

DURHAM NEWS.



Welcome to the February issue of the Durham Centre Newsletter– this is a monthly newsletter aimed at all members of Durham Centre and any visitors to our site. It includes up to date news articles, rally reports, forthcoming events, messages, successes and celebrations.

The deadline for the next newsletter is **27/02/2017** please forward your articles or celebrations to [The Editor](#)

Our get together at the Ramside Hall was a great success with everyone who attended having a great time and catch up. Several members booked independently onto Durham Grange for the weekend and a great time was had by all who attended. Thanks again to Carol Door for organising the night and for booking the bus for all of us that stayed on the Grange. During the weekend we celebrated Carol's special birthday and her van was decorated accordingly!

Our first rally for the season is not that far away on 3 March at Whitewater Caravan Club Site, full CCC facilities. This is a limited rally so do contact the marshal and secure your place for a great weekend at a fantastic venue loads to do in the area. When booking any CCC site can you please provide the marshal with your full details, name, address, contact telephone number, car registration, length of caravan and CCC membership number these details are a requirement of the Caravan Club and must be provided two week before the start of the rally.

DURHAM CENTRE OF THE CARAVAN CLUB

FUNDRAISING EVENTS

This year we have 2 sets of personal sponsorship challenges, both to raise much needed funds for our nominated charity The Great North Air Ambulance.

SPONSORED SLIM

Our Chairman, Mr Harry Thompson and Committee Member, Sharon Hanson are looking to turn 'pounds into pounds' by undertaking in a Sponsored Slim for our charity. They are aiming to lose a combined total of 56lbs by our Crimdon House Farm Nominations Rally in September 2017. As well as raising money for our fantastic cause, this will also provide excellent health benefits to them both. If you would like to sponsor Harry and Sharon please contact 07736345087 / chairman@durhamcentre.co.uk or ask any Committee Member for a form.

SPONSORED HALF-MARATHON CHALLENGES

Our Secretary, Carol Door is looking to run 2 half marathons, she has her place for the Sunderland Half-Marathon on Sunday 7th May 2017 and at going to press is awaiting ballot results for her entry into the Great North Run on Sunday 10th September 2017. This is something that will be a huge personal challenge as Carol only started running as a hobby in May 2016 after giving up smoking. Again this also provides excellent individual health benefits. If you would like to sponsor Carol please contact 07578732711 caroldoor@gmail.com or ask any Committee Member for a form.

Alternative Tombola

We will be holding an Alternative Tombola at Easter to raise much needed funds for The Great North Air Ambulance. We would be most grateful for donations of any of the following:-

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New or used gift bags or bottle bags

Raffle Prizes

Mystery gifts to go into the bags, for example bottles (alcoholic or non-alcoholic), cans (again, alcoholic or non-alcoholic), soap, shower gel, shampoo, tins of food (beans, tomatoes, peas), bottles of tomato sauce, bars of chocolate, washing up liquid, etc.

Any donations can be handed to Carol & Steve Door, Ang & Barry Dodd or any Committee Member.

You can view all Durham Centre activities on our website <http://www.durhamcentre.co.uk>

Forthcoming Rallies – before you travel to any Rallies please check the website first for any updates?

3 – 5 March – Whitewater Caravan Club Site – Marshal: Harry Thompson – Tel: 07736345087 and Christine Thomas

10 – 13 March – Teesdale Barnard Castle – Marshal: Dave and Carol Adamson – Tel:

17 – 19 March – Catterick Racecourse – Marshal:

24 – 26 March - West Newbiggin Farm Lanchester - Marshal: Steve and Carol Door

31 March – 2 April – Redcar Race Course - Marshal: John and Debra Atkinson



Celebrations

If anyone has anything to celebrate, a birthday, anniversary, exam result etc. please let me know so we can all celebrate with you

Birthdays

20th Angela Dodd

28th Colin Smith

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Remembering our dearly departed friends



Our condolences go to the families and friends of: Wendy Wilson late wife of past Durham Centre Chairman Trevor Wilson.

With deepest sympathy remembered with great affection

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