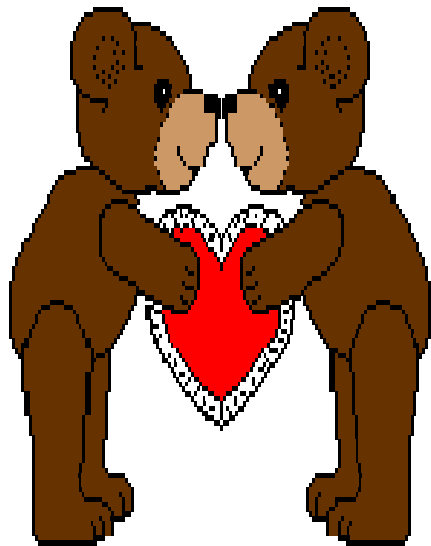


Inspiration

February 2009



South staffs centre
Of the caravan club
Editor's voice

Welcome to the February's edition of Inspiration.

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Articles for the Easter Issue by Sunday 29th March please.

I look forward to receiving more items from you.

Dave Corbett

Chairman's chat

LATEST!!! As one of our members was reported saying when asked if she was a Swinger "No I'm a Caravanner"

I hope you all had a great Christmas and New Year and indeed I take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy New Year from Sylvia and Myself.

You should have received your Rally books, I know quite a few have because Marshals are getting booking slips for rallies well into the year already. It is a good programme and if the weather is kind to us, we should have an enjoyable year. If you have not received your Rally book then contact the Secretary – Derek Tomlinson and he will make sure you get one. Please note the booking in dates for rallies, these must be strictly adhered to if Marshals are to receive the plaques for the rally on time.

Design the front cover of the Rally book, we pay for the best cover chosen at the AGM £25.00 for an adult or we purchase something of equivalent value for a young person.

Our Rally Secretary – Trevor Watkins is busy putting the 2010 programme together so if you want any venues included in the programme then please contact him. He may not be able to guarantee that your venue will be included but will keep it on file for future reference.

It is with regret I have to report that Sylvia and myself, along with other members of the Centre attended the funeral of Joan Willetts just two years after husband Ben died. We wish the family the best and offer our condolences.

The Dinner Dance is filling up now so if you wish to attend you need to contact our Social Secretary – Lisa Corbett to get your name on the list. We are having a nine piece band this year and have invited, as our guest, the Chairperson of the Shropshire Centre Margaret Perry and her husband Ted.

Terry Jones
Chairman

Junior chairman's Chat

Hello,

Welcome to my Chairman's chat for February 2009.

AUCTION RALLY

At the Auction Rally at Canwell Caravans the Juniors will be cooking breakfast baps on the Sunday morning, we will come round to caravans on the Saturday to take any orders.

JUNIOR RALLY

The Junior Committee are running a rally at Alverley on 13th – 15th March 2009. On the Saturday evening there will be a social in the club (Rule 22 applies).

The theme is sports, so please come appropriately dressed if possible. We will be having a Jacobs table so please bring along with you some food for the table. Throughout the night we will be raising money for our Junior Charity the RNLI, so please bring along some money (Thank you).

WATER

During the year there will normally be a Junior Committee member on the rally, if you would like your water filling for a small donation we will be happy to help.

SAINSBURY'S ACTIVE KIDS 09 LAUNCHES FEBRUARY 11TH

The Junior Committee will be collecting Sainsbury's vouchers towards new sports equipment for the Centre, and would appreciate your help. Vouchers can be handed to any Junior Committee member. The scheme runs from February 11th to 3rd June.

We look forward to seeing you on the Rally field soon.

Thank you

Liam Cotterill
Junior Chairman

Celebrations

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Gordon Clemson
Happy 65th Birthday – 18th January
Love Annette & Terry xxxx

Andy Hosie is 60 on Valentines Day – Happy Birthday
Love Gill xx
Happy Birthday, old godge!
Love Barbara and Gary x

Happy Birthday to Sue Myatt – 13th February 2009
Jill and Tony Davies

To Deb,
Happy Birthday/Valentines Day
Lots of Love
Mick, Mitchell, Jordon and Catherine xx

Happy Birthday Deb – 14th February
Love Sue, Martin and family x

Wishing my wife Jill a very Happy Birthday – 15th February 2009
All my love – Tony xx

