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Next Committee Meeting October 8th 2022

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07514 555790

## Stop the Clocks



Since the last pickets post, sadly we have lost our beloved Queen. I like I'm sure others, it has left me reflecting on not only what the Queen had done for our country, but what she meant to me.

Having served as a Police Officer for over 30 years, I reflected upon the oath and the events in London that we served at. Trooping the colour, state openings and lining the cenotaph. At the time taking for granted how much of a privilege it was to be

part of these events and how big a part the Queen was. Rest in peace Ma'am.

Well Autumn is now in full swing and the end of season supper will soon be upon us. I very much hope that you all will be joining us to remember the fun times over the past year. The Feast of lanterns will be at Birchwood again this year, with the theme of "Celebrations". Please come and join in, I'm sure it will be a great final meet of the year. I will not be there as I am off to Uganda to do some more charity work and take kit out kindly donated by NFDA through the chairman's charity.

Just leaves me time to thank all the stewards that have given their time up for the DA and a big thanks to all on the committee for their hard work which normally goes unnoticed.

Cheers

*Tony*

# Harvest Supper

**Please Join us at New Forest DA's End of Season Harvest Supper**

**at West Parley Memorial Hall, West Parley**

**8th of October 2022**

**6:30 till 10:00pm**

**Closing Date for Bookings is the 24th of September**

The Evening begins with a welcome from our Chairman and choice of a glass of wine or non alcoholic drink.

Then the Social Event starts with a Ploughman's supper with a choice of:

**Ham,**

**Cheese**

This being pre-booked on the booking form on the Website or call Brenda **on 07753616032.**

A great opportunity to spend time relaxing and chatting with friends.

When ready, we will move onto your choice of desert, again preselected on the booking form

**Trifle,**

**Cheesecake**

Please bring your own beverages, but tea and coffee will be available through the evening.

Please also bring your own glasses and cutlery

**The evening will also include a raffle to raise money for the Chairman's Charity**

Please bring along a raffle prize, all donations gratefully accepted

**The price of the evening is just £5 per person,**

**<https://newforestda.com/end-of-season-harvest-supper/>**

## South West Region Dinner and Dance 2022



The council are pleased to announce details of this years Dinner and Dance, to be held at the George Albert Hotel, Dorchester, DT29PW on the 15th October 2022 7pm for 7:30pm.

Booking form and Menu information are now available below. Dinner & Dance tickets are £25 per person.

Hotel rooms are available at £75 per room (double) and £65 per room (Single) B&B. Rooms can be booked directly with the hotel via the following link: <http://gahotel.co.uk/rooms/> To book a room at the reduce price you will need to enter the following code(s).

Double – SWCC22\_DOUBLE; Single – SWCC22\_SINGLE

Limited Camping is available via the hotel, please contact them directly for details. Grass pitches with hook-up, but no facilities.

# South West Region Annual Dinner & Dance

George Albert Hotel, Dorchester, DT2 9PW

15<sup>th</sup> of October 2022, 7pm for 7.30pm till late

Tickets: £25.00 per person

Please complete and return your booking to Linda Hall. [lin.phil@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:lin.phil@blueyonder.co.uk) or post to Mrs L Hall, 460 Crownhill Road, Plymouth PL5 2QT by the 1<sup>st</sup> of September 2022.

Preferred method of payment is by bank transfer, please include ref. DD22 followed by Surname  
Camping & Caravanning Club/S.W Region Sort Code: 30—99--51 Account No: 01097971  
Ref:DD22(Surname)

Alternatively, by sending a cheque made payable to 'C.C.C South West Region' with your booking form.




To assist the committee with the seating plan, please include on one booking form those members who you wish to be seated with. Table capacity at this year's dinner will be 8 members.

Menu		
Starter	Main	Dessert
1) Cream of sweet potato soup	1) Roast fillet of cod, chive cream sauce, leeks, saffron potatoes, sugar snap peas	1) Steamed treacle and lemon sponge with custard
2) Chicken liver parfait, granary toast & chutney	2) Breast of chicken, dauphinoise potatoes, baby onions, bacon, savoy cabbage & red wine sauce	2) Passion fruit panna cotta, mango sauce & pineapple
	3) Puff pastry parcel of mushrooms, celeriac cream sauce, green beans, cherry vine tomatoes & potato gratin	



