



Chairman's Report 2014

Carols in the park had to be brought inside because of the weather not only did some people brave the weather outside but small hall staircase and hall were packed to overflowing! This time we are not taking any chances on being weather dependent although it is so nice to sing under the Christmas tree in park we have booked large hall as a precaution.

From February we have had to rely on our own resources Amy our activities officers contract came to an end so the challenge was to keep as many activities in the park that we have come to expect with the lottery funding over the last four years, Once again we have had a huge amount of events over the year with weekly healthy living walks, Tia Chi and the family 3k fun run every Saturday morning going from strength to strength we are hoping that of these activities will continue in 2015.

Working together with the Manor we hope we have managed quite a few of the extra activities starting in April with David Redmore who was responsible for the landscape and design of the park, brought us replacements for the four Handkerchief trees space team who removed tree guards & along with volunteers green who gained from his extensive knowledge. He hopes to come back again next year perhaps along with his "Gardner's Question Time" we will get the chance for more practical & theory advice, watch out for further information



The Manorfest in June with Music and family entertainment, all the fun of the fair, with Barnardos providing children's activities something for everyone a great day was had by all, and of course the weather was perfect.

Then once again we were awarded the Green Flag the only park in Carlisle this year.

No love Parks week down to cut backs in Greenspace team, this had seen the start of the very popular Fairy Day, this is something we are trying to keep on with & seems to grow in popularity every year in-fact this year story time & fairy dancing was brought inside as it was a little to hot for bouncing around! day it was lovely to see fairies of all shapes & sizes enjoying face painting story time making there own wands & enjoying their pixie picnics, defiantly magical



Together with Magic Mel we are planning a spectacular for the 24th July 2015 to mark her 5 Years, as it is to be a special event watch out for ticket availability.

In July and August alternating Fridays between Chances and Hammonds Sumer Splash 18/07/2014 - - 134, 01/08/2014 -55, 15/08/2014 -90. We hope this will continue to.

August -In-Spira Citizens Award Certificate David Hammond - Keith Boyd Day one Dean, Jordan, and Emily & Abby worked with David on the ectopic growth on trees - Day 2 Keith had Dean & Jordan cleaning out bird boxes & painting signs and bench metal. In fact this was so successful they want to do more next year. Halloween Party once again was a sell out activity held in the Manor.

The Green-Space team as always a big thank you to all for you help cooperation throughout the year, provided bulbs for the children to plant in the park again last month Keith co-ordination with Newlathes School





Then on the 22nd November we had a major fund raising event which will enable us to continue with our ambitious programme of events a particular thank you to all those who helped in the planning & volunteered on the day making that day happen and a success!

Lastly I would like to than all our volunteers who give time whether it be in the delivery of minutes, litter picking reporting lights out all important tasks I cant mention you all individually but feel I should mention our volunteer warden who walks the park twice a day amazing the most important thing anyone can give is their time Thank you.

One last thing some may say the best is yet to come our Carols in the Park is on Friday – I think we are all organised David has sorted out tree Janice Jackson is bringing Carlisle Musical Society, St Stephens Silver Band together with the Children from Yewdale School (Santa may just put in appearance) get your Christmas of to a joyful start mulled wine (special recipe) & mince pies to warm you up and the Comparer this year is the Actor Tim Barker!