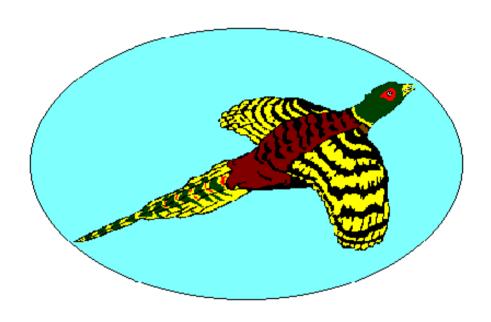
Theasant Chatter



Perth & Angus DA Newsletter

November 2013

Editors Bit

Hello campers!

Time marches on and here we are in November already. I hope you have had a great camping season. What a fantastic sunny summer we have had. I spent most of it at North Berwick (again). We camp right over the dunes from the North Sea. Our own bit of beach which you can launch your boat from. Plenty of entertainment to keep you busy and lots of interesting places to explore. Why not pencil it in for next year? Its well worth a visit!



If you would prefer a paper copy please send me a stamped (£1 'large' stamp), self addressed A5 envelope, to help with costs. Unfortunately, posting Newsletters is no longer funded by the DA. Next newsletter due in March.

See you on a field soon!

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Chairperson Chatter

Since our last edition summer has come and gone, and what a fantastic summer it was. The weather was great this year which improved numbers at our THS's. I was lucky enough to enjoy 10 days at North Berwick this year. Due to the weather I only saw Rhiannon about 3 times a day, and that was only because she was hungry.



Due to Ralph's fishing skills we enjoyed plenty of fresh fish with Shirley enjoying lobster again (thanks Ralph). Aberfeldy also benefited from the good weather with many more members enjoying the venue.

Our weekend meets have also been very busy with the Montrose Music Festival meet growing 3 fold. It was sad to see the final Leuchars air show which has been a firm favourite over the years.

I now look forward to next year which will be our 40th birthday year and hopefully another busy one for us. We will run 5 THS's next year. We start with Montrose, Aberfeldy, North Berwick and then a new THS at Glendevon for the Ryder cup. Our final meet is at Cairnsmill Caravan Park in St. Andrews which has been made a THS due to its popularity.

We hope you will all join us for our 40th birthday party at Glendevon which will run from 4th—8th September. We will have our FOL on the Saturday and the theme is The Wizard of Oz.

Although winter is almost upon us we still have much to look forward to. We have a New Year meet, Pantomime and then the Region Dinner Dance to enjoy as our 2014 camping season kicks off.

I would like to say a big thanks to everyone who help us organise and steward our meets. It is great to see so many non-committee members getting on board to lend a hand This takes a lot of pressure away from our Committee who already volunteer much of their free time to help Perth and Angus continue to thrive as a DA.

I hope to see you all out and about sometime soon.

Have a great Christmas and new year!

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PERTH & ANGUS D.A.

The Haugh, Glendevon 4th-8th September 2014

Come and help celebrate our 40th Birthday, loads of fun planned. For further information visit our web page at www.perthandangusda.co.uk

Happy 40th Birthday

Jean Stewart Walk for CCY - Scottish Region 17th-18th May 2014

Fancy a challenge? This weekend is definitely not for wimps!! It's a 20 mile hike over 2 days carrying all your camping equipment.



2014 's walk is at Glen Clova on the 17th—18th May 2014.



Have you have got what it takes for this walk in the park? It's free to participate so what are you waiting for?

Parents camping available at Kirriemuir.

Contact your RYLO—
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07713121677 or email
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for more details.



CCY Events 2014

14th-16th February 2014 - Skiing at Glenshee, staying at Blackwater Scout Hut. Limited spaces, £20 deposit by 1st December 2013.

17th February 2014 - Nominations for <u>CCY Certificate of Achievement</u> to be sent to your RYLO.

Easter 17th - 21st April 2014 - FICC Youth Rally in Portugal. All youth must have passed CCY test and be over 14 before they can attend this meet. Cost of £400 (approx.). Deposit of £150 to be paid by Oct 1st 2013.