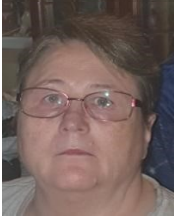

Full Name	Starter		Main			Dessert	
	Potato Soup	Chicken Parfait	Fillet of Cod	Chicken Breast	Pastry Parcel	Treacle Sponge	Panna Cotta
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2.							
3.							
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## YOUR DA COMMITTEE 2022

### NON COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

			
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### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

				
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### COMMITTEE MEMBERS

				
<p><b>Mr Graham Morton</b></p> <p><b>Committee Member</b></p> <p>07768512571</p> <p><a href="mailto:Minutes-secretary@newforestda.com">Minutes- secretary@newforestda.com</a></p>	<p><b>Mrs Susan Chapell</b></p> <p><b>Committee Member</b></p>	<p><b>Mrs Lynda Sawkins</b></p> <p><b>Committee Member</b></p>	<p><b>Mr Chris Sawkins</b></p> <p><b>Committee Member</b></p>	<p><b>Weekend</b> <b>Meet</b> <b>Steward's</b> <b>phone</b> <b>07514 555790</b></p>

## Your Temporary Holiday Sites – Autumn 2022

I am pleased to update you all on current situation with regard to Temporary Holiday Sites.

Breamore say camping in 2023 is unlikely.

The Rugby Club at Wareham are still hopeful and I am in touch with them to keep abreast of what is going on there.

Birchwood is on in September and booked. I have already had over 20 requests to reserve pitches as frequent visitors are eager to ensure they have a pitch.

Holme Bush are suggesting that we go to them in June next year. ( I certainly would not be recommending a return in August or at any other time when they have major functions in their other fields. This is a large site with 6 paddocks apart from their certificated location. There were teething problems but nothing that cannot be fixed during the coming year. The musical events were all free to our members and, on the whole, were very good. We also had a Morris Dance display.

Your Committee will now be discussing Holme Bush along with other suggestions for 2023 such as Moor Farm, Chickerell for which I have had 1 volunteer to steward.

Lymington has also been suggested as a possible venue. My thoughts are to run each one of these for 2 full weeks but 3 weekends rather than a full 28 days. In order to do this I do urgently need offers of stewards for each site. Without these there is little point in organising as there is no way I can cope with doing all of them. It is now time for other members to come forward and help to raise the funds for the DA to function. All your paperwork and site signage will be provided with lots of support but I do need able bodies on the field to do that side of things.

Any offers of help with stewarding for 2023 please let me know. No help = no THS = no income for the DA = no treats for you the member. Looking at June, July, Aug & Sept.

Janet Setchell

Email me at [ths-officer@newforestda.com](mailto:ths-officer@newforestda.com)

## Sites News October 2022

We have had an absolutely superb meet at the Homestead for the Bournemouth Airshow and all that attended said they enjoyed it. So much so that many people asked about booking for next year. I am happy to report that the site owner is happy to host us again next year, and by that time the building work on the site will be finished.

This is just one of many meets that we have organised for next year and hopefully next month I will be able to provide a more complete list, as we are waiting on HQ to get back to us on a couple we have requested.

To help though, the list will again include Bucklers Hard near Beaulieu and for the last weekend of the Cowes Regatta, we have the site at Exbury Estate overlooking the Solent, with unobstructed views, where you can see the round the Island race and the Fireworks on the Friday night.

Back to this year, we still have plenty of space at the Norden Farm meet. Out in the Beautiful countryside of Dorset, near Corfe Castle and adjacent to the steam railway. This is not on the main campsite, but down the road at the rally field. All the details are on our website

Then we have the End of season supper social event at West Parley Memorial hall. We are limited to space, so places are being snapped up fast. There is no rally for this weekend, but the Homestead site just along the road are open and happy to take bookings directly.

Then we have the DA Feast of Lanterns at the ever popular Birchwood Tourist Site, with full facilities including electric hook up at a discounted price.

