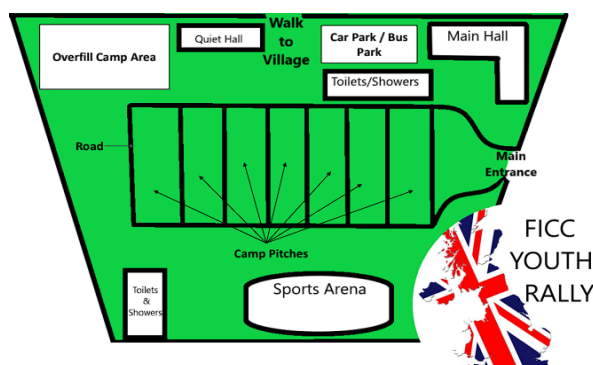




NEWSLETTER – SEPTEMBER 2023

72nd INTERNATIONAL F.I.C.C. YOUTH RALLY **from 28 March to 1 April 2024 at the Black Isle Showground near** **Inverness/Scotland**

Full information on FICC2024GB@gmail.com
FICC2024GB.co.uk



The rally site is a 20-minute walk from the town, has all the necessary infrastructure i.e. showers, toilets, electricity on pitches, cooking facilities, a bar, etc. etc.

There will be an excursion to Loch Ness, a haggis race, highland games and numerous other recreational games and - competitions.

Airports: Edinburgh, Glasgow, Aberdeen.

The organisers can help with transport to the rally site. The nearest railway station is 20 miles away but the organisers are prepared to collect rally-goers.

There is a direct bus from London to Inverness where the organisers can pick up rally-goers and take them to the rally site.



Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
	8am-9.30am - Breakfast	8am-9.30am - Breakfast	8am-9.30am - Breakfast	8am-9.30am - Breakfast
10am – Site Opens	10am-4pm – Optional Trip	10am-4pm – Trip to Loch Ness, Castles, Inverness	10am-1pm – Volleyball & Football Competition	12 noon – Site Closes
2pm-5pm – Football Zorbing			2pm-5pm – Highland Games	
5pm - 7pm - Evening Meal - Café Open	5pm - 7pm - Evening Meal - Café Open	5pm - 7pm - Evening Meal - Café Open	5pm-7pm – FICC Burns Supper with 'Address the Haggis' by Alex Cook, Toast the Haggis followed by Easter Meal – Haggis, Tatties & Neaps.	
7.30pm-9.30pm – Opening Ceremony & Welcoming Games – Come dressed in your International Colours	7.30pm-9.30pm – Fun Games – including Haggis Race	7.30pm-9.30pm Ceilidh Lessons – come and learn a couple of Scottish Dances for the Ceilidh tomorrow night.	7.30pm-9.30pm – International Ceilidh – come dressed in Tartan for the Closing Ceremony & Ceilidh	
9.30pm-Late – Disco	9.30pm-Late – Disco	9.30pm-Late – Disco	9.30pm- Late – Disco	



94th INTERNATIONAL F.I.C.C. RALLY 2024 from 31 MAY to 10 JUNE in GOSEONG & SOKCHO CITY, GANGWON PROVINCE/SOUTH KOREA

organised by
KCCF (Korea Camping & Caravanning Federation)





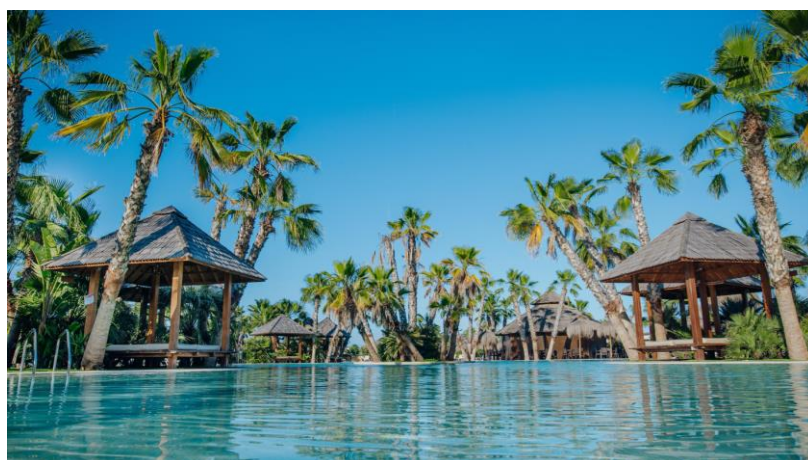
Daily Rally Programs /Rallye-Programm/Program du rallye
vom 31. Mai – 10. Juni/du 31 mai au 10 juin

