

Report on the suitability of Eddisford Bridge Farm Campsite as a possible Bank Holiday Meet Venue

History:- Following the sudden cancellation of our Spring Bank Holiday booking at Kirkby Lonsdale Rugby Club several members assisted Dave Marshall in trying to find a suitable replacement venue. During these efforts several possible sites were identified, Mains Farm near Penrith, Wrenbury and Eddisford Bridge Farm nr Clitheroe. Eddisford Bridge Farm Campsite turned out to be difficult to contact in the early part of the year as the owners were on holiday, so the club opted for Wrenbury as the replacement for K.L.R.U.F.C. During this time the club decided not to hold a May Day Holiday event so when Eddisford Bridge Farm were eventually contacted and had a cancellation, several of us decided to book it for May Day to try it out, during these negotiations the NWBAC decided that after all it would hold an informal meet at Congleton but as we had made a commitment to Eddisford Bridge we would go there and report back on it's suitability as a meet venue.

Site:- Eddisford Bridge Farm Campsite Rally Field SD 723 415 @ Clitheroe.

<https://www.eddisfordbridgecaravanandcamping.co.uk>



Amenities:- Large field with easy access, excellent toilets and showers, Pub next door, Clitheroe Leisure Centre & Pool in easy walking distance, Clitheroe town centre 15 minutes away . River Ribble with picnic area and riverside walks nearby

Costs:- £14.00 night per unit plus £2.00 extra for additional people, (special price 2018).

Cons:- Agreed for 2018, no morning flying to avoid disturbing the other campers, (I suspect that this will not apply if we go again or they will be able to supply a alternative field nearby anyway).

Report:- 4 balloons attended with 8 or so families and visitors, as this was one of the best ever Bank Holiday weather weekends no morning flying was not an issue, in fact it was welcomed by all attending, Three good evening flights although Sunday's was a little shorter due to light winds heading straight for Pendle Hill. A night glow on Sunday attracted a good audience although an afternoon tether was less successful.

Conclusion:- A very suitable venue for a NWBAC weekend event, almost perfect flying area in any direction, tremendous views of Clitheroe, Pendle Hill and Longridge Fell, other attraction nearby, very good camping facilities. It is available for next May Day Bank Holiday and we have asked the proprietors to put us down as a provisional booking.



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