



NEWSLETTER – JUNE 2024

F.I.C.C. WORLD CAMPING FESTIVAL 2024 in ALICANTE/Spain
from 26 June to 4 July
at the Alannia campsite on the Costa Blanca



<https://campistasfecc.es/wcf-2024> (Spanish)
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95th INTERNATIONAL F.I.C.C. RALLY 2025 in FULONG/TAIWAN from 25 April to May 2025



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

In 2025, The Camping Association of the Republic of China is celebrating its 50th anniversary

Full information on
<http://www.95thficcrally.com/>

CAROC has prepared a very interesting and varied programme of excursions as well as a post-rally tour in Taiwan.





96th INTERNATIONAL F.I.C.C. RALLY
Date: 26 June to 5 July 2026
Venue: Karpfham/South Germany
Organised by the Deutscher Camping Club e.V.



Bad Griesbach im Rottal is a town and health resort in the Passau district located in the Lower Bavarian spa resort triangle. Griesbach Castle was first mentioned in documents around the year 1076. Griesbach was elevated to city status on 2 September 1953. Griesbach has thermal springs whose waters come from a depth of 1,500m. In 1973, the city was designated as a state-recognised climatic health resort. In 1977, a municipal spa centre was opened and in 1979 the three thermal springs, from which the three-spring bath is named ("Dreiquellenbad"), were recognised by the state.

In addition to lively customs, cultural and scenic highlights worth seeing, visitors to the Lower Bavarian spa triangle in Bad Griesbach also have the largest continuous golf course in Europe for their enjoyment.

"Whether on two legs or two wheels, the surroundings of Bad Griesbach can be enjoyed all year round either at a gentle pace or in a more energetic and sporty way."



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

Date: 25 September to 4 October 2026

Venue: Vicinity of Beijing

Organised by 21RV



Photos: G. Vergouts

Shanghai





Camping/Caravanning/Motorcaravanning

Since the pandemic, **roof top tents** have become extremely popular on account of their flexibility. All that you need at a campsite is a pitch for a car and tent. But just like a motorcaravan, once it is installed, you can forget about driving around, so it is a good idea to have bikes with you. The advantages of a roof tent are: a bird's-eye view, good all-round airflow, no damp groundsheets! These tents always come with mattresses included.

Time taken setting up and taking down roof top tents depends on the type of tent and the campers' expertise.

But don't forget that a vehicle with a roof top tent is still subject to exactly the same regulations (wild camping etc.).

German campsites clocked up a record 42.3 million overnight stays in 2023 – an increase of 5.2%

Source: camping.info

Practical tips – for campers too

Cleaning off mosquito nets is quite easy. You just remove the net, wipe it off and hang it back up in the window. It's a bit more complicated when it comes to cleaning insect screens: but one painless solution is to remove the debris using a clothes/textile roller with adhesive strips!!

MISCELLANEOUS

Traffic

New warning sign – regulations for transporting bikes on vehicles

Basically, in Italy, any item you are transporting that protrudes beyond the dimensions of your vehicle must carry a reflective red and white striped warning sign. This regulation also applies to rear bike and luggage carriers now and it is obligatory. If you are carrying a load that exceeds the total width of your vehicle, then two warning signs must be displayed at the back, one on the left and one on the right hand side. The reflective panel must be made of metal (aluminium) and measure at least 50 x 50cm with red and white stripes (five red stripes minimum). If you do not display these panels, you can expect to be fined at least €80.

There is another peculiarity that you should be aware of: according to Italian road traffic regulations, a load may in principle protrude 30 cm in width beyond the tail lights. However this concession does not apply to so-called "difficult to see" loads. And cycles/bikes now fall into the category of "difficult to see" according to Italian legislators' recent interpretation of the regulation and they may not therefore exceed the width of the transporting vehicle.

Source: Extract ADAC/Camping DCC

Toll charge increases in France

Toll charges have increased by an average of around 2.7%, varying from region to region.

Vinci motorways have increased tolls by 2.7%, Sanef and SAPN by 2.79% and 3.08%. The Millau viaduct costs 6% more than it did last year.



Sweden has many excellent **cycle paths** that beckon and tempt one to explore the **Swedish countryside** by bike. The Göta Canal Trail is one such: this 200 km trail runs from **Slötorp to Mem** along the canal of the same name and there are no steep climbs or descents so it is very suited to families.

