

SHERBORNE CASTLE COUNTRY FAIR
BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY 30th MAY 2011
Raising funds for Children's Charities
It's a great result.....!

The SCCF Chairman, Jeremy Howard, took great pleasure in announcing the amount of money the Show has raised this year to give to its chosen charities; representatives of some of these charities and show volunteers were present at a hog roast lunch in Jeremy and Sarah's lovely garden on Sunday 31st July. Quite unlike the weather we experienced on the day of the Fair this year, the weather was absolutely glorious for the 100 who were able to attend.

The weather this year on Show day was not as kind as it had been in 2010, and the total number of Show-goers was considerably reduced, by fine rain for most of the day, by at least half. This of course reduced the amount of money the Fair took in entry tickets at the gates and therefore its profit, but even so Jeremy and his Committee were pleased that they were about to distribute **£31,240** to very deserving West Country-based charities and youth organisations. (See attached list for a breakdown).

One of the most important attractions at the Fair enables teams who take part in the **Dragon Boat Racing** to raise sums of money from sponsorship for their chosen charities. When the Committee first included this event into the 2006 show it proved very difficult to persuade and cajole nine teams to enter and they were not able to raise much for their chosen charities. Now five years on, 28 teams competed and have raised just over **£17,000** for charity this year alone. The Committee would like to extend their congratulations to all the teams who participated in the event and for the magnificent sum of money they have raised. See attached list. If any teams or groups are interested in entering in 2012 please contact the Show Secretary on the hotline.

Di Pestell from Julia's House thanked not only the committee for their donation, but the splendid amount of sponsorship the Shillingston WI had raised for their charity amounting to (£2565).

Total amount raised £48,240 by 2011 Fair.

Smaller donations were given to: **St John Ambulance: £300** whose young volunteers help at the Fair each year as part of their training. **Gryphon School: £500**, the pupils and some parents are volunteer helpers at the Fair in the Patrons Tent and Dog Scurries and provide very valuable help to run these activities at the Show. **The Queen Thorne Benefice** who run the Lost and Found post at the Fair also receive a small donation of **£100** to help them run their children's activity days during the summer holidays. **Sherborne Voluntary Ambulance** received **£250** for running the Mother and Baby Tent on the day. **Canine Partners £200** and **Sherborne Town Band Youth Section £400**.

Jeremy Howard thanked all the volunteers for their hard work putting the show together this year, in particular he mentioned the Silent Auction, run by Cathy Barrow raising around £10,000 and Nick Robinson who ran the Dragon Boat Racing, in 2012 Nick will be taking over as Treasurer whilst continuing to organise the DB Racing for the Fair. He also thanked Jan Lowe, who this year stepped down as Show Director, for her work with the show over many years from 1997; Jan will still be involved with the Fair, continuing to sit on the committee dealing with the PR, advertising and the show programme.

Total Amount distributed 1996 -2011: £775,460

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Sherborne Castle Country Fair Beneficiaries 2011

Major Beneficiaries

A-Stars	£2,000
Contact a Family/Lady Hoare Trust	£4,490
Coping with CHAOS	£1,500
Dorset Youth Association	£2,000
Families for Children Adoption Agency	£2,000
Julia's House	£2,000
Life Education Wessex	£2,000
RendezVous – Sherborne	£2,500
Re-Run - Dorset Runaway Service	£2,000
Toby's - Shaftesbury Young People Project	£2,500

Minor Beneficiaries

Dorchester Opportunity Group	£1,000
Granary Youth Club, Holwell	£500
Riding for the Disabled	£500
Sea Cadets - Somerset & Dorset Branch	£1,000
Victoria Education Centre & Sports College	£1,000
Wessex Autistic Society	£1,000
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Yeovil Opportunity Group	£1,000

Date of the next Sherborne Castle Country Fair
Bank Holiday Monday 4th June 2012

**If you feel you would like to help with the running of this local event please contact:
Katie, the Show Secretary, on 01749 814014 and have a chat.**

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DRAGON BOAT



RACING



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Company/Organisation:

Raising Funds For:

4T2 Multimedia	£846 for Naomi House
D&M Dragons (sponsored by Petards Joyce-Loebl)	£198 for Help for Heroes
Combat Wing Dragons (sponsored by Petards Joyce-Loebl)	£1000 for Thibaut Minnie
Brooklyn House Dental Practice	£400 for Friends of the Yeatman / CRCUK
Digby Tap – Topsy Tappers	£600 for Prostate Cancer
Dorset Youth Association	£1804 for Dorset Youth Association
F Cuff & Sons/ the Cuffonauts	£400 for St Margaret's Hospice
Ahoy Headway	Headway Dorset
Barclays 4 Life	Life Education Wessex
Millfield School – The Submariners	£300 for Mencap
Giddy Up	£900 for Milton Abbas RDA Group
On the Spot Signs – Team Goldfish	£1040 for Anthony Nolan Trust
Park School, Yeovil – The Oompa Loompas	£500 for NSPCC
Pen Mill Feeds Ltd – Cow Pat Paddlers	£1200 for RABI
Streetparty - - Blackbeard's Rejects	£1200 for CLIC Sargent
Pink Champagne Dragon Boat Team	Pink Champagne Dragon Boat team
Bere Regis Dragons	£750 for Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance
The Dorset Knobs	£520 for Macmillan Cancer Support
Shillingston Movers and Shakers	£2565 for Julia's House
Rose and Drown, Trent	£475 for Prostate Cancer
Sherborne RFC	£325 for Joseph Weld Hospice
Somerset and Dorset Sea Cadets- Destroyers 1	£375 for Marine Society and Sea Cadets
Somerset and Dorset Sea Cadets – Destroyers 2	£375 for Marine Society and Sea Cadets
Somerset Youth Volunteering Network – The Victorious Nymphs	£137 for Volunteer Network
The Grange - Up the Creek without a Paddle	£500 for CLIC Sargent
The Rendezvous Rats	£198 for The Rendezvous
Thornford Cricket Club	£200 for St Margaret's Hospice
Yeovil Amateur Operatic Society – Either Oar	£500 for YAOS

DRAGON BOAT RACING

The image shows two dragon boat heads, one on the left and one on the right, positioned between the words 'BOAT' and 'RACING'. Each head is white with black spots and red horns, and has a wide, open mouth with red interior and white teeth.

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If you are the fund raising manager for your Charity, why not increase your funds by getting a team together to enter the Dragon Boat Racing at the Fair.

The rowers who make up the team of 16 for each boat need to be encouraged to seek sponsorship for themselves. This is a great way to raise funds for your charity, better than having a stand at the Fair and should raise more funds than selling or collecting from a stand. You can also try to gain sponsorship from a local company or business. Ring Katie Bradley-Hudson to find out some benefits we could offer to this type of sponsor.

Start planning early; for more information contact Katie Bradley Hudson, Show Secretary on the Hotline 01749 814041 or by email: sccf@bradsons.co.uk or website: www.sherbornecountryfair.com. Katie will be only too happy to chat about the options and put you in touch with the Committee member organising this part of the Show.

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