25th -27th April 2014 - Youth Leaders & Testers conference at (tbc). Full programme of workshops, including first aid, map reading, CCY test and loads more.

29th April-6th May 2014 - Region Meet at Strathallan Games Park, Bridge of Allan. Breakfast Cafe run for Youth funds throughout the weekend.

Saturday 17th - Sunday 18th May 2014 - <u>Jean Stewart Walk</u> - Glen Clova. Parents meet available at Kirriemuir, See Perth & Angus DA for details.

20th-22nd June 2014 - Scottish Region Youth Meet, Youth Leaders & Testers weekend, joining Perth & Angus DA at Balhomais Farm, Aberfeldy. BBQ and full program of events.

4th - 6th July 2014 - National Youth Rally, hosted by Chiltern Region near Luton. Disco's Friday & Saturday night, sports throughout the day, Austin Trophy Comp on Sunday. Cost for weekend tbc, which includes, transport, rally fee's, food and an activity on Friday. Deposits of £20 to Debbie at the Region Meet.

15th-17th August 2014- Join Scottish Region at Dalkeith Country Park THS Scottish Region August Youth Rally.

28th Aug- 1st Sept 2014 - NFOL at Anglesey Showground, Wales, disco's, entertainment and sports. Booking required.

3rd - 5th October 2014- Goose Fair, Nottingham.

17th-19th October 2014 - Autumn Youth Rally - Hosted by Southern Region - venue and dates tbc

There's loads to do this year, so, if you're between 12 and 21 speak to Debbie or your youth leader for more details or check us out on Facebook.

Pantomime Adam Smith Theatre Kirkcaldy 4th January 2014.



Ralph says bums on seats at 13.30pm (that's 1.15pm to you Eddie Wright)

Meal afterwards in the Adam Smith Theatre restaurant. Names to Ralph to book place.

Riddle me this.....

- 1. What has a face and two hands but no arms or legs?
- 2. What 5 letter word becomes shorter when you add two letters to it?
- 3. What word begins and ends with an 'e' but only has one letter?
- 4. What has a neck but no head?
- 5. What type of cheese is made backwards?
- 6. What gets wetter as it dries?
- 7. Which letter of the alphabet has the most water?
- 8. What starts with a 'P', ends with an 'E' and has thousands of letters?
- 9. What has to be broken before you can use it?
- 10. What begins with T, ends with T and has T in it?

KIDS KORNER



How well do you know your pantomimes?

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****** Let's Celebrate!!

Congratulations to -

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Jim and Ella Fisher on their award in recognition of their dedication to Scottish Region.

Ryan Martin—one of the 3 finalists in the Young Achiever of the Year competition.

Amy Groome-Vine who passed her Youth Test at Dalkeith

Harry Wright, Ethan Russell, Lewis Groome-Vine and Jay Dibben who all passed their Junior Youth Test.

Phil Grant who was elected as the new Vice Chairman of Scottish Region.

Andy and Tori Wilson—on their recent wedding.

Suzanne Johnstone and Matt Robinson—on their engagement.

To Lauren Abrahams and Jamie Little who are (at last) proud 🚣 parents to baby Grace and to Granny and Grumps, Caroline 🚣 ★ and John Little. Also Aunty Nadine and Uncle Craig.

Perth and Angus D.A. for being Inter DA Winners 2013

Cathie Downie—Glasgow DA—who has been elected **National Council**

John Johnstone who has taken over as Scottish Region appointed councillor

Grandad Gerry on receiving a certificate of achievement from * 🧚 the Club and a special thank-you from the Scottish Youth .

Camping Club Youth

We joined Perth and Angus at Aberfeldy. Despite the rain we still got a whole day of activities. In the morning practicing football, volleyball and netball at the Breadalbane Campus Sports Hall and in the afternoon the youth all went off to do either canoeing or gorge walking, leaving us youth leaders with nothing to do but have a pub lunch. Then everyone joined in at the ceilidh in the evening.