Celebrating Eve with terrific fireworks on May 31-Feuerwerk am 31. Mai/Feu
d'artifice le 31 mai

		Events	Specials	Booths	Tours
May 31	Arrival	Eve	Fireworks		
June 1 (Sat)	Day	Opening ceremony Parade	–	Diverse various experience booths all day-night open	08:00 ~ 18:00 (Excursion)
	Night	Delegates meeting	Beverage K-POP concert 1		
2 (Sun)	Day	Excursion (Unification observatory DMZ Museum)			
	Night		Korean traditionals		
3 (Mon)	Day	Excursion (Pyeongchang) Price : 50 Euros			
	Night		International Culture Night		
4 (Tue)	Day	Excursion (Goseong-tourist attraction) Price : 60 Euros			
	Night		Korean Night		
5 (Wed)	Day	General Assembly			
	Night		Camping goods, traditional fine arts experience		
6 (Thu)	Day	Excursion (Maritime Museum /beaches) Price : 50 Euros			
	Night		Camping food contest		
7 (Fri)	Day	Excursion (Gangneung)			
	Night		International drinks Night		
8 (Sat)	Day	Excursion (Seorak-mountain trekking)			
	Night		Tiawan's Night		
9 (Sun)	Day		K-POP concert 2		
	Night				
10 (Mon)	Day	Closing Ceremony			



F.I.C.C. WORLD CAMPING FESTIVAL 2024 in ALICANTE/Spain
from 26 June to 3 July
at the Alannia/Costa Blanca campsite



Alannia on the Costa Blanca/Spain is a camping resort that is open all year round. It lies in the heart of Vega Baja in the province of Alicante, and is one of the most beautiful places on the Mediterranean, a corner of paradise on earth. Alannia is one of the largest camping complexes in Spain (400,000 sq.m.) and has all of the amenities and infrastructure one would expect. In addition it has one of the province's most spectacular water parks and claims to have 365 days of sun annually! Pets are welcome.





95th INTERNATIONAL F.I.C.C. RALLY 2025 in FULONG/TAIWAN from 25 April to 4 May 2025

The venue is Longmen campsite in Fulong/New Taipeh City.

In 2025 The Camping Association of the Republic of China celebrates its 50th anniversary.



96th INTERNATIONAL F.I.C.C. RALLY
Date: 26 June to 5 July 2026
Location: Karpfham/Southern Germany
Organiser: Deutscher Camping Club e.V.





97th INTERNATIONAL F.I.C.C. RALLY 2026 IN CHINA

Date: 25 September to 4 October 2026

Location: vicinity of Beijing

Organiser: 21RV



Photos G. Vergouts

Camping/Caravanning/Motorcaravanning

What are the regulations governing “wild camping” in France? Where is camping allowed and where is it forbidden? What is the difference between bivouacing and wild camping?

The difference between these two concepts lies in the length of stay and in the equipment used. Bivouacing is what climbers and hikers tend to do most on their travels because they spend their nights en route in unknown territory far from any formal camping infrastructure.

Wild camping on the other hand attracts people travelling around by car who want to stop for a few days but also want to be within reach of the amenities of modern living.

But you may not stop and camp just anywhere in France and wild camping is only tolerated to a limited extent. Decree N° 2015-1783 of 28 December 2015 lists restrictions as follows:

- No stopping over in woods, groves and parks that are classified as protected wooded areas
- On protected listed sites
- On classified sites and those listed as protected natural heritage and conservation areas



- Less than 500m from a classified or registered historical monument
- On the seashore/along sea coasts
- Within a radius of 200m from a water source that is used for drinking purposes
- In any defined area covered by a municipal decree for health or safety reasons.

