

Lazy Times

Lazy Days Touring Caravans and Motorhomes

Welcome to the 2nd Edition of the Lazy Times. Autumn is here. Time for bonfires, sticky apples, fire works going off before the 5th and, most annoyingly, people asking you “what do you want for Christmas?”! Me? Every year I say I will start early and before you know it, its 2 weeks away! Oh well, lets leave “Christmas talk” till next month.

What a busy October! We had the show at the NEC in Birmingham for those who went I hope you managed to grab a bargain ready for next seasons Caravanning and Motorhoming. There was so much to see. It was my first time and, ladies, I must buy some flats next time!

This month we are featuring the wonderful county of Somerset. I apologize in advance for anything I have missed out but you will find a link to the Somerset Tourist Board below. For next months feature see page 2.

Somerset.

Cheese, Caverns and Bridges

From the seaside to caverns deep under ground Somerset has something for everyone. Let your imagination run riot as you visit the fascinating world of [Cheddar Gorge](#) and [Wookey Hole](#). Pictured left is one of the caverns. New at Wookey is the Cave museum celebrating 400 years of paper making at the mill. Children, and adults, can try their hand at papermaking the old fashioned way. There is also the fairy kingdom and valley of the Dinosaurs so the fun doesn't stop once you have marveled at the sights inside Wookey Hole.



Paper Making

At Cheddar Gorge the caves are much bigger than Wookey. You can also see Cheddar Cheese been made. If you are feeling really energetic you can scramble up Jacobs Ladder to the top of the Gorge.

[Wells](#), England's smallest city, can be found in the beautiful [Mendip Hills](#). It has been a Roman Settlement and is mentioned in the Domesday Book so is steeped in history.

[Glastonbury](#) is not only famous for festivals but also for its [Tor](#) and for its [Abbey](#) set amongst 36 acres of parkland and ponds. These are a must see in the Spring with carpets of snowdrops and crocus followed by daffodils

[Dunster](#) is a favorite with its tiny thatched cottages and its imposing castle. In the centre of the village you will find the Buttercross. It also has the Dolls Museum and a working mill where you can get a cup of tea and sit surrounded by countryside.



Dunster



Guess Who?

A definite must do is [Bristol Zoo](#). We went when it was pouring with rain (husband said I was mad) but there is PLENTY to see without getting wet. There is the Twilight House and many other “Houses” so you can dodge the showers. What I liked about the zoo was the openness of it. You can walk with Lemurs, exotic birds, butterflies and feeding the Lorikeets is FAB. If the sun is shining, take the little one's swimming costumes. They have a wet play area which looked great fun! Visit www.bristolzoo.org.uk for more details.



Bristol is also home to the [Clifton Suspension Bridge](#). A young Isambard Kingdom Brunel won a competition in 1830 to design the bridge. The project started in 1831 but after being dogged by political and financial problems, the project was abandoned in 1843 with only the towers completed. Brunel died in 1859 aged just 59. The bridge was completed in his memory and opened in 1864.

Weston Super Mare

Is one of many seaside towns with both shopping and seaside fun next to each other. Take a trip on Weston's own eye or walk around [Jill's Garden](#). The garden was created in 2001 by BBC's Ground Force team in memory of Jill Dando whose family still lives locally.

For foodies, Weston has a wonderful array of restaurants and cafes and at night the town comes alive with friendly bars aplenty!

November sees the illuminated carnival which has over 100 floats winding through the streets at night. It definitely has the WOW factor.

There is plenty to do in the summer months with festivals on the beach, namely T4's music festival. Visit www.westonsupermare for more details.

Shopping!

Ladies, you must visit [Clark's Village](#) in [Street](#) (just over 1 mile from Glastonbury on the B3151) it has over 75 shop units filled with famous named outlets selling at discount prices! Shopper's heaven!!!

Somerset is full of places to see. Here is a list of other attractions and places to visit. [Minehead](#), [Watchet](#), [Burnham on Sea](#), [Bridgewater](#), [SS Great Britain in Bristol](#), [Cricket St Thomas](#) famous for “[To The Manor Born](#)” and the two [Severn Bridges](#) to name but a few. Visit www.somerstourism.co.uk.

Enjoy!

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For the month of December, I want your stories of Christmas. I want to know your family traditions, which Christmas decoration has pride of place in your home and why and I want to know the silliest, tackiest Christmas present you have been given! I also want to know if you have celebrated Christmas in a caravan or motor home. You can keep it anonymous in case of reprisals if you wish. Just fill in the form below and email or post it to me.

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