

Green Man Day



Saturday 18th July 2015

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Hamish Patrick (1946 - 2014)



In December 2014 Pilton lost a leading light with the death of Hamish Patrick. A founding member of Pilton Festival, he will be much missed. Born in London and educated in the USA, he attended the Central School of Speech and Drama and joined the Actors' Company. He did theatre work and several TV series, most notably *Crossroads* in 1978.

He moved to North Devon in 1981 and was a huge influence on community events in Pilton. His dream was to turn the tide of communities becoming fractured when children grew up and left. He believed that a strong community bond would bring them back and 25 years later some of those children are indeed on the Festival Committee.

He directed the Green Man Pageant and organised the family friendly haven of Rotary Gardens. He adapted, directed and acted in some 20 local pantomimes and was a staunch supporter of local charities through these. He narrated beautifully an evocative video *The Myths and Legends of Exmoor* in 2003.

He got a great send off when several hundred people gathered to celebrate his life and mark his last journey down Pilton Street. And very recently the Rotary Club of Barnstaple took the previously unprecedented step of acknowledging his enormous contribution to Pilton life with its annual Citizen of the Year Award.

Hamish Patrick - a much loved man greatly missed.

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Pilton & Its Festival



Pilton is a self-contained community within Barnstaple which enjoys a unique village atmosphere.

The Festival is in the tradition of the legendary charter granted by Edward III in 1344 for a market and fair in Pilton and today it continues to provide a great spectacle of fun, festivities and feasting for people of all ages. It also serves as a valuable platform for local charities to raise awareness and funds.

The Festival could not take place without the skill and dedication of a hardworking Committee. This band of unpaid volunteers give up their time for all our enjoyment. The Festival is non-profit making and we are eternally grateful to the generosity of everyone who has sponsored and supported the committee's fundraising.

Please support our advertisers throughout the coming year as without them we could not produce this programme or festival. Our programme is part funded by Community Councillor Grants from North Devon Cllrs Greenslade and Manuel we thank them for their continued support. **If you feel you are able to help with next year's festival in any way please contact us via our email piltonfestival@googlemail.com or Dave Butt (Festival Chairman) - 01271 343562.**

PILTON TREASURE HUNT

Sunday 19th July

Walking Treasure Hunt for all the family around Pilton. Start at St Mary's Church at 2.00pm and finish with tea and cakes in the Church Hall.

Free to enter

Contribution to tea requested



PILTON FESTIVAL is committed to **GREEN ISSUES**. As the **FESTIVAL** is also known as **GREEN MAN DAY** we would like to **ENCOURAGE** you to **RECYCLE** all your **RUBBISH** by **USING** the **BINS** and the **RECYCLE AREAS** provided. These can be **FOUND** in **PILTON STREET, PILTON HOUSE GROUNDS** and **ROTARY GARDENS**.

When **YOU HAVE FINISHED** with any **PLASTICS, CANS, CUPS** and **CONTAINERS, PLEASE POP** them **INTO** the **CORRECT BINS** provided to **ENSURE** the Festival Site is **KEPT CLEAN** and **TIDY** for all visitors to **ENJOY**. Please see the **MAP** on the **CENTRE SPREAD** to **LOCATE** bin areas. We hope **YOU CAN HELP US**.

THANK YOU

FESTIVAL DAY BEGINS

Up with the lark are the festival committee and their helpers to set up Pilton Street, Rotary Garden and the Stages. Bins to put out, marquees to erect, participants to be directed to their positions for the day. Bacon butties and a mug of tea wouldn't go amiss!

THE PROCESSION

The Procession starts from Barnstaple Square at 10.45am and makes its way along the High Street, then Pilton Causeway and processes up Pilton Street, turning right into Pilton House Grounds. Look for the large Red and Green Masks leading the way!

THE PAGEANT

(Pilton House Grounds 12 noon and 3pm)

The Green Man is an ancient Pagan symbol of nature and fertility frequently depicted in carvings in old churches as a face sprouting foliage. A splendid green man carving can be seen in St Mary the Virgin Church in Pilton.

