



New Forest DA



Pickets Post Newsletter

May 2021



*Celebrating 50 Years of New Forest DA
1971—2021*

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Contact me on 07740621551 or email pickets.post@newforestda.com

Articles for the June issue to be with me by 21st June please

Next Committee Meeting 21st of July 2021 (by Zoom)

www.newforestda.com

Weekend stewards mobile number

is now

07514 555790

June 2021 Report “Views from the cheap seats”

The DA has been out to Six Penney Handley and Exbury since the last Picket Post and both have been well attended.



It was good to get back out to Church farm at Six Penny Handley where Ian Fraser did a great job in re arranging it from Easter to the May Day weekend and also stepped in to steward. The site was nice and dry and well attended considering that government



restrictions were still in place. We walked to the small hamlet of Chettle where we were able to have a warm sausage roll and coffee in the little shop run out of a wartime building there. On the way back buying some local free range eggs for the next days breakfast. The following day we walked through bluebell woods and heard the Cuckoo which reminded us of where we would have been in normal times. We continued onto the golf course

where a new pop up café in a converted horsebox was sited and therefore thought that we should support the business with a coffee and chocolate bar. Our final walk was to the village of Tollard Royal just over the Wiltshire border. Great place to camp and we will return in 2022.



It was so nice to be back again in Exbury a site which some people question why pay £13.50 for just a green field?



I would suggest all that attended could quickly see what the attraction is with this site. We overlooked the Beaulieu River and the Solent. Lots of campers took the time to visit the gardens themselves and were not disappointed with their beauty.



The forecast for the weekend was not good and it predicted rain most of the time on all days. We so much for the forecasters, we did have a little rain over the weekend, but quite a lot of sun together with a warm welcome from Graham.

what a great job he did. For anyone else out there wondering what it involves please feel free to contact either myself or another