As regards camping on so-called “private” land, this is possible provided the owner has given permission. However, not all landowners are enthusiastic about campers settling on their property and fines for unauthorised camping can be as much as €1,500. After a night of “wild camping” you should always ensure that you leave the area as clean as it was when you arrived, that you take your rubbish away with you, you do not empty toilets or grey water and you put any rocks, branches etc that you may have moved, back in their original place.

Source: Liaison FFCC

Tents are making a comeback

In camping terms, tents have been relegated to third place for a long time and camping in a tent had all but disappeared. Caravans, camper vans and mobile homes dominated the scene. But things have changed and now the tent is definitely back in fashion. Whether it's a dome tent, a tunnel tent or a frame tent, fabric walls have become popular once more which was obvious just about everywhere this summer.

Source: Camping, Cars & Caravans

Glamping: You are hearing a lot more about glamping these days and many campsites are offering this type of “camping”. This is tent camping taken to a luxurious level: you don't sleep on an airbed on the ground but in a proper bed with soft pillows in surroundings that are so comfortable that they are worthy of a 4* hotel. What is handy is that everything is supplied so you don't need to bring anything with you. It certainly feels more like camping and being close to nature than being in a hotel.

The word glamping comes from two English words “glamorous” and “camping”. It is a new word that has existed officially since 2005 and first appeared in the Oxford dictionary in 2016. S.B.

Practical tips – for campers too

Fill up a spray top bottle with vodka and use to keep **wasps** away and even render them harmless.

Screwtops that are stuck can be rescued: If the thread no longer bites in the screwtop, wind an elastic band round it which gives a better grip.

Alternatively use a good old-fashioned nutcracker.

Chalk keeps ants at bay: A simple line drawn in chalk outside your front door or balcony door or even on a window sill should be enough to deter an invasion of ants.

Chalk has an alkaline pH value of 8.5 that deregulates ants' acid-alkaline balance – and so they stop at the line of chalk!



MISCELLANEOUS

Traffic

Cars: A combustion engine vehicle should not be parked on a bay reserved for e-vehicles, especially not if it is a charging bay. It could be towed away because it is depriving an electric vehicle driver of the legal right to use a charging station (a recent court decision in Germany).

Health

Rubbing one's chest and back with a face cloth soaked in **vodka** is a good way of bringing down a high temperature.

First aid in the event of an electric shock (a frequent occurrence in the home too). Do not put yourself in danger by moving or touching the victim! First turn off the electricity (pull out the mains plug or fuse).

Once the pulse and breathing are back to normal, place victim in the recovery position. Call the emergency services immediately on 112 and start heart massage. Keep the person warm by covering with a blanket. Disinfect any small superficial burns on the skin and treat with iodine ointment if available.

Warning: For accidents involving high voltage, call the emergency services immediately on 112 and leave the recovery and care procedures to trained professionals.

Curious facts/environment/culture

The **wax moth** is the creature that has the most acute hearing. It can detect sound up to a frequency of 300kHz whereas the human ear can only hear up to 20kHz. Moths communicate using the same high-pitched sound that bats (their natural enemy) use.

The biggest palace in the world is still the "Forbidden City" in Beijing. It is protected by a 50m wide moat and the complex within the walls covers a surface area of 720,000 sq.m.

The palace of Versailles/France has a total surface area within the walls of 8,150.00 sq.m.

The biggest inhabited castle is Windsor Castle (Great Britain) – 45,000 sq.m.

There really is a **Saint James Waterway** and one can take a pilgrim route to Santiago de Compostella by sea. Point of departure is Portosin harbour (Spain) and then follow the old sea routes that were used in the Middle Ages to your destination. Your pilgrim passport will be stamped in the ports.

The "**Sphere**" in **Las Vegas/Nevada-USA** will open with the first in a series of 25 concerts on 29 September. This massive dome, or round pyramid as it is also called, can seat 18,600 spectators. A gigantic projection area comprises 1.2 million LED over 54,000 sq.m. Another "Sphere" is planned in London.



08 September International Literacy Day
15 September International Day of Democracy
20 September Universal Children's Day
21 September International Day of Peace
23 September International Day of Sign Language
27 September World Tourism Day
30 September World Maritime Day and International Translation Day

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM F.I.C.C. AND ITS MEMBERS



During the Kampeer & Caravan Jaarbeurs Fair in Utrecht from 4 to 8 October 2023, **NKC (Nederlandse Kampeerauto Club)** together with ANWB, BOVAG-RECRON and KCI, are holding a congress on sustainability in camping and will be considering how other entrepreneurs and players in the sector are dealing with this issue and how one can best put ideas into practice. Well-known speakers, experts and practical examples will provide the backdrop and impetus to proceedings.