Terry Jones – 18th February
Happy Birthday Terry, All my love Sylvia xxx

To Dad/Grandad
Happy Birthday – 18th February
Lots of Love
Kaz, Neil, Liam and Callum xxx

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TERRY JONES on 18th FEBRUARY
From your friends Chris & Keith, Mona & Gordon xxx
To Eve
Happy 15th Birthday – 26th February

Love Mom, Dad, Jack, Pat and Sam xxx

Happy Birthday Dienny – 2nd March

Happy Birthday Joan – 9th March

Terry Hughes
Happy 65th Birthday – 10th March
Have a great day
Lots of Love the Wife Annette xxx

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO TERRY HUGHES A BIG 65 on March 10th
From Chris & Keith, Sylvia & Terry, Mona & Gordon xxx

Happy Birthday Brian – 11th March

HAPPY 40th BIRTHDAY MOM 22nd March
Have a great day .
Love you loads Liam, Callum & Neil xxxxxx

Karen Cotterill – 22nd March
Congratulations Kaz on your 40th all our love Mom & Dad xxxx

A VERY HAPPY 40TH BIRTHDAY TO KAZ on 22nd March
From Chris & Keith, Mona & Gordon xxxx

Happy 11th Birthday to Meranda on 30th March
Lots of Love
Mom & Dad xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Meranda will be 11 on the 30th March
Lots of Love
Sammie, Izzy & George xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

ANNIVERSARIES

February 16th
Happy 46th Wedding Anniversary Gra.
Lots of Love Joan xxxx

Notices

RALLY MARSHALS

Please remember to get your plaque requirements in three weeks before your rally, and final numbers in two weeks before your rally.

Many Thanks
Tracie Hughes
Hon Plaque Secretary

LONDON – AMSTERDAM – YORK

I would like to thank everyone who has supported me the last three years with the weekends I have organised.

Everyone assures me that they enjoyed them, Hoverland Travel helped me enormously and the Drivers and Couriers were very friendly and helpful.

If anyone would like further weekends organised Andy Hosie is pleased to take this on. Give him your ideas and Support.

Sylvia

CHARITY **AIR AMBULANCE**

Donations of Eggs and Chocolate would be appreciated for Easter Raffles.

Looking ahead to our charity rally in May we would like donations for:

Bottles – Bric-a-Brac – Tombola – Raffle Prizes etc.

If anyone has any ideas for Stalls or Games and would be willing to organise them. Please let me know.

Thank you
Sylvia

Canwell Caravans – Auction Rally for Charity

27th Feb – 1st March

Sort your unwanted items and bring them to the rally for our Charity Auction. The Junior Committee will be cooking and selling breakfast baps on Sunday morning.

Slips to Martyn Hughes – see rally book

Easter Holiday Rally 10th – 14th April Greenacres C.P, Bilbury, Cotswold's

There will be a social in Bilbury Village Hall Saturday evening – Jacobs Table

Lovely flat 5ac rally field, 1 ac garden & information hut on site,
Birdland in Bourton on the Water – 8 miles
Steam Museum – 15 miles
Cotswold Water Park – 8 miles & plenty more attractions in surrounding area

Rally opens at 10.00am 10th April

Slips to Marcus Tomlin or Martyn Hughes – see rally book

INSPIRATIONS

TOP SECRET

SWINGERS ON TOUR

**Would you like to help raise money for the JUNIOR COMMITTEE CHARITY
– R.N.L.I ?**

We are able, at present to obtain propane gas at cheaper than normal prices.

6kg - £7.50 + £1.00 for Junior Charity = £8.50

11kg - £8.50 + £1.00 for Junior Charity = £9.50

19kg - £12.50 + £1.00 for Junior Charity = £13.50

If you would like to order gas please call Jane on 01902 659309 or speak to Jane or Tony on the rally field. If gas is required for a weekend it needs to be ordered by 9.00am on the Wednesday prior.

You will have to collect the gas from Unit 5a Delta Trading Estate, Bilston Road, Wolverhampton.

Please note these are current prices and may change subject to suppliers price review.

An empty bottle must be given back for each full one supplied.

DON'T FORGET – WE NEED YOUR SAINSBURY'S VOUCHERS

For sports equipment for the centre, please give them to any Junior Committee member.

Thank you

Rallies

NEW YEAR – HIGH ERCALL

Just a short note but a very big Thank you to the marshals at the new year rally, Pauline and Brian, Peggy and Derek, Rosa and Tony, they all worked so hard to make it a wonderful way to see out the old 2008 and welcome 2009. Each night was a party night which everyone enjoyed, we all forgot the cold outside because of the warm friendly get together inside.

