



Welcome... to the latest newsletter of the FRIENDS OF HYDE PARK CEMETERY. Here are reports about progress over the past few months, events involving the Friends and other items of interest.

Please let the Friends know what you would like to be included in future Newsletters.

Keep up-to-date with all FoHPC activities by visiting www.fohpc.org.uk and on our Facebook page.

TREE TRAIL LAUNCH

Warm sunshine greeted visitors to the launch of the new FoHPC Tree Trail on Sunday 7 June.

As well as an opportunity take a close look at the 12 varieties of trees that form the trail, two new sculptures were unveiled. Talented local artist Leon Clemitshaw has carved a female barn owl and a miner's lamp. Both were carved from tree trunks and have been positioned near the main Carr Lane entrance. Leon unveiled his work and demonstrated his carving skills by creating a fairy castle from a log.

A Tree Trail leaflet is available from Doncaster Tourist Information Centre and details are available from a new 'Trees' page on the Friends' website.



Leon pictured with his wonderful barn owl.

Friends of Hyde Park Cemetery
would like to invite you to the forthcoming

Bat Walk

(in association with South Yorkshire Bat Group)

Saturday 18th July, 9pm
(Please bring a torch)

Meet at Hyde Park Cemetery Main Entrance,
Carr Lane, Doncaster, DN4 5AA
(to the side of 'Adrian Welch Glass & Glazing')

(This event is free though donations to both FoHPC and
South Yorkshire Bat Group would be gratefully received)

More information at www.fohpc.org.uk/events.html
Telephone 07777 688438

WORKING MORNINGS

Working Mornings are held on the Second Saturday of every month from 0930 to 1200. Meet at the Main Carr Lane entrance and wear suitable clothing for outside manual work. The next Working Mornings will be held on:-

11 JULY 2015

8 AUGUST 2015

12 SEPTEMBER 2015

10 OCTOBER 2015

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VICTORIA CROSS TRUST

The Victoria Cross Trust was founded in Doncaster aiming to restore the graves of those who won the Victoria Cross but whose last resting places have become neglected and dilapidated.

The Friends would like to acknowledge their help cleaning the Cross of Sacrifice at Hyde Park and helping in the restoration of the Stirling grave stones.

The Trust is based at the Ashworth Barracks, Cedar Road, Doncaster DN4 9EY and named after James Ashworth who won the Victoria Cross while serving with the Grenadier Guards in Afghanistan in 2012.

This is one of Doncaster newest and best museums and is open 10am to 4pm daily except Wednesday.

Highly recommended for those interested in military history.



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REDEDICATION AND RESTORATION OF THE STIRLING FAMILY GRAVES

On Sunday 3 May the part renovated graves of Patrick Stirling (Locomotive Superintendent, Great Northern Railway) and his sons Robert and Patrick were rededicated after an appeal raised almost £2000 in a few weeks.

The Reverend Richard Cook officiated and guests included two of Patrick Stirling's great great grandchildren - Patrick Stirling and Linda Goldthorpe, Rosie Winterton MP and Mayor Ros Jones and Deputy Mayor Glyn Jones.



GUIDED WALKS

A number of guided walks have already taken place this year and more to follow throughout the summer.

After the Stirling rededication, an abridged version of the *Railways and Railwaymen* walk took place. On Sunday 17 May, 22 people attended *A Biography of Doncaster* walk and then, on Sunday 14 June, Friends played their part in celebrating democracy by holding a LiberTeas guided walk telling stories of those who served Doncaster in the political arena and are interred at Hyde Park.

Keep watching for forthcoming Guided Walks.

How to Contact Us

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