will have all read the the new privacy document that appeared in News. This means you will need to subscribe to continue to receive these updates. This can be done by subscribing to ASOC News. If you have already subscribed to News, you will need to unsubscribe if you no longer wish to be contacted. This can be done via the website, just go to News. The email address webmaster@asoc.uk.com will be closed by the end of June.

The chairman is preparing a full report on the AGM and National Rally and this will appear next month.



ASOC NEWS

NOT JUST IN PRINT, ALSO AVAILABLE TO DOWNLOAD FROM THE WEBSITE

The point of writing is to give a warning to other members.

Some kind person stole the registration plates off my Rienza while it stood outside my house when I had gone out my car in daylight on Friday 13th. Fortunately I am not planning to use the vehicle for a few days so this is more annoying than anything.

It is possible that the warning lights and Strikeback alarm stickers on the van prevented them from attempting to remove the entire vehicle. My neighbours are sure that the alarm was not triggered.

When I notified the police they told me that the plates would be used either to conceal the identity of another stolen motorhome or to avoid them easily being traced when used on another vehicle for some illegal purpose. They advised me to carry the V5 and my driving licence for a few weeks, as the police will have the number on "watch list" for some time.

Annoyingly, on this occasion, when I fitted the plates to this vehicle, with sticky pads & screws, I did not use "anti-theft" screws. This was because I witnessed a local garage remove them from my previous Auto-Sleeper, which had these, in a few minutes. This time I am trying a different type of "pin head" fitting.

Tony Gilby 9951

Coincidence?

Another member has reported he recently experienced exactly the same problem. This time the plates were found in a field. The incidents were 80 miles apart? [editor]

Magazine content

Regarding the complaint about content I must respond by saying that I think the new format and content is a great improvement, and I spend much more time reading it. I use my motorhome a lot but would never dream of going to a rally, and indeed I only use large sites when my laundry needs doing; nature and UK hills beats hobnobbing with other motorhome owners any day.

Roger Craven

Our ASOC Newsletter

Further to the comments made by a member in the May 2018 edition of the ASOC news with regards to "Rallies" being given more space within the newsletter.

I am afraid that our views differ completely with this idea. We joined the Auto-Sleeper Owners' Club for the following reasons.

1. Myself and my wife own an old(ish) 2002 Auto-Sleeper Executive named Gladys.
2. To hear the views of other Auto-Sleeper owners throughout the country to make our trips easier and more enjoyable.
3. To find out which motorhome sites are worth visiting (and which are not).
4. To gain technical knowledge, tips and advice for our vehicle.
5. To look out for and meet other members of the club.

We do not need to attend rallies to achieve any of the above, and in fact do not wish to attend unless we have a guarantee that the sites being used have full toilet, showers, electricity, water and waste facilities, plus they will accept and welcome the third member of our team "Bella, the boxer dog". (Sorry, we enjoy a bit of comfort when away).

I believe that 'PitchStop' has a place in the news, but our personal choice would be more articles regarding members experiences of holidays within Britain, including any sites that are within walking distances of 'good food and drink' that are dog friendly. We also agree with the decisions being made with regards to the ASOC newsletter being given a more magazine look.

Paul and Heather Hirst-Neaverson 9824

With reference to the members letter concerning the contents of the newsletter I agree wholeheartedly with the replies given by the editor and chairman. The newsletter has become far more interesting over the past six months or so. Well done, it can't be easy, keep up the good work.

Robert Adams 2018

For those who now have lpg tanks a useful link covering GB and Europe is FillPG.co.uk

There is also a phone App.

Chris Sturgeon 2897

TYRE VALVES

As a matter of interest to ASOC. I would like to make the club aware of a safety issue I have had with my Auto-Sleeper Talisman concerning tyre valves. The van passed its MOT ten days before the incident of discovering a flat tyre on the rear of the van while parked on my drive. On removing the spare wheel from its cradle I find it is also flat. Further investigation reveals I find both rubber tyre valves are perished and fractured causing air loss. All five tyre valves were fitted in 2012. After checking the three remaining fitted to the van I find are also perished and could easily fracture causing a flat tyre. After phoning around various tyre fitting companies I found one that stocked metal tyre valves which have now been fitted.

Mike Davis 5962

It is recommended that you keep a close eye on tyre and valve condition from when they are 5 years old and replace in any case at 7 years. [technical]

ASOC Annual Rally and AGM at Newark Showground May 2018

We very much enjoyed the ASOC Annual Rally at Newark this year. Keith, Janet and their assistants worked tirelessly ensuring that everything went smoothly. The pitching layout was superb and the pleas to the Weather Gods obviously bore fruit. We were impressed by the Newark pavilion staff who did all that was asked of them and always with a smile.


We were pleasantly surprised on arrival to be told that we could have the van weighed and immediately took advantage of the offer. We were even more pleased to discover that our fully loaded van was within limits.

The Q&A session with Auto-Sleepers, Thetford and SvTech staff, the AGM and "any other business" were informative. However a slightly sour note pervaded the meeting after we learned that the Salvation Army gathering on Sunday morning was not to be referred to as a "Service" and that the time allowed in the program had been cut to a mere thirty minutes. There seemed to be no basis for these decisions other than excessive Political Correctness. The feeling among many seemed to be one of regret and disbelief.

