



East Sussex Centre Summer Newsletter



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Chairman's Chat

Hello Everyone,

First of all I'd like to thank everyone who supported our charity rally over the May Bank Holiday. We raised a staggering £863.28. Well done to you all.



Conditions on the field weren't great, but the landowner was really helpful and managed to accommodate us all by allowing us to spread into another field.

The Mill Barn Farm rally got renamed Windy City for obvious reasons but we still had a really good rally. The meal of Chilli & rice, followed by gluten free cakes went down very well.

The next rally was Sussex Farm, Partridge Green, always a popular site & the weather was perfect. Robin led a bike ride along the Downs Link, we stopped at Southwater Country Park for refreshments than cycled on up to Christ's Hospital College. In the evening we had a 50's theme & a tasty BBQ and more of Joy's gluten free cakes. The Dorkings family won the prize for the best costumes.

This was followed by the rally at Broomfield Farm CAMC site. A Few people were put off attending this due to the narrow approach roads but I have to say none of the attendees had any problems.

The Centre Boules competition was held here and won by Pat Churm & Dave Fisher. A substantial supper of ham, cheese, pickles & crusty bread was served on Saturday evening, followed by a challenge from Broomfield regulars to a Boules match which was enjoyed by all.

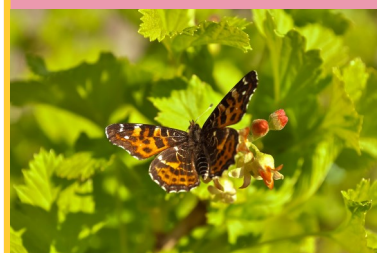
A medieval theme was arranged at Chelvinton. It's a beautiful site & the weather was really good. The rally officers served us desserts after our alfresco meals.

Looking forward to this good weather continuing & hoping to see you all our on a field soon

Kind regards

Maisie Bennett

2024



Chairman's Chat

Information for you
Alterations to 2024
Event Book.

Members Birthdays

New Members

Past & Future events

Centre News

Watch out for any changes to the 2024 Programme.

Changes also shown on Centre Website News/ Info page & Facebook - visit them frequently.

www.eastsussexcc.org.uk

**If you are running an event in the next quarter from
Nominations to New Year**

Send your advert into the Chairman or Secretary for forwarding
to the newsletter editor.

If no information/adverts received 2 weeks prior to next publica-
tion date 27 - 29 September (Nominations Event) they will not be
included in the Autumn Newsletter.

(Should be received by newsletter editor by 13th September)



**Event Book Cover
Competition 2025**

If your picture is chosen for the Event Book Cover you will now win a voucher for a “FREE WEEKEND” this will apply to a normal weekend event (not a bank holiday or special). With a further prize if the cover wins the Club competition.

The picture needs to be a typical East Sussex scene or compilation of pictures from an East Sussex Event.

(please note if the picture contains children then written permission needs to be obtained from parents/guardians)

Get snapping and let the Centre Secretary have your entry by the end of
for the Committee to choose at the September meeting.

August

Good Luck for 2025 cover



Easter

This was moved from Rye Rugby Club to Willingdon due to adverse weather conditions and availability of space at the Club.

The event was well supported despite the change of venue.

The Youth had an Easter Egg Hunt
There was an Easter Bonnet competition with a twist
(Vehicle bonnets were decorated)

A Meal was provided on Saturday, with a cream tea on Sunday
Bingo and a music quiz took place in the evenings .

Youth section supplied Easter Eggs to all the youth attending.

We had several visitors attending this weekend.

Well Done to all

Welcome to new members

**No new member's
names have been received
for this issue.**

But welcome to you all.

**We hope to see you on a
weekend/event soon**

Some Like it Hot (aka Windy City) Mill Barn Farm

This rally was the first to be held on grass this year.

However the weather decided to throw everything at us, we had very high winds, some rain but also some sun, although it was still a bit chilly, despite the name of the rally.

On Saturday some of us took the opportunity to visit Caravan Tech for their open weekend. Well Done to Bob & Jane for winning their raffle.

