# Root Hill

# Family Camp

Sat. 30th July – Sat. 6th Aug. 2022 Accommodation: Tents, Caravans, nearby Travelodge

### **Accommodation**

Bring your own **tent** or hire/buy one from us. We can supply sleeping bags, air beds and blankets if required. There is room for a small number of **caravans** with optional electric hook-up. Or you can come as a day visitor. The **Travelodge** in Dorking is only 3 miles away and they have some cheaper rooms available if you book early.





### **Background**

Root Hill Farm is 3 miles south east of Dorking, in the heart of the Surrey countryside, with views across the North Downs. The post code is RH3 7AS, and it is 20 mins. from Jn 8 or 9 of the M25. **David & Esther Hollands** are running this camp in conjunction with the **South West District** of the **Association of Grace Baptist Churches (SE)**.

## **C**atering

**This is a self-catering camp**, but if you don't have your own cooking equipment the camp kitchen is fully equipped with 3 gas cookers & utensils, and you are welcome to use that. You may like to join with another group and cook/eat with them. Basic foodstuffs will be available on-site. Brockham (2 miles) has a village shop and Dorking (3 miles) has 3 supermarkets, various take-aways and restaurants.





## **Details**

All prices are for the full week on a self-catering basis in tent or caravan. **Cost per adult £40** Children under 18 £30 Children under 5 £15 (you only need to pay for the first 2 children)

Cost for electric hook-up for caravan or tent £20 (*limited availability*). Tent Hire from £10 for 2 person to £50 for a family tent. For more information **contact** David on 0208 640 7094 or 0787 9476155 or email <u>David@Roothill.co.uk</u>

#### Entertainment

The holiday is designed to be relaxed and informal. As well as having opportunity to play games on the field, we have woods on the farm and good local walks. The neighbouring farm has a large dairy herd and a modern rotating milking parlour, and young calves to see. There will be leaflets available detailing



nearby places to visit. Dorking has **swimming centre**. **Chessington World of Adventure**, Godstone & Bocketts farm parks, & also Guildford, Crawley & Horsham with **bowling**, **Laser Quest**, **boating** & **Ice Skating** are all within ½ hours drive. The **Bluebell Steam railway** and the seaside (Brighton, Worthing & Littlehampton) are about an hour away. Several National Trust places are within easy reach (Box Hill, Polesdon Lacey, Nymans Gardens).



#### **Facilities**

The toilet block has **hot showers** and a hair dryer. There are 3 **microwaves**, 2 washing machines, 3 tumble driers, hot running water and plenty of fridges & freezers! The Good News Barn is a fully carpeted eating/meeting room. The **lounge** to the side has **armchairs** and **hot drink facilities**. We will have a small **bookstall** & a **tuck shop**, selling sweets, drinks, ice creams, torches, glowsticks, notebooks, pens, small toys & souvenirs etc. We also have **full-size snooker table**, table tennis, table football, unicycle, large paddling pool, trampolines, **bouncy castle**, inflatable slide, tractor rides, go-karts, swings, giant Jenga, foot-ball, cricket, rounders, basketball, volleyball, badminton, as well as some

#### Good News Barn

Our morning devotions will be led by our guest speaker & we also hope to run a parallel children's meeting and a crèche. In the evenings we hope to have various other speakers which may include someone from GBM. (*In 2015 our speakers were Brian & Rosie Edwards, Jonathan Gardner, Chris Pegington, Paul Brooks, Adam Laughton, Jim Sayers & Paul Davies.*)





#### History (Centenary Camp!)

**Frank Hollands** began farming here in **1922** and his son Ralph continued until his retirement at the end of the nineties. Ralph's son David thought farming was too much like hard work and so, with Esther, began running camps in 1994. Children's camps are held during the May ½ term, and the GBM Youth camp is held at the end of August – more details on the Root Hill website. The picture shows David & his sister feeding chickens in the camp field in 1965, but nowadays the only livestock running round the farm are unruly campers!

#### **Information**

Please email email <u>David@Roothill.co.uk</u> if you are interested in coming There is no need to pay in advance

There is no charge for day visitors, but donations accepted.

Other items available: Air bed or sleeping bag, Sleeping mats, blankets, towels, crockery/cutlery can be borrowed free of charge.

If you come by train we can pick you up from Dorking station.

Young people under 18 need someone over 25 on camp to be responsible for them



For other details see www.Roothill.com

