HAW WOOD FARM CARAVAN PARK NAMED AA MOST IMPROVED CAMPSITE OF THE YEAR FOR 2017

The nation's best caravan and campsites are celebrating today as the AA announces the winners of the AA Caravan and Camping Awards 2017. Among this year's winners is Haw Wood Farm Caravan Park in Dunwich which was named AA Most Improved Campsite of the Year 2017.

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Camping is still such a popular holiday choice and with more and more people opting for 'staycations' caravan and camping is a fun and affordable option. This year sees the introduction of a new award – The AA Glamping Site of the Year, to celebrate the popularity of Glamping.

When visiting Haw Wood Farm Caravan Park the AA inspector

claimed 'What a difference a year makes' following his visit to this massively improved family-orientated park, which occupies two large fields in a peaceful rural location close to Saxmundham, RSPB Minsmere and the glorious Suffolk coast. Since 2015 the forward-thinking Managers Georgina and Dan Harrison have invested in the park, transforming it from a simple farm site into a top Four Gold Pennant park. They have completely redeveloped the amenity block to a very high standard, replete with underfloor heating, hotel-grade fixtures and three family wet rooms, as well as creating an excellent reception area, a popular new play area, a great farm shop and Café@Hawwood that offers breakfast, lunches, afternoon teas plus fish and chips on Friday nights. For 2016, they resurfaced the roads, added a new motorhome service point, a recycling area and created several newly planted areas to encourage wildlife. They have plans to increase the number of hardstandings and electric hook-ups, and add more fully serviced pitches for the 2017 season. Guests can expect excellent levels of customer service including some great added extras such as welly boots, cots, pushchairs and baby toys all available on loan during their stay.



All the winners appear in the new AA Caravan and Camping Guide 2017. Over 860 campsites in the Guide have all been visited by one of the AA's qualified Campsite Inspectors to look at touring pitches, facilities and hospitality before grading the site from one to five Pennants, including the Gold Pennants awarded to the best parks. Each entry within the guide includes location, ratings, contact details, directions, prices, opening times, facilities and a description to help select the right site for your needs.

The AA Caravan and Camping Guide is available from The AA Shop for £12.99 and as a free app for iPhone, iPad and Android.

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The winners of the 2017 AA Caravan and Camping Awards are:

AA CAMPSITE OF THE YEAR 2017

ENGLAND AND OVERALL WINNER - Vale of Pickering Caravan Park, Allerston, North Yorkshire

SCOTLAND - Blair Castle Caravan Park, Blair Atholl, Perth & Kinross

WALES - Fforest Fields Caravan & Camping Park, Builth Wells, Powys

AA REGIONAL CAMPSITES OF THE YEAR 2017

South West – Padstow Touring Park, Padstow, Cornwall

South East – Sumners Ponds Fishery and Campsite, Barns Green, West Sussex

Heart of England – The Old Brick Kilns, Barney, Norfolk

North West - Castlerigg Hall Caravan and Camping Park, Keswick, Cumbria

North East - Cote Ghyll Caravan & Camping Park, Osmotherley, North Yorkshire

HOLIDAY CENTRE OF THE YEAR

Rockley Park, Poole, Dorset

MOST IMPROVED CAMPSITE OF THE YEAR

Haw Wood Farm Caravan Park, Dunwich, Suffolk

SMALL CAMPSITE OF THE YEAR

Drumroamin Farm Camping & Touring Site, Wigtown, Dumfries & Galloway

GLAMPING SITE OF THE YEAR

Durrell Wildlife Camp, Trinity, Jersey