In the evening we gathered under the event shelter to be fed a gluten free meal of Chilli con Carn with rice, followed by Joy's cookies. The quiz had car related questions. (Well done our Quiz master Richard) Despite the weather everyone enjoyed themselves

Well done Malcolm, Jan, Richard & Joy



**Happy Birthday
To our Members
Who celebrate
their Birthdays
during this quarter**

Brenda Bolton 14/7

Bob Hutchings 21/7

Allan Martin 24/7

Jez Matheson 25/7

Jane Miller 2/8

Alan Brooks 16/8

Marilyn Knight 17/8

Scott 20/8

Mason 30/8

Wendy Chrismas 3/9

Barry MacLeod 16/9

Doris Waddell 17/9

Sharon Fuller 20/9

Marie 27/9

Graham (Milky) Smith 27/9

Erica Buckingham 27/9

Sarah Brooks 28/9

We also wish any other members who's Birthday falls in this quarter **"A Very Happy Birthday"**

Let me know of any Birthdays so we can publish them in future editions.

IMPORTANT NOTICE



In the interest of safety please place a Fire Bucket (Red if possible) full of water outside your caravan on Rallies.

In the event of a fire these buckets would be our 1st line of defence, are easy to pick up and may help save someone's caravan.

Fire Extinguishers

Caravanners are advised to carry a Fire Extinguisher, ideally this should be a dry powder (for LPG) and/or an Aqueous Film-Forming Foam (AFF).



It makes sense to be prepared!!

REMEMBER

Dog owners always keep your dog on a lead on the Rally Field.

Excercise them away from sited vans.
If they "Poop" please "Scoop"



**Remember
Renew your Centre Membership
when your club membership
is due. It isn't automatic**

DRONES ON CENTRE EVENTS



**PLEASE NOTE DRONES ARE NOT PERMITTED TO BE FLOWN ON A RALLY/
EVENT WITHOUT PRIOR PERMISSION FROM CLUB VIA COMMITTEE.**



A drone operator must provide evidence of insurance and a certificate that they have registered the drone with the CAA see

(www.dronesafe.co.ukformoreinformation.)

The Centre also needs to ensure that the attendees have provided permission and are aware of the drone being flown under GDPR.



**ATTENTION PLEASE NOTE
Safety on Weekend Events
Bikes, Scooters or Boards
MUST NOT be ridden through
Caravans lines or after dusk.**

All the Fun of the Fair - Chairman's Charity

Over The Weekend of MAY 3-6 2024 the Chairman's Charity rally was held at Latchets farm the rally officers had a few hiccups to contend with but in good old ESCC spirit they carried on regardless and all was over come.

The weekend consisted of fun games table top sales cake stall BBQ Tombola and a huge raffle and auction.

We would like to thank the land owner who donated a weekend on his site with electric, Caravan Tech for donation of a Cadac, Chichester Caravans for donation of a table/ stall and Plumpton Racecourse who donated two Tickets for a family day at the races these items were added to our other auction lots, thanks to the auctioneer ROY with his comments and his Glamorous assistant JAYDEN who help modelling and had us all in stitches, the money came rolling in. We would also like to thank JEZ, Karina and family and their behind the scenes team Michelle, Mark, Steed and Clive for all their hard work cooking all the food and donating all the profit. There are of course far to many of you to mention by name but a very big heart felt thank you goes out to each and every one of you, who donated any items, who gave up their time to run a stall helped tidy up and of course, not forgetting the children who ran stalls and gave all money to the charity and one last thank you goes to you the club members for spending your money and supporting a worthy cause. Although the weekend was a big success the rally officers had one complaint what is that we hear you ask ?

Answer The chairman wasn't sponged due to bad weather this event had to be cancelled but rest assured madam chair will not get away it !!!

The weather turned very wet and some vans got stuck, so a big thank you goes not only from the rally officers but from club and land owner alike to Steed Knight for towing all vans off with out any damage to the rally field .

THE GRAND TOTAL RAISED WAS AN AMAZING £863 FOR OUR CHAIRMAN'S
CHARITY CHEST NUT TREE HOUSE HOSPICE FOR CHILDREN.

THANK YOU EVERY ONE
YOUR RALLY OFFICIERS MARILYN, CHARLIE and CLIVE



**PLEASE
KEEP
THE NOISE
TO A
MINIMUM**

**We attend Weekend Events to
relax & enjoy the
company of friends**

**Please consider others after 11pm and
before 8am**

Warners Southern Motorhome Show, Newbury Showground

East Sussex hosted a group at this event, evening entertainment was on offer every evening over the weekend. There were lots of stalls and vehicles on sale.

We had 30 units in the East Sussex Lines

Spring Bank Holiday

Sussex Farm, Partridge Green

This was a laid back weekend, with a bike ride on the South Downs link from site to near Horsham.

Saturday evening was a Fifties theme, some dressed up and all enjoyed a BBQ meal with Salad compliments.

Sunday saw some field games being played followed by a Cream Tea in the afternoon.

Sunday evening there was a game of Hoi

Another enjoyable weekend.
Well Done to all.