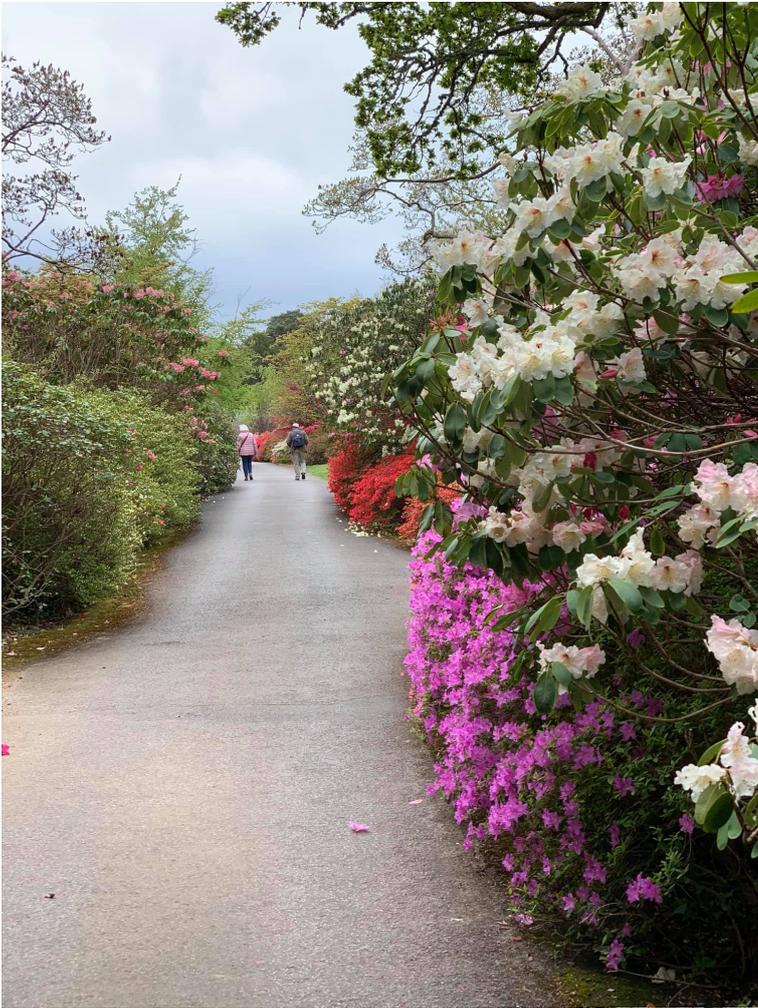


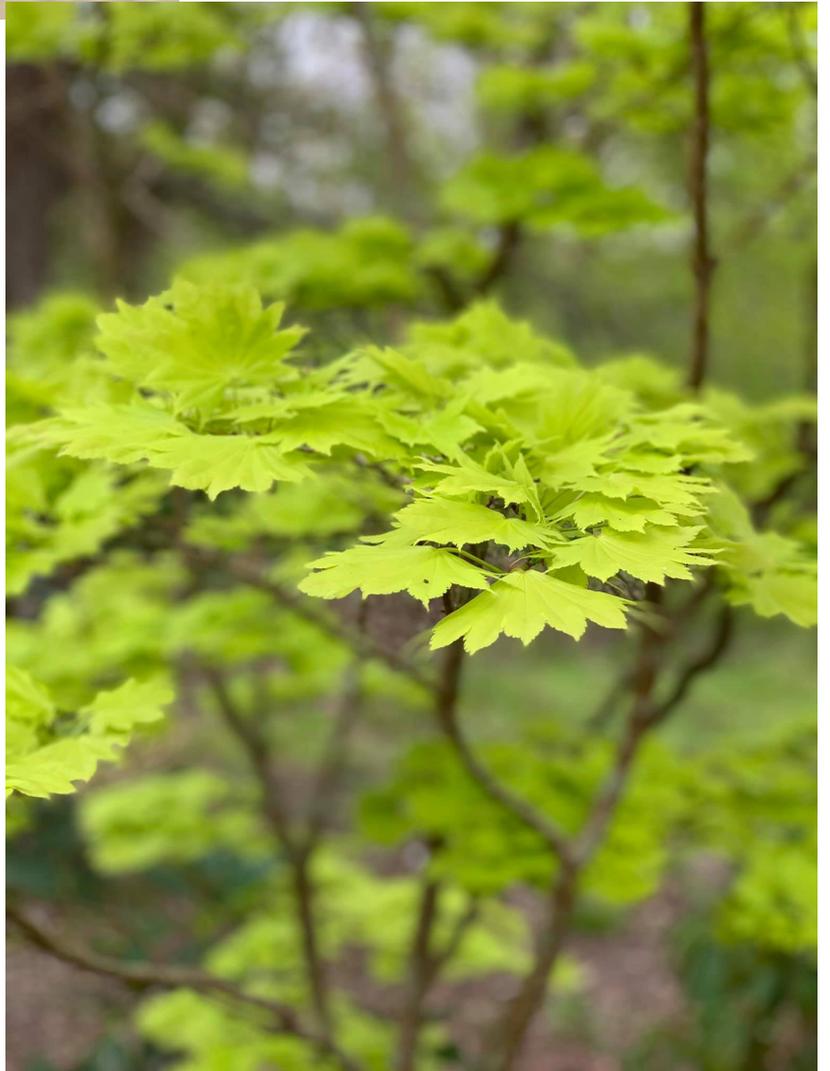
member of the committee. Remember without the help of our members these weekends and THS's will not happen. Finally we are asking what social events you would like to see for later in the year or into next year. Kathryn Tye has asked on Facebook if you have some thoughts or suggestions, please look for the post and give your opinion.

Enjoy the site for this month and hopefully see you in the field. Tony



Photos taken at
Exbury Gardens
During our latest
DA Meet





Article by Kathryn Tye our DA Public Relations Officer

Hey everyone. For those of you who don't know, I am on the NFDA Committee and I'm the PRO for the DA. As a committee at our last meeting, we were discussing what we should do about the social functions we run as a DA, we haven't had one in a while due to the pandemic and we've found that for the ones we have held over the last few years such as the Dinner Dances, the engagement and take up on them have slowly declined. So we wanted to ask you guys, the NFDA members, what you would like to see from your DA. Could everyone please take the time to have a read of these next few questions and let us know your thoughts so that we know what YOU want.

