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## Chairman's Welcome



On behalf of the committee I would like to welcome you all to Painters Farm for our first big meet of the season. If you were not at the AGM I would like to welcome Tracy Nicholls to the committee who has taken over from Vic as the Regional rep. Also a big welcome to Claire and Danny Notley who are now Assistant Youth Leaders. Jon Hayward has taken over as our web master so watch out for developments on that front.

Over the course of the season we have a lot going on with the Charity Meet, golf meet that coincides the Open at Sandwich and not forgetting our 80th Birthday Meet at the beginning of July. I am also doing the Chairman's Breakfast Meet at Fir Tree Farm again so keep an eye on the web site for further information. If you need to know anything else please do not hesitate to contact me or any other member of the committee. I look forward to meeting you all over the weekend

*Trevor Pilbeam - Chairman*

## The Big Pitch

Don't forget the Big Pitch, Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June. East Kent DA will be at Cowgate farm that weekend, why not come and join us there. You can find out more either in your Out & about Mag. Or the club web site.

Hope to see you all on the field very soon.

*Tony Roberts*



## Upcoming Event

### EKDA 80<sup>th</sup>

### Birthday Meet



30<sup>th</sup> June to 4<sup>th</sup> July 2011

At Painter's Farm, Painter's Forstal, ME13 OEG  
Site opens 12noon Thursday.

**TOILET FACILITIES PROVIDED FOR  
LIGHTWEIGHT CAMPER'S AT THIS EVENT!**

Full programme of activities for all the family including games, competitions, entertainment all weekend, fancy dress and an American Tea Party on the Saturday afternoon. (At an American Tea Party each family contribute one plate of food which is then shared with the group).

If you would like to help with this event then please let us know. We look forward to seeing you there!



## In Loving Memory of Bryan Raine Avery



19<sup>th</sup> February 1937 - 26<sup>th</sup> October 2010

It is with regret that East Kent D.A. announces the death of Bryan Avery. Bryan served on the D.A committee and as site secretary in the 70's, 80's and the early 90's. He will be remembered for his engineering exploits for making the two cars entered in the N.F.O.L at Brands Hatch and Silverstone. He was a worker behind the scenes and would help and advice anyone with any problems. Bryan will also be remembered over the last 15years for stewarding our T.H.S.at Cowgate Farm, Hawkinge with his wife Sylvia. Our condolences go to Sylvia and her family.

*Len Saunders*

### Sylvia Avery Presentation



Four members of East Kent D.A. committee Trevor Pilbeam (Chairman), Nigel Avery (Treasurer), Len Saunders (Secretary), Ken Wanstall (Site Secretary) and their Wives went to Aylesford to present Sylvia Avery with a cheque for all her hard work and service to the D.A. over the past 35years for a well-deserved holiday.

Pictured here with Trevor Pilbeam (Chairman) presenting Sylvia with her cheque.

*Len Saunders*

### A letter from Sylvia

Aylesford,  
Kent  
13<sup>th</sup> March 2011

*Dear All,  
Can I thank all the Committee and EDKA members for their generosity to me it was totally unexpected. When I get down to Setthorns and am all set up I will open a bottle of wine and toast my friends at EKDA. The girls (Sacha and Jess) will celebrate with me with a special tin of dog food. I cannot thank you enough.  
Yours,  
Sylvia.*

## South Eastern Region 63<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary Meet (SER)

June 16<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup>

The Hop Farm, Paddock Wood, TN12 6PY

This year's theme is

### *The Roaring 40s*

Members wishing to camp with East Kent DA may join the block booking using the form available in the SER sites booklet or from the DA Secretary.

Cheques (payable to 'South Eastern Region') along with booking forms and an SAE should be sent to Len Saunders, East Kent DA Secretary by no later than May 30<sup>th</sup>.

## The British Open Golf Championship

July 13<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> (site opens 12:00 Wednesday).

Fourwinds Farm, Eastry, CT13 0LA

Fees: £8.00 per unit per night



After 8 years, one of the world's greatest golfing events returns to Sandwich, Kent.

Royal St Georges Golf Club will host The Open for the 14<sup>th</sup> time - the first was back in 1894.

If you are thinking of a visit to Sandwich between 14<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> July and you plan to go to The British Open Golf Championship, East Kent DA will be holding a meet at that time only 3 miles from the golf course.

Advance booking is necessary for this meet - please contact Trevor Pilbeam, East Kent DA Chairman by email at [trevanddorpil@sky.com](mailto:trevanddorpil@sky.com)

## National Feast of Lanterns



### Newark Showground, NOTT's **25<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

Members wishing to join the D.A. Block Booking for this Event. Forms can be found in the January and February issue of the Club Magazine or from D.A. Secretary.

Cheques made payable to South Eastern Region.

