



GOOD TO KNOW – JULY 2018

87TH INTERNATIONAL F.I.C.C. RALLY from 27 July to 4 August 2018 in Paaren –Berlin / Germany



Don't forget: From 29 June 2018 there is a 20% surcharge on the rally booking fee

Attention: CHANGE regarding the Post-Rally in Poland

The Polish Camping and Caravanning Federation informs rally-goers that the Post-Rally will be held on Campsite N° 142 "Wisniowa Polana" in Miłków (Lower Silesia) from 4 to 8 August 2018. The campsite is about 300 kilometres from Berlin.

PFCC hopes that this Post-Rally will be just as successful as the previous ones organized there and that all participants will return home with many happy memories.

19th ASIA-PACIFIC F.I.C.C. RALLY from 26 to 31 October 2018 in RV World-Chengdu Palm World RV Campsite, Youai Town, Pidu District – Chengdu City/ CHINA

Registration deadline: 1 September 2018

Registration: 21RV BBS, 21RV Official Wechat, 21RV Website: www.21rv.com

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The **Programme** is really varied and comprises excursions to the Giant Panda Base (breeding of panda bears), Dujiangyan (world heritage site), Temple of Marquis in Chengdu, Du Fu Thatched Cottage, Jinli Street, Kuan Alley and Zhai Alley.

More detailed information can be obtained from 21RV.

The **rally booking fees** are as follows: Adults: US\$ 50; young people (12-17 years old): US\$ 25; children under 12 years old free of charge.

Accommodation:

In own tent: US\$ 0.00 per day (no electricity)



Rental motorhome: US\$80.00 per day (4 persons/electricity included/toilet/bed sheets/kitchen (gas stove, knife, plate)

Electricity US\$3.00 per day

Hotel

Wyndham Hotel: US\$ 121.00 for 2 persons/per day

XU Courtyard Hotel: US\$ 45.00 for 2 persons/per day

Information regarding excursions (at least 30 people per excursion) will be provided later.

69th INTERNATIONAL F.I.C.C. YOUTH RALLY 2019 IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC



Programme fee: €65 per person (inclusive of tourist tax)
(Reservation deadline 31. 3. 2019)

LOCATION:

Autocamping Konopáč, Heřmanův Městec, Czech Republic
GPS: 49.9374733N, 15.6474581E

PROGRAMME:

Thursday, 18. 4. 2019

- Arrival, registration and accommodation of participants
- Opening ceremony
- Disco

Friday, 19. 4. 2019

- Free time for individual activities
- Trip to Kutná Hora (UNESCO) and National Stud farm in Kladruby nad Labem (€12 per person)
- Evening with games
- Disco

Saturday, 20. 4. 2019

- Free time for individual activities
- Trip
- Evening with games
- Disco



Sunday, 21. 4. 2019

- Meeting of delegates
- Day of sports – football, volleyball, table tennis, etc.
- Traditional dinner and international evening
- Special closing ceremony
- Disco

Monday, 22. 4. 2019

- Departure

Subject to change

Pre-Rally 15 - 17. 4. 2019 and Post-Rally 23 - 26. 4. 2019

SITE FACILITIES

- Showers and toilets
- Camp kitchen
- Restaurants
- Affordable café and bar
- Mobile food store
- Free WiFi
- T-shirts

TRAVEL:

- Air:
 - Prague - 100 km - 2 hours
 - Pardubice - 15 km - 20 minutes
- Train:
 - Pardubice - 20 Minutes

By arrangement: Shuttle bus from Pardubice to camp

RESERVATIONS:

Reserve in three easy steps:

1. Complete the digital registration form at www.konopac-hm.cz/21090/ficc-youth-rally.
Alternatively, complete the reservation form on the back of this leaflet and send it by e-mail to ficcyouthrally2019@gmail.com.
- Option: Send a multiple application form for the entire camping club in the form of a table.
2. Once we have received the completed registration form, we will send you an invoice and payment instructions.
3. Registration will be confirmed and valid after payment.



