



# Members Casual Campsite

# NEWS

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Whilst all of us really enjoy getting out in or motorhomes, sometimes it can be a bit of a lonely existence and from time to time we crave a little friendly company from like minded people. Where better to find those people that from within the membership of the MCC?

**Members Casual Campsites** are specially arranged 'meets' in the UK and Europe which can be attended by MCC members from any group. As a general rule (though not always) they are held on full facility campsites and you simply book direct with the site quoting a special code. This code will give you access to MCC preferential rates and will ensure that you are sited as part of the gathering. You can attend a Casual Campsite for whatever duration you wish, but the longer you stay, the more opportunity you will have to get to know people and participate in activities. Why not try to persuade other members from your group to participate and you could all come together?

The tea tent is the 'hub' of the event. It is open most days and you can pop along for a free\* tea or coffee and get to know your fellow campers. Its a great way to find out where to go, what to see, what's going on and to make new friends.

A couple of informal events are arranged each week These could range from a cream tea to a 'group' meal to a games night or visit to a local place of interest. It's entirely up to you whether you wish to join in or simply do your own thing.

\*There is a nominal fee of £1 (or €1) per person per week to cover the cost of tea, coffee etc.



Casual Campsites are organised on a rolling programme basis, so in addition to this flyer, please remember to check your Club magazine for the latest information regarding these events. Just in case your interested, you should be aware that all hosts/stewards fund their own travelling expenses and the Club does not take any commission from the sites.



# Hendra Holiday Park, Cornwall

**8th Sept - 29th Sept (ADVANCE BOOKING NOT REQUIRED)**

Set in 80 acres of landscaped parkland not far from Newquay's golden sandy beaches this multi-award winning park truly has it all! Boasting a string of awards for its facilities, and accolades for its environmental and sustainable tourism achievements, Hendra really deserves its 'South West's Gold award-winning Holiday Park of the Year' status.

There's something for everyone at Hendra, numerous daytime activities and evenings filled with a thrilling line up of live stage acts and theme nights in The Venue. Great places to eat too with a restaurant, coffee bar, pizzeria and traditional fish and chip shop, whether you decide to eat in or takeaway! Whatever you're looking for, you'll find it at Hendra.



Newquay is a wonderful family seaside resort with its spectacular coastline and world-famous golden sand beaches. There are plenty of shops, cafes, bars and restaurants to enjoy in the town, along with a truly spectacular rugged coastline to explore. There is a regular bus service from the site and two large supermarkets are within walking distance. Optional excursions are sometimes available where you can take the opportunity to visit TV and film locations from Poldark and Doc Martin.



This is a favourite venue with many MCC members and the site is pleased to offer us the following:  
For 21 nights

Cost per pitch will be £8.50 per night including electric and pets (2 max)

Arrival from 12 noon on the 8th and departure by 10am on the 29th.

This is a non-booking event with plenty of pitches, so its turn up and pay on arrival.

Please note the Bluegrass festival is held during the first weekend of our stay so the site will be very busy.

Members please follow the MCC club signs to our designated area where you will be met by our marshals.

Terms and Conditions of the holiday park must be observed by all who park with us.

# Bonterra Park Camping, Benicàssim, Spain

## December 14th 2018 to 14th February 2019



With its charming promenade featuring wonderful late 19th century houses and what appears to be a typical sleepy Spanish town centre, you could be lulled into thinking that Benicàssim may be a bit sedate for a winter camping venue, but you'd be seriously mistaken.

No sooner than the Christmas lunch has been eaten and the New Year has been toasted with a glass or two of cava - Benicàssim bursts into life. Starting with the festival of the Three Kings in early January, there is almost three weeks of processions, fireworks and feasting. Also the world famous paella day, when all the roads close the whole town enjoys a massive street party and some 800 paellas are cooked outside in front of your eyes. Together with live music, traditional Spanish

costumes, fairground, dancing, bull running, much Sangria and lots and lots of fireworks, this is a whole series of events not to be missed.

The campsite has its own bar/restaurant hosting entertainment on some evenings. There is a large supermarket just across the road and it is only a short stroll into town or to the seafront. For those who like to cycle, there is a circular cycle path around the town and a superb 'green way' going both up and down the coast. The perfect location for motorhomers.

Other places to visit include the port city of Castellon (regular bus service), the nature reserve Desert de les Palmes or even the Carmelite distillery where they sold their first bottle of their famous liqueur with herbs in 1896.



### From 14th Dec 2018 - 1st Jan 2019

Motorhome & 2 people €17.50 per day. Electricity extra at €0.40/kwh. Pets (max 2) €1.12 each per day.

### From 1st Jan 2019 onwards

Motorhome & 2 people €19.10 per day. Price includes 4kwh electricity per day. Additional usage charged at €0.40/kwh.

Members staying long term will park together, shorter stays may be sited on alternative areas but will still be included in all MCC activities.

€100 deposit payable on booking, balance on departure. Bookings open on 1st May - 15th September 2018. To book, contact site directly either by phone +34 964300007 or email [bookings@bonterrapark.com](mailto:bookings@bonterrapark.com). Booking code is available in magazine or on our website

# **EUROCAMPING, OLIVA (VALENCIA REGION), SPAIN**

## **14th February 2019 to 25<sup>th</sup> March 2019**



Eurocamping is a full facility site practically on the beach, about 3 miles away from the quiet town of Oliva. There are quite a few activities on site in addition to our usual Casual Campsite events.

