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# ROYSTON TOWN CRIER

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Studios

## New Attractions at Royston's May Fayre!

The May Fayre on 3 May hosted some new and exciting attractions this year, which despite unseasonal weather, drew large crowds on the day.

The organisers; Royston Town Council, Royston's Rotary Club and Round

Table, had worked hard to bring new events to this popular annual celebration, such as the Dog Companion Show and the Children's Fancy Dress Competition, both of which proved to be a great success with Royston residents.

New acts were secured to entertain us all, Bernie Bennett performed a superb, highly skilled low wire act in the main arena throughout the afternoon and the amazing Sonic Manipulator played futuristic electronic music using strange and unusual instruments, some of which were self invented, at various locations throughout the Memorial Gardens. We saw a display by the local Korean Martial Arts School and there were excellent Punch and Judy shows for the children which also provided a circus skills workshop for kids to have some fun with.

All our old favourites were also on hand and provided their usual high standard of entertainment. This included the Fire Cadets, the Royston Town Band, Opus 17 and the Classic Cars Awards. We also enjoyed a dance display, which this year, was performed by Stage Right Studios.

All in all it was an action packed fun filled day for all, and our sincerest thanks go to all those who gave up so much of their time, both beforehand and on the day and of course our other sponsors, the Royston Area Committee and County Councillors, Fiona Hill and Tony Hunter.

*Pip, Best in Show on the left with his owners Jessica and Matilda Williams and Charlie, Reserve, with his owner Karl Marriott*



## Community Cinema

Last year, Royston First BID Company invited Royston Town Council to consider providing facilities within the Town Hall for a Community Cinema. Last November we conducted a survey of residents to gauge support for the location of the Cinema and the vast majority supported housing it in the Town Hall.

Structural surveys of the Town Hall have been completed, showing that the building is fit for conversion to a Cinema on the first floor. Detailed building plans are now being drawn up to allow quotations for the building work to be prepared. Further progress reports will be made but in principle, the Town Council intends to make the first floor of the Town Hall accessible for the disabled and to provide the facilities for a Community Cinema.

It is hoped that the Cinema will be operating within 2 years and will be funded jointly by Royston Town Council and Royston First BID Company, together with applications being made for external funding grants.

Royston Town Council regards this as a positive step forward in providing a much needed facility in the Town and a welcome initiative in bringing the Town Hall up to modern standards as befits an historic building.



*Fancy dress winners—  
Over 5's,  
Katie Hall as  
Waybuloo  
and Under  
5's Charlotte  
Randall as  
Hannah  
Montana*



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## ROYSTON TOWN COUNCILLORS

*At the time of publication the newly elected list of Town Councillors was not available as Town Council elections had not yet taken place.*

*Please visit the Town Council web site for the new list or contact the Town Council as above for details.*

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## Talking to our Young Citizens!



Another successful round of visits to our local schools has been completed by Town Councillors again this year. This Town Council initiative, which was started three years ago, has enabled locally elected councillors from all three levels of local government to talk to School councils about their respective roles in Town, District and County Councils. It has also enabled councillors to engage the children in discussions about what it means to be a good citizen and listen to their views and comments about living in Royston.

A very interesting and lively exchange of information has always taken place and we have been very pleased with the positive response to our visits from all the Schools we have visited each year. The children's views and requests have always been reported back to the respective authorities and acted upon wherever it has been at all possible.

## Another Blooming Evening for Royston!

The annual Blooms Night was held at Royston Town Hall on 20 April, organised by Royston Town Council's Royston in Bloom Team and very kindly sponsored by Country Gardens at the Royston Garden Centre, who also provided a plants for sale stall.

A large audience of garden enthusiasts listened to Geoff Hales give an excellent talk on 'Gardeners' Joy' and the Royston in Bloom 2010 competition was officially launched with entry forms being made available on the night. (Forms will also be available from the Town Hall and Royston Crow Newspaper Offices afterwards.)



*Angela Louch receiving her bouquet from Cllr Rod Kennedy*



*Yolanda Hayes from the Town Hall, with the Royston in Bloom display board*

We are hoping that entries for the competition will be up again this year, especially as we will not be entering for the Anglia in Bloom competition in 2010, so that we can really concentrate on our local program.

The very enjoyable evening closed with a raffle and refreshments which raised money for Royston in Bloom's work throughout the town.

A beautiful bouquet of flowers was presented to outgoing Chairman, Angela Louch, by the new Chairman and the then Mayor of Royston, Cllr Rod Kennedy. Angela has worked tirelessly for Royston in Bloom for the past four years and has been an inspirational and innovative team leader during that time. She will be sorely missed by us all.