More information on meets is available our website [www.newforestda.com](http://www.newforestda.com) If you are interested or would just like more information, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

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*John*

If any of you would like a digital copy of the stewards booklet handed out at the stewards meeting

<https://newforestda.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/Stewarding-booklet.pdf>



# Site List 2022

Opens	Closes	Venue	Map Reference & Postcode	Fee pun	Stewards	Opens
<b>February</b>						
17th	22nd	Birchwood	195/893913 BH20 7PA	£15	Tim & Helen	
<b>March</b>						
20th	20th	DA AGM West Parley Hall	BH22 8SL	11am Start	No Camping	
<b>April</b>						
Thursday 7th	Mon 11th	Moreton Club Site	194/782 892 DT2 8BB	£8 +£6.15 EHU	Ian Fraser	
Thurs 14th	Mon 18th	Warren Park Farm Easter	195/129117 SP63DE	£11.90 + £3.60 EHU	Heather & Colin Brown & Don Roper	
28th	3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Furzebrook	195/932 846 BH20 5AU	£10.10	Ian Fraser & Laurence Jeffries	
<b>May</b>						
19th	22nd	Throop Road Rally Field	195/116954 BH180DG	Cancelled	No Steward!	
26th	30th	The Homestead Parley	195/093979 BH228SH	£12.50	John & Brenda Burst	12pm
<b>June</b>						
1st	6th	Church Farm Queens Jubilee Booked Hall	184/996174 SP5 5ND	£13.50	Chris & Lynda Sawkins & Tim Cooper	12pm
Thursday 8th	Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> 4nts	Bucklers Hard	SO42 7XB 196/ 406003	£16	John & Brenda Burst	11-00
30th	5th of July	Leyland (Vicars Hill)	SO41 5QA 196/328964	£10.10	Graham Morton	
<b>July</b>						
8th	10th	SWR Summer Meet	PL7 5BN			

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7th	12th	Warren Park Farm	195/129117 SP63DE	£12 Limited EHU £3.60	Colin Stock	12pm
14TH	19TH	Orchard Farm Chidham West Sussex	197/793055 PO18 8PP	£12.50 + EHU available £5	John & Brenda Burst	12pm

## August


## September

1 <sup>st</sup>	6th	The Homestead Parley Airshow meet	195/093979 BH228SH	£12.50	John & Brenda Burst	12pm
22nd	26th	Norden Farm Corfe Castle	195/950829 BH205DW	£12	Ian Fraser	

## October

20th	24th	Birchwood NFDA FOL	195/893913 BH20 7PA	£15	Graham Morton	

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## Emergency Ward 10 — October 2022

Hello everyone,

Well, the nights are just beginning to draw in, but there's still plenty of camping to be done, namely our Feast of Lanterns at Birchwood (20<sup>th</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> October and Norden Farm (field near the Railway Station at Corfe Castle) 22<sup>nd</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> October. Oh! and don't forget to book for our End of Season Supper on 8<sup>th</sup> October at Parley Hall.

Since last month I have sent out **4** Get Well cards to **Rebecca (Tye), Syd (Hulm), John (Tompsett)** and also **Jeff (Hill)**, who finds himself back in hospital again (in fact the same hospital where **Ray (Miller)** is at present!!). Honestly MEN!! We hope you are all feeling better and wish you a speedy recovery back home!!

If you hear of anyone in the D.A. who is poorly or in hospital, do please let me know so that I can get a D.A. Get Well card off to them pronto!!! Many thanks!

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

### Just a thought...

All you need is love  
but a little chocolate now and then  
doesn't hurt!!

Marg x

### RAY'S JOKES

On holiday in Europe, Bob noticed a marble column in a church in Rome with a golden telephone on it. As a young priest passed by, Bob asked who the telephone was for. The priest told him it was a direct line to Heaven, and if he'd like to call, it would be a €1,000. Bob was amazed, but declined the offer. Throughout Europe Bob kept seeing the same golden telephone on a marble column. Each time, he asked the same question and got the same answer. Bob finished his tour of Europe with a stop in Scotland. He decided to attend Mass at a local village church. When he walked in the door he noticed the golden telephone, but underneath it there was a sign stating: "DIRECT LINE TO HEAVEN £5". "Father," he said, "I have been all over Europe and in all the cathedrals I visited, I've seen telephones exactly like this one but the price is always a €1,000. Why is it that this one is only £5? The priest smiled and said .....

"Son, you're in Scotland now. It's a local call."