The Prior of the Benedictine Priory of Pilton lived at The Bull House below the Church until the reformation. The ritual enacted at Pilton Festival is believed to represent the initial antagonism of two characters, Prior and Green Man, represented by Red and Green Masks and the subsequent inclusion of the pagan figure within the church. Under the direction of Bev Neighbour, it takes place on the lawn in front of Pilton House at 12 noon and again at 3pm.

Pilton Street &

Central to Green Man Day is Pilton Street, with the hustle and bustle amongst the stalls, the arrival of the procession and a day of music from the three stages.

In recent years, festivities have expanded in to the comfort of Rotary Gardens, a splendid setting for family-based activities with children's soft-play and free-play areas and a hand-cranked Victorian merry-go-round.



Dotted amongst the trees, arts and craftsmen will demonstrate their skills and local interest groups and charities will 'set out their stalls'. The enchanting interactive family friendly story-tellers Entertainingly Different will be performing throughout



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Rotary Gardens

the day as will Matt Lemon with his juggling, yoyos and balloon art. For your delectation and delight, Uncle Tacko will present his extraordinary flea circus – So sorry if you have a family dog in tow! You might chance upon DJ Magician pedalling around on his unicycle, or be accosted by the charming Knee-high puppets of Tinderbox. As if that's not enough for a cracking day out, Humdrumconundrum will be drumming in the gardens at 1.30pm and Dave Hendy will perform his Punch & Judy at 2.00pm and 3.30pm. Pilton Bluecoat School Drama Group will be performing 'The Midas Touch' at 1.00pm and 4.00pm.



Should you wish to simply chill out, just pick your spot, and stretch out. You might even want to bring a picnic along, or if Mum or Dad want a break, there will be various food and drink outlets available, ranging from Pimms Tent to Afro-Caribbean delights.

On a more practical level, along the North Road side of the gardens will be the portaloos, a facility not to be sniffed at. *Enjoy!*

Guided Tours of Bull Hill House

Saturday 18th July Visit this historic Grade 1 listed building

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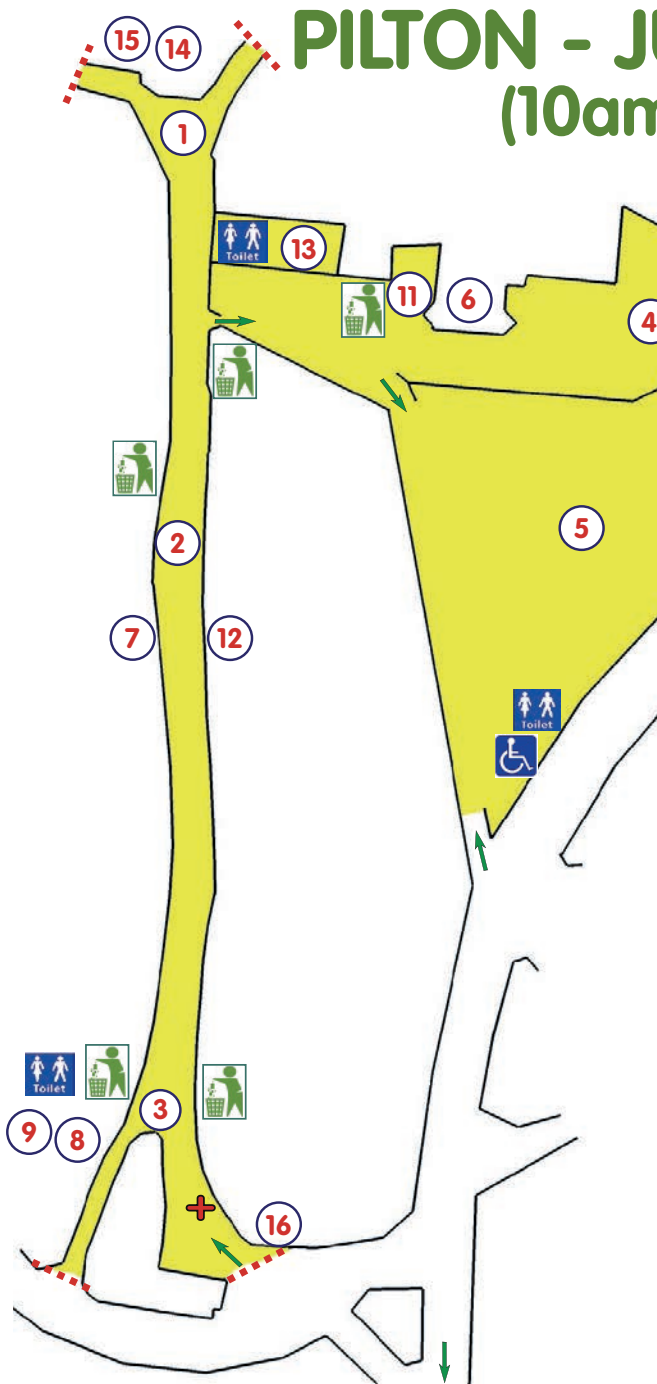
Please visit us for information or to collect your lost children. Tom our Festival Compere can announce any information whilst walking up and down the street. We can be found opposite Pilton Fryer

