



NEWSLETTER NO.1 – WHERE’S WALLY OCTOBER 2022



INTRODUCING YOUR COMMITTEE 2022/2023

Adult committee

Mike Firmager – Chairman

[*Vacancy – Vice Chair](#)

Pauline Firmager – Secretary

Helen Walton – Rally Secretary

Emma Fulford – Treasurer

Alvin Holloway – Equipment Officer

Carol Fulford – Plaques

Emma Elsey – SWC Rep / Facebook / Newsletter

Julie Huntley – Communications Director / YS Liaison

Leanne Rogers – Advertising / YS Liaison

Paul Hopkins – Web Liaison / Regional Rep

[*There is the vice chairman vacancy and 1 vacancy on the committee team, so if you are interested please contact anyone above*](#)

Youth section committee

Imogen Huntley - Chairperson

Bethany Rogers - Secretary

Ethan Winstanley - Treasurer

Caroline Salvidge

David Hurcomb

Ella-Rose Brierley

Evie Carter

Jess Tarrant

Luke Salvidge

Max Willis

Oscar Huntley

Poppy Elsey

Ruben Denney



Round 1

Mike Firmager, with wife Pauline Firmager

Chairman of West Hants

2008 to 2010

Mike was the oldest chairman there had ever been, back in 2008.....you all know what’s coming next.....



Round 2 (ding ding)

Mike Firmager, with wife Pauline Firmager

Chairman of West Hants

2022 to ?!*&>?

Mike has beaten his own record, at being the oldest chairman we have ever had, by now being The Oldest Chairman we have ever had

PS try and stay awake to the end of the meetings please Mike

WE LOVE A RAFFLE

To stand as our chairman once is amazing, but twice is just crazy (making history)!

The likeness to a raffle is uncanny - was Mike the last prize on the table?! "Put it back" I hear you shout, "mix 'em up", "same old faces" – we love all of that don't we! What a man though (Mr Positive Pants!) wanting to lead our Centre by focusing on Communication and Fun.

We are all behind you Mr Blobby (little in joke for the older members. For the newer/younger members, be sure to ask him the story behind this!)

The names Mike has so far are, Wally, Mr Positive Pants and Mr Blobby. I am sure he will be called other things (mainly by his secretary) so feel free to share them with me.

What do you want to see in your news letter? Scrummy food, fun rallying pictures, facts about friends, forward planning and quizzes – well you are in for a treat.....just keep on reading!

#PositiveVibes

*Be the reason someone smiles today
One small positive thought in the morning can change your
whole day*

THE OLIVER SHIELD

NOMINATED BY THE MEMBERS AND VOTED BY THE COMMITTEE - THIS IS FOR THE MOST ENJOYED RALLY

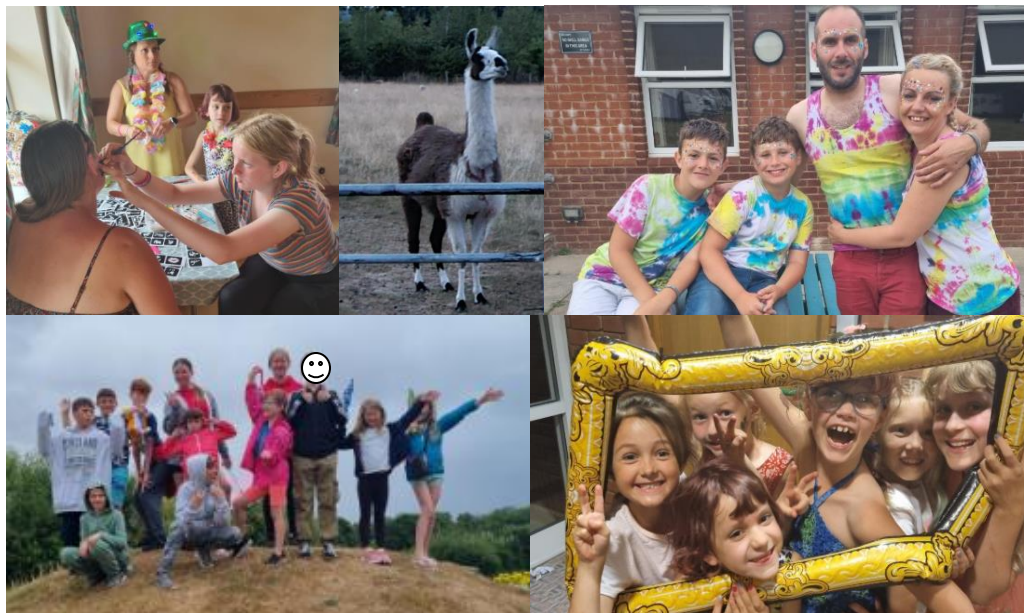
Winners of the Oliver Shield 2022 - The Youth Section Awbridge Festival Weekend