Booking forms/Cheques in by **10<sup>th</sup> May 2011**.

For more Information and return of booking forms

Please contact D.A. Secretary Len Saunders

[Saunderschristine2@sky.com](mailto:Saunderschristine2@sky.com)



## First Meet of the Season

Well the camping season is under way, after what seems to have been a long winter.

We started off with a quiet weekend at Stoneleys Farm, Hoath. And despite the Highways department trying to make life difficult trying to get there, and then doing their best to make getting home after the meet. by road closures, We still managed to have 16 units plus one youth member in her tent, (Charlotte ) there were 15 East Kent, including 4 First time DA members units & 1 unit from West Kent.

Our thanks must go to Ken & Chris, for stewarding the weekend, they had the field open nice and early allowing the early birds to enjoy a lovely sunny Friday afternoon, Saturday we had a short shower but not enough to spoil the day, and Sunday was warm enough to have a coffee morning, which was catered for by Chris & Doreen.

Having spoken to all concerned it was agreed to have been a very enjoyable weekend.

*Tony Roberts*

## Jemmett Farm, Mersham, 8th-10th April 2011.

The second meet of the season brought the sun out and a number of members caught a bit too much of the sun and were glowing all weekend. 13 units enjoyed a glorious sunshine all weekend.

On the Saturday Pete and Claire Ruffle kindly volunteered to run a sweepstake for the Grand National. 1st Prize was Derek Rodgan, 2nd Tony Roberts and 3rd Trevor Pilbeam, with £10 of the sweepstake going to our Charity Demelza House. A further £20 was raised for Demelza House from donations.

The meet Stewards were Len and Chris Saunders.

*Len Saunders*

## Regional Elections

The South Eastern Regional elections will be held at the SER to be held at Hopfarm, Paddock Wood, on June 19<sup>th</sup>. There are 5 vacancies this year, and 6 nominations. The full list & voting form is in the April Out & about.

## Stewards Wanted!

Meets cannot run without Stewards. We have two meets in 2011 which currently do not have Stewards.

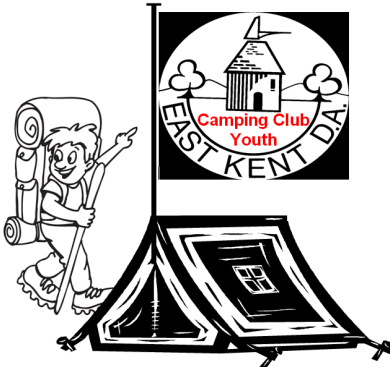
- August Bank Holiday weekend (Aug 26<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup>) at Hill Green Farm, Stockbury
- October 21<sup>st</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> at Grove House Farm, Elham.

Are you able to help Steward one of these meets? Speak to a member of the Committee if you would like to know more information.



*Above: The Hoath Meet*





## Meet our New Assistant Youth Officers!

Hi! We are Claire & Danny your new Assistant Youth Leaders. Some of you already know us but for those of you who don't, we have two children Elisabeth 11 and starting Secondary School in September. She was born on Bonfire Night so she is our little sparkler! And what a great excuse for a party at the Bonfire Rally! William who is will be 9 in May, there is no meet the weekend of his Birthday so I am sure we can celebrate at the May Bank Holiday meet. For those of you who don't know William I am sure you will get to know him he is always full of energy!



We are looking forward to meeting you all and working with Heather and Jon over the coming season and having lots of fun.

## Winter CCY Outing to Laser Planet

The stage was set, the place, Planet Laser, Canterbury, the time high noon, the players, East Kent Youth against their parents who would triumph? Who would go down in flames? Only time would tell! There you have it the wonderful youth leaders (Heather & Jon) have organized for the youth to meet up and have a great time outside of the camping season, after a short while we all went in for our briefing, hearts a racing we were ushered into the kit room for round one, us parents in blue against our little angels in red. Mayhem and lasers firing in all directions ensued for the next 15 minutes. Round 1 over we all returned our kit and traipsed out into the waiting area to receive the results. What was the score YES the parents were triumphant. Round one to us. That'll teach them, shooting kids was fun.

So was it just beginners luck? Round two coming up in we went the parents a little wiser maybe of how to win, to shoot kids (safely) hahahahaha.

The result, well it was a forgone conclusion we wiped the floor, crushed them, parents triumphant again YES, YES, YES.

We had done it, small victories that's what's it all about. I would have really enjoyed myself even if we had lost but we didn't so it made it all the more enjoyable. What was more important to me though is we spent time with our kids having fun together.

