

LET'S CELEBRATE

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and many more prizes

The aim of the ZOYFEST500 Planning Group is to bring our village community together with a programme of events and activities taking place throughout 2015. not only to have fun celebrating the quincentenary of Westonzoyland, but to research and further our knowledge of our village and to create a permanent record for the future. Some events are being organised by this adhoc Group and others by Organisations which meet within the village.

All events will be advertised in local newspapers, magazines, posters around the village, and on Facebook and Web sites, etc.

Watch out for them. You won't want to miss a thing !

We will be producing further newsletters as plans are finalised and even more events added to this momentous year of celebration.

If you are planning an activity which is open to all members of the village and would like the details included in the Village Programme let us know and we will be more than happy to include it in future advertising/Newsletters.

It is anticipated that all events will be self financing, some will be free but where a charge is necessary ticket prices will be kept to the minimum just to cover the costs. If you are a local business or organisation and would consider sponsoring an event, or part thereof, we would be very pleased to hear from you as we aim provide as many free events as we can, particularly for the children.

Should there be a surplus of funds at the end of the year it will be used for the benefit of the village as a whole.

Finally— If you would like to become involved in any way we would be delighted to hear from you— help us to make this a year to remember —we hope that everyone in Westonzoyland will be able to take advantage of this great opportunity to 'meet the neighbours' and learn more about those that went before.

We plan to produce a souvenir booklet at the end of the year—so—please take lots of photos and send them in.

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ZOYFEST500



WESTONZOYLAND CELEBRATES 500 YEARS

First events of this great year of village festivities :

Friday 20th February - LANTERN PARADE

Starting from the Carnival Shed at **6pm** and winding its way through the village to the Church by approx. 8 pm.

If you have made a lantern please arrive by 5.30pm to join the parade., If not just come along and support our own ZOYFEST LAUNCH PARADE.

It will be quite a spectacle !

The Sedgemoor Inn has very kindly offered to provide sausage and chips for all children lantern carriers. (under 16's must be accompanied by a responsible adult).

Thanks to Musgrove Willows for sponsoring this event

Sunday 8th March - 3pm—St Mary's Church

A TUDOR EXPERIENCE

Spend a fascinating afternoon travelling back in time in the company of characters from the early 1500's. How did they live? What did they eat? What did they wear? Come and find out and listen to contemporary music while and enjoying a cup of tea.

Tickets £3— Under 16's Free

Thanks to Chris Burge for sponsoring this event

APRIL SCARECROW COMPETITION

Closing date for receipt of applications 12th April
Judging will take place over the weekend of 18th/19th April
Competition open to all residences in Westonzoyland area.
Watch for more information and application forms

Saturday 25th April Medieval Banquet Village Hall

Monday 4th May

The Carnival Clubs traditional **May Day Fair**—12 noon to 4pm in the Village Hall and Park

Friday 8th May - Remembering V.E. DAY
Dance in the Village Hall - featuring the 'Air Raid Sirens'
1940's Theme Music and Dress

Tuesday 12th May - Special WWII Coffee Morning
in the Church Hall at 10.30am with sing-along and Memory Wall.
Bring along your WWII memorabilia to display and share.

Saturday 6th June
Sponsored abseil down the church tower in aid of 'Ups and Downs'.

Friday 12th June

The **'Mangledwurzels'** Live in the Park
Village Hall - 8pm till late - Bar and Food

Saturday 13th June

11am to 4pm Zoy500 Fayre
Village Hall and Park - Fun for all the Family
Hugh variety of Stalls / games / displays / entertainers
All kinds of Refreshments including a Victorian Tea Room
and much, much more !

Battle of Sedgemoor Weekend

Saturday 4th July evening

Songs and Sketches in the Church –
celebrating American Independence

Sunday 5th July

Special Service in the Church

Weekend of Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th August

EXHIBITION—500 years of Westonzoyland

To be housed in the Church Hall, The Church and the Sedgemoor Inn
Do you have any items, photo's, or ephemera you would be prepared to lend to this event ? Please search your attics and perhaps ask any friends who may have moved away from the village

We will be asking you all again nearer the time.

There is also a possibility of a Book bring produced on the history of Westonzoyland.

Saturday 15th August

Annual Flower Show - Village Hall—2pm
Hoping for a bumper crop of entries this year! Schedules available shortly.

September

- **Victorian Event**—being planned
- **A Village Treasure Hunt and Quiz**

Saturday 17th October Social Event—Village Hall

An opportunity to display and share photographs of all the year long activities.

January 2016

FINALE to the YEAR

'A Pantomime'

*There may be changes or additions to this proposed programme—
Watch for future advertising.*