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Let the **New Year** In and enjoy !

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EDITORIAL

Hi Everyone,

As I am writing this it's nearly Christmas and I don't know about you but I'm nowhere near ready. I don't know where the time goes. By the time you read this it will be all over and we will be ready to celebrate New Year. Tim and I hope you had a lovely Christmas wherever you were. Thank you to all of you that have contributed to this edition but as usual I would like to hear from more of you.



Unfortunately, with the weather being so wet some rallies had to be cancelled, which was very disappointing for the Marshalls and the people who were booked on them. Even some of the rallies that did run were spoiled by the weather. However, I'm sure that you all made the best of things. We certainly did at the ones we went to, including having Flag in a toilet block corridor, which you can read about later on.

The new year rally programme starts in February, so let's hope the weather is better by then and don't forget the Barn dance on 27th January at Woodmansey village hall.

Well I'd better get on with cake icing, present wrapping etc. Tim and I wish you a very happy New Year and we look forward to seeing you on a rally field next year.

Bist woshes June.



Thank you to everyone who bought the chocolate orange covers that I knitted.

They raised £77.50p for the Centre Charity, the Yorkshire Air Ambulance.

CHAIRMAN'S CHAT



Welcome to my final chairman's chat of the year. Depending on when you are reading this you may have already received your 2024 edition of our rally book and if so you will have immediately noticed some differences from previous years. Due to the heavy losses in the production and distribution of the rally book last year certain changes have had to be made. The committee apologises if this causes any inconvenience, but certain aspects had to change. I will say at this point we are one of the few centres that still

produce a hard copy of the rally programme and we are under pressure from Head Office to go totally digital with the rally programme, but the committee feel that a hard copy is preferable to the majority of East Yorkshire members. The brochures should be available for distribution from the New Year rally onwards from any committee member. If you are attending this rally, you can collect yours, if not and a friend is attending, they can also collect your brochure for you providing they have your membership member. We have also arranged a brochure collection day at Woodmansey Village Hall on the 27th. January from 11 o'clock onwards. The Barn Dance is at the same venue on the same evening.

If you cannot collect, you can have a brochure sent to you by sending an A5 envelope with £2.40 in stamps on it to Sandra Andrews and she will gladly send you one.

You will also notice that, as a cost saving exercise, the green booking slips have been omitted. These are to be replaced by loose booking slips available from any committee member. If you have any of the old green slips left you can still use these, but as from the start of 2024 rally plaques are not included in the rally fee and if you want one you have to request it on the rally slip. If you book late onto a rally, it is quite probable that you will not get a plaque. What hasn't changed is that we are running lots of different rallies for your enjoyment and remember that from December 1st the rally brochure will be on our website and rallies can be booked from that date.

We have our Dinner Dance at the Rix Pavilion on 20th. April 2024 and following on from last year it should be a brilliant night and is accompanied by a 3 day rally.

To conclude we look forward to meeting you on the rally field next year and wish you a Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year from all the East Yorkshire Committee.

Best Wishes John and Sue

SUE'S SCRIBBLES

The AGM went well, as it was my first one I was very apprehensive, thank you to all who helped and attended. We then had the Northern Regions AGM to attend at Cawthorne near Barnsley, we went on the attached rally this year, it was very enjoyable.

The Firework Rally went well, but the numbers were a bit down on last year. The weather was very kind to us, no rain, some sunshine too, the strong winds didn't come till Sunday evening, after we had all packed up and left. The Committee and partners worked hard with lots of friends helping to put everything in place. The food stalls were popular, so I think we covered the cost of the Fireworks. We (the Chairman and I) moved onto the Killerby Old Hall Rally for a rest. The site is lovely with hardstanding's and great facilities, to have EHU is very nice too. As I am writing this, we are hoping the Osbaldwick Rally will be able to go ahead on the 22nd of November, last year we had to cancel due to the field been waterlogged.

All that leaves me to say is, have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, we will see some of you on the Driffield New Year Rally.

Sue Holroyd.

Centre Charity—The Yorkshire Air Ambulance.

I was very pleased to hear that our Charity for 2024 is The Yorkshire Air Ambulance. Many of you will remember that we chose to support The Yorkshire Air Ambulance about 10 years ago when I was the Charity Coordinator and for two years in a row, we raised quite a large amount! I know times are harder at the moment, but wouldn't it be good if we could do well again! The Air Ambulance is something each and everyone of us might have need of. They do such a good job.

