



Welcome to the March 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 **27/03/2018** please forward your articles or celebrations to [The Editor](#)

The rally season has now well and truly started, our first rally at Bolam on 23 February was a great success, well done to the new Marshal. As stated in previous Newsletter several of our rallies are already fully booked and numerous others are very close to being full. So don't leave it until the last minute to reserve your place as you may be disappointed and end up having to look for something else which might end up costing you considerably more.

Rally reports:

Bolam 23 – 25 February

We arrived first for once to be met with a very warm welcome by our Marshals who swiftly explained where everything was sited and showed us to our pitch. This is a new venue and I must say it is a very nice site. All of the vans were on hard standing and each pitch has a fence and grassed area between them. We even had electric which was a nice surprise however, it wasn't brilliant but it did the job on the cold nights keeping the heating ticking over. Friday night everyone met in the on-site pub for a catch up since the last rally, which for many was the Dinner Dance in November. On Saturday we had a drive into Darlington then came back to site and went into the pub for a spot lunch, we can highly recommend the meals. We are so pleased that we opted just for the main course as the portions were huge. We headed back to vans for a lie down after eating so much! Later

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that afternoon we had a walk around the vans to guess the names of the album covers that everyone had on display in their windows. Now this was a hard quiz well done Marshals. At 5pm we all met at the Marshal caravan for wonderful broth and sandwiches; they had very obviously been working extremely hard to prepare this lovely food which we all appreciated. At 7.30 once again it was back into the pub for a 60-70th theme night. The



Marshals had us all in teams to guess the theme tunes and everyone joined in and had a great time. Sunday came around much too quick and we all met up for flag and announcements most left straight after to get away before the pub gets busy and we can't move the caravans. Our first time Marshal's Sharon, Kevin, Julie and Shaun did a great job with their first rally, lots of fun, laughter and of course lovely food. Well done to the four of you we are looking forward to your next rally.

Bernadette & Colin Smith

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

2 – 4 March – Whitewater Caravan Club Site **Full reserve list in operation**– Marshal: Dave & Helen Wilkinson

23 – 25 March – Redcar Race Course – Marshal: Eoin & Sarah Dugdale

29 March – 2 April – Easter- Unthank Park Stanhope - Marshal: Karl Davis & Vicki Metcalfe

You can view all Durham Centre activities on our website <http://www.durhamcentre.co.uk>



Celebrations

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

March Birthdays

3rd Karen Wilson

15th Paul Smith

30th Alan and Mildred Morrison

March Anniversary Congratulations to you all

25th Brian & Pauline Pounder

26th Harold & Elsie Johnson

30th Colin & Bernadette Smith

31st Dave & Carol Adamson

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