

# The Oxted Carnival

As is now inevitable every year, the famous Barn Theatre tea pot sign dominated Master Park during the Oxted Carnival on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July. Caro Rowley had performed her usual Herculean efforts in persuading amateur bakers by the score to contribute cakes for sale in our tea tent and although we had slightly fewer cakes than in some years, the quality was undiminished and the prices we could charge were perhaps a touch higher than in recent years.

Our presence running the tea tent at the Carnival now seems so established that even the lady who runs the hot dog and burger van has started to give us a discount on our regular mid-morning order for bacon rolls. The assembled multitude of Barn helpers made reasonably short work of erecting the pergolas and putting out tables and chairs and then came the usual slack time between around noon and 2 p.m. when some people could think of nothing else to do but patronise the beer tent.

Once the Carnival parade was over the customers began to arrive for teas and cakes by the hundred. This certainly must have been the busiest we have been for years and we needed at least two people permanently on duty just clearing up paper plates and cups. By the end of a hot and tiring afternoon all the cakes had been sold and we recorded the highest profit ever, which will go towards yet further improvements at The Barn. The day was rounded off, again in traditional form, by a barbeque for all the helpers, kindly hosted by John and Sheila Bennett.

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## LED BY ZEPPELIN

### The Ultimate Tribute Band

### Saturday 6th December

We have been fortunate to book the ultimate Led Zeppelin tribute band for December and you are advised to book your tickets early for what promises to be a stunning evening.

Led By Zeppelin are the UK's premier and most authentic Led Zeppelin tribute band. Formed in the year 2000 the band prides itself on being authentic in dress, looks and sound and many of the tracks you will hear are based around Zeppelin live versions as well as studio versions. The evening includes the whole spectrum of Zeppelin's greatest music.....from heavy rockers such as 'Whole Lotta Love' to classics such as 'Kashmir' and 'Stairway to Heaven'..... from folksy acoustic numbers such as 'Going to California' and 'Tangerine' to numbers rarely performed live by Led Zeppelin such as 'Wanton Song' and 'Out on the Tiles'.

We anticipate a full house with the complete LZ atmosphere and legendary music.... a must for all those fans, young and old.

**Book Your Tickets Now 01959 561811**

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## Fire Safety at The Barn

Fire Safety regulations have recently changed and the Barn Theatre is now responsible for developing and implementing its own Fire Safety Policy - this includes policy documentation, identifying fire precautions, risk assessment, fire safety and marshall training, signage, provision of equipment and naming an identified person to take full responsibility.

The Theatre Director/Trustees have agreed to hold a mandatory training session to be attended by all the Director/Trustees and key members from our main user groups. We are also offering an open invitation to all our users/patrons to

attend and we very much hope you'll come along. The training will take place on Monday 29 September at 7.30pm at the Theatre. The training will be provided by Mr John Kempton who has kindly offered his services free of charge in return for a donation to St John Ambulance. Normally this training would cost at least £40 per person so we are very grateful to John for his support. The training is expected to last about two hours and refreshments will be provided. A certificate of attendance will be presented to the Theatre with the names of all those who attend.

Please let me know if you wish to attend. I can be contacted on 01883 717908 or at [pjlittleford@btconnect.com](mailto:pjlittleford@btconnect.com).