



FRIENDS OF CASTLE GREEN NEWSLETTER

“Celebration, Education, Recreation - a park for people!”
September 2014

WORDS FROM THE CHAIR

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In the April newsletter I said we were looking at the busiest year ever - and I was not wrong! In addition to the events so far - Easter Car Boot, Hereford River Carnival, Midsummer Fair, Historic Hereford Day, and open air theatre (Macbeth) - we also made a successful bid to the WW1 Heritage Lottery Fund to run a series of events to commemorate WW1 (well done Annabel Oxford!). Ahead is a Memory Walk, our AGM, (24th September – put this in your diary!). Open to all paid-up members. Meet the new Board, hear about achievements so far and plans for the future, give us your ideas, followed by supper provided by the Friends – bring a bottle. In November are the Fireworks and the Christmas Fair. We are also running a series of IT basics classes thanks to a grant from Hereford City Council. This year we supplemented our fantastic volunteer group with some much needed paid staff – in particular for the cafe, and cleaning the Pavilion. Annie Lilwall has done a great job to get our membership records up to date.

The new kitchen - Mark Goddard installed it and is now our volunteer kitchen manager - is going from strength to strength. And, we have a super new website (thanks to Paddy Nugent & Lisa Richardson) - let us know what you think of it – the details are in this newsletter. We've started the Community Asset Transfer process. Lots of work involved, but if successful it will mean we can apply for significant funding in future to develop the building as a viable and sustainable community asset.

Finally, a few thanks. To the West Mercia Police, who set up regular patrols of the Castle Green following complaints of seriously anti-social - behaviour. Their presence made such a positive difference, ensuring all those who come to the Castle Green could enjoy the space safely. Massive thank you to all who have helped make the year a success so far. So many people enjoy the events we put on, and a wide variety of community groups now use the building. We could not do any of this without the support of so many people who give their time so generously. Thank you all.

2014 EVENTS

Friends of Castle Green AGM
Wednesday 24th Sept 7pm
The Pavilion

FIREWORKS SPECTACULAR!
Saturday 1st November

Christmas Fair
Sunday 30th November

Please keep an eye on our website at
www.friendsofcastlegreen.org.uk to stay up
to date with news, activities and events

**The Friends are really excited to be
offering this paid role for the first time!**

OPERATIONS MANAGER

Part-Time – 16 hrs p.w.

12 month contract

Excellent rate of pay.

**Closing date for applications:
15th September**

**For more information please visit:
www.friendsofcastlegreen.org.uk**

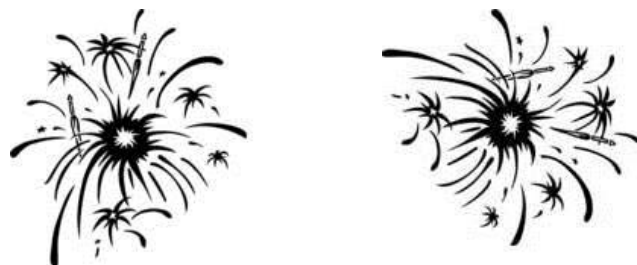
I.T. Drop-in classes

**Starting September 22nd
19.30-20.30**

At the Castle Green Pavilion

Come along with your laptops, smartphones, iPads etc. or use ours to learn how to make the most of them

For more information,
please contact 01432 263992



Fireworks Night

Sat 1 Nov

On the Castle Green

In conjunction with St James
Primary School

Gates Open- 5.30pm

Children's Lantern Procession

Fireworks- 7.30pm

Come for your supper

Tickets- Outback records,
Church St and/or St James
Primary school, Vicarage
Road.

Volunteer Vacancies

➤ **At Hereford Record Office, Harold Street:**

As part of WWI Heritage Lottery funding, we are able to offer limited places for guided research. Using the archives, photos and stories held at the venue, we will find out more about local people's lives and Hereford at the time of WWI. We are particularly hoping to find out about the families of the women who worked at the munitions factory. Starting Tuesday 9th September 6-7.30 for six weeks. Contact annabeloxford@gmail.com for further information or to book a place

HEREFORD MEMORY WALK SUNDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER

Organised by our local Alzheimer's Society, there is a 1km or 3km option for all the family. Visit: www.memorywalk.org.uk or call 0845 306 0898 for more information.

Registration 10am, walks start 11am.
Refreshments served from the Pavilion.

South Wye Clean up-Day-as part of International Clean-up Day

Sunday Sept 21. Meet at Kindle Centre at 11.00-2.00pm.

Focusing on the Saxon Gate Development and riverbank between ASDA and Old Bridge. Please Come and Join us

Contact Dawn Killeen on newtonfarmcomm@btinternet.com or 01432-279116

Annie was pleased to meet members at the Summer Fayre- 10 new members signed up on the day. New system- Membership cards when renewing or joining. Email Annie- membership@friendsofcastlegreen.org.uk or Tel: 01432-359450/mob: 07909 584160.

PLEASE JOIN FRIENDS OF CASTLE GREEN

**MEMBERSHIP ONLY COSTS £5 PER HOUSEHOLD PER YEAR. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN PLEASE SEND A CHEQUE, YOUR NAME, ADDRESS & EMAIL TO:
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