My email is public-relations-officer@newforestda.com

What time of the year would be preferable for a social function? End of season, Xmas, early the following year?

What kind of social function would interest you? Example: a meal, a 'party' with food/ buffet & games/quiz; a disco or band/vocal group with food provided; a formal Dinner Dance, or even a 'barn' dance?

Would you want it to be a formal gathering, with the expectation of dressing up like the Dinner Dance, or would you prefer a more casual environment?

Would you want it attached to a camping meet? In a village hall? Or even a hotel/ restaurant?

Let us know what kind of event would suit you! We want to provide experiences that our members want and love and to do that we need your input. All opinions and thoughts are welcome!

Kathryn

YOUR DA COMMITTEE 2021

NON COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

				
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COMMITTEE MEMBERS

				
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2021 Bookings and Website Forms

For reasons beyond the control of mere men, last year we introduced a booking form system on the DA website to make camping possible. This year is no different, although we have revamped the booking forms, and we wanted to remind you all that we are only doing booked meets whilst it remains necessary.

To ensure that we offer all members the same chance to book, all our sites will be published both on the DA website (newforestda.com) and Facebook. The bookings page will include links to any available booking forms, which have to be completed in full. The completed booking form is then automatically sent to Ian our sites officer. When Ian has your booking, he will email to confirm you have a space and then ask for electronic payment. Please note, this form is not for THS's, only weekend booked meets. Please contact Janet directly to arrange booking a THS

ths-officer@newforestda.com

If reading this electronically then click the below link to see the forms.

[New Park Farm Booking Form](#)

[Bucklers Hard Booking Form](#)

Only a few spaces left

[Bamptons Farm Booking Form](#)

[Booking Forms – New Forest DA](#)

The booking system has been well tested and has proven reliable. You will automatically receive an automatic email confirming the details you have supplied to the email address you have used on the form. If you have any difficulties with the website or online booking form system, please contact me John on

webmaster@newforestda.com

Using the form on the website, please fill in all details and click the Submit Query button at the bottom of the page



New Forest DA



Holiday Site ROTA 2021				
Week	Start Date	End Date	Stewards	
Ballard School (HS1727/21)				
1,2,3	16/07/2021	02/08/2021	Setchell	Camburn
3 & 4	03/08/21	13/08/2021	Camburn	Sawkins
Swanage & Wareham RUFC (HS1858/21)				
1	04/08/2021	11/08/2021	Setchell	HELP !!
2	11/08/2021	17/08/2021	Setchell	Cole
3	16/08/2021	23/08/2021	Setchell	Sawkins
4	25/08/2021	01/09/2021	Setchell	Morton
Parley Glade (HS2010/21) ** Air Show THS				
	CANCELLED	CANCELLED		
Breamore House (HS2378/21)				
1 & 2	04/09/2020	09/09/2020	Sawkins	Smith
3	15/09/2020	19/09/2020	Sawkins	Jefferies
Birchwood (HS1885/21)				
1, 2,	15/06/2020	13/07/2020	Setchell	TBC

As you can see, I am still requiring help for the THS this year.

A very big thank you to the various members who have volunteered this month to help.

I would like to complete **Wareham** next. Help by doing Ballard School has released us to move to Wareham to set up there. I am now in need of help to open this site which will be ideal for anyone who wants to give it a try and may be way of offering to help. Please contact me if you wish to discuss helping out here.

Please consider helping and learning this year as I do not think we will be able to do so much in 2022.

Janet

Contact on 01202649892 or ths-officer@newforestda.com

Your Temporary Holiday Sites

Your help is urgently needed

Swanage & Wareham Rugby Club

I am in urgent need of help to steward from 3rd August to 11th August. No experience needed.

You will soon pick up what is needed to be done and I will be there to show you the ropes.

You get a mileage allowance from home to site and back and hopefully there will be an ehu for us but I am still waiting confirmation of this. If there is no electricity then you will get a £2 per night gas allowance. You will need to bring with you a VAT paid fuel receipt dated any time the week before you arrive.

