

Sherborne Castle Country Fair

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Rare Breeds Show

Bank Holiday Monday 28th May 2018

Raising funds for Children's Charities
The Fair is organised by volunteers

Distribution of funds raised by 2018 Fair.....

This year's show was definitely one of the hottest ever with dawn to dusk sunshine with soaring temperatures throughout the day; ice-cream sales rocketed and it was essential to 'lick 'em quick' before they melted! Food stands were selling out quickly as the **14,500** on site enjoyed the fantastic weather.

On Sunday 22nd July Mr and Mrs William Beveridge welcomed to their garden, the fair committee, with some of the volunteers who organise the fair, together with representatives from the charities chosen to receive donations this year. It was just as hot as the Bank Holiday Monday on 27th May, but much more relaxed!

'Volunteers' is a very small word for the over **232 volunteers**, including the show committee, attractions such as the Rare Breeds Show, The Team Challenge, Dog Shows, Scurries, Vintage Vehicles, and those who help to set-up the show ground (takes one week) plus all the others who come on site to run the show on the day.

The Chairman & Fair Committee are very aware that our youth are the future of our country – if they are healthy and happy, so should our country be. We wish to help improve the health and wellbeing of young people for their own benefit as well as for the future of us all and recognise that youth clubs offer positive opportunities for them. To that end their choices and the amount of donations reflect this positive attitude choosing children/youth organisation each year.

The final figure was **£50,200** bringing the overall amount distributed by the Fair since 1996 to **£1,197,345**. More than **92 charities** have benefited from funding donated by the Fair in those 23 years.

To date the **Dragon Boat Racing Teams** competing at the fair have raised a further amazing **£4,250** to be distributed to their chosen charities.

Each year the committee award bursaries to help young handlers to become a breeder of rare breed stock. This year they have two applications still being considered for these awards £400 in total. We wish the deserving youngsters who win, all well with their endeavours.