In July it was time for the National Youth Rally again, which this year was hosted by Yorkshire Region. There was plenty to keep everyone entertained between the discos at night, sports competitions, inflatable assault course, bouncy castle or just topping up our tans as Yorkshire obviously brought in the weather from elsewhere that weekend. The Austin Trophy on the Sunday was full of the usual drama with Scotland finishing 2nd behind Yorkshire.

Now instead of heading home afterwards most of the Youth ended up at North Berwick, some for the whole 4 weeks where there was more volleyball and football, beach bonfires, wakeboarding and high wire trips as well as fundraising with the bonus ball, and BBQ.

The final outing for the Youth this year was the Autumn Youth Rally held at Blackpool. Despite a wet weekend everyone enjoyed a day trip to the pleasure beach and the pyjama party disco.

Chris Johnstone Youth Leader

The Gallery



Treasurer having a snack



Health and Safety—check!



Sister Phil



Chatter getting Air Miles



Campfire's Burning in Leven



Mr & Mrs Andy Wilson



If it wisnae fur yer wellies.....



Working Party - North Berwick Mike!! We said Working Party!!



Braving the snow at Cairnsmill



2014 Fixtures

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4th January	Adam Smith Theatre	The Little Mermaid	
25th January	Scottish Region Dinner Dance	Norton House Hotel Edinburgh	
7th-9th March	Noah's Ark	AGM 8th- at 208 Hotel Perth. 11.30am	
20th-24th March	Cairnsmill Caravan Park	St Andrews	
28th-30th March	Linnwater Caravan Park	Join Fife	Region C/Meeting
4th-21st April	Kelso Showground	Join Scottish Region Easter THS	
25th-27th April	Hattonburn Milnathort		
29th Apr-6th May	Strathallan Games Pk	FOL Bridge of Allan	Countries & Cultures of the Commonwealth
8th-11th May	Mill of Logierait	Aberfeldy	Cycling Festival ietape Caledonian
16th-18th May	Newton of Insewan Memus, (nr Forfar)	Jean Stewart Walk Glen Clova	
20th-26th May	Montrose Sports Ground	Montrose	Music Festival in Montrose
30th May-1st June	Bankhead Farm	Leven	
7th - 29th June	Balhomais Farm	Aberfeldy THS	

29th-2nd Jan	Scottish Vintage Bus Museum	New Year Meet	Booked Meet
11th-17th Nov	Cairnsmill Caravan Park	St Andrews	
7th-9th Nov	Gallowhill Farm Kinross		Firework Meet
31st Oct—2nd Nov	Scottish Vintage Bus Museum,	Dunfermline	Halloween
24th—26th Oct	Forrester Seat	Forfar	Join Grampian
10th—12th Oct	Lanark Racecourse		Join Scottish Region
19th Sept - 5th Oct	The Haugh Glendevon	THS	Region Council Meeting
11th - 14th Sept	Newton of Nydie	Strathkinness	Ryder Cup— Gleneagles
4th-8th Sept	The Haugh Glendevon	40th Birthday Meet The Wizard of Oz	BBQ Meet & FOL
29th Aug - 31st Aug	Bankhead Farm- Leven	(28th Aug—1st Sept) (NFOL Angelsey)	
1st -24th Aug	Dalkeith Country Park	Join Scottish Region	
18th –20th July	Newton of Insewan Memus, (nr Forfar)		
13th July-10th Aug	Scoughall Farm	North Berwick THS	23rd July-3rd Aug Commonwealth Games, Glasgow

Doune Hill Climb Lynda Wilson

The weekend did not get off to a good start for us...went to pick up the caravan and low and behold – we found a caravan with a puncture. Superb start.

To be honest this car rally was not my thing, being brought up in your Dad's garage throughout the school holidays when your pals were all out playing was torture. I didn't like cars much, especially being a girl!! But my other half was right up for it.

The Johnstones greeted us on arrival with a glass of sherry. Soon got pitched on a nice level field and had a walk about.