To help with the fundraising I am making heart shaped pin cushions which Sue Holroyd has agreed to sell on rallies. I am also still making cards and she will also have some of those too! I am also hoping to have other items for sale in the New Year!

If any of you have any oddments of material that you don't want, then I can probably make use of it with the help of my sewing machine!!! You can give them to John and Sue Dale who will pass them onto me!

Hope you all had a good Christmas and have a great New Year. Whilst we are no longer rallying, we hope to pop along to a few rallies in 2024!

Janice Benson

DENIS'S DOODLINGS:

Hi All, Chris and I, look forward to seeing you on a rally field during the rally year. Below is a list of rallies up to the end of April. If you would like to run or find a possible new venue for a future rally please get in touch.

Denis

7	Feb	11	Killerby	07740 352093	J Baxter
16	Feb	18	Pocklington	07905 055152	S Wright
23	Feb	25	Wykeham	07803 096747	T Norris
7	Mar	10	Bridlington	07771 508663	M Elton
22	mar	24	Osballdwick	07711 129288	Gary Rhodes
29	Apr	5	Settle	07807 475572	I Brabiner
28	Apr	1	Driffield	07779 950789	D Brennan
5	Apr	10	Marsden	07764 692151	R Warner
11	Apr	14	Staxton	07850 772784	D Young
18	Apr	21	Driffield DD	07779 950789	D Brennan

Just a reminder to all members arriving on a Rally:

- Please can all members have their valid membership card ready to **be checked** on arrival by the Rally Officer before being shown to your pitch at every rally.
- The Membership card maybe in the form of an actual card; a printed copy or a mobile app version. Membership cards must be in date and not expired. (With regard to the Caravan and Motorhome Club (CAMC) Membership)
- Thank you.

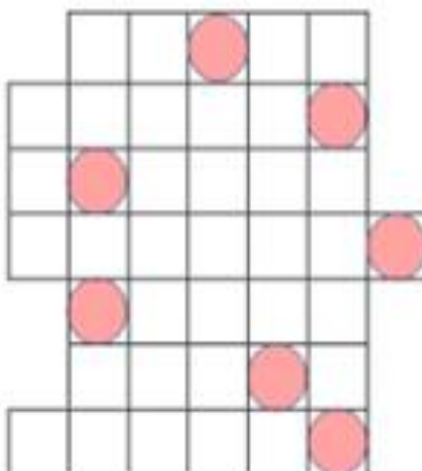
PLEASE BE AWARE; If you would like a **rally plaque** for a rally you must tick the box on the new rally slips, if you are using an old one, please write on the top if you would like a plaque otherwise one will not be ordered for you. There will be a charge of **50p**.

Santa's Reindeer Crossword

Can you fill in the name of Rudolph's seven reindeer friends.
The remaining reindeer you can find by looking at the circled letters.