You will help to set up the site on the 3rd ready for it to open on the 4th. We may well be busy on day 1 as there have been lots of enquiries. Your help to fill in the booking forms will be appreciated and to keep an eye on the way members are pitching to ensure they are keeping the correct distance apart. We try to make sure that we both get time to actually sit and digest our meals while the other couple keep watch. There are no gates to lock and unlock so between us we decide who will get up early for the early arrivals and stay up late for the late arrivals. We keep an eye on the refuse bins to ensure that only one is filled at a time. (Hopefully the others will have locks and I have a key)

It can be busy, it can be quiet but above all you will meet some interesting members from all over the country not just our own DA. Please come and give it a try.

Contact me on 07513409978 or e mail me at
ths-officer@newforestda.com

Birchwood

Do not forget that if you want to come to the THS at Birchwood you do have to book. Please contact me for a booking form preferably before July 10th.

Janet

We tried a new recommended mobile servicing company this year and must say we had the best service the van has ever had ! Not cheap but really thorough. The tyres were also changed in conjunction with a mobile unit at the same time. Only problem found was with the gas fire and that has now been booked in for repair. At least we know that we are safe to proceed now.

THE FIRST 21 YEARS OF THE NEW FOREST DA

1971. — 1992

In 1910. the Camping Club of Great Britain and Ireland as it was then known! had 2 District Associations to cover a very large area. namely Hants and Dorset.

Membership of the Club was growing and a group of Dorset D.A. members, living mainly in the Bournemouth & Poole area felt a need for a new D.A- to be formed and so on 27th of September 1970 they met at Bushes Farm, Blandford to discuss the possibility of this.

The Hants and Dorset D.A.s were informed of this intention. The South Nest Region of the Club at this time embraced the Hants D.A. and also Solent - Berkshire - Oxford and Gloucester D.A.'s.

By the 27th March 1971 the new D.A. had been approved by the South west Region Council and the first Committee was formed:- '

MRS. PAT ROBERTS. (Chairman)

Mr. Harold Davies. (Vice-Chairman)

HR. JOHN HOWELLS. (Treasurer)

MR. ARTHUR BLAKE. [Secretary]

MR- CHARLES ROBERTS. {S.W.Region Representative]

MR. Mic CUFF. (C.C.Y. Leader)

and the following agreed to be Committee members:-

MESSRS. — STAN BUNDY & JOHN DEACON

MESDAMES.— EILEEN DEACON, NORA BLAKE, RUSS CUFF:

LEAH DAVIS, JOY HOWELLS & JUNE FORD-

At this meeting it was felt that the D.A. should cater for the young Children of families attending meets, and so an under 12 year old group was formed under the supervision of MRS. JUNE FORD.

8th APRIL, 1971 - On this day the-first meet of the New Forest D.A. was opened at - Knighton Farm» Everton, Lymington and was attended by 32 UNITS.

At their meeting on 5th May 1971, the National Council under Minute 4620 officially Confirmed the formation of **The New Forest D.A.-** to administer an area comprising the postal district of Bournemouth and Poole-

This date to be considered as THE BIRTHDAY OF THE DA

The D.A. soon showed it's 'mettle' and on the 23rd July. 1971 it's first Temporary Holiday Site was opened at Old Common Farm. Corfe Mullen - it was visited by 213 family units.

This was quickly followed in September by the first D.A. Feast of Lanterns organised by the C.C.Y. and then the first 'Steam Meet' at Bushes Farm, Blandford. 345 units attended. At that time a record for any meet run by a D.A. in the South West Region-

With the Camping season coming to an end. 51 members gathered for the first Annual General Meeting held at West Moors Memorial Hall on Sunday. 17th October 1971.

The Chairman — MRS. PAT ROBERTS in her report stated,

"The friendly spirit in this D.A. has. I am sure. been the answer to our success".

As you read on. I am sure you will agree that this has continued for the following 21 years.

Pennons were presented to the following:-

DAVID COSHAM designed. the N.F.D.A PENNON.

TREVOR HUMPHREY designed the C.C.Y. PENNON.