Broomfield Farm CAMC site

This was advertised as a site in the beautiful East Sussex Countryside and it certainly was. The site is far bigger than I thought and has one of the best dog walks I've ever seen on a site.

The Centre Boules competition was held on Saturday, it was strange playing on a gravel pitch after we've always been used to playing on grass but it was much better. The competition was won by Dave Fisher & Pat Churm.

In the evening we were served a substantial supper of crusty bread & cheese, ham & various pickles.

After the meal we were challenged to a boules match by the Broomfield seasonals which everyone enjoyed. I think it ended in a draw as we'd won one match & lost the other. It was a close match though.

The site mangers were very helpful & seemed pleased to be hosting a rally on their site. Overall a lovely friendly rally enjoyed.

Thanks to Steve, Sally, Michelle & Will you all did a great job.

Midsummer at The Yew Tree Inn, Chalvington
21st - 23rd June

This was a return to a site that the Centre hasn't used for quite a few years.
It was well attended with approx. 20 units in our lines.

Friday started with sunny weather, there was a 21st party being held in the pub's marquee, with a disco. It was all quiet after 11pm, so really didn't disturb anyone.

Saturday morning a helicopter landed in front of our lines to pick up a wedding party, something different to see on an East Sussex Rally
Saturday afternoon there was making medieval hats taking place in Rally Office.

Some of us took advantage of lunch at the pub during the weekend.
There was live afternoon music, again curtesy of the pub.

Saturday evening we took our meals over to the shelters, for a communal feast. We had deserts supplied by the Rally Officers.

Well done to everyone for an enjoyable weekend with lovely weather.

Summer Garden Party Weekend
19 – 21 July 2024
Berwick Parish Field, Berwick

Come and join us for a weekend of Fun in the Sun

Afternoon Tea on Saturday afternoon and a Teddy Bears Picnic and games for the children & their cuddly toys.

(Everyone can bring their cuddly toys along – who's will be the cutest or oldest)



Saturday evening is "Party Night" with a Supper / drinks / music / dancing/ etc.
Lots more to enjoy during the weekend!

Bookings to Dorothy 07402 305593

AUGUST BANK HOLIDAY

Mill Barn Farm, Hurst Green
23 - 25 August

Vicars and Tarts in reverse

Brush up on your fancy dress, join us for a weekend on fun and laughter.

With a few "Bless you my sons" along the way

A meal will be supplied Saturday night of Chilli and rice.

Slips to Marilyn

Uckfield Carnival
6th - 8th September

Join us for the annual Uckfield Carnival Celebrations, this weekend heralds the start of Sussex Bonfire Season 2024

There will be Fireworks on Friday evening at Holy Cross School. A funfair will be on Luxford Field over the weekend.

The Children's procession takes place Saturday afternoon with the main torchlight procession taking place through the town on Saturday evening.

After the procession come back to site for a bacon butty & hot drink or tipple.

Slips to Sandy

Warners Motorhome & Campervan Show
Season Finale

Lincolnshire Showground, Lincoln
20 - 22 September 2024

The East Sussex Centre has a group at this show.

If you wish to book into this event, you will need to book via the Warners Motorhome & Campervan Show website.

However, to join us, book into the Club Camping section look for

CAMC (East Sussex Centre)

If not shown on list please contact Sandy (07881788765) we may be able to extend our block area, to accommodate you. Camping from Thurs/Fri to Mon

There is entertainment on every night from Thursday to Sunday and lots of stalls for you to browse.

If you have already booked into our group, Please can you let us know your ETA
Phone Sandy (no above) or Bob 07788784944

Nominations
Royhill Wood, Blackboys
27 - 29 September

Farmer McMuffin will be on hand again for some Fun & Games. Hot stew & crusty Bread will be provided Saturday evening.

Put your name down for Committee this weekend, only registered East Sussex Members are allowed to stand.

The Centre Darts Competition will take place Sat evening

Slips to Carole

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AGM

11 - 13 October

Willingdon Community School

Come and join us for our AGM at Willingdon School

The youth AGM will take place at 2pm.
Followed by the Centre AGM at 3pm

Remember you must bring you membership cards
(either physical or electronic)
both are accepted for voting purposes.
You must sign in before 3pm for the AGM

NO CARD - NO VOTE

Booking forms for the New Year rally will be available from this meeting.

Followed by an evening of fun and a live band with a meal of traditional East End pie & mash, all served up by Mark, Michelle, Jez & Karina.

With Pearly King's & Queen's fancy dress for the evening entertainment.