The congress, with English interpretation, is designed for everyone involved in camping e.g. manufacturers, sales people, entrepreneurs and companies, campsite managers and even politicians.

The congress will be held in the auditorium of the media plaza in the centre of the Jaarbeurs Utrecht, (2nd floor), from 6.30pm to 9pm (reception from 5.30pm) on 4 October. Further information on info@duurzaamheidscongres.nl

[Registration www.duurzaamheidscongres.nl](http://www.duurzaamheidscongres.nl) or m.vandijl@nkc.nl



Program Camping Industry Sustainability Congress - 4 October 2023

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| 17.30 hrs | Welcome reception with drinks and dinner. Networking opportunities |
| 18.30 hrs | <p>Opening by host Rens de Jong & Jacco Vonhof
 Rens de Jong is a well-known radio & TV host and a debate leader. One of his specialities is sustainability.
 Jacco Vonhof is chairman of the business association SME Netherlands. Years of experience as an entrepreneur. He is driven and socially engaged and a true connector.</p> <p>The state of the climate and our influence
 Bernice Notenboom - Climate journalist, explorer and filmmaker.
 Polar and mountain expeditions, climate journalist, writer and filmmaker and camper, Bernice is it all and always with a focus on the effects of climate change. Facts and highly illustrative images raise awareness of the effects of climate change. In addition, she gives tips and routes on how we can change our behaviour; what do entrepreneurs need to act more sustainably? In short, Bernice helps with the question: 'what can you do tomorrow already'. Her impressive story brings you one step closer to being an ambassador of change in the industry!</p> <p>Presentation conclusions sustainability survey
 In cooperation with ANWB, a survey was conducted among campers. How important do campers think sustainability is? Do they take sustainability into account when choosing a camping pitch or camping equipment?</p> <p>Sustainability in the camping industry; It's already happening!
 A sustainable way of working is not something of the future. It has to happen now. The camping sector has developed and is on the move. Many sustainable examples can already be found at many manufacturers, dealers and camping locations. To inspire you with what is already there and can already be done in practice, organisations will take the floor. They share their experiences and provide tips and ideas. Among others, Huttoopia, Ventje, Woodpecker campers, the Solar team of TU/Eindhoven and more green innovators will speak. Listen and find out how you can implement sustainability in your organisation/product.</p> <p>Sustainable Camping Awards Ceremony
 The evening concludes with the ceremony of the Sustainable Camping Awards. After an exciting battle between the participants, the expert jury will reveal the winners in each category. Most sustainable camping spot, camping equipment and who will go home with the prize of most sustainable innovation concept?</p> |
| 21.00 hrs | Closing and drinks reception. Networking opportunities. |



Invite Camping Industry Sustainability Congress - 4 October 2023

The camping industry is facing a challenge: to become more sustainable with the entire camping chain. Together, we have to take care of the climate and the environment so that future generations can continue to enjoy camping. That means reducing CO2 as much as possible and producing in a circular way.

What is already happening in the camping industry in terms of sustainability? How are other entrepreneurs dealing with this? How can you translate this into actions for your own business?

The biggest players* in the Dutch camping industry have joined forces and organise the **Camping Industry Sustainability Congress on 4 October** in Jaarbeurs Utrecht.

Practical information:

- ☐ 4 October 2023
- ☐ 17.30 - 21.00 hrs (including buffet dinner)
- ☐ Mediaplaza Jaarbeurs Utrecht
- ☐ Speakers: climate journalist Bernice Notenboom, SME chairman Jacco Vonhof, conclusions from the sustainability research in cooperation with ANWB
- ☐ Admission is free, registration is required
- ☐ The event will be in Dutch – we will provide live translations into English for you

Be inspired by inspired speakers, practical examples, peers and don't miss the opportunity to make your organisation sustainable too. Don't miss this conference! So mark 4 October in your agenda and register as a visitor!