The Youth Section put on non stop entertainment, not just for the kids but for the adults as well.

This consisted of: Arts and crafts - making festival outfits, Tuck shop, Bacon rolls, Scavenger hunt, Field games, Pub walk and a Festival Disco

All of the above activities made it a fabulous weekend. But what really stood out for me was how much the children did and learnt, in relation to actually running the rally themselves. The event was during school holidays so it meant the children could do it all, from Thursday to Sunday. They pegged out the field, set up and put out the signs as well as set up the flag. The children sited the vans as they arrived and explained where the water and elsan was. They gave out the envelopes with the plaques and the write up for the weekend and most of all, they did it with smiles on their faces. Taking responsibility for everything and truly enjoying the experience.

Thank you Youth Section for a fantastic fun filled weekend.





THE ANDREW PORT FELLOWSHIP AWARD

NOMINATED BY THE MEMBERS AND VOTED BY THE COMMITTEE – THIS IS FOR MEMBERS TO NOMINATE A WEST HANTS MEMBER FOR THEIR FELLOWSHIP/FRIENDSHIP AT ANY GIVEN TIME DURING THE YEAR

Winner of the Andrew Port Fellowship Award 2022 – Nick Rogers

Nick has given a lot to the Youth Section as well as the club this year in many ways and I feel he deserves to be recognised for this. Nick has supported the youth section and sponsored them and bought them their T-shirts and hoodies this year. Nick has also supplied the generator for the charity event, and without this, we would not have been able to enjoy the amazing Laura (aka Madonna) or been able to enjoy bingo and race night. Nick has also provided lorries to collect the marquees from the store, deliver them to the venue, and then do the reverse and collect them from the venue and deliver them back to the store.

Nick is a very 'giving' kind of guy. He gives his all on a rally, joining in the games and fun, dressing up when there are themed events, stepping in as a last minute rally officer and last but no means least, he has given very generously all year with his time, money and resources.



Weekend forecast

Camping with a chance of drinking - because no good story started with a salad

BBQ SCRUMPTIOUSNESS

Ralliers come dine with me (through a newsletter!)

[What is the best thing you have cooked on your bbq?](#)

Please share your recipes with us or better still, a recipe with a picture showing off your chefs' skills and your lovely food

I'll start us off – have you tried baby sweetcorn wrapped in bacon? (That's as good as my cooking skills get!) Cheeky little appetizers while you sip your beer/wine/gin/pimms

NO FAIR WEATHER BBQING IN OUR HAPPY CAMPING WORLD



CALENDER PERSON OF THE MONTH

Can't say man or woman these days because someone somewhere that is over sensitive will get offended!



Mr October



Name: Clem Fallows

Age: 77

Caravanning: Since 1974 (48 years)

Favourite thing to do on a rally: Talking a lot

Favourite BBQ meal: Steak

Favourite type of social: Dinner dance

Favourite tippie: Whisky

Clem came into the world with a bang, in an air-raid shelter on Fireworks nights and has kept the world lit up ever since with his 'talking a lot' and great sense of humour. Clem is holding a book in his hand in this photo, which is his version of a 'little black book'. No you filthy lot, it is not full of women's phone numbers.....it is full of every single rally Clem and Bridget have ever attended since 1974. All written in pencil with the neatest hand writing. Wow! Now that is something special.

A huge thank you to
Tony Cane and his
magical camera –
capturing our special
moments



FUND RAISING FOR AUTISM HAMPSHIRE

Wow – didn't we do well. We raised a massive £2128.39 for this amazing charity. Thank you to everyone that donated, and a special thank you to Julie Huntley for making it all happen.