88th INTERNATIONAL F.I.C.C. RALLY FROM 26 JULY TO 4 AUGUST 2019 in Châteaubriant/France



The programme will include: excursions, visits, horse-racing, food tasting of regional specialities, gastronomic meals, cabaret evenings, musical entertainment, dancing and dinners with a band.
All "Made in Châteaubriant!"

Registration and further information: www.ficc.fr or info@ficc.fr or www.ficc2019.com or phone 00.33 142 72 84 08

89th INTERNATIONAL F.I.C.C. RALLY from 28 SEPTEMBER TO 6 OCTOBER in Ten-ei Village (Fukushima Prefecture) /Japan



The rally booking fees are as follows: Adults (over 23 years old) ¥ 18,000 / young people (13-22 years old) ¥ 15,000 Yen/ children (6-12 years old) ¥ 9,000 / children under 6 years old free of charge.

An interesting programme is being prepared and a presentation will be made at the Rally in Paaren/Germany.



90th INTERNATIONAL F.I.C.C. RALLY 2020 IN OSTIA/ ROME (ITALY) from 24 July to 2 August 2020



History of the A.C.T. ITALIA FEDERATION, our host in 2020



A.C.C.P. (Auto Campeggio Club Piemonte) was founded in Turin on 13 April 1932 by Luigi Bergera, a man full of passion for living in the great outdoors. It was the first camper club in Italy and the fifth in Europe. Through the creation of A.C.C.P., Bergera took part in rallies no longer as a private person, but as the official representative of Italy.

On the occasion of the Rally in Saxenheim in May 1932, the president of the NTKC (NL) proposed that an international federation of camper clubs be created – an idea that was welcomed by Luigi Bergera at once.

In August 1933, in cooperation with the daily “La Stampa,” A.C.C.P. organized the first national rally in Italy. Other meetings followed in subsequent years, culminating in the organization of the 6th International F.I.C.C. Rally in Meina-Novara (Piedmont) in 1938.

The Italian Camping Federation came into being in Milan in 1939, and the first guide to camping sites was published that same year.

In 1940, following the dissolution of all associations/federations in Italy, the Minister for Popular Culture in Rome created the A.C.T.I (Italian camping tourism federation). It was a national federation that brought together all existing sections. During World War II, the A.C.T.I. moved to Turin and adopted the name A.C.T.I. Central. The various Italian associations were sections of the A.C.T.I. for the most part, but they demanded their independence. This led to the creation of the Italian camping federation in Terrenia, whose members were the central secretariat of A.C.T.I., Aria Aperta (a camping newspaper), A.C.T.I. Turin, A.C.T.I. Novara, A.C.T.I. Trieste, the Camperclub Lombardo and the camping clubs of Florence and Tuscany.



The privileges of A.C.T.I. for the distribution of the camping carnets (CCI) and the international representation of Italy, were transferred to the camping federation, which afterwards became Federcampeggio.

Federcampeggio followed the model of the A.C.T.I. with the exception that the affiliated associations were independent and no longer sections. They could submit their articles of association to the federation, and if they wanted to bear the name of A.C.T.I., this had to be approved by ACTI Central in Turin.

The 22nd International F.I.C.C. Rally was held in Rome in 1961, and the 32nd International F.I.C.C. Rally in Otranto. Both events were well attended and met with great success.

In 1999, A.C.T.I. organized the European Rally for the first time in Giulianova/Abruzzo.

Because many countries have two or more federations and work in synergy, the A.C.T.I. asked the general meeting of the International F.I.C.C. Rally 2000 in Lechbruck, for individual admission of the A.C.T.I. federation, accepted in Rome by the Ministry of Popular Culture with a sort of seniority right from the year 1932, not from 1940. This was accepted, and the name of ACTITALIA national federation was recognized.

Since 2001 Italy has taken part in international rallies with the members of both federations united under one flag and pursuant to a common policy on the use of the campers of this nation.

