



FRIENDS OF CASTLE GREEN NEWSLETTER

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

WORDS FROM THE (NEW) CHAIR

There was a real buzz at the kitchen launch; it was great to see those who made it. Huge thanks to Mark Goddard for the wonderful kitchen which came in under budget! We thank the outgoing directors for their contribution. None of this would have happened without them and, we welcomed the new directors. We will crunch the responses to the questionnaires filled in and feed this back to you-these help shape future events.

Someone asked me on the night, ‘Are you in charge?’ to which I replied, ‘It’s the membership that’s in charge.’ We put on events that reflect our aims and the views of the community. As an example, in the survey we did last year, people asked for more local history events and, as I write this, we are waiting to see if we have secured a WW1 Heritage Lottery application to run a series of community events to commemorate 100 years since the start of WW1- with a local history perspective, of course.

Many thanks to Jonathan Sheldon for keeping a firm grip on the FOCG finances. We now have a year’s worth of income and expenditure and good news-we reckon we can cover the running costs. So we shall now apply to the council for a community asset transfer of the building. This will help hugely in our fund raising efforts to help pay for improvements.

We have a super-exciting year ahead-the busiest yet! There is an event almost every month and we will need all the help we can get. We are always looking for more volunteers so please let us know if you want to join in. Lastly, on the subject of volunteers a special thanks to Ariella, Annabel and Jack for their sterling work on the newsletter.

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Hereford RIVER Carnival + Beat The Bells



SATURDAY MAY 3rd

On the Castle Green and Bishops Meadows
from 10.00 a.m – 7.30 p.m
Stalls/Food tents/Circus skills/Workshops
Floats on the river/Live Music/Processions
6th Form Musical Production
Greening the Village/Belly-dancing
Children’s Maypole Dancing/Morris Dancers

If you are interested in finding out more or helping, contact :
Rebeccahuggett@hrcfloats@gmx.co.uk also look them up on facebook.

Beat the Bells entries are still open. The race starts at 12.00. This is your chance to run over 5 miles from the cathedral along the river bank, across the new Greenway Bridge and back to Castle Green.

As you set off, cathedral bells begin to toll a quarter peal. Can you get back to the Green before the bells finish

Details:
www.beatthebells.com

The New Board of Directors of the Friends of Castle Green

Chair:	Amanda Attfield	Community Engagement:	Annabel Oxford
Secretary:	Lisa Richardson	Project Officer:	Paddy Nugent
Finance:	Jonathan Sheldon	Events:	Mark Hubbard

IT Drop-in/Classes

Starting Monday May 19th
7 - 9 p.m.

Please phone 01432 263992
for further details

Do You Know?

Friends of Castle Green is a Community Interest Company. We have an interest in hosting and promoting events for the local community.

We are working for the conservation of an open green space and a historic building in Hereford city centre.

To find out more about the objectives of FoCG, please contact Amanda Attfield via the details above

Volunteer Vacancies

- **Would you like to steward, bake or serve food at any of our FOCG events?** As our events expand, we need more volunteers to ensure their success and continuity
- **Got a hunger for history?** We are hoping to get some funding to commemorate Herefordshire's involvement in WWI at the Midsummer Fayre. Anyone interested in getting involved, please contact Mark Hubbard on 01432 272684

2014 EVENTS

Saturday 3rd May

Hereford River Carnival
further info -
info@carnivalartsgroup.co.uk
&

Beat the Bells Run

further info -
paddy6106@gmail.com

Saturday 14th June

The Paint Runner
Register through
www.st-michaels-hospice.org.uk

Saturday 28th June

THE MIDSUMMER FAYRE!

Friday 11th July

Open-air performance of Macbeth

Saturday 12th July

HISTORICAL HEREFORD DAY

Thursday 17th July

Friends of Castle Green AGM

Sunday 3rd August

Launch of Sunday brunch and
live music running for 3 weeks

Saturday 1st November Fireworks night

Sunday 30th November Christmas Fair

WELCOME

Welcome to Annie Lilwall our new membership secretary.
So please contact Annie if you would like to become a member and with any membership queries.

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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:
7 VENNS CLOSE, BATH STREET, HEREFORD HR1 2HH**