DAVID DEACON designed the HOLIDAY SITE PENNON. _

JOHN BREWSTER designed the STEAM RALLY PENNON.

C.C.Y.(Joint effort) designed the D.A- F.O.L. PENNON.

The first D.A. and C.C.Y. Pennons (For flying at meets} were presented to the DA. by MRS. JOYCE BREWSTER. She had made them and they were hand painted in oils by her husband CECIL.

£10 was donated to the Club Fighting Fund (the First of many donations to follow).

RON BENNETT was co—opted on to the Committee to lead the under 12 group who were now known as the 'C.C-K- (Camping Club Kids].

As the D.A. was still small in numbers, many members were recognised by the children as aunts and Uncles. prominent among them being 'Aunties' JOYCE (BREWSTER). EILEEN (DEACON) And 'GRAN' (BREWSTER). 'Uncle' MICK (CUFF) 'Auntie' ROSS (CUFF) etc. etc.

In November. 1971 the first 'Newsheet' was produced, it was headed with a '?' as a name for it was still to be found. -

As it still does today, it's purpose was to keep members informed of up to date activities. together with recipes, stories etc. In the first issue 'Uncle' RON BENNETT writing for the C.C.K. had this funny:—

"A cat drank a pint of petrol. It ran down the road at 50 miles per hour. It fell down and rolled on to it's back. **NO! IT WAS NOT DEAD — just ran out of PETROL!!!**

To Read more about the first 21 Years of our DA History, please use the link below to view it on our Website

<https://newforestda.com/the-first-21-years-of-new-forest-da/>

2021 is New Forest DA's 50th Birthday, and if anyone can help, I would love to update the history already completed so that we can leave a record for future generations of DA Members

Site List 2021

Opens	Closes	Venue	Map Reference & Postcode	Fee pun	Stewards	Opens
February						
Thursday 18th	Monday 22nd	Birchwood C P	195/893913 BH20 7PA	£13 pun inc h/ up	Cancelled due to Covid	12:00pm
March						
April						
Thursday 1st	Monday 5th	Easter Church Farm Sixpenny Handley	184/996174 SP5 5ND	£13-50 pun	Cancelled due to Covid	12.00pm
Thursday 15th	Sunday 18th	MORETON CCC	194/782 892 DT2 8BB	£6-50pun + £5-95h/up	Tony & Dee Tester	1:00pm
May						
Thursday 29 th (April)	Monday 3rd	Church Farm Sixpenny Handley	184/996174 SP5 5ND	£13.50 pun Inc VAT	Ian Fraser John & Brenda Burst	12:00pm
Thursday 13th	Sunday 16th	Exbury Gardens (3 Nights)	196/426 987 SO45 1AZ	£13.50pun Inc VAT	Graham Morton & Tony Tester	10:00am
Thursday 27th	Tuesday 1st June	Furzebrook (5 nights)	195/932 846 BH20 5AU	£10-80 pun	Chris & Linda Sawkins	12:00 noon

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June						
CHECK OUR T.H.S						
Thursday 10th	Sunday 13th	New Park Farm (3 Nights)	196/300 046 SO42 7QH	£13.50 Inc VAT	Graham Morton	10:00am
Thursday 24th	Sunday 27th	Bucklers Hard	196/406 003 SO42 7XB	£15.50 pun Inc VAT	Tony & Dee Tester	10:00am
July						
Thursday 1st	Monday 5th	Bampton Farm	196/339 954 SO41 5SH	£9-50 pun Inc VAT	Ian Fraser Susan Chappell	12:00 noon
Thursday 29th July	Monday 2nd August	Setthorns	195/263 004 BH25 5WA	£9-50 + £5-95 h/up	John & Brenda Burst	1:00pm
August						
Thursday 26th	Tuesday 31st	Turnpike show ground Shaftesbury BCC FOL	183/835 243 SP7 9PL	See Southern & Wessex BCC		
September						
Thursday 9th	Sunday 12th	Ridge farm	not booked	?	Awaiting the owners	?
Thursday 30th	Monday 4th October	Birchwood	195/893913 BH20 7PA	?	?	12:00 noon

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October						
Thursday 7th	Sunday 10th	Norden Farm Corfe Castle	195/950 829 BH20 5DW	£13 inc h/up		1:00pm

Stewards Phone No - 07514 555790

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Emergency Ward 10 — June 2021

Hello everyone, Well, now that we have got one or two camping weekends under our belts, it seems that “chilling out” has done us some good because since last Pickets Post I have only sent out **1** Get Well card to **Lydia Hansford** and we wish you a speedy recovery Lydia.