Many thanks to our new friends and we wish SSCC a Happy New Year for 2009.

Very best wishes from Pat and Keith Shaw

We have not attended a New Year Rally for some time and were looking forward to going out again at this time of year.

We were not disappointed, the rally was excellent with good food, good entertainment and good company.

Must congratulate the younger members of the rally, I mean the under 60's, they did a fantastic job on the decorating of the hall, especially on New Years Eve. Well done to all who was involved.

Also a mention for the Junior ralliers, they were very well behaved and made their contribution the the Rally in various ways.

Congratulations to the marshals, as without you these sort of events would not happen and we know from experience the hard work that goes into the planning of the rally leading up to New Year and of course during the rally itself.

Thank you all
Jill and Tony Davies

A BIG THANK YOU to all the marshals at the NEW YEAR RALLY (High Ercall, Shropshire) who gave up their time and worked so very hard to make our New Year so special.

It was brilliant from start to finish and we all had a good time.

The meals were excellent and all the cabaret and entertainment was first class.
Well done to all those who organised the New Years Eve Night!
I really don't know how they manage it but it just gets better every year!
So Many thanks to
Brian and Pauline, Derek and Peggy (who was really poorly but would not let us
down) and Tony and Rosa
See you all next New Year
Mona and Gordon

YORK

We would like to thank Sylv and Terry for organising our great weekend at York
this year. This is the 3rd weekend we have enjoyed and each year they JUST
get better!!
Our first year we went to London and had a brilliant time. We stayed in the Hilton at
Canary Wharf which was excellent. Included was a trip to the theatre. Some of
us went to see the Lion King – really out of this world, and the rest went to see
We Will Rock You.
Last year we had another fab weekend at Amsterdam. Great hotel and food
and the excursions were really well organised. We enjoyed a great canal boat
ride by candle light and we'll never forget the great time we had cruising the red
light district.
This year we went to York and had another fab weekend. We had a full day
sight seeing in York on the Sat and after a great four course meal we were off to
the panto to see Dick Turpin! It was the best ive ever been to!!!
Thank you, Thank you Sylvia and Terry for all your hard work to make sure we
all had a great weekend each time.
They say its their last time, but watch this space.
We would like to thank all who came for their company. It really has been a
lovely change for us and we've had a great time.

Mona and Gordon, Chris and Keith

CHEESE AND WINE

After a short break we were off again to the Cheese and Wine.

What can one say about this rally? Excellent food and entertainment and I am
sure everyone who attended enjoyed the evening.

Thanks to Lisa, you did a fantastic job.

Jill and Tony Davies

We would like to show our appreciation to everyone who has been involved in
running rallies during December and January.
The Children's Christmas Party was with a difference. No entertainer but the
children were given Christmas Crafts to make which proved really popular, and
the highlight of the afternoon was a visit from Santa with lovely presents for all
the children.
At the Christmas Social in the evening we had an excellent three course meal
ending with dancing.

The New Year Rally at High Ercall excelled itself. The room was decorated
appropriately each evening. A sherry reception and a three course meal started
off the first night and we were entertained by the singer Gareth John. Our
second night following supper was the turn of Karl's Bavarian Brass. What can
we say, we sat down, stood up and swayed, laughed until we cried and went
back to our vans exhausted. New Years Eve, a fantastic Gala Buffet. The room
was filled with Gangsters & Molls. We were entertained by the Krazy Twins, a
dancing display by some of our young girls, a video sketch by "Queen" then
music and games. Midnight arrived and 2009 came in with a flurry of balloons.
On New Years Day lots of us went to the pub for lunch and those remaining for
the last night of the Rally enjoyed a light hearted quiz.

Our Cheese and Wine Rally saw us getting together again with Hot Soup and a
Buffet, we were then entertained by the Two D's.

The last rally in January was held for the Tramps of the Centre. A five course
meal was served which took most of the night and ended with music by our own
resident D.J.

Thanks to all the Marshals, our Social Secretary, Helpers, Hall Decorators,
Washers up and everyone who made these events a great success.

Sylvia & Terry Jones

Dates to remember

Next Issue of Inspiration will be out at the Easter rally, please let us have your
write ups by Sunday 29th March. Thank you