

Spring National Weekend.

This years spring gathering was held at the Derbyshire hotel, strangely in Derbyshire, at the beginning of May. It was a fun packed event starting with the fancy dress party on the Friday, which was on a '50's theme and nearly everyone made a great effort with the organising group all dressed up as cowboys, indians and 'saloon girls' there were also teddy-boys, rockers (and there chicks.) as well as some notable characters from the era. The night started off with a very nice buffet meal followed by a live barn dance band with caller, after a few dances there was a parade of the fancy dress and the band picked two winners, Ros Hardy won for the Lady's as a char lady and Tony Paul won for the men as Edmund Hillary.



The Saturday was filled with assorted outings to places of interest in the local area, including a farm visit, a longish walk and a local pottery works (Where everyone got to make there own frog as a memento.). This was followed in the evening with the traditional black tie dinner and a disco which went on well into the night.

On the Sunday morning there were more but shorter visits including one to a local rail museum, followed by either a restaurant meal or bar snack. When that had settled we all gathered for the members meeting where everyone got a chance to have there say on the way the group is run.

He weekend was finished off in style with a quiz night and finger buffet with the quiz mistress having minor trouble keeping control, (good job she was a school teacher and knew how to deal with rowdy big kids.

Everyone had a great time and we all look forward to the autumn and the next gathering of the clans.