Just remember to let me know if you hear of anyone who is in hospital or is poorly and I'll get a card off to them straight away, many thanks.

Margaret Miller – 01202 241605 – ray.miller7@ntlworld.com

JUST A THOUGHT ...

They said a mask was all you needed
to go to the grocery shop,
they lied....
everybody else had clothes on!!!!

RAYS JOKE

An engineer who had an exceptional gift for fixing all things mechanical retired recently. He retired following a happy thirty-year career at a Power Station. Shortly thereafter his company contacted him about a seemingly impossible problem with one of their million-pound machines.

The engineer reluctantly took the challenge. After spending a day studying the huge machine, he marked a small "X" in chalk on a machine component and proudly stated, "This is where your problem is." The part was replaced and the machine worked perfectly.

The company was then astounded to receive a bill for £50,000 from the engineer for his service. They demanded an itemised accounting of his charges.

The engineer responded briefly:

One chalk mark£1

Knowing where to put it£49,999



They say “Everything comes to those who wait Well, I waited 3 years!!”
As you can see I have been a bit pre-occupied lately (this is day 4 post op).
HA! ... Always wondered what it would be like to have a leg that felt like a tree trunk ...
NOW I KNOW!!! Hopefully we will make it “back out in the field” sometime before next
Christmass!!!! In the meantime, take care everyone!

