

Ramsey Steam and Vintage Rally



RV and Jeepster all camped up and ready for the show - My girls all ready for a ride out in the Jeepster - Full size showmanship engine, looking magnificent - Grays 1/4 scale tank next to full size personnel carrier believed to be Russian, not to mention the beautiful Chevelot side step pick up truck



Ramsey in Cambridgeshire is one of those beautiful little towns that too few people ever manage to see! However there are many Ramseys in the area so be sure you visit the right one. I very much doubt that we would have visited Ramsey had it not been that we had been invited to visit The Steam and Vintage Rally which is held on the nearby disused Airfield. An annual 40's weekend is also held at the venue

This beautiful little place has an Abbey, a very old and lovely Church and numerous little shops, included a large 24 hour Tesco. It also has the added bonus of a Rural Museum which is most interesting and well worth a visit.

During our stay in Ramsey we also visited the nearby town of March which is very picturesque on a sunny summer day with the river running through the town, moorings for boats and a short walk to the shops, perfect for restocking supplies! The Butcher had a great variety of sausages and we thoroughly enjoyed these later that day along with some delicious steak. Of course, as lunch time approached we had to sample the fish and chips too - and very nice they were!

Exploring further afield we arrived in Huntington which is



Pike having a fun time during the Road Run to The Jolly Sailor Pub and The Ramsey Day Nursery in Ramsey Market Place on Saturday evening.





Great selection of military lorries , motor bikes , steam engines outside the Jolly Sailor on our road run on Saturday night , an old Austin lorry as the BBC , plus grays Tiger 1 tank



a lovely spot. The town is, famous for being the birthplace of Oliver Cromwell! We found, and visited The Cromwell Museum, which was very interesting, and passed some lovely historic buildings and Churches. By contrast to the beautiful historic buildings a new ultra modern shopping centre is under construction, now a must most large towns.

As I said, the main reason for our being at Ramsey was to attend the Steam and Vintage Rally which is in it's second year. This is a great event and one to be definitely put onto the calendar for next year.

After a damp, cold week, the sun finally put in an appearance during Friday and then shone for the whole weekend!! Needless to say this delighted the organisers, exhibitors and visitors alike.

There was plenty to see and do over the weekend including the road run to Ramsey on Saturday evening to visit The Jolly Sailor Pub in the market place, with a great selection of exhibits taking part.

The weekend was enjoyed by all, including Pike, alias Paul Rees, who insisted on coming along but his mother had told to wear a scarf to keep out the cold!!! Roll on next year.

Here we saw beautiful Mules and were told how important part they played during the war, but sadly never survived the war, beautiful animals - We also saw Alpacas, so sweet and some beautiful scarves to buy from their coats - Next was my favourite, camped right near to us was a beautiful New Foundland, his name was Bear and was just three years old, sadly he only had sight in one eye , but that did not stop him pulling that cart and was a beautiful dog - We saw a lovely full size showmanship engine working an organ, which are always a pleasure to see.