The trip to Lincoln went well, and for us the visit to the beautiful Lincoln Cathedral was a first. Unfortunately we had to stay at the Cathedral end of the city because Mike has difficulty walking, particularly downhill. Janet had warned us on the coach about the steep hills in the city and when we looked down the hill nearest to the cathedral we were grateful for the advice even though the view looked enticing.

We were glad that we had not booked a carvery meal on Sunday in view of the forthcoming trip to the SMC dealers, who we knew from last year would put on a good refreshment spread. We were not disappointed and it was good to meet the sales staff again. However, they did seem a little disappointed that we did not repeat last year's decision to buy another new Broadway.

Mike and Val Pippard 8862



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<http://eepurl.com/duxz-5>



club members waiting to go underground at Nottingham city centre caves



From the National Rally team THANK YOU

We would like to thank everyone who helped with the marshaling at the National rally at Newark. As always your help is invaluable and makes our task at siting all the units so much easier.

Janet and Vic Hicklin 2301

Thank you to all the members who were involved in the raffle at the 2018 National Rally, whether you sold raffle tickets, folded raffle tickets, or donated to the raffle, your help is very much appreciated. Without help the raffle could not run as smoothly as it does.

Yvonne Wood 2620

Once again I would like to thank the two Jeans, Dorothy and Frances for volunteering to serve tea and coffee in the Sir Stuart Goodwin Hall during the National Rally weekend.

Many thanks to them all for their hard work.

Pauline Rogers



Thank you to the artists who supplied pictures to display in the Sir Stuart Goodwin Pavilion.

Next year we will be having hobbies and craft tables as in previous years if there are enough members volunteering to display their hobbies or crafts.

Thank you to all the members who donated to the books, jigsaws and bring and buy tables, and also to the members who bought items from the books, jigsaws and bring and buy tables, which boosted the monies going to the charity collection.

Stuart Wood 2620



A new fine has been introduced for driving on smart motorways under the 'Red X' sign

Cameras are installed to capture motorists who drive under the 'Red X' overhead signs and will incur an instant fine.



New for the regalia shop in 2018 is a Regatta fleece, it comes with a little man or ASOC logo on the front left. Also if the little man logo is on the front then an ASOC logo can be put on the right sleeve at no extra cost.

The cost of the fleece is £20.00 plus £3.00 postage.

The fleece comes in navy blue, but other colours are available to order.

Stuart Wood 2620 Regalia Officer

FOR SALE

Paragon Silver Screen fits Auto-Sleeper Stanton .

used on 2013 Mercedes Sprinter excellent condition, not heavily used over 2 seasons, cost £179 **£120** plus carriage.

Roof Cover by Pro-Tec Covers fits Auto-Sleeper Stanton not as new but material is in excellent condition, cost £318 **£200** plus carriage

Fiamma Jumbo Levelling blocks (Pair)

complete with red storage bag Hardly used over 2 seasons, cost £30 **£21** plus carriage

Ralph March 01202-393991 Bournemouth area

FOR SALE

Autosleeper Broadway EK 2014

mileage only 20,367
6 travel seats
excellent condition
reluctant reason for sale due to no longer able to drive long distances

£40,000 ono
01908 630934
dawnrainbow01@gmail.com
Milton Keynes

FOR SALE

Vango Kela 11 driveway awning (tall)

footprint and carpet
never used
cost £600 in 2017

accept **£400**
Bob 01562 753942
butler.speaking@btinternet.com
Kidderminster
thank you for the donation

FOR SALE

2007 VW Automatic Sandhurst

2 berth
MOT to March 2019
34,500 miles
very careful owner
full service record, many extras

£30,500 ono
Phone Richard 07860 513729
richardburdekin@btinternet.com
thank you for the donation

FOR SALE

KAMPA MOTOR RALLY AIRPRO AWNING 260 XL

Fits Broadway
Excellent condition. 2 years old
Complete with manual pump, storm tie down kit and carpet

£390
John 07855 286464 or email
john.cadman6@btinternet.com
East Midlands area
thank you for the donation

THE KINGDOM OF FIFE

Derek Moras 5149

We have been to Scotland in the past, but always seem to go to the west coast and work our way up to Cape Wrath and across to John O'Groats and come back down through the middle. In July last year we thought we ought to go east, so decided on a trip to Fife, and we were not disappointed.

Monday 3 July To break up the journey and make it a little more interesting our first point of call after leaving home was Sudbury Hall in Derbyshire to see the Museum of Childhood. It was well laid out and very interesting and brought back many memories from childhood. However, it was also a bit disturbing when we found that we still have older models of things that were on view. We had a short run to the CC site at Uttoxeter Racecourse for our first night. The following day was a travelling day. We left the site just after 10am and joined the M6 north. It started to rain after about 30 minutes and then on and off for the rest of the day. It was a good run up the motorway with light traffic. We found a small site, "Green Acres Caravan Site" just off the motorway past Carlisle. This was a nice site with plenty of room with hard standings and small but good toilet facilities.

Wednesday saw us back on to the motorway for a nice run up to Edinburgh. There were many road works approaching the Forth Road Bridge due to the new bridge being opened soon. After crossing the bridge we made our way to the village of Culross. After lunch we walked around the village visiting a 16th century house called "The Palace", and then on through old cobbled streets up to the Abbey and the ruins of St Mungo's Monastery. Leaving about 4pm we drove on to the Balbirnie Park Caravan Club site, at Marklinch, where we booked in for the next five nights.