The **Unionsleden cycling trail** in the Dalsland Province passes through woods and alongside lakes and canals. It is about 350 km from **Moss to Karlstad**.

The **Vänern Trail (Vänerleden)** is Sweden's longest (640 km) and takes you all round **Lake Vänern**.

Further info on www.vastsverige.com

Source: Camping, Cars & Caravans

Health

It is generally accepted that apple vinegar **stops heartburn**: every morning mix 150 ml water with 1 tablespoon of apple vinegar and drink. (No guarantee!)

Curious facts/Environment/Culture

When and where did the **classical or traditional circus** first appear? In England, in the middle of the 18thC when acrobatic riders performed in an outdoor ring for the first time. In 1770, the programme designed by Philip Astley, a riding school instructor, was extended to include ballet, shadow theatre, acrobats and a clown. In 1778/79, Astley's equestrian circus performed in an indoor ring in London. He went on to co-found the Cirque Olympique in Paris whence its name. The big top (circus tent) arrived in the USA at the end of the 19thC and became very popular in Germany, giving rise to the Renz and Busch circus dynasty.

Source: Mit dem Zirkus auf Tour (On tour with the circus) NDR/D

The **Venice Biennale** runs until 24 November 2024 and timed to coincide with this event in the world's largest outdoor museum is an exhibition **"Willem de Kooning (1904-1997) and Italy"** in the **Gallerie dell'Accademia**. It is open from 17 April to 15 September.

Anselm Kiefer (1945), one of Germany's most important contemporary artists and painters, is exhibiting one of his specially commissioned pieces in the inner courtyard of the Palazzo Strozzi in Florence from 22 March to 21 July 2024. A number of Kiefer's other works, including "Fallen Angels", are also on display.

INTERESTING UPDATES FROM F.I.C.C. AND ITS MEMBERS

German Camping Prize 2024

DCC (Deutscher Camping Club e.V) awarded its Camping Prize this year to Mr. Kai Dhonau, President of the German Caravanning Trade Federation (Deutscher Caravaning-Handelsverbands DCHV).

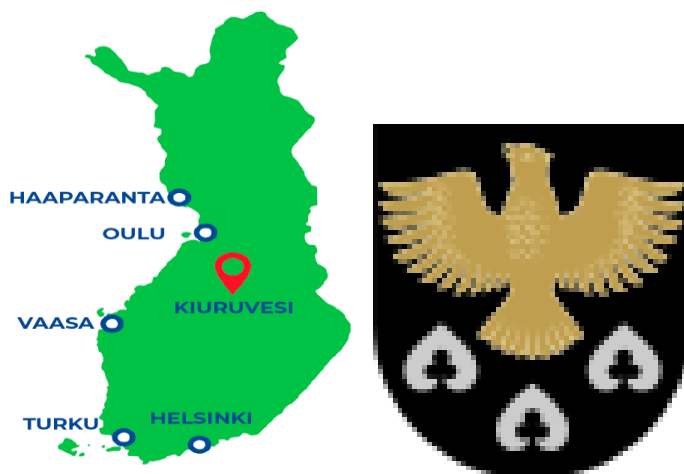


And **DCC** itself received an award, the **CTI Milestone Award**, for 75 years' service to camping through changing times.

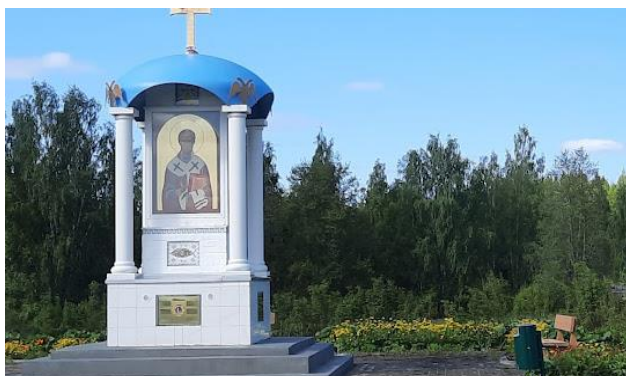
NORDIC RALLY from 7 to 14 JULY 2024 in Kiuruvesi/Finland under F.I.C.C. patronage