The racing cars had already started arriving by this point and we had been given our complimentary tickets for the race itself, which was starting on the Saturday. There was an opportunity to go and see all the cars close up which brought some of the guys back to their youth, Mantas, Pug 106, Mark 2 Fiestas, Minis, Mitsi's, Scoobies, Formula Fords, you name it, it was there.

On the Saturday we all ventured up the hill to catch the cars coming up. This gave the budding photographers a chance to grab some pics. We had a wee picnic, well John's and Phil's was a liquid picnic! And we spent most of the day there.

On the Sunday, we visited the smashing little restaurant on site for lunch. Phil made friends with the very nice male waiter who gave us a deal on their fabulous cupcakes.



We next ventured into the antiques barn, which was amazing; so much to see and the kids thought they were in a museum! They had a ball looking at all the old things and I had a ball looking at the bling! Unfortunately came away empty handed.

The location is perfect. You have Stirling Castle, Briarlands pick-your-own fruit farm, Blair Drummond Safari Park and the beautiful village of Callander (this was the Queen Mother's favourite place) all within 20 minutes drive.

Considering I wasn't too keen on this rally before I got there, I can honestly say that this has now become one of my favourite meets. You don't need to have an interest in cars to enjoy this rally!







Scottish Region Meet Bridge of Allan

Well the weather managed to stay fair for another busy meet at Strathallan Games Park. We had a great meet, catching up with friends old and new. There were 196 units on site—a few down from last year, we think due to the lack of sunshine. We had a lovely heated marquee for the duration which was the meeting place for lots of events. There was a fast food van on



site and a visit from a mobile shop. The Youth Cafe was well attended serving up cooked breakfasts each morning. The sports were well attended. Great banter with all the other DA's but at the end of the meet only the best DA could win! Perth and Angus! It was a time for celebrations all round!

We Are The Champions!!

Congratulations to Jim and Ella Fisher their award on in recognition of their dedication to Scottish Region. This was presented by Robert Louden. Janette and Annette were presented with beautiful engraved glasses for their stewarding of Crail (which has now closed). Ryan Martin was announced as one of the 3 finalists in the Young Achiever



of the Year competition. Congratulations also go to Phil Grant who was elected as the new Vice Chairman of Scottish Region.

Montrose Music Festival

The Montrose Music Festival was a huge success this year, attracting almost 50 units. The weather was fantastic and almost everyone headed into town to enjoy the music. The festival caters for music lovers of all tastes and the bands play in many venues throughout the town centre. There is a main stage in the square which is great when the sun is splitting the pavements. The site itself is fantastic with a huge flat field which is a short walk from the town centre and the beach. We were Lucky enough to have the use of Grampian DA's party tent which was great for our evening get-togethers.

Next year sees this event become a Temporary Holiday Site due to its huge success. This gives people the chance to explore the surrounding area as well as taking in the festival.

Put this meet in your diary, it is one not to be missed.

Phil Grant



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1, clock, 2, short, 3. envelope, 4. bottle, 5. edam, 6. towel,

Riddle me this Answers.

1. Cinderella, 2. Sleeping Beauty, 3. Peter Pan, 4. Snow White, 5. Mother Goose, 6. Alladin, 7. Puss in Boots, 8. Jack and the Beanstalk, 9. Little Red Riding Hood.

Aberfeldy T.H.S.

Aberfeldy started on 8th June, we had 3 great weeks. Most days the sun was shining, great for BBQ's & getting your first tan of the season. During the week we were well attended at the Pheasants Rest for the bingo & chase the ace, everyone seemed to enjoy it.



Saturday 15th June. We had our biannual Miss Aberfeldy (only open to the lads). We had 9 contestants that were very good. In the dressing room it was mayhem, I didn't know there were as many divas all wanting the ladies to see if their makeup was ok &

were coordinated correctly with accessories. Thanks to all the ladies who helped back stage. In reverse order we had 3rd place Miss Demeanour (Morris Clarkson) in 2nd place Miss Awfishes Phyllis (Fergus Campbell) and 1st place our new Miss Aberfeldy Big Jessie (Norrie Lovell). Miss Aberfeldy & the Buffet was a great success. Thanks to all for making it a great evening.