[REGISTER ONLINE](#)

Registration is in Dutch, alternatively you can email to register: info@duurzaamheidscongres.nl

**This event is being organized by the biggest and most important players in the market:*

NKC (Dutch campervan association), **KCI** (Dutch Camping and Caravan Industry), **KCJ** (Dutch Camping & Caravan Jaarbeurs), **ANWB** (The Royal Dutch Touring Club), **BOVAG** (Industry Association for entrepreneurs in the mobility industry), **HISWA-RECRON** (Business Association of water sports and recreation entrepreneurs).



**NORDIC RALLY from 7 to 11 JULY 2024 in Kiuruvesi/Finland
under F.I.C.C. patronage**



The Nordisk Camping Radet has been organising Nordic Rallies since 1964 with Sweden, Finland, Norway and Denmark taking it in turns to host the event.

The 2024 Nordic Rally coincides with the 60th anniversary of SF Caravan ry. SF Caravan wants to invite F.I.C.C. members from all over the world to share in these celebrations and give them the opportunity to visit the beautiful forested area around Kiuruvesi.

The programme will include the chance to learn about local gastronomy, enjoy farm visits and other agriculture-based activities and you will even have the opportunity to plant a tree or two, all with the involvement of local people and groups.

Further information on the rally website: **nordicrally.fi**

Camping in Finland – Wildcamping in Finland is only permitted for campers in tents, not caravans. But people are very tolerant, just remember not to cause an obstruction or drive across country.

www.nationalparks.fi

www.discoveringfinland.com

Sightseeing: Helsinki and its national museum, parliament buildings and Kiasma, a museum of contemporary art. Worth a visit: Suomenlinna fortress.

Lahti and its famous ski jumping hill (100 km north of Helsinki)

Sandcastles in Lappeenranta (in the summer months)

The huge smoke sauna Jätkänkämpä (space for 70 people)

Saimaa Cycle Tour for enthusiastic cyclists

Repovesi national park

More suggestions on www.visitfinland.com/de



Camping AMADRIA PARK
Šibenik, 23.-30. lipnja 2024.

The 24th Adria Camping Rally will take place from 23rd to 30th June 2024 at the Camping Amadria Park in Šibenik/Croatia organised by UDRUGA KAMPISTA HRVATSKE (UKH).
Further information ukh@camping-croatia.com





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**L'Italia è stata tra i paesi fondatori della
Federazione Internazionale F.I.C.C.**

Sala AGORA' – PAD. 4
Sabato 16 settembre 2023 ore 10.30
Con la partecipazione del Presidente
Internazionale F.I.C.C.
Joao Alves Pereira



EXHIBITIONS

Austria: Caravan Salon Austria from 18 to 22 October 2023, in Wels
Belgium: Salon des vacances from 1 to 4 February 2024, in Brussels
France : Salon des véhicules de loisir from 7 to 15 October 2023, in Paris
 Salon du camping-car from 7 to 15 October 2023 in Villepinte (near Paris)
 SETT from 8 to 10 November 2023, in Montpellier
Germany: Caravan Bremen from 4 to 6 November 2023, in Bremen
 Touristik & Caravaning from 16 to 20 November 2023, in Leipzig
 CMT from 13 to 21 January 2024, in Stuttgart
 ABF Caravan und Camping from 31 January to 4 February 2024, in Hannover
Great Britain: WTM from 7 to 9 November 2023, in London
 Caravan & Motorhome Show from 11 to 14 January 2024, in Manchester
 Caravan Camping & Motorhome Show from 13 to 28 February 2024, in Birmingham



Italy: Salone del Camper from 9 to 17 September 2023, in Parma

Netherlands: Kampeer & Caravan Jaarbeurs Fair, 4 to 8 October 2023, in Utrecht

Caravana from 14 to 28 January 2024, in Leeuwarden

Vakantiebeurs from 11 to 14 January 2024, in Utrecht

Portugal: Nauticampo from 1 to 4 February 2024, in Lisbon

Spain: Caravaning from 7 to 15 October 2023, in Barcelona

Glamping from 7 to 15 October 2023, in Barcelona

FITUR from 14 to 21 January 2024, in Madrid

Caravaning from 1 to 4 February 2024, in Alicante

Switzerland: Suisse Caravan Salon from 26 to 30 October 2023, in Bern

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