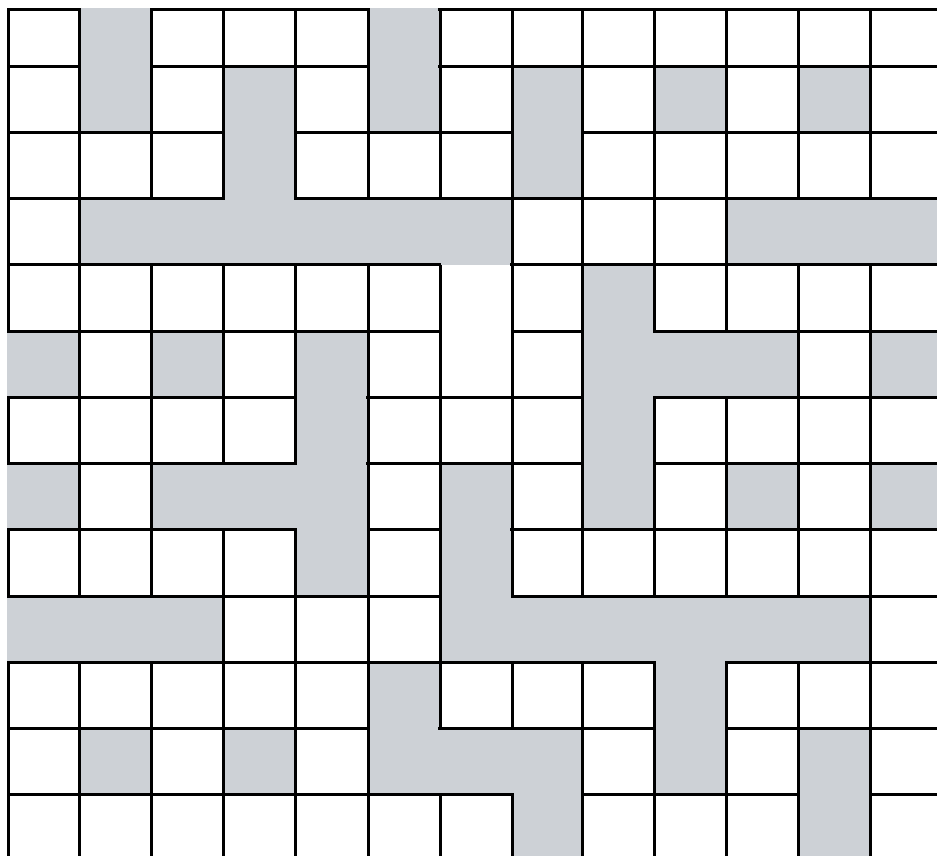


Blitzen



Cupid Comet Dancer
Donner Vixen Dasher

Adult Quiz Answers. on page 17.



3 Letters

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Coe
Elm
Fir
Fur
Goo
Ink
Keg
Maw

Nil
Ohm
Old
Owe
Pro
Rag
Rep
Sue
Sum
Tap
Tic
Via

4 Letters

Four
Kite
Mega
Ping
Tofu
Used

5 Letters

Alike
Baths

Ebony
Fills
Totem
Trunk

6 Letters

Floats
Marker
Ravage
Strike

7 Letters

Encoded
Satanic

Rally Reports

Hayfield Fishing Lakes 25th June to 2nd July.

Many thanks to Kath, Dave, Judy and Pete for a relaxing week. Especially thank you to Judy for the superb cream teas, which just about included everything from sausage rolls to cream scones. These were lovely. We all enjoyed the games, some new and some old. All these needed just a dice, pen and paper and a pack of cards. All very traditional.

Brian and Christine Kennedy.

Staxton 29th September to 1st October.

This rally had the normal number of vans on it to make the social a success. The tearoom is normally used and we can fill it for our Saturday night social. This year problems on the site beyond our control meant that we had to cancel the social in the tearoom. They did however make our supper of pie, peas and chips which Denis and I collected and distributed to all the vans for them to eat with their friends.

Hopefully next year we will be back to normal.

Then we come to flag on Sunday, nothing out the ordinary. Graham did thanks and told everyone about the brochure arrangements for 2024, he did a splendid job aided by David Woolley, I thought they got the issue across perfectly.

There were then discussions between 2 rallying families about how, why and if we did this and that, etc. we would still have money to post out the brochures. One of the ideas that was brought up was, that if the rally marshals paid for their rallies as well then there would not be this problem.

I just wondered how do they think they get to go on rallies, they don't just happen. The rally marshals spend a lot of time and money of their own that they don't get back, making sure that the landowners are on board with the events on the land. The rally itinerary and quiz or activities are printed, the supper and social are organised, and all this is brought to the rally. If a tent suddenly appears it's not by magic, there is no wand to make it happen, it's sheer hard work and worry by the marshals, sometimes a phone call is not enough then a visit is needed. All this is at their own expense. If they ran rallies, they might just realise what goes into preparing a weekend, a few days or a holiday rally for them to just turn up and criticise and don't realise how hurtful their comments are when all our rally marshals, who are, don't forget volunteers do it for the Centre members enjoyment.

Dave Young

Osballdwick at The Derwent Arms 5th to 8th October.

We arrived at Osballdwick to a warm welcome from the Marshals and were quickly sited. After some lunch we popped to the outlet centre at McArthur Glen for some retail therapy.

On Friday we caught the bus into York from the Village, and it took about 20 minutes to get to the centre. It was quieter than it is on a weekend but most of the cafes were doing a bustling trade. On Friday night we went into the Derwent Arms for a drink and had a good natter and lots of laughter.