"Pauline & Tony, Bridget & Clem would like to thank all those who supported Autism Hampshire by donating at the books table throughout the year & the RVCP caravan bits sale. Which raised the grand sum of £233.50p, Thank you again."



YOUR HELP IS NEEDED.....

Can you share any stories, your memories, from your first rally to your latest rally, for the 'I remember when' section of the newsletter?

Can you share your thoughts, a cheeky review, on your latest purchase - whether that was for a brand spanking new caravan/motorhome/awning/bbq/chair, in the 'Tried and tested' section of the newsletter?

Can you share your 'BBQ scrumptiousness' with us, in the BBQ scrumptiousness section of the newsletter. Yep, it took me ages to think of the title of this section!

RALLY PROGRAMME FOR 2023

START PLANNING YOUR YEAR AND GET READY TO BOOK YOUR CHOSEN RALLIES – FROM THE
1ST DECEMBER, FOR THE WHOLE OF 2023

****RALLY OFFICERS STILL NEEDED – PLEASE SEE BELOW WHERE IS STATES TBA IN THE RALLY
OFFICER SECTIONS AND SPEAK TO HELEN WALTON OUR AMAZING RALLY SECRETARY IF YOU
ARE INTERESTED IN RUNNING A RALLY****

Event Type	Start Date	End Date	Rally Name	VenueName	Rally Officer A	Rally Officer B	Rally Officer C
January							
??	Sun 15	Sun 15	Rally Officers Open Forum	Plaitford Village Hall	Centre Committee		
WE	Fri 27	Sun 29		Sunnydale Farm	T B A	T B A	
February							
WE	Fri 17	Sun 19	Be My Valentine?	Burgate School	Dan & Zecci Carter	Steve and Polly Brierley	
March							
??	Sat 18	Sat 18	Dinner with Concorde	Aerospace Museum	Sheelagh and Dave Butler	Regional Committee	
WE	Fri 24	Sun 26	Springtime Shamba	Shamba Caravan Park	David and Clare Willis	Keith and Brenda Naish	
WE	Fri 31	Sun 2	Parley Part 2	Parley Homestead	T B A	T B A	
April							
SH	Thu 6	Mon 10	In the Jungle at Easter	Mary Hare School	Stuart and Julie Huntley	Emma and Shaun Eley	Dan & Zecci Carter
WE	Fri 14	Sun 16	Youth Section Fun and Games	Little Metlands Farm	Youth Section	Youth Section	
SH	Thu 27	Tue 2	Sussex Stroll	East Ashling Nurseries	Tony and Pauline Cane	Clem and Bridget Fallows	
May							
WE	Fri 5	Sun 7	Bring A Bottle	Orchard Farm	Graham and Lynne Kirby	Nigel and Carol Palmer	
WE	Fri 12	Sun 14		Lower Tye, Hayling Island	T B A	T B A	
SH	Thu 25	Tue 30	Club Fest	Kelmarsh Hall & Gardens	CAMC	CAMC	
SH	Fri 26	Tue 30	Peaceful Steadham	Stedham Mill Farm	Colin and Sue Davis	Suzy Smith	
HR	Fri 26	Sun 4	50 Years of being in the Doghouse	Dog House Farm	Paul and Helen Hopkins	Emma and Shaun Eley	Kate Reynolds
June							
HR	Sun 4	Sat 10	Relaxing Dorset Holiday	South Lychett ManorCaravan Park	Graham and Lynne Kirby	Roger and Caroline Harvey	Nigel and Carol Palmer

HR	Sat 10	Sun 18	Play in the Park	Royal Victoria Country Park	Clem and Bridget Fallows	Tony and Pauline Cane
WE	Fri 30	Sun 2	Chill with the still at Brocklands	Brocklands Farm	Dan & Zecci Carter	Steve and Michelle Winstanley
WE	Fri 30	Sun 2	Strawberries at Sopley	Sopley Farm	Colin and Sue Davis	Suzy Smith