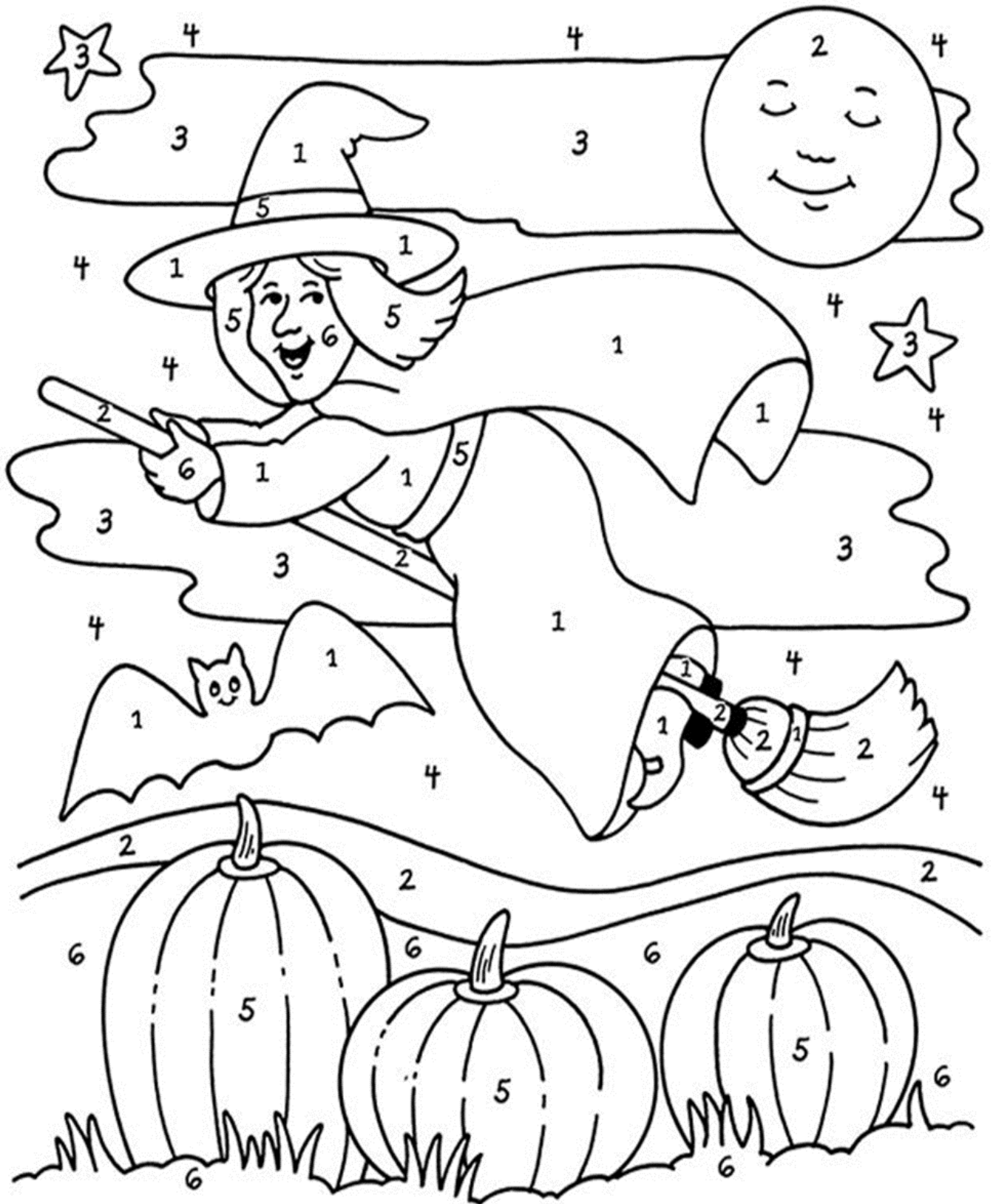
## HEATHER BROWN

1945 - 2022

Found this photo of the three of us (Colin, Heather, Margaret – with Ray on the other end of the camera!) at Norden Farm when we provided our campers with Paella and Tortillas for a Spanish supper. What wonderful times, wonderful friends and a wonderful lady. Although Heather's funeral was for family members only, Colin very kindly invited Ray and I to her funeral on 8<sup>th</sup> September to represent the D.A. Unfortunately, as Ray is in hospital his place was taken by our son Stuart, D.A. member and former Youth member.



