

## CARAVANS AND CURRIES. June 5-7th

*They do mix I can assure you of that! If you didn't attend this rally you certainly missed a treat!*

*What a super weekend we had at the 'Spice of Life' rally which was admirably run by first time marshals Chris and Sandra Elmes together with co marshals Wayne, Dawn and Ben Kirman. Well done to you all.*



*From the start could sense that this was going to be a friendly rally and something special and altogether different.*

*The rally field was in the Claxby Pelham Farm CL and a better setting you could not wish for. A well drained field, plenty of access and a view of the rolling hills of the Lincolnshire Wolds. A lovely site for any weekend in the van non the least for this rally.*

*We were met by Chris, Sandra, and Wayne who made us very welcome and when everyone had arrived and was settled a cup of tea and a get together was arranged in the evening so that we could get to know our fellow ralliers.*



*Saturday Morning you could either chill, go shopping in Market Rasen or Caistor or if you were belonging to the younger age groups there was the opportunity to explore the woods and have a go at a bit of fishing( which of course included the grown up younger age groups)in the pond. I'm sure everyone's, fishing tackle was put to good use and I was advised that the pond was well stocked with plenty of fish to catch. Plenty of folk did well.*

*It was also good to see so many children on the rally and they were a credit to their parents and the Lincs Centre should be proud of them. They had a whale of a time on the bouncy castle and all we heard were squeals of laughter. They obeyed their parents about the woods and the fish pond limits and they also played and socialised together really well. Maybe a good omen for future Lincs Youth Committee Members*

*1pm Saturday afternoon was the time that everyone was looking forward to when Abdul and his family from 'Spice of Life' Indian Restaurant in Grimsby, (He also owns 'Eastern Delights' in Cleethorpes Market Place) gave us a fabulous*

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*demonstration on how to cook Pokhoras, Bombay Potatoes and Chicken Bundhi Curry. And we had tasters each time. They were yummy and moorish. The marquee was packed and even the children dared to have a taste and looked to be enjoying themselves.*

*Abdul gave such an interesting demonstration and looked to be also enjoying every minute, showing different techniques and interacting with us, especially when people asked questions on how to cook and preserve things. He was great. Our thanks for his time and skill.*

*But the highlight of the weekend came at 7pm that same day when Abdul came back with his crew and pans of curry, pakhoras, Bombay potatoes, nan breads, rice, etc, etc. We had a sumptuous Indian Feast and the smell of the spices and aroma of the curries was wonderful in the marquee. We packed in the tables and chairs in the marquee and met old friends and made new ones.*

*Everyone was very sociable and you could see that all had enjoyed the meal, the beer and the wine and some even the new experience of a curry.*

*We all went back to our vans eventually full up and sated and content after a lovely evening.*



*Well done and thank you Chris and Sandra, Dawn, Wayne and Ben for finding such a lovely venue, using your charms of persuasion to have Abdul to demonstrate and cook for us, and for thinking up such a great idea for a rally weekend.*

*As I said at the beginning if you did not come you missed a treat. The rally was full this year and I am sure it will have a waiting list next year when word gets around. We certainly will be booking on the 'Spice of Life' rally next year very, very early.*

*Too good to miss as Caravans and Curries and chilling out certainly do blend well together on a weekend!*

*Cheers from Linda and David Sankey.*