ACTITALIA members and delegates have since then taken part in nearly all international and Europe rallies.

Professor Camillo Musso was president of ACTITALIA until 2004, and is today honorary president of the federation. He is a member of the management committee of the Europe Rally.

General Epifonio Pastorello was president of the ACTITALIA Federation from 2005 to 2008. During these three years, the federation took part in many national and international events.

Pasquale Zaffina has been the president of ACTITALIA since 2008. He has been very active in organizing national and international tourism-related conferences. Membership in the ACTITALIA Federation has gone up under his leadership, and this growth is reflected in the tourism sphere in Italy and the EU. Pasquale Zaffina is an architect by profession, has a technical studio in Rome, is the operational coordinator of emergency civil protection in the national Council of Architects, and sits on the committees of influential institutions such as UNIONTURISMO F.I.S.I.C.O. (road safety), and CUNA-U.N.I. (national centre for vehicle standardization, in particular for caravans and motorcaravans).

The federation has a historical section, RIVARS, the only Italian federation of ASI – the historical auto club of Italy – which upholds the history of motorcaravans and caravans.

ACTITALIA Federazione has signed agreements with leading sport, environmental, culture and tourism organizations.

ACTITALIA FEDERAZIONE has organized the following events:



- In 2010: the 60th International Youth Rally on the “Aurelia Camping” - Rome;
- In 2013: the 52nd Europe Rally at the “Union Lido” of Cavallino Treporti – Venice
- In 2018: the 57th Europe Rally at the “Park Albatros” in San Vincenzo – Tuscany.
- The general meeting of the F.I.C.C. in Brussels in 2017 commissioned A.C.T.ITALIA Federazione to organize the 90th F.I.C.C. Rally in 2020 on the “Capitol Camping” site in Ostia Antica - Rome.

Camping/Caravanning/Motorcaravaning

Strong growth in China

Caravanning is experiencing a boom in China and is delighting more and more people in the planet's most populous country. This is confirmed by the seventh “All in Caravanning” fair, which has moved to larger facilities in Beijing because of its growth. The AiC was held in the Etroung International Exhibition & Convention Centre for the first time from 22 to 24 June 2018. Apart from the growth in terms of floor space and number of exhibitors, the expected peak in terms of visitors was also attained. The rapidly improving purchasing power of the middle class is also contributing to the growing popularity of caravanning, as more and more people are discovering mobile leisure as a form of holidaymaking. The dynamic expansion of camping sites and offers for caravanning are also fuelling this growth.

Best quarter ever

The caravan sector in Germany registered the best quarter in its history in 2018, as the Federal Motor Vehicle Transport Authority registered 17,580 new leisure vehicles – more than ever before, in the first three months of a year, and 22.4% more than during the same period in the previous year. 5,499 of these were caravans, i.e. an 8% increase, with 3,200 new caravans (up 0.5%) being registered in March alone – a figure for that month not seen in nearly 20 years.

Camping overnight stays: Record in Austria

Official statistics show 6,403,324 overnight stays at Austrian camping sites last year. This represents an 8% increase from the previous year ((5.931.418) – a figure not reached since the 1990s. Arrivals at Austrian camping sites rose by 10% from 1,431,294 in 2016 to 1,573,757 in 2017, the highest documented figure ever. The reason is that more and more Austrians are discovering camping. Arrivals of domestic campers rose by 4% at around 380,000, and overnight stays by as much as 8.9% to over 1.5 million. The strong growth registered in recent years can be gauged by comparison with the figures of 2012: Overnight stays are up by 21.6% (from 5,268,945 to 6,408,324), and arrivals by as much as 31.4% from 1,197,316 to 1,573,757.

Source: Camping, Cars & Caravans (D)

Attention: Never activate cruise control if the road is wet, covered with snow or if it is raining, because already from the beginning of aquaplaning and if the tyres lose contact with the road, the car starts to go faster and to lift off like an aeroplane.

