King's Lynn Caravan & Camping Park

Norfolk

The site is convenient for visiting Norfolk and the fens

We revisited this site for the fifth time in September and it goes without saying that we love it. Set in ten acres of stunning mature parkland, and having a choice of three level fields, this site is one of our favourites. A £250,000 investment this year has now bought it up to a standard envied by many other sites.

A new modern eco-friendly toilet block is the main project completed this year, with free hot showers, full toilet facilities, washing facilities and a dishwashing area. Electricity is supplied from the roof's solar panels and low voltage lights inside are plentiful. The block is disabled friendly with special parking reserved for disabled people close by.

If you prefer it, the old style toilet block is still in use as a secondary facility. The small but practical reception office has a small shop for the basic essentials. This site is in a prime position for visiting Norfolk and the fens, both of which are areas of outstanding beauty. It is also the nearest campsite to the historic port and market town of King's Lynn.

On the down side we felt that the addition of a children's play area would benefit the site immensely, it seems odd that there is not one. Entry to this site is easy through the large wide iron gates and is suitable for caravans, motorhomes and RVs.

If you are not used to traffic noise at night beware of pitching on the field next to the main road, as it is quite busy at night. Wi-Fi is available on site and reception was good.

The website advertises a bus service pick up outside the main gate, unfortunately this was not operating whilst we were there, and we understand it has been suspended.

The market town of King's Lynn is interesting with lots of streets off the main street to explore it still retains its old character, and we found plenty of car parks at sensible prices within walking distance of the town centre. And King's Lynn appears to be holding its own during the recession as there was not as many closed shops as we have seen in lots of other towns. If shopping isn't your forte, fishing, golf, riding, bowling and clay pigeon shooting are just a few of the sports available here.

The Caithness Crystal visitor centre is worth a visit, you can see glass-blowing demonstrations, as well as trying your hand at glass-making and attempt to blow your own glass items. Children are encouraged to visit and have a go at making something out of glass and taking it home to impress their friends. The coffee shop and restaurant are worth trying as a place to take the weight off your legs after a visit.

Custom House on Purfleet Quay now contains the Tourist Information Centre, where an abundance of information can be obtained to ensure you have a good visit.

King's Lynn also boasts the UK's biggest beer warehouse at Garage Lane, Setchey. Unfortunately we were unable to find time to visit it so it's naother excuse to come back here on holiday. Other places to visit are the RSPB nature reserves, English Heritage sites and numerous National Trust properties.

Places to visit for children include the Butterfly Centre, Falconry Park, Sealife Centre, and the Rare Breeds farm. If this doesn't wear them out you can always go to the seaside.

Recommended by Jim Keen

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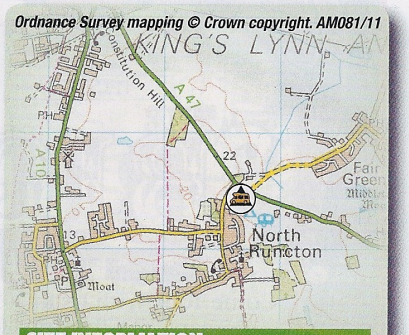
1 Spacious pitches are flat and easy to access
2 Site entrance big enough for RVs or tag-axles
3 Reception has a shop stocking camping essentials



SITE INFORMATION

- **LOCATION:** King's Lynn
- **ADDRESS:** New Road, Runcton, King's Lynn, Norfolk PE33 0QR
- **TEL:** 01553-840004
- **EMAIL:** klcc@btconnect.com
- **WEB:** www.kl-cc.co.uk
- **OPEN:** All year

- **Charges (2011):** From £15.00 for 2 adults, motorhome and electric (same all season)
- **Nearest Public Transport:** 1 mile
- **Nearest Pub / Restaurant:** 1.5 miles
- **Summary:** A pleasant site in nice surroundings, ideal for visiting King's Lynn, as well as touring Norfolk and the fens. Ten-minute car ride into King's Lynn. No on-site children's play facilities means it's not ideal for children. However, there are numerous attractions within five miles. This site has the latest eco systems fitted to its very modern toilet block.
- **Directions:** From north and midlands, at King's Lynn take A47 Swatham / Norwich road, after 1 mile from (A10 / A47 roundabout) turn right into North Runcton, site 150 yards on left. From southeast on A47, 1 mile after Middleton village turn left into North Runcton, campsite 150yds on left.

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