The Palace at Culross and the cobbled streets towards the abbey



Thursday 6 Visited Crail today and had a nice walk around the town where we saw a very good sand sculpture, and then on down to the harbour. Interesting old buildings and a working fishing port. After lunch on the harbour side we drove on to Pittensweem, another fairly large fishing port and old town worth exploring. We continued on along the coast road going through St Monans where we saw the windmill and associated salt pans, we did not visit due to the weather. On to Anstruther and Elie stopping off here and there to explore and arriving back at the campsite after shopping in Marklinch just before 5pm.



Fishing port at Crail and sand sculpture



Friday 7 Today we went to Falkland Castle only 12 miles away. Falkland Castle was the country residence of the Royal Stuarts and was adored by Mary Queen of Scots. We arrived just before 11am but found coach parties waiting to go in. However, after looking around the town square we were able to get into the castle without waiting. The interior was lovely and full of history. Within the castle is the Chapel Royal, which is the only UK castle with an RC Chapel still in use (complete with "Royal" pews).

Having looked around the interior, we went out into the gardens and enjoyed walking around the various beds and identifying the plants and planting groups. In one corner of the garden is the oldest original "Real Tennis" court, complete with swallow nests and parent swallows diving in and out feeding voracious young. After lunch we drove on up to Perth to visit family for the afternoon, returning to the campsite at 5.30pm.



Falkland Castle

The following day was another castle visit and we were off to Kellie Castle which to my mind was more of a large manor house with round towers built on each corner, but it did have lovely gardens.

Parts of the Castle date from the 14th century but it fell into ruin and it was not until the late 19th century that it was rescued and rebuilt in the Victorian style with ornate plasterwork and painted panels by a family of architects and artists. In the library is one of the oldest ornamental plasterwork ceilings in Scotland. The gardens are wonderful and laid out in the arts and crafts style with magnificent herbaceous borders, rose beds and organically grown fruit and veg all round the edge.

After a nice lunch in the castle cafe we drove on to a local cheese farm to sample various local cheeses.



Kellie Castle

Kellie Castle gardens



Sunday 9 We awoke to rain, and the forecast did not show any improvement so we decided to visit "Scotland's Secret Bunker" buried 100ft down under a farmhouse. It is now obvious because of the army vehicles parked around the house, but if these were removed there is nothing to distinguish this farm from any other in the area.

The bunker is built on two levels and is fully self contained for use if a nuclear strike took place. The whole bunker was encased in 15ft thick concrete walls with blast doors at the entrance. The occupants would have been able to last for at least three months. They had their own power generating and air purification plant and full military capability and being the command post for governing Scotland in the event of war. When you walk around it appears as if the occupants had just left and were due back soon (with the exception of the medical room).

It was a very thought provoking visit and took us most of the day to go round. It was still raining when we came back to the surface so returned to the campsite.



above and below: Scotlands Secret Bunker



Medical room "He was told not to go out!"

The local weather forecast was not good for the next two or three days so we decided to start our journey home. To make it more interesting we would follow the east coast as far as possible calling in to see Lindisfarne on our way as we had missed this out on a previous visit to Northumberland.

Monday 10 We had a nice gentle drive down to Berwick on Tweed, stopping off at various places to admire the views. When we got to Berwick it was so crowded that we decided to move on down the coast. We stopped at Seahouses to look around and found a good selection of fish and chip shops. Rain had started again so we moved on to find a farm campsite at West Kyle where we booked in for one night.

Tuesday 11 Having checked the tide times we set off early to Lindisfarne (or Holy Island). As we approached the coast the tide had receded far enough for us to drive over the causeway and park on the island. We started our tour by visiting the museum, the Abbey ruins and Church where there is a very good wooden sculpture of 6 monks carrying the body of St. Cuthbert to his funeral in Durham in 875AD. We walked up to the lookout point and on the way passed an archaeology dig trying to discover more of the old abbey ruins. The view from the lookout tower was excellent and saw seals and many types of sea birds. We were unable to visit the Castle as renovation works were taking place and it was closed to visitors, so returned to the centre for lunch at the pub. The tide was now changing so returned to the mainland with the thought of driving to Whitby.

Unfortunately we could not get a pitch on the site we had chosen and none of the three CL's we tried answered their phones, so we drove on to the CC club site at Scarborough arriving about 5.30pm. Having got here a day earlier than expected we decided on a change of route to cut across to the M6 and visit Tatton Park House.



above: abbey ruins

below: sculpture of the monks



Wednesday 12 We left the site about 10am and had a good run across to the M6, and although there was a lot of traffic it did not hold us up and everything kept moving freely. We arrived at Tatton Park at 1.30, the first stop was the cafe for lunch, after lunch we went into the house. Only the ground floor was open, but even so it took us an hour looking at everything, and toured the gardens with only limited access as they were setting up for a large show for the next three days. The next problem was where to stop for the night. Looking in the CC club site book we found a possible CL at Audlem on the Shropshire Union canal. This turned out to be an excellent choice situated within the canal boat marina. We walked along the tow path into Audlem for a look around. It is a very pretty village and chatted to many of the barge owners moored along the towpath, after some quick refreshment at the pub, made our way carefully back to the van.

Next day with nothing planned, so after a leisurely start we made our way home cross country avoiding all motorways and enjoying the varied countryside as we came through Cheshire and Wales and back across the Severn Bridge to home.

