



DOUBLE CELEBRATION AT WELLS MAY CHARTER FAIR

Saturday 2nd May at 11am in the Wells Market Place, the Town Crier, Len Sweales, will lead the Civic party, to Official Opening of the Wells May Charter Fair.

Not only will this be one of Len's last official duties it is also 25 years since he has proclaimed the fair open.

Wells City Council and the Showmen's Guild of Great Britain are very proud in the manner Len has conducted himself not only in his civic duties but equally promoting the twice yearly Fairs (May being a charter fair) and the twice weekly Charter markets.

Saturday 2nd will also see a double celebration in that it is also 25 years since the fairs have been operated by the Guilds members James Rogers and Sons, currently under Shaun Rogers.

Shaun is the great, great grandson of Charles Heal. His Fair was established in 1881, originated from Glastonbury, and operated the majority of the Wells fairs up to 2001, although there were other noble Showmen having the fair contract from time to time.

The Guild are also proud that Wellensian Richard Green, now an honorary member of the Showman's Guild, although retired still has a keen eye over the fairs, wellbeing.

Wells City Council are proud to support the event, and to be able to honour the traditions of the city and its heritage and those that act as faithful custodians to its customs and practices.

The Civic Opening of the May Fair will take place in Wells Market Place at 11am and all are welcome within the Market Place. This will be followed by a private dinner at Wells Town Hall, provided by Richard Green.