Sunday 16th June dawned to another beautiful day. We started with the coffee morning at 11.30 & at 12 noon we had the putting contest. Nearly everyone on the field attended. The contestants really enjoyed it, lots of laughter and a little cheating we think. We had our suspicions on one player but we didn't have any proof. We would like to congratulate the winners, for the ladies Mrs Anna Murchie & for the gents Mr Thomas McIntosh. I would also like to thank Norrie Lovell for all the hard work he put in organising the putting contest & printing score cards & tickets for the Scottish evening.

Friday 21st Our PADA Youth arrived with parents in tow for the W/E. It's been a long time since we had the youth at Aberfeldy & it was nice to see them.

Saturday 22nd saw everyone at Camserney Hall for our Scottish Evening. Craig Paton was on the accordion. He was fantastic playing, but also able to get the non dancers on the floor even if they did not know what they were



doing. We all joined in together, even the youth.

We had an impromptu break dance from Sean & Ryan Martin which I think went down very well, they were both very good.

The youth and parents left on Sunday. They all said they enjoyed their W/E and that they were made welcome. I have just found out that they must have enjoyed their W/E they want to come back next year. They will be most welcome but please don't bring the rain with you next year. As soon as they left, the sun came out.

All good things must come to an end. Steve & I would like to take this opportunity to say big thanks to all the stewards for their hard work and help before and during Aberfeldy. They are Anna & Richard Murchie, Sandy & Norrie Lovell, Morris Clarkson, Ian McConnell and Liz Shepherd. Thanks also to all our visitors joining us.

We hope you all had a great time & will come back next year.

Bye for now,

Happy Camping Nancy & Steve Ruck

North Berwick THS

Our 14th year at North Berwick was a sundrenched one. The weather was fantastic! I think I counted 4 rainy days and one foggy one. We were so lucky this year.

There was plenty to do for small kids and big kids alike. The fishing fleet were kept busy with lots of friendly banter and trips out in the Forth. Ralph Russell won the biggest fish competition again this year (rumour has it he is on first name terms with the local fishmonger). The Driftwood Cup was won by John Johnstone this year. The boys were getting up at daft o'clock to get their rounds of golf in early so they could get back to site and enjoy the sunshine. Belgian Andy organised a campsite Boules competition which was great fun—several games of Boules being played on site at the same time.

We had the usual Bingo, Fish Drive, Treasure Hunt, Craft Hours, Sand Sculpture competition, and the Youth ran the Bonus Ball each week enabling them to generate much needed funds. We had a Red or Black themed night also—some lovely costumes and much fun had by all. The Youth BBQ was well attended this year and the weather was fantastic enabling the sides of the marquee to be dropped. We had a 60's sing-a-long night and again the campsite was filled with hippies, Mods and Rockers! There was a trip to Cove for a BBQ and jumping off the harbour wall and crabbing. Ryan and Euans disco was well attended in the Marquee.

The men seemed to have a good night out in Dunbar—no bad reports from the locals. They were upstaged the following week by the Ladies Night in Dunbar where they enjoyed a flutter on the horses and cocktails in the local pub. The meal in the local hotel was very nice too. Thanks to John and Jill Hawtin for organising the Crazy Card Night—some weird and wonderful prizes circulating in those bags!

As you can see there was lots to do for everyone.

Why not put it in your diary for next summer—13th July—10th August 2014. Ralph has assured me his order for sunshine



BBQ Meet Glendevon Ralph Russell

The BBQ Meet was a great success with 25 units attending we had a loan of fife DA party tent to sit in and enjoy the meal and Debbie's porch to do all the cooking in we must give a big thank you to Andy Carcary and Monty Montgomery for doing all the cooking and all the people who helped make this meet so good the food was excellent .considering half the committee were at a region meeting it was a pleasure to come back from the meeting and sit down to a meal thanks again and I look forward to the next one.