Footnote: Fife has a lot more to offer than we saw. The weather and time were against us. We would like to have explored more of the coastline, particularly around St Monans. According to a current TV programme called "Britain at Low Tide", the coastline below Wemyss Castle between Buckhaven and Kirkcaldy, where in the 17th and 18th century salt production had been a thriving industry, is worth exploring.

2018 Photographic Competition Winners

Set category winner Sunset Silhouette - John Gutsel 4170





Open category winner The Kelpies - Jean Sellers 8655

Broadway Station is open

Just to let members know, if you are staying at the C&MC site at Broadway in the Cotswolds, the station is now open, operated by the GWSR heritage line. The carriages could be pulled by a steam engine. There are stops at Toddington, Winchcombe and to Cheltenham racecourse. With another C&MC site at the racecourse.

The railway has many events running throughout the year so it's worth checking the website for details and train timetable.

One of the most recent events was "Wartime in the Cotswolds" where all the stations were taken back to the 1940's.

www.gwsr.com





on your bike

Beacon Park, Litchfield to Fradley Junction

Brian Ellis

Fradley Junction is about six miles from Beacon Park in the centre of Lichfield in Staffordshire. The ride is by path, track, part road and is mostly flatish.

Fradley Junction is on the Coventry and Trent & Mersey canal, this canal junction between Fradley and Alrewas (nice villages) near Lichfield and the point at which the Coventry canal joins the Trent and Mersey canal (grid reference SK140139).

A small settlement, popular with Gongoozellers* and other visitors, has developed there, including the Swan Inn, two shops and two cafes, the Nature Reserve and lakeside walks. The local village of Fradley is approximately a mile away and also worth a visit.

The route

From Beacon Park, exit at the main gate to Lichfield town.

"Note cyclists must dismount and walk past the Minster Pool".

Cross the road, then onto the path alongside the Minster Pool.

Walk alongside the Pool to the path junction at the end with Dam Street.

Turn left towards the Cathedral, to the cycle / footpath to Stowe Pool.

Take the cycle / footpath past the Stowe Pool to St. Chad's road.

Turn left onto St. Chads Road and immediately cross over and turn right to continue along the cycle path.

At the end of the cycle path bear left onto Netherstowe road, past the Tesco Express shop.

Continue to the the T junction with the main road A512 Eastern Avenue.

Turn left at the main road (you can cycle up the path if preferred).

Past the industrial estate to Watery Lane on the right.

Turn right into Watery Lane.

Continue to the T junction with Wood End Lane.

Turn right onto Wood End Lane and continue to the traffic island.

At the traffic island, turn left into Gorse Lane.

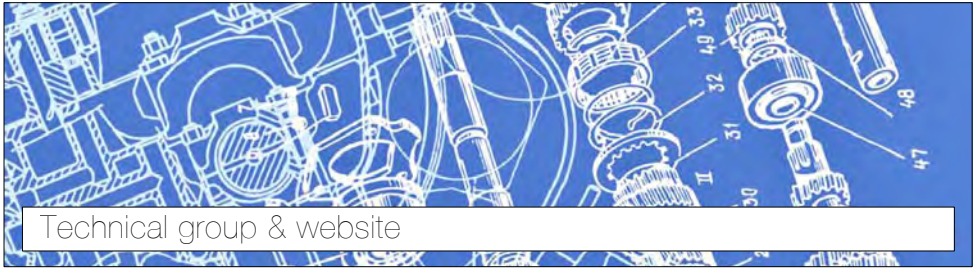
Continue on Gorse Lane to the canal bridge. Here you need to go left on the canal towpath so cross over the road and a path leads under the bridge.

Alternatively, you can continue by road and take the next left and again over the canal to Fradley Junction.

*A Gongoozler is a person who enjoys watching activity on the canal a term often to describe those who have an interest in canals and canal life, but do not actively participate.

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/canal>

if you are thinking of attending the Litchfield Rally which is situated within Beacon Park, why not take your bikes, and let us know how you got on.



Technical group & website

You will already be aware that I intended to seek retirement from the committee; this was accepted at the Committee Meeting, during the National Rally and AGM weekend.

Dorothy and I have been members for 25 years, and twenty years ago I was invited to join the committee on the AGM sub-committee. That appointment swiftly changed and I chaired the Club's sub-committee responsible for the Club & Company Rally for the 4 years 1999 – 2002. I worked very closely with Charles Trevelyan (our President) who chaired the Company's aspects. Nineteen years ago I set up the Club Website, with the aid of our son Matt, and seventeen years ago I set up the Technical Group.

John Morris, our Editor, will be the Webmaster and Dennis Downie has been co-opted as Chairman Technical Group.

At the National Rally our President, Charles Trevelyan, presented a beautiful orchid to Dorothy and a very nice engraved crystal whisky tumbler to me, on behalf of the membership. Dorothy and I would like to thank you all for your kind thoughts.

Our very best wishes are for the future of the Club.

Website Updates

- 02/18 – Committee changes
- 02/18 - National Rally & Committee changes
- Supplementary 01d/18* - Rally List changes. See Updates page

Baz Wellard, Chairman Technical Group & Webmaster - Retiring

YOU ARE INVITED

The AAOC have volunteered to run these rallies in 2018 using the ACCEO paragraph 6 certificate.

