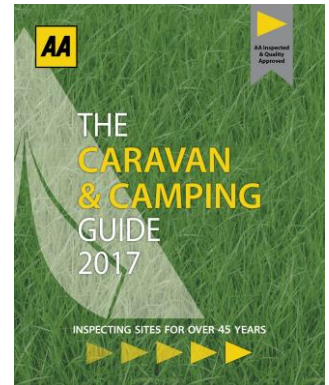


FFOREST FIELDS CARAVAN AND CAMPING PARK NAMED AA CAMPSITE OF THE YEAR FOR WALES 2017

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 Fforest Fields Caravan and Camping Park, Builth Wells, Powys, which was named AA Campsite of the Year for Wales 2017.

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.

A long established hillside farm is the location for this superb holiday destination, located a few miles from Builth Wells and the Royal Welsh Showground. The meandering tree-lined drive to Fforest Fields Caravan and Camping Park creates a happy feeling of anticipation, and on clearing the outer forest, the gentle slope stops at the level touring areas. The excellent pitch density results in optimum privacy, and the surrounding densely planted hills are home to a wide range of indigenous wildlife. This is a walkers' paradise as there are lakes, woodland and moorland all within the park's boundaries. The site has a conveniently located, spacious eco-friendly amenities block, fuelled by a bio-mass boiler and solar panels, which provides excellent facilities for adults and families. In addition to the excellent reception, there's a stylish café that serves local and home-reared produce and, for a glamping holiday, there's two bell tents, 'Betty' and 'Harry', each with a kitchen. In recent years, new members of the Barstow family have brought individual and specialised talents to the team equation; the park is very popular with outdoor adventure groups and the Barstow family are to be commended for their partnership with local youth groups who certainly enjoy time spent at the park.





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