



Castle Cary & Ansford Carnival Society

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Cary & Ansford Newsletter article

Not very much to report in this copy of the Newsletter - the Carnival Committee has got its head down, busy preparing for the Carnival season.

Since the last Newsletter, we hosted the "As Time Goes By" show – an evening of Twenties and Thirties dance and music - by the Vintage Varieties company, at the Consti Club on 8 May. The cast covered favourites from the tongue-twisting "Sister Susie's Sewing Shirts For Soldiers" through jazz standards like "Sweet Georgia Brown" to evergreens such as "White Cliffs Of Dover". With frequent costume changes and imaginative stage moves, the show included song-a-longs for the audience of around 60 folk, many of whom came in costume. The evening, which included a supper provided by Carnival Committee members, raised a net profit of around £400 for our carnival funds. So, many thanks to Vintage Varieties, and to everyone who came along.

By the time you read this, we will have held our 10 July Prince & Princess disco at Ansford School, and chosen our Carnival Royals for 2009.

A reminder for your diary: our carnivals are on new dates this year: the Children's Carnival will take place on 10 October and the Illuminated Carnival will take place on 17 October – one week later than usual.

There's plenty of time, then, to think about how you want to take part: we're always happy to welcome individual, family and other walking or small entries – so why not think up a theme, get dressed up and be part of it? Entry forms will be available soon from Stuart Talbott & Claire Hallett (01963 359015) and the Town Council's web site (www.castle-cary.co.uk) - and you can register to enter right up until a few days before the Carnival takes place!

While I'm on that subject: if you don't fancy taking part in the procession, do consider joining the carnival crew as a marshal. We need as many as we can get, and we'll make sure to team you up with an experienced marshal, if you have any worries about taking part for the first time. It's great to watch the carnival; but you'll get much more out of it if you take part. Get in touch with any Carnival committee member, or phone Sue & Gordon Stockman (01963 440472).

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