



SUMMER 2012 NEWSLETTER

April Easter Camp

Marsh Farm Campsite in Saxmundham - Lovely site. We were placed at the top of a hill which was a fair walk from the nearest loos. Oh well must have been good for us all that walking!! If we book again we will get a private portaloos delivered for sure. It was windy and very cold but those that camped over made the most of it. Some of us ventured into Saxmundham on Saturday to go to a craft fair organised by Kath Church & co. Some people went to a local car boot. On Sunday some of us decided to make our way home as it was forecast to rain all day Monday.



Big Bang

Big Bog more like!!!! We set off in convoy in the sunshine. Drove through a few showers and hail storms, but it was mainly dry and sunny. The forecast wasn't too bad dry with some showers. Well we drove up the long road to Santa Pod and it was like a permanent rain cloud hanging over Santa Pod. There where no marshalls so we kept on driving, and eventually got to the other side of the track, when a marshall popped out of a car. They said it had been raining constantly for 3 weeks!! We drove over planks of wood and then hit knee high mud and water. Poppy did well but as many others eventually came to a halt. We had to get out and push. We made the decision to stay and make the most of it.

Mays Cruise meet

This was the first meet held at Jimmy's Farm, since moving away from meeting at Stonham Barns. It was an awesome turnout - just like it used to be when we met at Needham Lake. Most of us cruised to Old Felixstowe to enjoy the sunshine for the rest of the day.



CLUB MERCHANDISE!

Remember! Club merchandise is available to purchase/order at every Suffolk Buggers meet! Or visit our website for more info:

www.suffolkbuggers.co.uk/club_merch.html



Adult hoodies black or brown **£23**
 Kids Brown hoodies **£15**
 Mens black t-shirts **£13**
 Ladies Black/ white t-shirts **£13**
 Kids red t-shirts **£10**
 Mugs **£5** for 1 or **£8** for 2
 Stickers from **£1**



2013 sticker competition

Design a sticker that we can use for our 2013 limited edition sticker. It needs to be roughly 9 ½ cm x 6cm. If you email your design to suffolkbuggers@hotmail.co.uk no later than 30th November 2012.

Suffolk Buggs wish a very happy birthday to:

JULY

199 A Amber King 6/7/95
235 A Edith Graham 6/7/11
173 A Eleanor Green 9/7/97
160 A Joshua Gregory 12/7/01
244 A Elin Baker 13/7/00
238 A Kieran Barker 15/7/08
027 A Jasmine Simmons 16/7/96
044 A Jack Boreham 17/7/01
189 A Amy Bryant 18/7/96
027 A Luke Simmons 19/7/01
142 A Frankie Tye 19/7/10
020 A Jessica Ross 20/7/01
144 A Lottie Smith 20/7/04
117 A Jay Rednall 22/7/94
110 A William May 23/7/04
210 A Breena Morgan 24/7/04
030 A Jasmine Godwin 24/7/99
242 A Nathan Watters 26/7/05
130 A Liam Craig 28/7/03
213 A Rebekah Meekings 31/7/96

AUGUST

088 A Sebastian McFarlane 3/8/98
211 A Aaron Smith 5/8/98
138 A Joseph Smith 8/8/98
075 A Sophie Wood 10/8/94
112 A Harry Bennett 11/8/99
158 A Jamie Mower 11/8/97
233 A Jack Fletcher 11/8/11
215 A Alice Green 12/8/04
218 A Henry Whiting 13/8/03
187 A Harry Day 17/8/99
046 A Daniel Manning 18/8/98
227 A Jack Aldous 20/8/04
216 A Callum Jones 21/8/06
206 A Lincoln Holland 22/8/01
165 A Stanley Robertson 25/8/10
072 A Sophie Johnson 26/8/03
185 A Alicia Gilligan 28/8/06
138 A Charles Williams 28/8/08
020 A Aaron Ross 29/8/03

SEPTEMBER

076 A Derri Kemp 1/9/98
171 A Dexter Keable 9/9/05
200 A Freddy Legg 11/9/98
156 A Sam Betts – Davies 12/9/96
110 A Max May 12/9/08
198 A Logan Hook 13/9/03
190 A Amy Eason 15/9/01
158 A Jessica Mower 15/9/95
176 A Alfie Cook 17/9/08
074 A Joe Cooper 17/9/01
226 A Aimee Keeble 25/9/
246 A Lewis White 25/9/03
075 A Chloe Wood 27/9/98
051 A Sophie Chidgey 28/9/98
124 A Matilda Stratton 29/9/09
136 A Sky O'Hanlon 30/9/05



SUFFOLK BUGRS 2012 DATES!

July 6th – 8th - **Dubs at the hall** – www.dubsatthehall.co.uk
– **MEMBERS ONLY** club plot booked

July 8th – **Informal meet** 11am @ Jimmy's Farm. No committee presence.

July 20th – 22nd – **Waxham club camp MEMBERS ONLY**
- Waxham sands, Horsey, Norfolk, NR29 4EJ,
01692 598325. Arrive Friday or Saturday.
You don't have to pre book.

