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## **Arundel Festival fun continues with the Town Fair on August Bank Holiday Monday**

The August Bank Holiday – Monday 25<sup>th</sup> August - looks set to be a day of entertainment for all the family with events organised for the **Arundel Town Fair**.

Reminiscent of traditional town fairs, the High Street, Cobbles and Tarrant Street will be closed to traffic for the Rotary Club of Arundel Fair and the town crier so there will be plenty for everyone to watch and to take part in.

In the Town Centre you can start the day off with an **Early Morning Swim** at Arundel Lido from 7.30am to 9.30am. Free to enter, this is a fun event, regardless of your ability, with breakfast and refreshments available. See if you can be the fastest over 10 lengths.

From 12 noon it's the **BIG Arundel Walk**. Two hours' walking in Arundel Park, with refreshments at the halfway point along a signed/stewarded route. Start at the Town Square, then walk through Arundel Park, finishing at the Football Club for the Fair Trade Tea Party. Free to enter; registration and full details from the sponsors: Christian Doyle Photography on 01903 885010 or mail@christiandoyle.co.uk.

Centred around Arundel Football Club in Mill Road from 2pm, the **Arundel Flower & Produce Show** will be open to all with the prize-giving taking place at 3.30pm by the Mayor, Wendy Eve. The Highdown and Ferring Dog Club are running a **Dog Agility Show** demonstrating dog agility from 2.30pm before inviting members of the public with their dogs to have a go on the obstacle course at 3pm, culminating in a dog race at 3.30 pm. If you want to relive your childhood there's the **Arundel Museum's Annual Marbles Championship** between 2pm and 5pm - a knockout tournament for teams of four sponsored by LostMarbles. **West Chiltington Brass Band** will be playing all afternoon and there will be stalls and games organised by local groups. You can take the weight off your feet and enjoy the **Fair Trade Tea Party** with a cuppa in a souvenir recycled mug and home made cakes.

FourKM Physical Theatre who are students from Northbrook College will present the **Arundel Wolf Trail**. Meet at Arundel Cathedral forecourt for a promenade through the streets to Arundel Castle gates where you are invited to find out why Granny has such big teeth and why not all fairytales should have a happy ending! Join the trail for a family-friendly version at 1pm or a darker take on the tale at 9.30pm.

Between 4pm and 5pm in the High Street, there will be **The Annual Festival Waiters Race** in conjunction with Arundel Museum, sponsored by Pallant of Arundel. A recent addition but a popular event . Watch local hotel, restaurant and bar staff race in a relay & cheer on your favourite team.

To round off the day's events you can dance the night away to Bushas Mana and FeverKing at Arundel Football Club. There will also be a DJ and a full bar and BBQ. The bands are donating their fees to Cancer Research - tickets are £6.00 from the Festival Box Office and other venues. Numbers are strictly limited so booking is essential. Doors open at 6pm.

James Stewart of Zimmer Stewart Gallery and organiser of the Town Fair says *"The August Bank Holiday is traditionally a day for carnivals and fairs and this will bring together many events under one banner. In essence, the community is putting on a fun day for itself and visitors to enjoy."*

A full events listing is in the Arundel Town Festival Programme, available from Zimmer Stewart Gallery, Tarrant Street, Arundel (Tel: 01903 885867) and from Tourist Information Centres, libraries & retail outlets around the county. It's also available online at [www.arundeltownfestival.com](http://www.arundeltownfestival.com)

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