Further information on: www.nordicrally.fi



Kiuruvesi: population approx 8,000 i.e. 5.6 people per sq.km. Elevation 88 to 160 m. Surface area: 1,422.90 sq.km. of which 94.79 sq.km is water. The town is in North Savonia, was established in 1873 and granted municipal rights in 1993. The local council comprises 29 members representing 7 parties.



www.visitkiuruvesi.fi/

www.kiuruvesi.fi/In-English



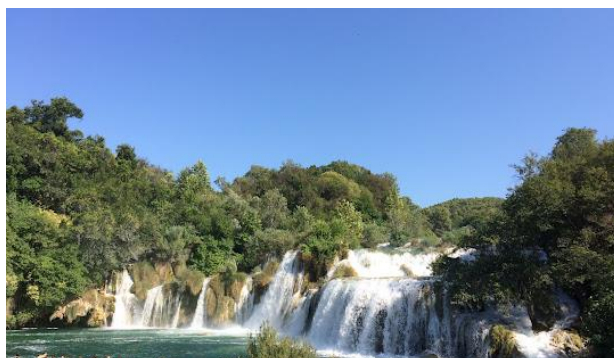
The 24th Adria Camping Rally will be held from 23 to 30 June 2024 at the Amadria Park Campsite in Sibenik/Croatia organised by UDRUGA KAMPISTA HRVATSKE (UKH) under the patronage of the Ministry of Tourism and Sport and F.I.C.C.



Further information: ukh@camping-croatia.com



Cathedral of St. James in Sibenik – UNESCO World Heritage Site



This wonderfully picturesque town has a population of 34,000 and covers 39,950 hectares. Sibenik is 89 km from Zadar and just 87 km from Split, two more eminently visitable towns in Croatia. There are good bus services to Zagreb, Dubrovnik, Zadar, Split and to nearby villages such as Murter, Vodice, Skradin, Primosten etc.)

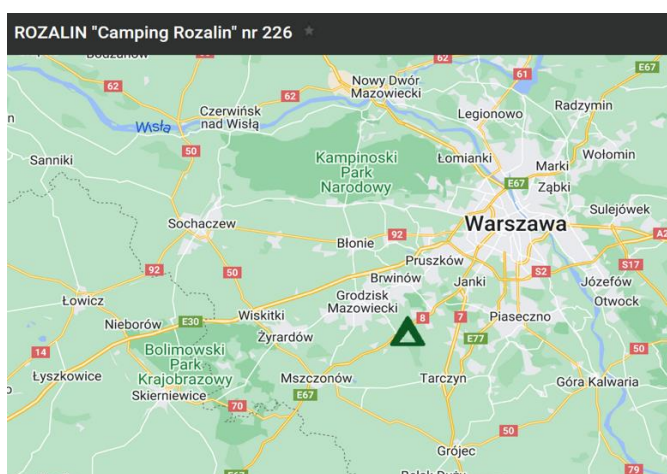


INTERNATIONAL RALLY - PFCC CELEBRATES 60 YEARS

ROZALIN (PL)  **27.07 - 1.08. 2024**

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Application deadline • Anmeldeschluss • Date limite d'inscription: **before • bis • avant 25.06.2024** Add
20% after 25.06.2024 • 20% Zuschlag nach dem 25.06.2024 • 20% de supplément après le 25.06.2024



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INTERNATIONAL RALLY - 60 YEARS OF PFCC

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PROGRAMME / PROGRAMM / PROGRAMME

27.07.2024

12.00	Opening of the rally area	Eröffnung des Rallyegeländes	Ouverture des terrains du Rallye
	Arrival of the participants, accommodation	Ankunft der Teilnehmer und Unterkunft	Arrivé des participants et hébergement

28.07.2024

8.00	Arrival of participants and accommodation rally	Ankunft der Teilnehmer und Unterkunft	Arrivée des participants et hébergement
14.00	Rally opening ceremony	Eröffnung der Rallye	Ouverture du Rallye
19.30	Music programme, disco	Musikprogramm, Disco	Musical programme, discotheque