The Passeig (promenade) runs through the centre of Oliva and features a market each Friday with a plethora of fresh, local produce and wares. The blue flagged sandy beaches of Oliva stretch for 7 kilometres and there is a small marina to drift around.

In the old town there are two churches worth visiting, Sant Roc and Santa Maria la Major. At the top of the hill in the old town is Santa Anna Castle, built in the 16th century. It's a steep climb, but well rewarded with a magnificent panoramic view. Also, in the centre of the village is a Roman kiln situated below one of the blocks of apartments.



Oliva's Old Town has historical streets which see various fiestas celebrated throughout the year. During your stay in March, the 'Fallas' will take place. This happens all over the Valencian region with lots of local events leading up to the a competition to build and display 'Disney like' effigies in the streets. It culminates in the 'Crema', the systematic burning of the entries at night. Expect traditional costumes, live music and, as always, lots of fireworks!

Oliva is also a well-known town for cyclists, especially from Estonia. At the beginning of March, they gather here for the spring training camp. If you like to cycle, there is a fabulous off road, surfaced, green-way through the orange groves leading all the way to the neighbouring town of Gandia.

### **From 14<sup>th</sup> February - 25<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

Motorhome & 2 people €17 per day which includes 10amp electricity and all local taxes. Unfortunately, there is no discount for single members. Pitches are 70m<sup>2</sup> -120m<sup>2</sup> so please give your vehicle size when booking, to ensure that you will have the required space.

To book: email [info@eurocamping-es.com](mailto:info@eurocamping-es.com) quoting the booking code along with names, club membership number, vehicle reg, length and the dates of stay. On receiving your email, the site will email you directly with the cost and booking procedure. Pitches will be allocated on arrival. Site 'phone is +34 96 2854098,



Bookings are now open and the booking code is available in the magazine, on our website or simply text me and I'll send it back to you.

# FRANCE - La Cigaline Campsite, Dordogne-Perigord

## 5th June - 3rd July 2019



La Cigaline is located in Montpon-Ménéstérol in the Perigord region of France. The touring pitches all have electricity (10A) and most with partial shade, separated by well established hedges. The beautiful River Isle runs through the site, which is within walking distance of the town with its many amenities. Within walking distance there is also a large, tree lined recreational park with a man-made river beach for swimming and paddling.

You can enjoy the river for boating and fishing or explore the area on foot or bicycle. The site's close proximity to Montpon offers effortless access to the centre of the village. Every Wednesday there is an open-air market where local farmers gather to share their gourmet treasures of the region. A train station just 10 minutes walk away enables you to explore further afield. Subject to demand, excursions and events will also be organised.

The site has an outdoor heated swimming pool and a bar restaurant with outside seating areas. Ideal for a quiet relaxing holiday, you will receive a warm welcome from Corinne, Sebastien and their staff.



Price per pitch per day      For 2 people €13  
   For 1 person €10

Price includes pitch, 10amp electric hook up, WiFi (1device only) and pets (2 max).

Bookings will open on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2018 and close on 1<sup>st</sup> May 2019.

A deposit of 20% will be required on booking paid by credit card in euros, the balance to be paid at the end of your stay.

Booking code is available on the website or in your monthly magazine. You must book directly with the site quoting the booking code, your vehicle registration number and your MCC membership number.

Contact email [contact@lacigaline.fr](mailto:contact@lacigaline.fr) or call + 33 553802216

# **SCOTLAND – Bridge of Allan**

**(ADVANCE BOOKING NOT REQUIRED)**

**28th August - 25<sup>th</sup> September 2019**



Come and enjoy a taste of the real Scotland at this great location. Easily accessible from the motorway network, Bridge of Allan is a former spa town at the foot of the Ochil Hills, located just north of Stirling. The town developed as a spa resort in the 19th century, when visitors to the Trossachs began to increase. Authors Robert Louis Stevenson and Charles Dickens were regular visitors at the height of the resort's popularity. Many of its original fine Victorian villas and public buildings are preserved, evidence of its once prosperous past.

It is a thriving town with many shops, cafes, restaurants and even a micro brewery to discover all within easy walking distance from our site. It is well served with buses into the major city of Stirling which is also accessible by bicycle. If you want to explore further afield there is a railway station linking to Glasgow and elsewhere.

Strathallan Games Field is a popular venue for many clubs including our own Scottish group and offers a superb view of the Wallace monument. We invite all members, especially from 'down south' to come and explore Bonny Scotland



Parking will be on grass with fresh water and Elsan disposal available. There are no toilets and no electric hook up, though there will be battery charging available.

Dogs (on lead at all times in the camping area) are welcome.

Cost is £5 pupn payable on arrival. It is non bookable so you can arrive and depart at your leisure. We do have use of a wooden building, if required, for evenings or inclement weather. We also hope to organise some trips during our stay.

The Scottish group are organising a pre-rally in Moffat from 23<sup>rd</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> August.