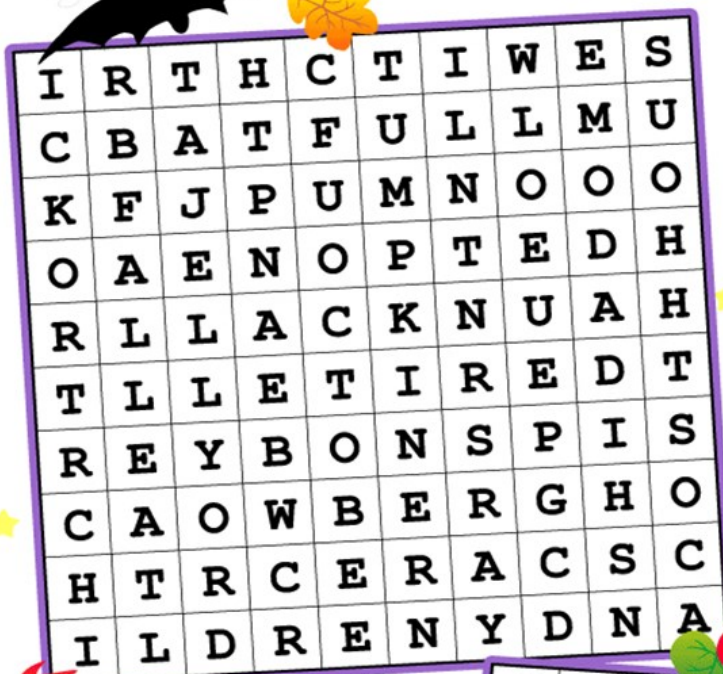
It was a lovely quiet simple service with a hymn, prayers, a poem and the song "Spirit in the sky" by Norman Greenbaum at the end and I could just picture Heather up on the dance floor having a whale of a time dancing to it. Our love goes to Colin and all his family and Colin has decided to "carry on camping" so well done and see you "out in the field Colin". God bless ...  
Marg, Ray & Stu x



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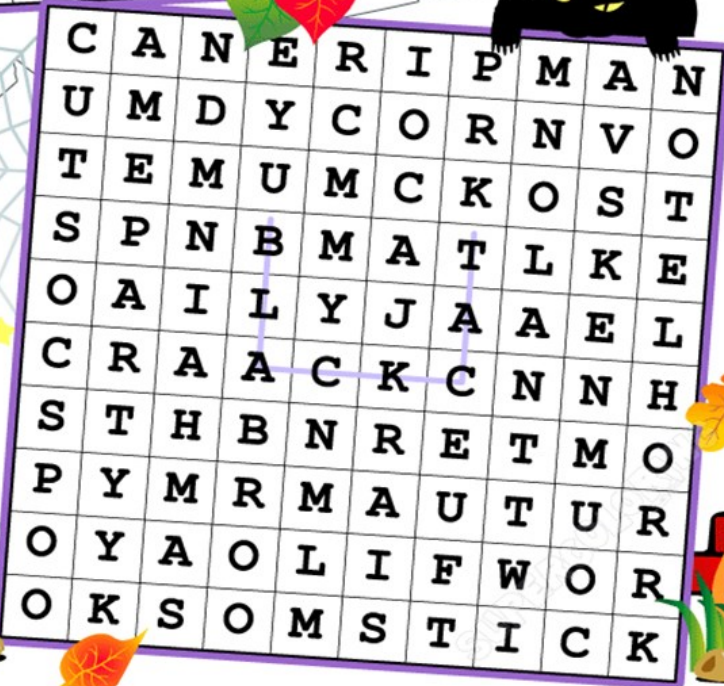
**HAPPY COLOURING FOR HALLOWEEN JUNIORS!!**

# HAPPY HALLOWEEN!



- AUTUMN
- BAT
- ~~BLACK CAT~~
- BROOMSTICK
- CANDY
- CANDY CORN
- CHILDREN
- COSTUME PARTY
- FALL
- FULL MOON
- GHOST
- HAUNTED HOUSE
- HORROW FILM

- JACK-O-LANTERN
- JELLY BEAN
- MUMMY
- OCTOBER
- PUMPKIN
- SAMHAIN
- SCARE CROW
- SKELETON
- SPIDER
- SPOOKY
- TRICK OR TREAT
- VAMPIRE
- WITCH



HAPPY HUNTING!! ... Marg x

NEW FOREST D.A. FEAST OF LANTERNS  
BIRCHWOOD CARAVAN PARK  
20<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2022

Never been to a Feast of Lanterns before  
but wonder what it is all about?????

Well, basically, it's an opportunity to decorate your caravan, or motorvan, tent, window or awning to a particular theme and add some lights.

The decorating of your "vehicle" is done during the day and then, Saturday evening (when it's dark), it's lovely to wander round the site and view all the lights, displays and ideas.

