

# **ASHINGTON FESTIVAL 2010.**

Ashington Festival is going to be as big as ever this year. Starting with a large Carnival procession leaving the top roundabout, north of Ashington at 1.30pm. 'The Surrey Pipe Band' will be the leading band for the procession followed by the Carnival Princess and her two Attendants and two Pageboys. There will be a lot of colourful floats, bands, majorette troops also vintage vehicles, clowns and lots more. Anyone interested in entering the Carnival please phone Ray 01903 892931 or Margaret 01903 892633.

The Festival will be held on Ashington Recreation Ground, Church Lane starting at approximately 2.30 pm after the arrival of the Carnival procession. There will be arena events with the main act being Stallions of Substance an act that combines sisters, stallions and a little brother on a motorbike the act includes humour, stunts and the obvious love and trust between horses and riders, and the Wessex International Majorettes will do a dance routine, also 'Charlie' the clown will be there with lots of children's entertainment.

In the Community Centre will be the Flower Show where you will be able to see a beautiful display of vegetables, flowers and craft items all to a very high standard. The Flower Show is open to anyone who wishes to enter, for details phone Maureen on 01403 242988.

On the Recreation Ground we will have Harris Brothers fun fair, a car boot sale, side-shows, craft and charity stalls, a children's farm with lots of animals to see and also ferrets and Bungee Trampolines. Near the Recreation Ground will be an American and British Classic, Hot Rod and Custom Car Show. For Car Show entries contact Alan on 01903 892756. Also there will be a Fun Dog Show, if anyone is interested in entering please contact Margaret on 01903 892633. And there will be lots more.

There will be food and a licensed bar for the afternoon and the evening at very reasonable prices.

We carry through into the evening with a live band playing outside, back by popular demand 'Creative Covers' playing music through the decades to present time. At 10pm there will be a fantastic Firework display. We are also having a pig roast.

Also there will be a professional DVD/Video of the Festival available after the day. The profit of the sales will go to village charities, please phone Margaret to order your copy.

The Festival day is on Saturday 21st August, 1.30pm - 11.45pm. Everyone is welcome, if you know anyone who used to live in Ashington please tell them, as we like to make it a reunion day as well. It is lovely to meet up with old friends and neighbours we used to know.

For details phone Margaret on 01903 892633.