



# RSWSDA



## Welcome to our winter news letter

We hope you have all had a great Christmas and like us you are looking forward to a new year filled with DA camping & caravanning.

At the end of last year we enjoyed our winter walk at the beautiful Dumfries House and our annual bowling competition. As DA campers, it is of course all about the nights away.

We are pleased to announce a new venue for 2023 of Scar Park, on the shores of Wig Bay near Stranraer. Our THS will run in September and cover the Glasgow and Ayrshire holiday weekends.

### AGM

Our AGM was held on 18th February, where the new committee was elected that will steer all of our DA fixtures for 2023 and beyond. The main roles are :

**Chairperson:** Tom Horner

**Vice chair:** Iain Cuthbertson

**Secretary:** Carolyn Shaw

**Treasurer:** Julie Shannon

**Youth leaders:** Elaine & Hugh Wotherspoon

**Site Secretary:** John Dunlop

**Rep to region:** Hugh Wotherspoon

**PRO/ web master:** Iain Cuthbertson

**President:** George Neil

**Vice President:** Russel Neville

In addition there are another 9 members that give their time to run meets and events that we can all enjoy. We are a healthy committee but help and inputs from other members is always welcome. Just give us a wee shout out before, or on meets to see how you can help out, it could be help in pitching our party tent or serving teas and many other little tasks.

Our chosen charity for 2023 will be CHAS-Children's Hospices Across Scotland, (formerly known as Children's Hospice Association Scotland) See <https://www.chas.org.uk/>

### Thank you



In addition to the usual AGM agenda, we took the time to thank and honour our longest serving member. After 39 years as a committee member and serving as our Treasurer for an impressive 35 years, Janet Clark has hung up her balance sheets but remains serving on our committee. At the age of 80 Janet is a devoted DA camper and still tows her own unit with her faithful companion, her rescue dog Winnie. As well as being a champion pancake maker and seller of hundreds of thousands of raffle tickets that support good causes, her accounts were exemplary.

We thank you for all of your years of service Janet, you will always be a legend to RSWSDA.

## Dates for your Diary 2023

**March 3-5th** : Redgates at Maidens, this is a booked meet. ☎ John 07809591468- *This meet is now full*

**March 24-26th**: Culzean Club site, this is our annual work party. *This is now full.* ☎ Tom 07908548849

**April 6-10th**: Easter meet at Lochbarr leisure, Lochwinnoch. ☎ Elaine 07769189521

**April 25th- 2nd May**: Region meet Bridge of Allan, cruising is the theme, ☎ Anne on 07984925669 for more information. No need to book this meet.

**May 12-14th**: Maritime museum Irvine. ☎ Hugh 07833482668

**June 2nd-4th**: Duck Race weekend, Lettershaws farm , Abington. ☎ Iain 07479589858

**June 9-25th**: THS Glenburn Dairy, Troon. ☎ Una 07910969174

**July 21st-13th August**: THS Thomaston Farm, Maybole. ☎ Una 07910969174

**New Venue, September 15-25th**: Scar Park, Wig Bay nr Stranraer. ☎ John 07916431562

**September 29th -October 1st**: Culzean Club site, booked meet. ☎ Alan 07846077445

**October 20th-22nd**: Halloween meet, Lochbarr Leisure, Lochwinnoch. ☎ Dougie 04414566630

**November 17-19th**: Moffat club site, booked meet. ☎ Anne 07984925669

**December 9th**: Our winter walk, meet at 1pm by the café for a walk, chat and coffee.



### Winter Walk

We were fortunate with the weather for our winter walk around Dumfries House in December. There was a great turn out as we ambled around enjoying the always beautiful grounds and gardens of the estate, chatting as we went. We enjoyed our well earned coffee and cake afterwards in



the on site café. As the pictures show some of our members and their four legged friends, even sat outside for their coffee.

### Annual bowling competition

Following the hotly contested bowling competition on January 15th, our chairman Tom Horner presented the winners trophies to Dougie Shaw (adult) and Beth Wotherspoon (youth) respectively. The afternoon was enjoyed by all who attended.



### Charity Donation 2022



In November 2022, we were delighted to present a cheque for £800, to the representatives of the Ayrshire Baby Loss Support Group. This generous donation was only made possible through the support of all of our DA campers who purchased raffle tickets , used our book recycling bank and the purchase of hand crafted Halloween jars. We look forward to continuing our support of our chosen charity for 2023, CHAS, with your support at our meets.

### Good to Know

Our website <https://rswsda.co.uk/> will keep you updated of all things DA camping, it also has a gallery of photographs and links to our newsletters.

You can also keep up to date through our Facebook page Renfrew and South West Scotland D.A