Applications to attend are invited from members of ASOC who will need to be or become (at £5 pa) personal members of ACCEO. To book, please mail gaynor@aaocc.org.uk and application will be passed on to the marshals.

Friday 26th October to Sunday 28th October 2018

Naburn Lock Camping and Caravan Park
Naburn, York, YO19 4RU

Saturday 29th December to Wednesday 2nd January

New Year rally that includes a meal on New Years Eve
Robin Hood Scout Camp
Rickets Lane, Blidworth, Mansfield, NG21 0NF

RALLY INFORMATION JUNE 2018

Neil C. Rogers, Rally Coordinator
5 Emerson Court, Carmel Road North, Darlington, Co. Durham DL3 8JB
Telephone 07922 049714 Email ncr@mypostoffice.co.uk



please read the important rally information on the inside front cover

**Sedgemoor Carnival rally has now been confirmed with a change of dates now
2 – 6 November.**

**We now have a Rally Marshal for the South Western Show at
Shepton Mallet 6 – 9 September. Please support them**

5th June – 15th June 2018 (10 nights) Camping Cappuccini, Peschiera del Garda, Italy

Emergency Tel. No. 07771 827711

Rally Marshals: Chris Mawdsley, Peter Brown, Angie & Andy Cavell.

Rally Fee: £25.00 this is not refundable if offered a place.

Rally slips and cheques to Chris Mawdsley, 5 Kenilworth Walk, Cheadle, Stoke on Trent,
ST10 1WA.

Enquiries to pcb7ty@btinternet.com or 07771 827711.

Please print a legible e-mail address on your application that can be used for communication about
the rally.

Site and Fees: The site has large grass pitches, extensive swimming pools, a high-level lake view
restaurant, fronts onto the pedestrian promenade on the south shore and is an 800m 10min walk from
the town centre and lake steamer pier. For the ten nights, the fee will be €14.00 for the pitch plus
€8.00 per person, per night (= €30 per night for a couple). Dogs are charged at €4.50 per night and
there is a city tax that this year was €1.00 per person per night for the first 5 nights.

Limit **25 vans**

20th to 30th June 2018 (10 nights) Camping L'Escale, Le Grand Bornand France

Rally Marshals: Angie & Andy Cavell, Chris Mawdsley & Peter Brown.

Emergency Tel. No. 07880 532057 (Marshal's mobile).

Rally fee: £25.00 not refundable if offered a place.

Rally slips & cheques to A. Cavell, 24 The Close, Hampstead Norreys, Thatcham, RG18 ORY.

Tel. No. 01635 201976.

Please provide your email address (clearly written!) if you have one. If not please enclose two sae's.

Site Fees: The site fee will be 19 euros per night for a motorhome and up to two people, one dog and
including 6amps electricity. 10 amps can be available for an extra charge and should be arranged
with the site on arrival. Tax will also be payable at the appropriate rate - currently 0.55 euros per
person per night.

Attractions: Situated in the French Alps, Le Grand Bornand is a small town with all the shops and
restaurants necessary to support life! It is located at the bottom of a small river valley and surrounded
by mountains on all sides. Annecy and Mont Blanc are not far away and we expect the cable cars will
be operating from the village to take you to the top of the nearby mountain. Camping L'Escale is a
privately owned site with good facilities including a swimming pool and its own restaurant and
takeaway. It is just a short walk from the town.

Limit **25 vans**

IRISH RALLY 2018 Monday 11 June to Tuesday 26 June (15 nights)

Marshals: Phil and Shelagh West. Assistant Marshals: Janet & Peter Murphy

Emergency Telephone Mobile: Phil West 07506 061694.

This Rally consists of 3 x 5 nights on 3 different sites in the Republic of Ireland. (Preference will be given to applicants applying for the whole 3-site rally).

Rally Fee £25.00 (non-returnable if offered a place on the rally.) Full directions and further information will be supplied to all successful applicants for all 3 sites.

Please send cheque for Rally Fee with a clearly written e-mail address or stamped, addressed envelope for confirmation of a place on the Rally to:

Mrs S. West, 66 Northampton Road, Broughton, Kettering, Northants. NN14 1NS.

Telephone: 01536 791438.

Site 1 – (11th – 16th June). Camac Valley Tourist Caravan & Camping Park, Corkagh Park, Green Isle Link Road, Naas Road, Kingswood, Dublin. D22 DR60.

135 Euros (27 per night inc. electric) – Showers Token 2 Euros.

Attractions – Dublin City. Corkagh Park – large park with footpaths, fishing lakes, rose gardens and tree plantations. Irish National Stud and Japanese Garden.

Site 2 – (16th -21st June). Hidden Valley Holiday Park, Lower Main Street, Glasnarget North, Rathdrum, Co. Wicklow. A67 XY56.

130 Euros (26 per night inc. electric – price to be confirmed (showers ? Euros).

Attractions – Located next to the Wicklow Mountains, Clara Vale National Park, Glendalough, Wicklow Gap to name a few.

Site 3 – (21st – 26th June). Casey's Caravan & Camping Park, Tallacooole, Clonea, Dungarvan. Co. Waterford. X35 EP82.

95 Euros (19 Euros per night inc. electric) – Showers Token 1 Euro.

All campsite monies to be paid to the campsite on arrival.

CARDS NOT ACCEPTED – CASH ONLY.