On Saturday we spent most of the day at Beningborough hall to view the recent renovations which have an Italian influence, favoured by the previous owner. The top floor is still closed for more renovations to be completed and part of the gardens have been flattened to accommodate the Mediterranean garden being designed by Andy Shergeon (a Chelsea Flower show designer).

The meal in the pub on Saturday night was good and well supported. John did not have any complaints about the food which was expertly served and delicious. We were then entertained by a local 3 man group to end the evening.

After Flag on Sunday morning, we were all reluctant to leave the Rally following a great weekend.

Our thanks go to John, Sue, Ken and Sandra, ably assisted by Daisy.

Sue Agar.

Although the weather was not too kind to us which made our field very boggy, we still had a good rally. We enjoyed a trip into York on the bus. Morning walks on the old railway line to Foss Island Retail Park with a nice hot coffee before we ventured back. We had wonderful meal and enjoyed the quiz which was held in the Derwent Arms on Saturday evening. Many thanks to the marshalls John & Sue Dale and Ken and Sandra.

June Sharp



Reedness Rally 12th to 15th October

The rally field is conveniently situated behind the Half Moon Inn and runs down to the banks of the Ouse estuary, great for dog walkers! Thursday was early set up for some, but most arrived for the meet and greet on the Friday evening. We enjoyed a relaxing evening catching up with friends but for those who might fancy a pint it's only a few paces to the bar lol.

Saturday morning, the weather was on our side, so we were able to enjoy a long walk in the sunshine along the estuary, followed by a couple of hours visiting the market town of Howden. In the evening we enjoyed an excellent carvery followed by Flag. After Flag and announcements, we were treated to the lilting tones of Les Gill and finally a quick quiz to finish the evening. All in all a surprisingly nice late season weekend! So big thanks to Rally Marshall Paul and Co Marshalls Andrew & Lynn.



Phil & Jeanette

Pocklington 27th to 29th October.

We arrived at Pocklington in a strange loan car, a Landrover Defender as our car had gone for a tow bar to be fitted. Although it had doors at the back there were no seats, just a big space. A problem for me was that it was very high and did not rise and fall. I used a folding step to get in and out and got expert at pulling it back in with a long Ikea shoehorn.

On the Friday night we went into the Cricket club hall. First, we had coffee, tea and some lovely cakes baked by Judy Rickel. Then we played Caravan beetle drive. It was great fun moving around the table clockwise or anticlockwise depending on whether you won or lost the game. That was okay except some people were not sure which way they were going, which made it even funnier.

On the Saturday night Judy cooked a lovely meal for everyone and then we had one of Paul's quizzes and Flag and a raffle. Although the weather was wet, so we didn't go out, we had a lovely weekend catching up with friends. A big thankyou to the Marshalls, Paul, Val and Ian and also to Judy and Peter for the food.

June Norris

A cold weekend but a lovely warm clubhouse for our socials. Friday night was a great evening we had games which had everyone involved my first for the caradrive (similar to a beetle drive but a caravan instead) great fun. On Saturday Judy & Pete cooked us all a fantastic 2 course meal which was enjoyed by all, this was followed by a quiz which we didn't win but enjoyed taking part. We managed a walk into Pocklington for a wander round the many shops and a stop off for lunch. A great weekend many thanks to Paul G and Ian and Val B.

June Sharp

Fireworks rally Driffield 8th to 12th November.

The fireworks rally, as far as the Chairman is concerned is, in most years, the most complex rally of the year. The planning starts months prior to the rally and involves a lot of people and organisation.

Myself and Sue met Dennis at Driffield on the Monday prior to the rally to decide on the food and van siting areas. It was decided because of the wet conditions on the grass that we would site all the ralliers on hard standing, it meant that the caravans would be spread out but at least nobody would get struck.

Tuesday lunch time we rolled up on site with our caravan and got set up with our awning and signage ready for the rally opening at noon on Wednesday.

A few vans came in on Wednesday and Thursday and I went to our lock up in Beverley to pick up the equipment that couldn't be fitted in by others.

On Friday, the rest of the equipment arrived and the other vans came in, the last one arrived at 7.45.p.m. The siting was shared by committee members whilst others were erecting gazebos and Coleman shelters for the food areas.

The big problem with setting up the food area is that everyone cannot get to the rally in the early stages, so some come on Friday afternoon after work, so we have to set up the area as they arrive. Various members of the committee were also bringing equipment from storage.