TOILETS

Can be found at Pilton Church Hall and portaloos along the North Road Side of Rotary Gardens and for the first time this year in Pilton Street Lower Carpark (through the alley way above 8/9 on key)

For the safety of others we would appreciate it if no glass bottles or glasses are used outside.

Thank you



JULY 18th 2015

(10am to 5pm)

10 PIMMS TENT

find us in Rotary Gardens. All profits go to next year's festival.

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FESTIVAL BEER TENT

Come and visit our family friendly licensed refreshment tent next to Pilton House. All profits go to next year's festival.



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| 10 | PIMMS TENT |  | ROAD CLOSED |

This programme was correct at the time of going to press. However, due to the dynamic nature of the festival there will certainly be last minute changes.

STAGES 2015

Pilton Festival has evolved over the years, and we have been lucky to have some amazing bands to entertain the crowds. This year we have decided to source our acts for the bottom (main) stage from the musical support we enjoy locally. It gives us the chance to showcase some of our rich local talent, whilst giving the performers an opportunity to play to their own community.

BOTTOM STAGE

Hosted by Simon Darling and Neil Rolfe from The Reform Inn's amazing Open Mic Nights.

- 10:00 – 11:15 Acts from Pilton Community College
- 11:15 – 11:45 Green Man Parade
- 11:45 – 12:15 Adam Ashman
- 12:15 – 13:00 Reformed Folk
- 13:00 – 13:30 Pilton Infants School Choir
- 13:30 – 14:15 The Jailhouse Boys
- 14:15 – 15:00 The Stolen Page
- 15:00 – 16:00 The Simon Darling Band



OPEN MIC STAGE

This will be situated in the grounds of Pilton House, next to the beer tent. Your hosts are Ced Piper, John Purser and Ben Johnson.

Open all day – just turn up and play!

PILTON HOUSE GROUNDS

3.30pm AngleTwitch Morris

MIDDLE STAGE

Many thanks to Jennie Tomlinson from Red Shoes Music for organising yet another great day of music.

- 11:00 – 11:30 Ben Johnson
- 11:30 – 12:00 Green Man Parade
- 12:00 – 12:30 Andy Taggart
- 12:30 – 13:00 John and Molly
- 13:00 – 13:30 BREAK (for Pilton Infants School Choir on bottom stage)
- 13:30 – 14:00 BeeZa
- 14:00 – 14:30 Sophie Sutton
- 14:30 – 15:00 Such and Vincent
- 15:00 – 15:30 Johnny Button
- 15:30 – 16:00 Charlie Jolly
- 16:00 – 16:30 Bright Lights Collective



TOP STAGE

Thank you to Ricky Knight for running the top stage – a festival favourite!

- 11:00 – 11:30 Roseanna Ball
- 11:30 – 12:00 Green Man Parade
- 12:00 – 12:20 Pilton School Recorder Club
- 12:20 – 13:00 Dogleg
- 13:00 – 13:30 BREAK (for Pilton Infants School Choir on bottom stage)
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