Attractions – Mahon Falls / Comeragh Drive, Dungarvan Castle, Jameson Distillery, Copper Coast Drive. In addition, the new Waterford Greenway 45km walking / cycling route along the disused railway line from Dungarvan to Waterford.

Dogs welcome at all sites.

Limit **25 vans**

ALL SITES – PLEASE DO NOT ARRIVE BEFORE 2pm



**11 – 18 June (7 nights) East Fleet Farm C P
Chickerell, Nr. Weymouth, Dorset, DT3 4DW**

Emergency Tellephone. 07711 375323 (Marshal's mobile)

Rally Marshals: Linda & Brian Ellis, Jackie & John Moss

Site fees £140 for 7 nights + rally fee £3.50 = £143.50

For less or additional individual nights, site fee is £28 per night plus £3.50 rally fee

Send rally slip and cheques plus a SAE or a clearly written e-mail to:

Brian Ellis, 52 Golf Links Road, Burnham on Sea, Somerset. TA8 2PP. Telephone 01278 784524

The site is at Chickerell about 3 miles out of Weymouth on the B3157 towards Portesham on a regular bus route or the coastal path to Weymouth.

The site is down a lane about 10 minutes walk to the main road and buses

Rally field is sloping, levelling blocks may be required. It has electric hook up, a free house club bar room, we can use the showers and there is a well stocked shop. The site also has laundry, dryers and ironing facilities.

It is a dog friendly site with well behaved dogs allowed in the bar. There are lots of nice walks and dog friendly beaches nearby.

The site is on Fleet Lane off B3157 Chickerell Road.

6 – 8 July (2 nights) Prestwood Steam Fair, Great Missenden, Bucks.

Emergency Telephone 07775 570182 or 07749 378587

Rally Marshals: Jan & Vic Hicklin & Margaret & Bob Cleaver.

Fee for the weekend £28.00 per unit. Rally Fee: £2.50. Couples, £2.00 Singles. No Electricity.

Fee for weekend includes unlimited entrance to the Steam Fair.

This is a GREENFIELD site own toilets essential.

Rally slips & cheques payable to Mrs. J. Hicklin, 381 Manor Road, Brimington, Chesterfield, Derbyshire. S43 1PP. Telephone 01246 236157.

Directions: From A413 Great Missenden take A4128 to Prestwood & follow steam rally signs.

No arrivals before 12 noon Friday please. Site Postcode HP16 9HQ.

**Friday 6 July – Sunday 8 July (2 Nights) Spinney Rally Field
Boothbed Lane, Goostrey, Cheshire WA16 9NG**

(This postcode takes you to the last 90 degree bend only)

Marshals Liz & Roger Spensley. Mobile Telephone Roger 07868 000705, Liz 07762 630010.

Spinney Motorhomes have once again invited ASOC members to join them on their Annual Spinney Club Members Rally.

It is a greenfield site with water, elsan points, portaloos and skips available. No hookups.

The theme this year is Glastonbury so think hippy/summer love/ festival.

Fish & Chip van Friday evening and ice cream van on Saturday. Complimentary BBQ Saturday. There will be a large(r) marquee in which social activities are planned. Outdoor entertainment and various games throughout the day. Entertainment each evening with bar.

A courtesy bus to Spinney Showroom and Accessory shop Saturday.

Their cafe will be open during the day. Table top sale Sunday am.

Cost for Weekend is £10 per person. Rally Fee is £3.00 couples. £2.50 Singles. Booking slip and cheque to:

Mrs E Spensley, 30 Kilsyth Close, Cinnamon Brow, Warrington WA2 0SQ.

Any queries email lizspensley@hotmail.com or telephone 01925 813558 Send SAE or clearly written e-mail address in BLOCK CAPITALS please for confirmation. [continued on page 22]

If you are a Spinney Club Member, give your Number on your rally slip, and bring your card with you. Rally starts at 12.00 hrs. Please do not arrive before.

Directions: Leave M6 Junction 18. Take the A54 (Middlewich Rd) towards Holmes Chapel. In Holmes Chapel at traffic lights, turn left onto A50 towards Knutsford, continue through Cranage and past Spinney Motorhomes Showrooms (On Left). Immediately after Mangoletsi Garage (on RHS) Turn right into Booth Bed Lane, keep right on 90 degree bend, after 1½ to 2 miles keep your eyes open for SPINNEY FLAG and turn left onto rally field.

Limit **25 vans**

**7 -12 July (5 Nights) Stafford Boat Club
Maple Wood, Wildwood, Stafford, ST17 4SG**

RALLY FULLY BOOKED

Rally Marshals: Angela and Bob Warwick, Linda and Brian Ellis.

Emergency Telephone 07530 366237

Site fee £11.00 per night inclusive of electric. Rally fee £4.00 per couple. £3.00 singles.

Please send your rally slip and cheques to

Mr. R. G. Warwick, 14 Furneaux Gardens, Fareham, Hants. PO16 7HD, Including a S.A.E. or (clearly written email address) Telephone 01329 236442.

This is a level grass site within a working boat club on the Staffs & Worcester Canal with direct access to the towpath. We have use of the club house during bar opening hours from 8.00pm in the evening, when toilets are available, otherwise own sanitation is essential. Dogs welcome on lead at all times. Local bus stop to Stafford 5 minutes walk away, local shops and pub 10-15 minutes walk away. Canal fishing is available with proper rod licence.