29. 07. 2024

10.00	Excursion - Bus trip to Warsaw, guided city tour (facultative)	Ausflug - Busfahrt nach Warschau, Stadtführung (fakultativ)	Voyage en bus à Varsovie, visite guidée de la ville (facultatif)
12.00	Recreational programme	Freizeitprogramm	Programme recreatif
19.30	Music programme, disco	Musikprogramm, Disco	Musical programme, discotheque

30. 07. 2024

10.00	Excursion - Bus trip to Żelazowa Wola and Nieborów with a guide (facultative)	Ausflug - Busfahrt nach Żelazowa Wola und Nieborów mit Führung (fakultativ)	Voyage en bus à Żelazowa Wola et Nieborów avec guide (facultatif)
12.00	Recreational programme	Freizeitprogramm	Programme recreatif
19.00	Gala - 60 years of PFCC	Feier- 60 Jahre von PFCC	Gala - 60 ans de PFCC
20.30	Disco	Disco	Discotheque

31. 07. 2024

12.00	Recreational programme	Freizeitprogramm	Programme recreatif
16.00	Closing of the Rally	Abschluss der Rallye	Clôture du Rallye.
19.30	Disco	Disco	Discotheque

1. 08. 2024

<12.00	Departure of all participants	Abfahrt aller Teilnehmer	Départ des participants
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EXCURSIONS • AUSFLÜGE • EXCURSIONS

29.07.2024 - WARSAW / WARSCHAU / VARSOVIE*

duration/ Dauer/durée	Excursion	Ausflug	Excursion
10.00- 15.30	Guided bus excursion to Warsaw, sightseeing	Busausflug mit Führung nach Warschau, Stadtbesichtigung.	Excursion guidée en bus à Varsovie. Visite de Varsovie

30.07.2024 – ŻELAZOWA WOLA, NIEBORÓW*

duration/ Dauer/durée	Excursion	Ausflug	Excursion
10.00- 16.30	Guided bus excursion to Żelazowa Wola and Nieborów. Visiting Żelazowa Wola - the birthplace of Fryderyk Chopin and visiting the palace in Nieborów.	Busausflug mit Führung nach Żelazowa Wola und Nieborów. Besuch von Żelazowa Wola - Geburtsort von Fryderyk Chopin und Besichtigung des Palastes in Nieborów.	Excursion guidée en bus à Żelazowa Wola et Nieborów. Visite de Żelazowa Wola, la maison natale de Frédéric Chopin, et visite du palais de Nieborów.

* Excursion will be organised if at least 30 people participate.
Der Ausflug wird organisiert wenn mindestens 30 Personen teilnehmen.
Le voyage sera organisé si au moins 30 personnes s'inscrivent.

EXHIBITIONS

Argentina: Expo Rodante in October 2024, in Buenos Aires
Austria: Caravan Salon Austria from 16 to 20 October 2024, in Wels
Belgium: BCCMA-Mobicar in October 2024, in Brussels
Brazil: Expo Motorhome in November 2024, in Novo Hamburgo
Czech Republic: Caravaning Brno in November 2024, in Brno
Finland: Caravan Finland from 26 to 29 September 2024, in Lahti
France : Salon des véhicules de Loisirs from 21 to 29 September 2024, in Paris-Le Bourget
Germany: Caravan Salon from 31 August to 9 September 2024, in Düsseldorf
Caravan Bremen from 8 to 10 November 2024, in Bremen
Touristik & Caravaning from 20 to 24 November 2024, in Leipzig
Great Britain: The North Motorhome & Campervan Show from 19 to 21 July 2024, in Norwich
Motorhome & Caravan Show from 15 to 20 October 2024, in Birmingham
Italy: Il Salone del Camper from 14 to 22 September 2024, in Parma
Netherlands: Kampeer & Caravan Jaarbeurs from 2 to 6 October 2024, in Utrecht
Spain: Expo Camper & Caravan from 18 to 22 September 2024, in Madrid
Sweden: Elmia Husvagn Husbil from 11 to 15 September 2024, in Jönköping
Switzerland: Suisse Caravan Salon from 24 to 28 October 2024, in Berne
Turkey: Kamptalya Outdoor ve Motordrom from 12 to 16 February 2025, in Antalya
USA: Portland Fall RV & Van Show from 12 to 15 September 2024, in Portland.



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