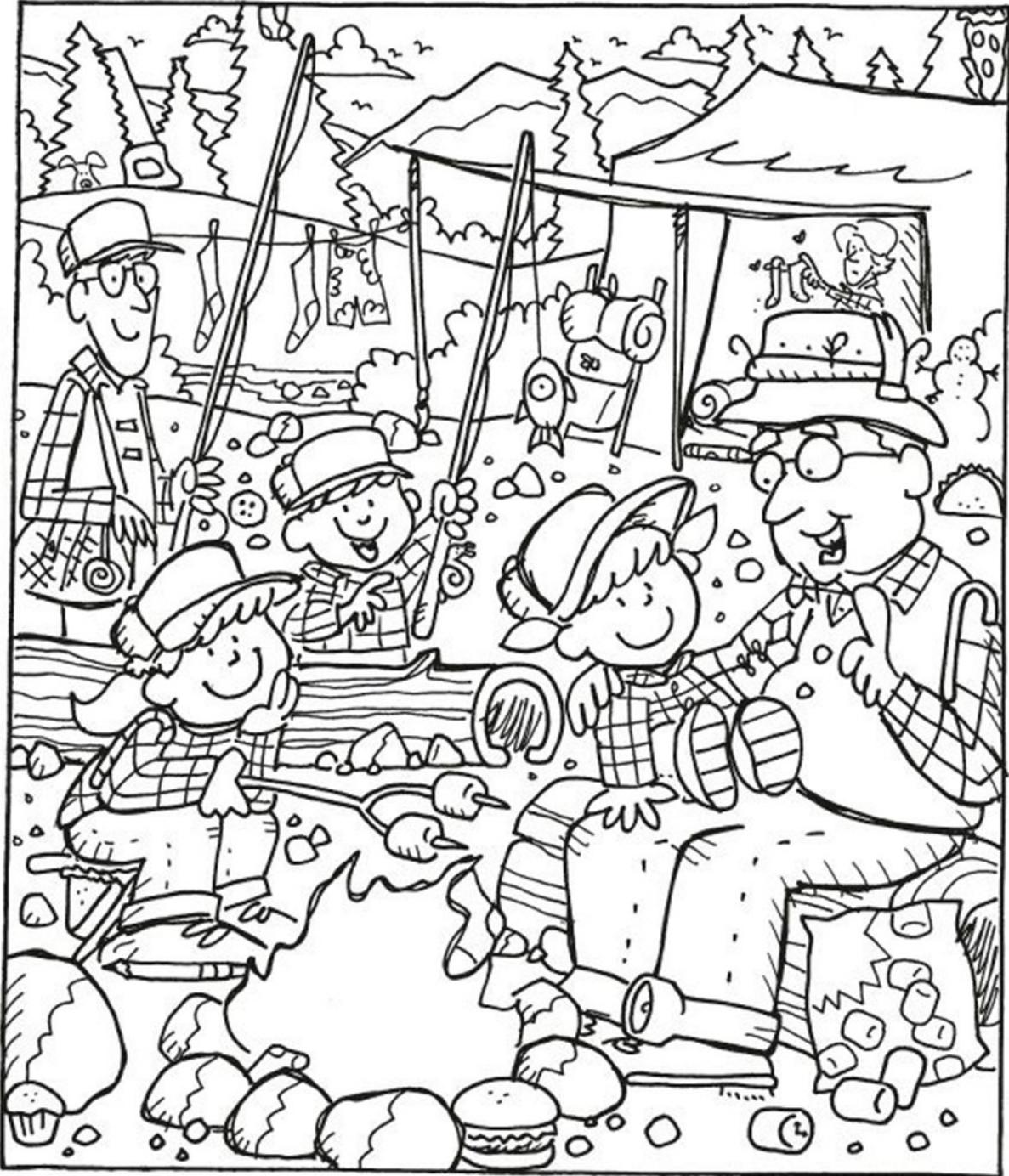
Love Marg X

Get well soon Marg from all the Committee and Members of NFDA x

Family Campout

By Val Chadwick Bagley

This family is enjoying a campout together. Look at the picture and see if you can find a candy cane, cane, carrot, clock, cookie, crayon, cupcake, flashlight, hamburger, hammer, horseshoe, kite, lollipop, paintbrush, pencil, puppy, saw, seven socks, slice of pie, slice of pizza, snail, snowman, taco, and toothbrush. Then color the picture.



October 2010

HAPPY HUNTING!! ... MARG

A Note from your Pickets Post Editor

Well, we have been busy since last month's Pickets Post. Booking forms have been produced and published on the website with a fair uptake by members.

However it does seem that many people are reluctant to book ahead still, which means that even meets where we have been forced to limit numbers are not fully booked by the closing date. Unfortunately to allow our sites officer time to send out payment requests and the treasurer to receive payment in time, we have to close bookings a full week before the meet. This is something we are unable to change at the present time and we realise some folk just want to be spontaneous like we used to be.

Lets hope that after the 21st of June, and the promised end to all lockdown restrictions we can get back to normal.

Coming up, we have a meet at

New Park Farm, near Lyndhurst on June 10th to the 13th

Bucklers Hard near Beaulieu on June 24th to the 27th

Bampton's farm near Lymington on July 1st to the 5th

All the above are still available at the time of writing to book a place, although Bucklers Hard there are only a few places left. So get booking now, as from what I have seen all commercial sites are booked up now to the end of the year. Let's get out and about in our vans and enjoy our beautiful local scenery and meet up with the friends we have missed for so very long now. I can assure you of a very warm welcome at any of our meets.

If any of you have anything to add for next month, please do get in touch

John

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Pickets Post Classified Section

You are welcome and encouraged to advertise for sale your spare equipment, caravan or motorhome here in pickets post. We have a growing readership and you have direct access to fellow DA members.

The DA and The Camping & Caravanning Club hold out no responsibility for any item advertised for sale. Any purchaser is advised to respect due diligence in the purchase of any item or vehicle. Only exchange money on collection of the item.

Please contact the seller directly

To place an advert here, please email the editor pickets.post@newforestda.com

Please include a clear photograph of the item for sale, the description, asking price and a contact telephone number or email for buyers to contact

For sale

TaylorMade screen cover for Peugeot
Boxer motorhome from 1994 to 2007.



£35

Contact John Tompsett