Rally Starts 12 noon Saturday and finishes 12 noon Thursday.

This rally precedes the Lichfield Rally which starts on the 12 July only 16 miles away.

Limit **25 Vans**

Thursday 12 to Monday 16 July (4 nights) Beacon Park, Lichfield, Staffordshire

Emergency Telephone Marshals mobile 07771 827711

Rally Marshals: Peter Brown, Chris Mawdsley and Liz Irvin.

Site Fee: £11.00 per night. Rally Fee: £4.00 per couple £2.50 single.

Booking slips and cheques payable to Chris Mawdsley,

5 Kenilworth Walk, Cheadle, Stoke-on-Trent ST10 1WA. Telephone 07771 827711.

There is no limit on the number of units attending, and confirmation will be sent via email where possible. Please note any applications received after 30th May cannot be responded to. If you have any queries after that date, please e-mail pcb7ty@btinternet.com.

You may arrive on Thursday AFTER 12.00 noon NOT BEFORE PLEASE. This is a green field site although there are toilets available in Beacon Park. Elsan emptying and showers will be available 08.00 to 10.00 Friday to Monday.

Attractions: Beacon Park is adjacent to Lichfield City Centre with its Cathedral, Restaurants, Museums and Shops. Buses are available to the National Arboretum from Lichfield Bus Station.

Directions: Beacon Park is situated on the outskirts of Lichfield, just off the A51 Tamworth to Rugeley/ Staffordshire Road leaving Lichfield. Follow the brown Beacon Park tourist signs. Turn into Walsall Road, then immediately left into Lower Sandford Street. Follow the signs for the car park, the site is through the car park keeping to the right.

POSTCODE for Lower Sandford Street is WS13 6RA.

19 – 24 July (5 Nights) Leon’s Field, St Ives, Huntingdon, Cambs. PE27 5ER

Rally Marshalls: Barbara and Al. Buckett. Mobile No: 07818 006733. Telephone 01304 369149.

Green field site – No Electricity – No toilets. (Charging facilities available for mobility scooters only).

Site Fee: £7.00 per night. Rally Fee £3.00 per unit or £1.50 singles. Total for 5 nights £38.00 per unit or £36.50 singles.

Rally slips and cheques payable to:

Mr A Buckett. 16 St Margarets Drive, Walmer, Deal, Kent CT14 7UJ.

Enclose SAE or Email Address for confirmation and directions.

The site is by the Great Ouse River 200 yards from the picturesque town centre. There is a market on Friday and Monday and there are plenty of pubs, restaurants, cafes and a variety of shops. Buses run every 10 minutes to Huntingdon and Cambridge. A trip on St Ives guided bus to Cambridge is quite an experience and bus passes are accepted. Beautiful riverside walks nearby.

Dogs on leads are welcome.

PLEASE DO NOT arrive before 12.00pm on Thursday. Rally closes 11.00am Tuesday.

Limit 40 vans

Do not enter St. Ives town centre. Follow directions.

9 – 14 August 2018 (5 nights) Eskdale School, Whitby, North Yorks.

Rally Marshalls: Liz Irvin, Peter Brown and Chris Mawdsley.

Emergency Telephone 07711 271568 (Marshal's mobile) email lizirvin@outlook.com

Site Fees £10.20 per night. Rally Fees £3.00 couples, £2.00 singles .

Total with rally slip £54.00 couples, £53.00 singles.

Booking slips and (cheques payable to Mrs E Irvin)

please send to Mrs E. Irvin, 43 School Lane, Kirk Ella, HULL, East Yorkshire.HU10 7NP. Telephone 01482 658345 or mobile 07711 271568.

Please enclose SAE, or clear email address on slip for confirmation. For enquiries in June please use email.

We have the use of toilets and showers. The school hall is available for evening meetings on the first and last nights.

This year the school will be having buildings erected on the school playground so we will be using the school field. No electricity.

Attractions: Whitby Regatta 10th to 13th August, with the Fireworks Finale on Monday evening.

The school is off the Scarborough Road. Buses stop at the school gates to Whitby. Come and explore Whitby's fascinating and historic streets and waterfront. The site is close to the Whitby end of the Moor to Sea Cycle Route with links to Scarborough and Pickering. For walkers the Cleveland Way coastal path is nearby. Visit Goathland where Heartbeat was filmed, or travel on the North Yorkshire Moors Railway.

The Sainsbury's superstore is nearby on Stainsacre Lane.

Directions: From Scarborough on A171, on entering Whitby, after the 30mph sign, turn left into the lay-by and the school entrance is on the left. From Guisborough or Pickering on A171, enter Whitby and continue on the Scarborough road, cross the new Esk Bridge and continue up the hill to the top, Stainsacre Lane. Entrance is through the lay-by opposite Sainsbury's store and petrol station.

Postcode YO22 4HS.

16 -19 August Western Motorhome Show, Three counties Showground Malvern, WR136 NW
Emergency Tel. No 07885812512.

Rally Marshals Pat and Gary Wanklin and Mike and Mo Valentine.

Please use a booking form from a Motorhome magazine or online. Please mark the form ASOC and note special club site fees. Arrive Thursday £61, Arrive Friday £58. All bookings for the Saturday evening entertainment must be made and paid to Warners when returning the application form to them. Applications close on Wednesday 1st August.