July 20th – 22nd – **Bug Jam – MEMBERS ONLY** club plot booked. You will need to collect a pass. www.bugjam.co.uk

August 3rd – 5th – **Whitenoise – MEMBERS ONLY** club plot booked. www.whitenosie.com

September 9th – **Cruise meet** – 11am Meet @ Jimmy's Farm cruise to Old Felixstowe cliff top car park at 1pm ish.

October 14th – **Autojumble meet** with Dubgen - from 11am Great Blakenham Village Hall, IP6 0NJ
To trade outside £3.50 members £6.00 non-members.
Indoors £5.00 members £8.00 non-members.
Free to browse. Refreshments available

November 11th – **Meet @ Brewery tap, Ipswich, Cliff Quay Road, IP3 0AT.** 11am onwards.

December 9th – **Christmas meet MEMBERS ONLY @ Brewery Tap, Ipswich, Cliff Quay Road, IP3 0AT.** 11am onwards. Free buffet.

New Years Eve 31st Dec **New Years Eve Camp MEMBERS ONLY** – Run Cottage Touring Park, Alderton Road, Hollesley, Woodbridge, IP12 3RQ. 01394 411309
£18 p/night electric hook up. Book direct before November to secure your spot.

YOUR CLUB NEEDS YOU!!!

Suffolk Buggs doesn't run without a team of volunteers, we really need your help to keep things running.

It's not that scary really! At present we hold 4 committee meetings a year.

You wouldn't be expected to attend every meet/event that we hold that is why we need a good team behind us, so that we can cover it between us.

If you are interested please speak to Andrew, Na, Jerry, Sukie, Lynne, Paul, Debbie or Toby at any of the meets.

Or email suffolkbugrs@hotmail.co.uk

Alive & V-Dubbin – 8th to 10th June 2012



Weather: Turned out nice in the end, after a worrying few days of gales leading up to the event!

Reviewer: Sam Sugden (Suffolk Bugar) from 'The [Baby Book Colchester](#)' with a 13 year old and a 4 year old.

Getting there: We were planning to arrive at Jimmy's Farm Friday lunchtime but Mother Nature had other plans! The weather was not being kind to the organisers of Alive & V-Dubbin and although they had spent a considerable amount of time and effort setting up, a lot of their hard work was to be undone! From Thursday midday onwards we were constantly watching the weather forecasts and it was NOT looking good!

Friday morning arrived and we were still undecided as to what to do. The Alive & V-Dubbin team were regularly updating potential visitors as to how things were via FB and email, and a decision was made that campers would still be admitted but that day visitors would not be allowed entry on Friday. The Thursday night had taken its toll and we knew from friends (who were camping there with their [Luna Originals](#) trade stand) that during the night gazebos, awnings, tents & fencing had all taken a battering. Decision made – we would instead set off early Saturday morning.

We finally arrived around 10.30 Saturday and were able to drive straight in, no queues! Being that we are members of the [Suffolk Buggs](#) (a friendly Volkswagen owners club) we had already booked to club camp with other members and was directed to where we could set up camp.

Top Tip: We were fortunate enough to be camping with friends who have a 14, 10 & 7 year old. This always helps when camping with kids as they will always keep each other entertained so that you can relax and enjoy sitting back & chilling in a field.

Even if VW's are not your thing I can guarantee that you won't be disappointed. If you decide to give Alive & V-Dubbin a visit next year a friendlier group of people you will not meet, but be warned you could catch the VW bug! If you fancy trying out a VW festival before then why not check out

[Dubs At The Hall](#) or enter the competition on the [www.festivalkidz.com](#) competition page for your chance to win tickets.

What was on for kids? Lots for the kids to do including Air Cooled bouncy camper, willow weaving, craft activities, drumming workshops, & a 'very cool' (my 4 year old's words) skate ramp provided by [Highline Adventure](#) - all FREE! Other activities included Scott King doing [live artwork and graffiti workshops](#). For £5 you could purchase a canvas and take your artwork home with you.



Site and Facilities: Having been to [Jimmy's Farm](#) before in 2010 & 2011 for [Harvest at Jimmy's](#) I knew the site well and the Alive & V-Dubbin team had done a great job of setting up the site. There were more than enough toilets, I didn't have to queue once and they were kept clean! Phone coverage was good.

Safety and Security: Heard nothing but praise for all those who obviously worked so hard to put on a great family friendly show. There were also mentions of how helpful [Regency Security Services](#) were, which is always good to hear.

Most memorable moment: My highlight came on Saturday night. We were treated to a fantastic set by [The Downsetters](#) – a 6 piece band from Ipswich playing a mixture of original Interstellar Ska & Luna Reggae songs and a select choice of covers ranging from classic 60's film tunes, 2 Tone, old school ska & reggae to blistering ska renditions of punk classics. The marquee was jumping but my 4 year old still managed to sleep through it!

The verdict? 9/10 and we will definitely be going again! The only downside to Alive & V-Dubbin was that we weren't able to have our planned 2 night stay, but this year the wind had other plans, fingers crossed for 2013!

[www.aliveandvdubbin.co.uk](#)