

Welcome to the April issue of the Durham Centre Newsletter.

If anyone has anything that they would like included in the Newsletter please do forward to The Editor

Our rally season is now well and truly underway and so far we have had very good support from members and visitors and hopefully this will continue throughout this coming year.

With the price of fuel at the moment rallies are even more value for money and our centre has made an effort to keep prices down as much as we possibly can. Do take a look at the website to see full details of our programme for 2022. There really is something for everyone. When attending a rally if you could have the correct payment ready on arrival that would be a great help to the Marshalls.

For the extra Bank Holiday Rally to be held at Oakleaf Sports Centre Newton Aycliffe 1-5 June we have a full programme which included professional live music, free buffet and a street party (bring your own food) to celebrate the Queens Platinum Jubilee.

Our centre has purchased a Defibrillator and this AED (Automatic External Defibrillator) this will be on the rally field and will be held with your Marshal or Co – Marshal for use on a cardiac arrest, by a qualified first aider. If anyone attending any of our rallies would prefer NOT to have this used on them, please do let the Marshal know.

Rally Report:

Middridge Meadows:

We had a smooth and fuss free arrival on site as we had received very helpful instructions about the location of the Middridge Meadows site and how to deal with the gates. Before very long we were sited by Gordon who pointed out the location of the Elsan and the fresh water supply. Information was passed on about supermarkets and other Town Centre amenities a short drive away.

We are always made very welcome on Durham Centre rallies, and this was no exception. There is never any pressure to join in with any activities if you want to do your own thing. However, we are glad that we took part in a well organised domino match despite both of us losing our games. We will try to do better next time! Delicious refreshments were provided too. The chefs and shoppers did a marvellous job. Every effort was made to cater for all.

The pleasant rural site next to fields of horses, donkeys, goats, sheep and Highland cattle alongside the warm welcome and the laid-back atmosphere absolutely made our weekend. We couldn't have asked for more and really didn't want to leave.

Thank you, Committee, Marshalls, and Co Marshalls, for the time and effort put in to organising and running rallies. We very much appreciate it.

Malcolm and Lynne Pringle



Happy March Birthday to:

• 15th Paul Smith, 30th Alan Mildred Morrison

Happy March Wedding Anniversary:

- 25 Brian Pauline Pounder, 25 Julie Shaun Haworth, 31st Dave Carol Adamson,
- 30th, Bernadette Colin Smith

Happy April Birthday to:

• 1st Bernadette Smith, 20th Harry Thompson, 9th Karen Simmons, 10th Ian Leigh

Happy April Wedding Anniversary:

1st Sharon Stephen Hanson

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