The theme this year is "**CELEBRATION**" which can cover a multitude of things that you can choose from, i.e., Birthday, Weddings, Anniversaries, Holidays, Passing an Exam or Driving Test, even the Queen's Platinum Jubilee!! (After all, you may still have some flags and balloons left over!!). Anyone can enter and you can decorate to depict anything you like to the theme "Celebration".

**JUST REMEMBER!!**

When you arrive at the stewards to book in, you need to mention that you are "lighting up" and, as there are electric hook-ups, hopefully you can be placed on one which means you can bring your Christmas lights to add to your decoration.

You will be given a numbered card to put into your window or awning wherever you decide to put your display. In the evening everyone goes round and votes for which display they think is the best and on Sunday morning the winners will be announced and the Shields for best awning/window etc are presented. Prizes also for the Juniors and Youth.

**SO COME ON!! DO GIVE IT A TRY!!!  
IF EVERYONE MAKES JUST A LITTLE BIT OF AN EFFORT  
WE REALLY WILL HAVE A "FEAST" OF LANTERNS!!!!**

**Marg x**

## **A Note from your Pickets Post Editor**

What an awful month this has been, saying goodbye to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second. The only Monarch most of us have ever known. Her truly inspiring devotion to duty and leadership through good times and bad is an extremely hard example to follow. However I do believe that King Charles the Third is up to the task having lived a lifetime of apprenticeship for the position.

May God Bless Queen Elizabeth and grant her the rest she so obviously deserves. And God Save the King and grant him the wisdom to guide us and the strength to take our Monarchy forward into a new era.

Camping for this season is rapidly drawing to a close, and what a summer we have had. Superb weather and some great meets to remember. We have welcomed many new members to the DA and met old friends again after the enforced break in our camping lifestyle. Our meets are growing bigger again, and we are hopefully returning to the days of a strong and vibrant New Forest DA.

On the social side, we are running events beyond the camping season, as well as putting on entertainment at big meets. We are always open to suggestions of what entertainment you, the members want to see put on for you. Of course we have all the old favourites, from music through to Bingo, horse racing and film nights, but we are always open to trying new and entertaining things. Have you got an idea of what the members would enjoy? We would love to hear from you

### **BIG NEWS!**

We have moved the Christmas dinner and Social event this year to January the 21st 2023, where we will be holding it at the Dudsbury Golf Club, with the entertainment being a Casino night. With professional croupiers and real blackjack and roulette tables but with fun money to raise funds for the Chairman's Charity. A prize will go to the person who wins the most on the evening. More information will be available on our website shortly and booking will be via our Secretary Brenda

secretary@newforestda.com or 07753616032

This event will be held in the upstairs big function room at Dudsbury Golf Club and there will be rooms available for those that wish to stay over. I believe the room price includes use of the Spa facilities too. There is also good access for those of us less mobile, a proper disabled loo and a lift between floors. This year we should have no problems with the bar, as the club has three of them and very well stocked.



Something fun to look forward to in the dark quiet months of the new year. We as a committee listened to you the members that December is always too busy with Christmas for meals and parties. There is always the option of adding in a less formal get together too if the members want it, maybe a carvery lunch or maybe a member would be up for organising a winter walk, ending at a café or pub like we used to enjoy?

This after all is your club as members and possibilities are endless for things we can do

We look forward to seeing you all out in a field very soon.

For our very latest news and up to date details on this year's meets, please do join our Facebook group or visit our website.

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

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**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](mailto: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

Dear Friends,

I have decided to give up caravanning. After 55 years (50 of those as a club member), at 87 I find my body is not up to it. For many years Margaret and myself enjoyed our trips in the UK and abroad. The last 11 years I continued on my own, but it was not the same and my joints are not so flexible anymore. So, I have decided to sell the van.

The van has only been used by me on local trips.

The van has just had a full service.

**2 Berth Elddis Avante 362 2010**

**Motor Mover fitted**

**Isabella Ventura 250 Awning**

**Gas Bottles. Water Barrel**

**£8,000 ono**

Loads of other camping equipment for sale

Please phone to view van or enquire about other items

Brian Kitcatt 01202 744171



Image of the same model and year of caravan used



Bravo 12v electric pump.  
Ideal for air awnings. rrp  
£124 will accept £50 on.  
Contact ths-officer@ new-  
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