Friday is also the day for setting up the Green Room with equipment for the disco, chairs and tables for the nighttime and the ladies putting up the Halloween decorations.

Friday night in the Green Room was the kids Disco and games with fancy dress for the children. This was followed by a picture quiz and the disco.

Saturday morning there was a cooked breakfast available in the Green room for those who wanted one and was enjoyed by those who did.

Meanwhile, in the food area preparations were in full swing with the Colemans being completed, Gazebos erected, flag poles and lights being erected, generators being positioned and tested and food being prepared.



We opened the food stalls at 4.30 and had a good flow of hungry families wanting to eat. There was a carnival atmosphere with music playing, lots of lights, good food and happy faces culminating in a tremendous fireworks display at 6 o'clock. Afterwards a few people still wanted feeding and cakes to take back to their vans. It was time to try and get warm and prepare for the night

ahead in the Green Room.

The entertainment started with Animal Bingo which is always good for a

laugh and raises money for the Centre charity, the Yorkshire Air Ambulance. It was followed by a game for everybody, Play Your Cards Right, which unusually had a lot of people succeeding in winning. We then played the key box game which again raised money for the charity and the winnings were very kindly donated back to the charity.



We also had the raffle, where the proceeds help towards the cost of the fireworks.

The evening finished off with some very energetic dancing from some visitors to our Centre which finished the evening off very nicely.

Sunday morning, we had to start clearing everything away and have flag at 10.30. followed by a minute's silence for Remembrance Sunday.

We had to carry on clearing away afterwards as the ralliers were making their way homewards.

We eventually got away about 4 o'clock to go to Killerby for a rest prior to the rally starting on the Wednesday.

The rally was very hard work and again I would thank everyone who helped, committee members, their partners and friends and anyone who contributed in anyway whatsoever to making all this happen and of course all the ralliers for turning up.

John Holroyd.

Killerby Old Hall Rally 15th to 19th November.

We left the Firework Rally at Driffield to go early to the Killerby Old Hall Park. We chilled and rested on the Monday after the hectic time we had had. Then Tuesday we drove into Scarborough, did some shopping and had lunch at the Conservatory, their food is really good value for money and lovely too.

Wednesday the actual rally started, John and Joan were buzzing, getting the people in. We went shopping again, much to John's disgust.

Thursday more Ralliers arrived but we drove to Filey, had a good walk round and along the sea front. On the evening there was a social in the barn, with one of John's quizzes and a catch up with folks.

Friday the marshals were busy again with more vans arriving. I had to go to a funeral, so John caught the bus into Bridlington. Another gathering in the Barn, with Bingo with a difference.

Saturday, we had pizzas then after Strictly we went in to the Barn, there was a turn on, he was very good, Joan thought it would be busy, but it wasn't.

Sunday morning, we had the flag in the sunshine, with the raffle etc.

Well done Joan, John and Sue.

Sue Holroyd

Killerby Old Hall continued.

One of my favourite rallies as I love the walks on the beach. Cayton is a lovely little village with a great café at the rear of the local shop. We had a lovely breakfast in there, the service and the food was excellent. Our socials were held in the barn with was lovely and warm. We enjoyed card bingo and of course one of John Dales alternative quizzes, we did really well this time but missed out by a whisker! We visited Filey which was cold but dry and bought one or two bits for Christmas. We even ventured on the bus to Bridlington, that was an adventure in itself the driver thought he was a racing driver it was a good job we could hold on!! The bus ride to Scarborough was much calmer and a shorter journey. We decided to stay in on the Saturday night but the Barn had an artist on which I'm told was quite good. The closing rally was held outside on Sunday morning as it was a beautiful sunny morning and I was very lucky in the raffle. A great rally thanks to Joan and John & Sue D.

June Sharp

South Cliffe 1st to 3rd December.

We were co-marshalling on this rally and set off the afternoon before to get ourselves and the site organised for when the ralliers arrived. We decided we were bonkers as on the way we had all four seasons of weather. Even snow got in on the act.