Source: A.C.C.C.W (B)



According to the UN World Tourism Organization, tourism is today one of the fastest developing sectors for the coming years: 1,235 million travellers crossed international borders last year alone. This figure of 1.2 billion is expected to climb to ca. 1.8 billion by 2030.

Source: Tourism Highlights, Edition 2017

MISCELLANEOUS

Attention: wasps

All those who work in their garden, mow or water lawns, take out the rubbish and cook outside, or spend time in the great outdoors, must always have a 5- or 2-cent coin in their pocket, and use it if they are stung by a wasp to press the sting site for 15 minutes.

The copper in the coins neutralizes the “harm” of a wasp sting.

If the sting site swells afterwards, you must see a doctor.

Source: A.C.C.C.W (B)

Environment

Belgium: Blue flag for Nieuwpoort beach

After 15 years, Nieuwpoort is the first Belgian coastal municipality to be awarded the Blue Flag quality label. This award is based on water quality, ecology, safety, access possibilities, teaching and education.

Bern/Switzerland: Protection of endangered species bears fruit

Planting of cedars in Lebanon, repopulation of sturgeon in Russia, tracking green turtles via satellite in Australia... The protection programmes sometimes make it possible to stall the disappearance of a species, which often is caused by man, or to reverse the process entirely. The International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) wanted to prove that protection helps. The numbers of giant pandas, for instance, have increased to such an extent that the panda no longer falls under the “endangered” categories, although it is still “vulnerable.”

Curious

Kabul/Afghanistan: A hand-painted Koran in silk. 6120 pages of the Koran were painted by hand, to save the centuries-old art which is threatened by calligraphy. It took a team of 38 calligraphers and miniature painters two years to create this work of art, which is bound in leather and weighs 8.6 kilos. It took the calligraphers two days to write the holy verses on every page using a bamboo pen.

Nap pods in New York: To recharge their batteries in the “city that never sleeps,” New Yorkers have discovered the beneficial effects of a nap. There are nap pods throughout the city, and in other metropolises in the United States. Nap York, for instance, has opened three levels with nap pods near Times Square. Wooden pods for one person can be rented for a half hour during the day and also at night for \$12. A hammock on the roof goes for \$15 per half hour.

Source: Metro (B)



Diesel has been banned in a small part of Germany since May 31st

There are plans to ban old diesel engines all over Europe. Germany is the first country to put theory to practice, on two arteries in Hamburg.

The official purpose of this ban is to improve the air quality in the German port. In practice, however, these measures remain anecdotal, as they concern two strips of 1,600 and 580 metres – and only for diesel engines which do not comply with the EURO 6 standard. In addition, there are exceptions for residents, ambulances and delivery vans.

These bans seem to have a very limited impact, particularly in an area that plays host to the third largest commercial port in Europe where gigantic container vessels burn enormous quantities of fuel oil – A situation that can be transposed to many other port cities.

Source: Gocar (B)

FAIRS AND EXHIBITIONS

Belgium: Mobicar from 12 to 16 October 2018 in Brussels

Brussels Travel Expo from 10 to 11 December 2018 in Brussels

Germany: **Caravan Salon Düsseldorf from 24.08 - 02.09.2018 in Düsseldorf**

Caravan Salon Bremen from 9 to 11 November 2018 in Bremen

The Netherlands: Kampeer en Caravan Jaarbeurs from 10 to 14 October 2018 in Utrecht

France: Salon des Véhicules de loisir from 29.09 to 07.10.2018 in Paris le Bourget

SETT in November in Montpellier

Spain: Madrid Xanadu Outlet & Occasion from 10 to 14 October 2018 in Madrid

Italy: Il Salone del camper from 8 to 16 September 2018 in Parma

Switzerland: Schweizer Caravaning Salon from 25.10 to 29.10.2018 in Bern BEA Expo

Austria: Caravan Salon Austria from 17.10 to 21.10.2018 in Wels

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