



Welcome to the July 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 **27/07/2017** please forward your articles or celebrations to [The Editor](#)

We are still looking for items to auction at the Air Show during the weekend of 20-24 July, if anyone has any items that they would like to donate please contact Barry Dodd or any member of the committee. All proceeds will go towards our annual charity 'Great North Air Ambulance.

It was with great regret that we had to cancel the Chairman's Rally at Seaburn for the weekend of 15th June. However, it was circumstances beyond our control and our Rally Secretary did try extremely hard to try and arrange an alternative venue without any joy at such short notice. The Chairman's Rally will now be held during the weekend of the 4 August at Farnless, hopefully our members and visitors will fully support the weekend.

I would like to take this opportunity to advise all members and visitors to any of our rallies that following the AGM in October 2017 we will be requesting that a deposit is paid when booking a limited or holiday rally of £5.00. Until payment is received any booking will not be confirmed. When making a booking for any Caravan Club rally the full payment must be received with the booking, again until payment is received you will not have a confirmed place on the rally.

Anyone who attends a rally can forward a report to be included in the Newsletter, so do please get in touch to let other know about the rally you attended.

MANFIELD 26th to 29th MAY -RALLY REPORT

We arrived on Friday afternoon in bright sunlight to be met by Michael who showed us to our pitch. After getting all set up we had a relax in the sun. At 7.00pm we had a meet and greet at the marshals caravan then stayed a while for a catch up with everyone. We popped to the pub for a couple of "beers" later. Saturday started out sunny but by the afternoon the rain and thunder arrived! The Saturday evening entertainment commenced at 7pm in the village hall. While Margaret and Carol prepared the delicious Chicken Wraps, salad and skinny chips we had a game of left right and centre. The food was served and was enjoyed by everyone! We stayed and chatted the night away. Sunday afternoon the weather had changed so Michael Had the lawn darts and boule out. The lawn darts was won by Peter and Terri Cole who were visitors to Durham centre and played each other in the final. Everyone had a fun afternoon taking part and spectating! Sunday evening saw flag at the marshals van where prizes were given out and announcements and thank you's were given!

Thank you Margaret, Michael, Steve and Carol for a lovely rally and especially to Margaret and Michael as it was their first rally as marshals well done both of you

Carol Adamson

Herrington County Park 23 – 25 June

The rally started on Thursday but regrettably work always gets in the way and we didn't arrive until Friday. Colin arrived on his own to be greeted by our Marshal and shown to his pitch, I arrived later. Friday night there were fun and games in the gazebo's yes I did say gazebo's Herrington was the first time both gazebo's had been used and they really looked the part. From the laughter coming from the gazebo I think everyone had a great time on Friday night.

Saturday a walk was organised and several members, children and dogs took part. On the return bacon and or sausage buns were provided which were delicious thanks to everyone who helped cook them. Saturday afternoon most ralliers took part in the sports and a great time was had by all. In the evening we all gathered together for a fun quiz led by Carol with Michael providing the answers.

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Sunday came all too soon and it was time to say buy until next week. Another great weekend thanks to our marshal, Carol, Steve, Aaron, Margaret and Michael.

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

30 June – 2 July – Thirsk Racecourse Caravan club site –**Marshal:** John & Debra Atkinson

7- 9 July – Durham Miners Gala- **Marshal:** Steven & Carol Door

20 – 24 July – Sunderland Air Show - **Marshal:** Barry & Angela Dodd

27 – 30 July - Jervaulx Abbey - **Marshal:** Harry Thompson & Christine Thomas

4 – 6 August – Chairman’s Rally Farnless - **Marshal:** Colin & Bernadette Smith



Celebrations

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

July Birthdays

8th Emma and Simon Hanson

9th Barry Dodd

21st Sandra Dowson

July Anniversary Congratulations to you all

12th Barry Angela Dodd

28th Harry Hilda Braddock

Thanks to everyone who has contributed towards this month’s Newsletter.

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