Friday was a dry day this year so waiting for the ralliers to arrive was good. Last year we were out in the rain all day. We soon had all those attending on site, unfortunately two of those booked were not able to attend. Coffee and tea was on that evening and was attended by all those brave enough to ignore the rain and cold. We did cheat and all took refuge in the inside corridor. Saturday was a free day, and most people took the opportunity to go out and about. We had a quick trip to the garden centre to search for a replacement water tray for our bird feeder. Sadly, we were out of luck, so the search continues. Closing flag was brought forward to that evening as the Weather forecast was grim for



the Sunday morning. It was again held in the corridor. The usual formalities took place with a great deal of humour supplied by the ralliers. The children had worked hard on their competition entries, and Grandma had to work even harder to clean up the caravan after they had finished them. Sunday morning, we woke to find snow had covered the site overnight/. But the marshals still produced sausage hot dogs for all the ralliers. That allowed them to pack up their vans and kit before we all set off in the snow on our homeward journeys. Hopefully, next year the weather will be kinder to us as the rally is in October.

Tim Norris

PHOTO COMPETITION AT THE AGM.

This year was my first year as organiser for this event and I would like to thank everyone who entered a photograph into the competition. Without you there would be no competition at all so get clicking on your camera, phone or iPad to get the cover picture for our 2025 brochure, or to let everyone know how how much fun your having on rallies.



It's nice for the marshals to see their rally in pictures, it sometimes encourages more ralliers to book next year.

I look forward to receiving more of your pictures next year. Thank you.

Dave Young

**CARAVAN CLASS
THE J.D.C. TROPHY**



**HUMOROUS
PHOTOGRAPHIC CUP**



**BROCHURE COVER
THE BENSON FAMILY PLATE**



Young Ralliers Competition Answers



The other Reindeer is **PRANCER**

Why was the turkey in the pop group?

Because he was the only one with drumsticks!

What do you get if you eat Christmas decorations?

Tinselitis!

What do they sing at a snowman's birthday?

"Freeze a jolly good fellow..."

What did Santa do when he went speed dating?

He pulled a cracker.

What happens to elves when they are naughty?

Santa gives them the sack!

Why couldn't the skeleton go to the Christmas party?

He had nobody to go with.

What do frogs wear on their feet? Open toad sandals.

Adult Quiz Answers

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BARN DANCE

with Caller "Dave Watterson"

SATURDAY, 27th JANUARY
2024

7.30pm - 11pm
in

WOODMANSEY VILLAGE HALL

£7.50

BRING YOUR OWN
DRINKS and a knife,
fork and spoon

Tickets are available
from The Chairman and
The Social Secretary



2 Course meal provided: Jacket Potato with fillings
and Apple Pie and Custard

RAFFLE

The Kids Christmas Party.

The Kids Christmas party went well. The Committee and partners worked hard to pull it together. Louise did some games with the children, so that helped us to fill a spot. We had a Happy Meal for the children, they played pass the parcel and many other games. Then Father Christmas and the Elves came with the presents for the children. So, a big Thank You to everyone involved.

Sue Holroyd



DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

SATURDAY, 20TH APRIL, 2024



The East Yorkshire Centre Dinner Dance and Cabaret

**The Rix Pavillion,
Drifffield Showground**



Menu

STARTER

Prawn and Melon Salad with Marie Rose Sauce

or

Thai Fish cakes with sweet chilli sauce

or

Carrot and Coriander Soup with bread roll

MAIN COURSE

Beef Fillet with Yorkshire Pudding

or

Chicken Breast with a bream white wine sauce

or

Poached Salmon in a Lobster sauce

or

Veggy option: Ricotta and Tomato Lasagne

Served with seasonal vegetables, roast potatoes and dauphinois

SWEET COURSE

Trio - Chocolate Tart, Creme Brulee, Mini Pavlova

or

Profiteroles and chocolate sauce

or

Spotted Dick and Custard

Ticket Price: £38.50 per person

Take your own drinks in for the evening.

Enquiries: Joan on 07740 352093.

CABARET



DON PATON

He is the most energetic and charismatic performer you will ever see. His vocal range is outstanding. He will either have you up dancing until your feet hurt, or mesmerized with his stunning renditions of musical theatre most revered numbers, Rock and Roll to swing, fast and slow. NOT to be missed. Supporting Disco by Denis.

There is a rally in conjunction with the Dinner Dance on the Drifffield Showground site so you can walk into the Rix Pavillion. The rally starts on Thursday. Enquiries: Denis on 07779 950789.



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