If you wish to rally with the club then you must return the application form to Warners by this date . Then you must also complete a club rally slip (this also applies to internet bookings). Return it with the rally fee of £2.50 couples, £1.75 singles, cheques payable to G Wanklin 18 Beverley Way Malvern Worcs WR14 1LA. 01886 832364

Please collect the club rally information pack from ASOC Marshall before parking where directed. The rally finishes at 12 noon Sunday but you may remain on site until 12 noon Monday.

20 - 24 August 2018 (4 Nights) St Cross Symondians Cricket Club Winchester SO23 9RT

Emergency Telephone No. 07754 761423 (Marshals Mobile).

Rally Marshals: Rita & John Tubb and Jean & John Gutsell.

Site Fees £40.00. Rally Fee £4.50. Please send your rally slip and a cheque for £44.50 payable to Rita Tubb together with your e-mail address or an SAE for confirmation and directions to:- Rita Tubb 70 Charnwood Crescent, Chandlers Ford, Hampshire SO53 5QL.

Telephone: 023 8026 7294 Mobile 07754 761423.

This is a Greenfield Site with a C.D.P and water point.

The site is less than a mile from Winchester centre. There is a bus stop outside the site which will take you there, alternatively it is a nice walk along the river.

Buses are available from Winchester Bus Station to Southampton, Romsey, Alresford, Alton, and various other destinations.

Places of interest:- at Alresford there is the Watercress Line (Steam train), Various National Trust places in the area, The Royal Green Jackets Museum, Whitchurch Silk Mill, Jane Austen's House, Winchester College tours, Intech Science Centre, Planetarium, Marwell Zoo, Winchester Cathedral or visit Southampton Docks to see the Ships in Port, or visit the Isle of Wight.

Please do not arrive before 12 Noon. Limit **30 Vans**

2 - 7 September 2018 (5 nights)

South Lytchett Manor Caravan and Camping Park

Dorchester Road, Lytchett Minster, Poole. Dorset. BH16 6JB.

Rally Marshals Pam and Steve Earnshaw, Barbara and Al Bucket.

Emergency telephone numbers

07961 626717 (Steve's mobile).

07951 711056 (Pam's mobile).

Site fees £82.50 Rally Fee £7.50 couples. £5.50 singles.

Total £90.00 couples £88.00 singles including electricity and Wi-Fi

Please send your rally slip with a cheque in appropriate amount made payable to P. & S. Earnshaw, and send to 27 Lundhill Grove, Wombwell, Barnsley. S. Yorks. S73 0QZ.

Telephone 01226 750862 together with your email or SAE for confirmation and directions.

South Lytchett Manor is an award winning commercial site 5 miles from Poole. There is a bus stop directly outside the site entrance from where you can catch buses to Poole, Bournemouth, Wareham, Lulworth Cove, Durdle Door, Dorchester etc. Ralliers will have full access to all the sites facilities, showers toilets etc. Dogs are welcome, but must be kept on lead at all times.

Please NO ARRIVALS before noon and the rally closes at 11 a.m. on day of departure.



ACCEO National Rally 2018

Ukrainian Youth Centre

Weston on Trent, Derbyshire. DE72 2BU

3rd - 8th October 2018



Full Social Programme

Wednesday	Meet & Greet
Thursday	Social Evening
Friday	Live Entertainment
Saturday	ACCEO AGM Live Entertainment
Sunday	Social Evening

Bus Service to Derby

Minimum of 4 outward & return trips to Derby Town Centre on Friday and Saturday (more if required) a small fare or donation will be required.
By kind permission of the Potteries Omnibus Preservation Society



The Rally Marshals can be contacted on 07934 968183. This phone will be switched on at 9:00 on Wednesday 3rd October and will remain live for the duration of the rally.

Cost for the National £30.00 for the weekend with any additional nights, (Wed, Thurs & Sun) at £10 per night.

Admission to the entertainment is £10 per adult, with accompanying children going free.

Your Weekend Entertainment

Friday Night

Tandem



Father and Daughter Duo

They perform songs from all eras and certainly know how to get a party started. Have appeared on many Members Club Rallies

Saturday Night

Wayne Swift



Multiple Tribute Artist

Back by popular demand
Performs songs by Michael Bubl , the Rat Pack, Robbie Williams and many more hits from the 60's to the 00's

RALLY APPLICATION FORM

Date sent:		Rally name:	
First name:		Surname:	
Address:			
Town/City:		Postcode:	
Phone:		Mobile:	Membership No:
Email:			
Additional number of named persons in your van			
Adults:	Children (incl age):	Dogs:	
Name:		Name:	
Name:		Name:	
Name:		Name:	
MOTORHOME DETAILS		ARRIVAL DETAILS	
Registration:		Day:	
Length:		Time:	
Model:		am <input type="checkbox"/> pm <input type="checkbox"/> Evening <input type="checkbox"/>	
Cheque enclosed for £ for nights including rally fee			
Full payment must accompany the application and cheques made payable to the rally marshal			
OTHER DETAILS		Is this your first ASOC rally:	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no
		<i>If available:</i> Electricity:	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no
		<i>If available:</i> Evening meal:	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no
		<i>Any special needs: If yes specify below</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no
EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS			
Name:			
Phone:		Mobile:	
We require the details of the person to contact in the event of an emergency			

Rally application form to reach the marshal 14 days before the event if possible

Enclose a S.A.E if confirmation is required