

## Croft & Naze Court Village Fair

Having taken over as scheme manager six months ago I was told that if I stayed in the village for 25 years I might be accepted as a stranger. However since I am due to retire in nine years I thought I would have to accelerate that process. So on August Bank Holiday Monday Croft & Naze Court will be hosting an old fashioned Village Fair All the community groups, churches and schools in Freckleton have been invited to raise money for their own charity and take part in the family fun day.

Charities including Age Concern, The Younger Years Charity, the Womens Institute and New Fylde housing have already pledged to support the fair and hopefully as we go into the summer more groups will volunteer to take a stall and make the fair a success.

The Fylde Coast Cloggers, Lytham High School Jazz Band and a scarecrow Parade will provide entertainment

There will be no charge for a pitch on the fair and there are only two stipulations in taking part

1) All participants are expected to enter the scarecrow parade. This is open to interpretation and anyone joining in can either dress as a scarecrow or make one to parade. Some of my residents have suggested that I will not need to dress up but just come as I am. (cheek)

2) Any money made will go to local charities or community projects.

We are hoping to borrow some stocks and are open to suggestions who to put in them. A charge of 50p for three wet sponges should give ample opportunity for revenge.

We are looking for volunteers for a fortune teller, face painter and balloon sculptor. Stalls will include a coconut shie, splat the rat, tombola, home produce, teddies birthday, coin rolling and a bran tub for the children.

Refreshments will include hot dogs and bacon butties and a tea tent will provide afternoon teas. (If anyone knows of a spare Ice Cream Van I should be grateful)

So if you have time to spare on the day you will be welcome to take part in the fun, but a word of warning if I already know you, you may find yourself dressed as a scarecrow, telling fortunes in between making bacon butties and blowing up balloons

If any group or charity is interested in joining us on the please contact me on 01772 633428.

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