Slips to Jez

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SNIPPETS

Minutes of March committee meeting held by zoom on Tuesday 12 March 2024

Present: M Bennett, M Knight, C Kennedy, M Smith, M Smith, J Matheson, M Grinyer, S Gibson, R Eldridge, S Brooks, M Weston.

APOLOGIES: NONE

Minutes agreed and signed by secretary

CORRESPONDENCE: Chairman: I have been contacted by South East Region to ask if ESCC could host their AGM in October 2024. I have also had a letter of thanks from Celia Thripp thanking myself and the club for inviting her to wedding bells and for looking after her she had a lovely evening.

Secretary : Letter from North London asking if they could include any of our rallies in their programme for this coming year.

Officers Reports:

Vice-Chairman: So far this year we have had Seven rallies which amounted to 166 vans and 14 visitors which gave us an average of 23.7 this is an amazing start .

Secretary: There are 1550 on the nominal list of members for February

Rally Sec: The 2025 rally board is under way with help from Chris Page.

Southern Centres: Mark Smith attended a meeting their will be no change of officers until after 2025 as it will be the 25th anniversary year and plans are well under way.

IT Project Manager: there have been a few glitches with emails but all apart from one has been resolved.

Charity Rally: plans for this are well under way. Marilyn asked if Steve could help move tents with Clive when needed.

Past Events: What's in a Number Carole & Bill were thanked for securing the hall a superb American Supper was served and fun and games enjoyed by all and the traditional cutting of the cake by chair and past chairs was done.

AOB:

The party tents need sorting Steve was going to organise this

Maisie has provisionally booked entertainment for birthday rally 2025 it was discussed in detail and agreed that booking should be confirmed.

Minutes of Committee meeting held on zoom Tuesday 16 April 2024

Present: M Bennett, M Knight, C Kennedy, M Smith, J Matheson, M Grinyer, Mark Smith, S Brooks, M Weston

Apologies: R Eldridge, S Gibson

Minutes: were agreed and signed by secretary

Correspondence: Secretary email from club member suggesting sites for rallies some old and some new it was agreed they would be looked at. email from Plumpton Race course thanking Carole for positive feedback on rally held there and enclosing two tickets for family day at the race course for Charity rally.

Rally Sec: email from Broomfield farm challenging ESCC to a Boules match at rally in June

SNIPPETS

Officers Report:

Treasurer: There is £7515.66 in current account

Youth: The youth had first opportunity of the year to run an event at Easter with usual easter eggs being given to all children a teddy bear was donated and £22 raised for youth funds.

South East Region: Advice was given that all rally officers should now check membership numbers. Club Fest had huge number of vans booked in.

Web Manager: was still waiting for some information from rally sec for web page.

Charity Rally: Plans for this are well in hand Marilyn had approached Caravan Tech and Chichester caravans for a raffle prize both of whom agreed with Caravan Tech donating a Cadac and Chichester Caravans donating a table more donations of all sorts were coming in nicely.

AOB: Carole was asked if other members could join our face book group, but it was agreed they could access information through our web site.

Minutes of committee meeting held on Tuesday 14 May 2024 via Zoom

Present: M Bennett, M Knight, C Kennedy, J Matheson, S Gibson, R Eldridge, M Grinyer, S Brooks, M Weston

Apologies: M Smith, M Smith

Correspondence: Maisie had a thank you email from Caravan Tech thanking her for her nice comments on their open day and said they were happy to donate a raffle prize for the charity and asked if we could keep them updated on total raised. Marilyn has this in hand.

Rally Sec: Steve had heard from owner of Latchets Farm he was very impressed with rally officers at Chairman's Charity on how they managed the ground in the wet weather and no damage done he also asked for Steed Knight to be thanked for towing units off field with minimum disruption to his field.

Officers Report:

Vice Chairman: The average attendance of units has gone up to 29.1 with 16 visitors this is really good, and comments are all positive.

Secretary: Carole has recruited two new couples and asked for committee to look out for them on the field.

Treasurer: We hold £6268.30 in account

Web Manager: Sarah asked if Steve could check dates for two rallies in 2025 as dates didn't match he said he would check and get correct information asap.

Past Events:

Windy City – Mill Barn Farm Windy and quite cold but the food was delicious and rally officers did a sterling job .

Charity Rally - Maisie thanked everyone for the brilliant effort in raising so much money for her charity and said all her feedback had been positive.

Marilyn said a massive block thankyou (As far too many to name individually) to all who helped with donations running of stalls and counting of the money

She needed to sit down when Treasurer gave her the final total raised £863



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