Leuchars Air Show Strathkinness Isla West

The meet at Newton of Nydie, Strathkinness was busy again this year for the 2013 Leuchars Air Show which was supposed to be the last one due to changes on the base. Although it was a bit on the chilly side the weather was dry and we managed to sit outside to watch the displays while trying to work out what kind of plane was coming our way. Lots of photos were taken on anything from mobile phones to more professional cameras with lots of banter about who managed to get the best photo. The Red Arrows stole the show with their amazing air display which included some stunts right over our heads and i think it is fair to say that a great time was had by everyone who was there.

Halloween Meet Vintage Bus Museum, Lathalmond, Dunfermline. Louise Johnstone



This years Halloween Meet was organized by Nick and Terry (with more than a little help from Wendy and Gail I'm sure) and was lots of fun. A good turn out saw 15 units camping.

On Friday evening we all helped decorate the hall and soon it was looking very spooky!! Terry got us all thinking with his Halloween quiz. The youth got us all dancing.

Saturday evening the heavy rain didn't stop the trick or treaters visiting caravans and as usual they were all fantastic, singing or telling a joke and were well rewarded with lots of goodies.

Later it was back into the hall with more spooky goings on. Everyone was in fancy dress and there were a few scary characters. The children were taken away into the Witch's Coven where they had to put their hand or even their face into some disgusting things! What kids will do to get a sweet!! Later, back in the hall it was time for our spooky American Supper.

The pumpkin competition was won by Rhiannon Grant, with a very scary pumpkin. The fancy dress competition was won by Jennifer Cook, the witch and Zombie Nick.

It was fast approaching 11 O'clock but we still managed to fit in "Nasty Nick's Interactive Story Night" which was a creepy story in which both youth and kids took part. "Terrible Terry's Torturous Time of Terror" - a game show that Phil and Linda were the competitors. Phil eventually won, although I think there was bit of cheating going on.

Sunday morning saw the usual coffee morning where everyone got together for a chat and to help tidy up the hall.

We also had our annual competition to design a pennon for our THS's. After the votes were counted Rhiannon came out on top, beating her dad, so congratulation to Rhiannon.

We all said our goodbyes and drove away looking forward to returning the next week for Scottish Region's fireworks Meet!

FOL Superheroes and Villains Gallowhill, Kinross Take 1.



An excellent turnout of 19 units rolled up to Gallowhill on the Friday, hooked up and promptly switched on the electric hot water, the electric heating and the 240v halogen lights, or was that just me?

After dinner, we were invited down to 'The Shed' where Debbie was the 'Hostess with the Mostess' and dished out the warm cider punch to a grateful collection of hardy souls. The gas heaters were fired up and as the drinks flowed the chatter commenced right up until the lights went out at 10.45.

A starlit walk back to the vans and it was early to bed to plan the strategy for the Feast of Lanterns.

Saturday's weather was pretty good for the time of year, yet the playpark appeared to be the only place where there was life on show. Perhaps it hadn't been such an early night for everyone after all!

As the afternoon drew to a close, there was an air of tension and anticipation across the site as people started decorating their units. The theme was "Superheroes and Villains" and this appeared to have given people a lot of different ideas.

Judging commenced at 6.30 and there was a steady procession of DA members, as well as a few other members of the public, wandering around the caravans and Youth tents. It was lovely hearing laughter coming from all around the site as different groups of people were entertained by the displays. Voting commenced as soon as enough pens were found and then it was time to put on the glad rags for the evening's entertainment.

This was held in Milnathort Town Hall, which was an ideal venue. As each car-load arrived, we were treated to entrances by a pair of Supermen, a Catwoman, an Incredible Hulk, three Wonder Women, a Batman, an Invisible Man, a Supergirl, a Batman supervillain, a Chef, a cowgirl and Debbie who wore her pants on the outside of her trousers! That was just the adults. There was also a vast array of kids dressed up to look like a Marvel's Comics night out.