*Brian Brooks*



## Revenge of the Adults - Winter CCY Scalextric Racing

Another successful CCY outing took place in early March to the Scalextric track at Elm Court, Gillingham. Due to the low take up for this trip we invited Jon's brother Jim along to try and meet the minimum numbers needed by the venue otherwise we would have lost our deposit. The adults were keen to continue the winning streak following the Laser Planet triumph over the youth! With this in mind, I'm pleased to say the adults won the main race, with podium positions as follows:

- 1st Jon Hayward
- 2nd Jim Hayward
- 3rd Brian Brooks

The fastest lap award went to Youth member Charlotte Nicholls!

Next we had an Endurance race. The key to this wasn't just speed but also keeping the car on the track as penalties were given for each crash off the track. The endurance race winners were:

- 1st Jon Hayward
- 2nd Charlotte Nicholls
- 3rd Heather Hayward (not bad considering at the time I had a broken wrist)

*Heather Hayward*

List below is subject to changes, please check website [www.eastkentda.co.uk](http://www.eastkentda.co.uk) first! Meets cannot run without a Steward. Can you help?

		<u>Site</u>	<u>Map ref</u>	<u>Postcode</u>	<u>Youth Area?</u>	<u>Stewards</u>	<u>Meet Fee</u>
<b>April</b>							
21 <sup>st</sup> - 25 <sup>th</sup>	EASTER	Painters Farm, Painters Forstal	178/990591	ME13 OEG	CCY and CCJ	The "Committee Wives" Team	£25 for weekend
26 <sup>th</sup> - 29 <sup>th</sup>	THS				£5 per unit/night		
29 <sup>th</sup> - 2 <sup>nd</sup>	MAYDAY				£17 for weekend		
<b>May</b>							
13 <sup>th</sup> - 15 <sup>th</sup>	CHAIRMANS BREAKFAST	Firtree Farm, Rhodes Minnis	179/156435	CT4 6XB		Trevor & Doreen	£6.50 per unit/night
27 <sup>th</sup> - 30 <sup>th</sup> 30 <sup>th</sup> - 5 <sup>th</sup>	CHARITY MEET Followed by THS	Cowgate Farm, Hawkinge	179/226403	CT18 7AR	CCY and CCJ	Sylvia - Charity Vic & Jean -THS	£22 for weekend £5.50 per unit/night
<b>June</b>							
10 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup>	RARE BREEDS	Rare Breeds, Veteran Car Rally	189/957344	TN26 3RJ		Tracey & Chris	£30 for weekend
17 <sup>th</sup> - 19 <sup>th</sup>	SER	Hop Farm, Beltring. AGM			CCY Only	(Region)	PREBOOK ONLY
30 <sup>th</sup> - 4 <sup>th</sup>	BIRTHDAY MEET	Painters Farm, Painters Forstal	178/990591	ME13 OEG	CCY and CCJ	Tracey & Chris	£15 for weekend Thurs or Sun £4
<b>July</b>							
14 <sup>th</sup> - 18 <sup>th</sup>	GOLF MEET	Four Winds, Eastry	197/303544	CT13 0LA		Vic & Jean	5 DAY BOOKED MEET
15 <sup>th</sup> - 17 <sup>th</sup>	YOUTH MEET	Woodleas Farm, Aldington	189/066370	TN25 7DX	YOUTH ONLY	Jon & Heather	TBC
22 <sup>nd</sup> July- 14 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	THS	Cowgate Farm, Hawkinge.	179/226403	CT18 7AR		Vic, Jean & Committee	£5.50 per unit/ night
<b>August</b>							
26 <sup>th</sup> - 29 <sup>th</sup>		Hill Green Farm, Stockbury	188/833622	ME9 7UP			£15 for weekend
25 <sup>th</sup> - 29 <sup>th</sup>	NFOL	Newark Showground			CCY only	(NFOL)	PREBOOK ONLY
<b>September</b>							
2 <sup>nd</sup> - 4 <sup>th</sup>		Farming World, Faversham.	179/047599	ME13 9SP	CCY Stewards	Jon & Heather	£8 per unit/night
16 <sup>th</sup> - 18 <sup>th</sup>	FOL - Kids TV	Painters Farm, Painters Forstal	178/990591	ME13 OEG	CCY and CCJ	Rex & Pat	£16 for weekend
30 <sup>th</sup> - 2 <sup>nd</sup>		Penny Springs, Detling.	188/798588	ME14 3HA		Tony & Doreen	£6.50 per unit/night
<b>October</b>							
14 <sup>th</sup> - 16 <sup>th</sup>		Woodleas Farm, Aldington	189/066370	TN25 7DX		Vic & Jean	£6.50 per unit/night
21 <sup>st</sup> - 23 <sup>rd</sup>		Grove House Farm, Wingmore	179/186465	CT4 6LT			£5 per unit/night
<b>November</b>							
4 <sup>th</sup> - 6 <sup>th</sup>	BONFIRE	Painters Farm, Painters Forstal	178/990591	ME13 OEG		Rex & Pat	£16 for weekend