July							
WE	Fri 7	Sun 9	Peaceful Pyesmead	Pyesmead Farm, Plaitford	T B A	T B A	
SH	Thu 13	Mon 17		Bampton's Farm	T B A	Kim and Jim Wherry	
WE	Fri 21	Sun 23	Youth Section Fun	Awbridge Village Hall	Youth Section	Youth Section	
WE	Fri 28	Sun 30	Relax in the Dales	Sunnydale Farm	Graham and Lynne Kirby	Andrew and Sharon Dudley	
August							
SH	Thu 3	Mon 7	Views, Walks and Fun	Summerlands Caravan Park	Mike and Pauline Firmager	Dave and Lyn Huntley	
HR	Fri 11	Sun 20	Dawlish Delights	Warren Farm	Gary and Helen Walton	Paul and Helen Hopkins	
SH	Thu 24	Tue 29	Relaxing Parley	Parley Homestead	Graham and Lynne Kirby	Roger and Caroline Harvey	Nigel and Carol Palmer
SH	Fri 25	Tue 29	Island Idyll	Lower Tye, Hayling Island	Colin and Sue Davis	Suzy Smith	
September							
WE	Fri 1	Sun 3		Olivers Battery	T B A	T B A	
BH	Thu 7	Sun 10	Harvest Time at Orchard Farm	Orchard Farm	Malcolm and Jenny Wright	Graham and Linda Fox	
WE	Fri 15	Sun 17	A Little Bit of Eden	Edengate	Colin and Sue Davis	Suzy Smith	
WE	Fri 15	Sun 17	Regional AGM	Museum of Army Flying	Gary and Helen Walton	Paul and Helen Hopkins	
WE	Fri 22	Sun 24		Woolsbridge Manor Farm CP	T B A	Kim and Jim Wherry	
WE	Fri 29	Sun 1		Pyesmead Farm, Plaitford	T B A	T B A	
October							
WE	Fri 6	Sun 8	AGM Rally	Police HQ, Royal Victoria House	Steve and Michelle Winstanley	Dan & Zecci Carter	
??	Sat 7	Sat 7	AGM	Police HQ, Royal Victoria House	Centre Committee	Centre Committee	
WE	Fri 13	Sun 15		Shamba Caravan Park	T B A	T B A	
HR	Fri 27	Sun 5	Spook-tacular Wareham	Wareham Forest Tourist Park	Emma and Shaun Eley	Stuart and Julie Huntley	
WE	Fri 27	Sun 29	Spooky Parley	Parley Glade	Colin and Sue Davis	Suzy Smith	
November							
WE	Fri 10	Sun 12	Happy Hill Cottage	Hill Cottage Farm	Clive and Kate Dupont	Liz and Colin Dodds	
WE	Fri 24	Sun		Olivers Battery	T B A	T B A	

December						
WE	Fri 1	Sun 3	Festive Fun at Shamba	Shamba Caravan Park	T B A	T B A
??	Sat 2	Sat 2	Children's Christmas Party	Plaitford Village Hall	Emma Elsey	
WE	Fri 8	Sun 10	Xmas Party	Salisbury Rugby Club	Alvin and Paulina Holloway	T B A
SH	Fri 29	Tue 2		Swanmore Secondary School	T B A	T B A

IT'S COMPETITION TIME

We love finding a competition in our envelope don't we, so here is something for you – without a prize, just for the joy in your hearts when you check out the answers (in tiny print at the bottom of the page). Not quite the same feeling as winning a bottle of wine, but hey ho, suck it up butter cups.

Clue	4 letter word ladder
1) Kindling material	
2) Hot dogs, burgers	
3) 12 inches	
4) Common type of camping footwear	
5) Famous Usain	
6) Brave	
7) Grasp	
8) Golfers target	
9) Item used to support camping shelter	
10) Skin opening	
11) What golfers yell	

GUESS THE SITE - What rally were these photos taken at?



A)



B)



C)



D)

Feedback....

Feedback on the newsletter is very welcome and I truly believe feedback is a gift, so please gift me your thoughts. If I don't like them, then we all know what we do with unwanted gifts....we donate them to a raffle ha-ha

Please send me your stories, pictures, memories, celebrations and anything you would like to see in your newsletter. If you don't send me anything, then you will have to put up with my extremely annoying/enthusiastic waffle each month. The choice is yours. Sorry not sorry!

Thank you all in advance for your support and kindness this year – Emma Elsey aka Emma Firmager

Answers

Word ladder – 1, Wood 2. Food 3. Foot 4.Boot 5.Bolt 6.Bold 7.Hold 8. Hole 9.Pole 10.Pore 11. Fore
Sites – A.Summerlands B.Chideock C.Cirencester D.Orchard Farm