Euan and Ryan were in charge of the music and started off with a glowstick version of 'Gangnam Style' in the pitch black. Over the course of the evening, the music continued and there was a little bit of everything that would have appealed to anyone and everyone.

There was a surprise act, when Abbie beautifully sang us an Emile Sande song.

Finally, the winners of the Decorated Units were announced;
The Youth Prize was won by Euan Johnston
(The Invisible Man)
The Adult Prize was were by Legley and James Cook

The Adult Prize was won by Lesley and James Cook (Souper-heroes)

On Sunday morning everyone was invited back down to 'The Shed' for coffee. Phil Grant gave out the prizes and thanked all those who had helped make the weekend such an enjoyable and successful event.

The theme for next year was revealed; 'The Wizard of Oz'. If you'd like to know why they chose that, well it's because, because, because, because, because...

James Cook

FOL Heroes and Villains Gallowhill, Kinross Take 2.

We arrived at a sunny Gallowhill Farm Caravan Park in Kinross but the solar panel wasn't needed as we had electric hook-up – would we be able to work out how to use the new caravan as it was the first time plugging in ??????

The onsite park was a big hit with the kids – happy 'dirty' kids. Nero and Zak made good use of the dog walk area too— lots to explore.

Friday night we all met in the big barn for some drinks, nibbles and chat – and to watch Billy trying to get his patio heater connected to the gas, and at the same time watching John trying to NOT knock over the drinks with his coat. Must mention Debbie's hot drink – delicious!

Saturday afternoon we went to Loch Leven to take the dogs for a longer walk and a wee visit to the fantastic play park – Carter Clan and Sean joined us for a good couple of hours in the fresh air. And to finish off our visit, Lewis, Sean, Nick and 'Big' Jennifer went rolling down the hill – sick bags were at the ready for 4 very dizzy kids on our short journey back to the caravan site, but luckily they were not needed.

Early on Saturday evening we all viewed and voted on the decorated vans and tents with the Super Heros/Villans theme – fantastic effort and all different. Well done to James, Lesley, Alex & 'Wee' Jennifer for having the best display in the caravan, and to Euan for a very imaginative display at his tent. The bar has been set very high for next time.....

Saturday evening saw us party at Milnathort Town Hall, most in fancy dress – some scary, some colourful, some needing more material.....

To top it all we had a visiting 13 year old who's Grandma was staying on the site, singing for us – Wow! What a voice. Phil has hopefully signed her up for the Birthday Meet next year – wait till you hear her – JAMAZING!

Sunday morning we all woke to glorious sunshine. We met in the barn late morning to catch up for tea and biscuits before heading off home. We and a few stragglers were reluctant to leave while the sun was shining – eventually we did head for home.....we didn't want the great weekend to end.

For those of you haven't been to a rally, we can't recommend attending one enough - a year ago we thought our brief caravanning days were over, however, our 15 $\frac{3}{4}$ (she wanted me to put 16) & 12 year old are now very much dictating where and when we go away.

The Groome-Vine Clan



Going Logo!!

A lot of people were enquiring about our D.A. logo'd merchandise.

Please note prices below.

lolanda has kindly offered to take orders.



Polo Shirt £12

Sweatshirt £14

Hoodie £19

Zoodie (hoodie with zip) £22

Waterproof Jacket £42.00

(thermal insulation)

Kids Hoodie £12.85 (up to 13years)

Names £1.20 for adults and £1 for kids up 13 years.

Did You Know?

You can follow Perth and Angus DA through our web page:

www.perthandangusda.co.uk

This is particularly helpful to keep up to date with the latest news from your DA. This was put to the test recently when one of the roads to the Bus Museum at Lathalmond was closed. A call was made to the webmaster who immediately alerted our followers through the website, sending notifications to their email addresses. But—you've got to register through our web page to get this notification.

How to do this:

- log on to the above website,
- click the pheasant to enter the site.
- Select the + follow icon in the bottom right corner.



Simple!!

+ Follow

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