

## WHAT'S ON

### Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December;

- 4.00 pm. Judging of Lantern Competition at the House of Manannan and parade to Michael Street.
- 4.30 pm Christmas lights switched on by the cast from the Peel Pantaloons Jack & The Beanstalk. Father Christmas will also be in attendance. Look out for the hot chestnut man!

**REFUSE COLLECTION:** Bin collections over the Festive Period will be as follows. Bins emptied on a Tuesday will be emptied on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> December and Monday 31<sup>st</sup> December and bins emptied on a Wednesday will be emptied on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> December and Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> January.

The Town Hall office will be closed on Monday 24th December 2012 until Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> January 2013

### Events Next Year (2013)

- New Year Day Dip – Peel Beach 1<sup>st</sup> January  
WOSAT Art Trail - May 9<sup>th</sup> to May 12<sup>th</sup>  
Peel In Motion Day – June 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Civic Sunday – July 14<sup>th</sup>  
20th Anniversary Traditional Boat Weekend - July 26th -28th  
Peel Cycle Race run by the Isle of Man Cycling Association - July 27th  
Peel Carnival - 4th August



## *COMMISSIONERS NEWS*

*NOVEMBER, 2012*

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Welcome to the November Newsletter and best wishes for the Christmas Season from the Commissioners.

## *AROUND PEEL*

**New Commissioner:** Congratulations to Kate Felton who was elected unopposed. Kate has been appointed as Chair of the Chamber of Trade and Commerce and joins:

- Eric Beale – Chairman  
Christine Moughtin - Vice-chair and Westlands  
Ian Davison - Lead member for Recreation & Western Swimming Pool Board.  
Neil Cushing - Westlands  
David Lace - Lead member for Works and Planning  
Alan Jones – Lead member for Housing  
Jackie O'Halloran – Civic Amenity Site, Heritage Trust, Youth and Regeneration representative  
Ray Harmer – Lead member for Finance and Regeneration representative

### Commissioners Surgery

These take place every 2nd Saturday in the month at the Town Hall from 10:00am to 12 noon. The next is on Saturday 8th December.

### Sewage services

From April 2013, these services will pass to the Water and Sewerage Authority (WASA).

#### Sewage

We can no longer continue to pump raw sewage into the bay. Only Peel and Garwick failed bathing water tests. WASA are undertaking a feasibility study to investigate whether the fields (designated for predominantly industrial use) next to the Power Station area are a suitable location for either an enclosed or open plant that serves Peel. Once the outcome is known, a period of public consultation will take place over any plans that are derived from the study.

### Regeneration

Under the Western Regeneration Committee, a number of shop painting schemes have taken place over the summer. A pilot area around Derby Road and the Cathedral and around the kiosk on the promenade is due to take place over the next six months. Following the pilot scheme, the area around Market Place is next area targeted for development. Plans will be made public nearer the time.

### WiFi

Plans are progressing to provide WiFi in Peel and should see a launch early next year.

### Dog Fouling:

Dog bags can be now obtained from the Town Hall. Unfortunately large numbers of bags were emptied from receptacles within minutes of being replenished so are no longer stocked there.

### Marine Parade

The Commissioners are looking to regenerate this area and install play equipment in the short term.

### Scope of Local Government

Central Government are looking at options to change the make-up and function of local authorities, including replacing them with a smaller number of larger authorities. Make your view count, please let us know what you think.

### Peel Campsite

Despite the poor weather the campsite has still had a reasonable summer with only a slight drop in campers compared to 2011. The site was full during the TT and Manx Grand Prix with campers from the UK and many European countries enjoying the racing and the Island. Bookings for the 2013 TT are full but there is still some availability for the Manx Grand Prix, so we are looking forward to a busy summer. Improvements are planned for the 2013 season and hopefully next year the weather will be better. Thanks to Phil Quane, the campsite manager, Terry Quayle, Phil Wozniak, Paul Chatel and all the staff at the Commissioners who have made the site an excellent place to camp in 2012.

### Headlands BMX Track

We are hoping to reinstate the headlands BMX track during the winter period. The framework of the track is in place but needs work to reinstate the track and banks. We would be so grateful for names of anyone who would be interested in helping and who might have a barrow and spade and be able to give a few hours of their time. If you are interested in helping please call the Town Hall on 842341 or call in and leave your name and contact number. Thank you.

### Skate Park Vandalism

It is with regret that a small handful of individuals feel it necessary to spoil the enjoyment of others by vandalising the ramps and side protection boards at the skate and BMX park on the promenade and also by writing graffiti on the ramp walls. These individuals meet and drink, smash bottles and leave large amounts of litter, making the area unpleasant for others to use.

It is rate payer's money that is used to repair the damage and clean the area. This money could be better spent on other things to help benefit the Town.

**Do you know where your teenager is after 10pm at night?**

If you have any information regarding vandalism around Peel please call the Town hall on 842341 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or Peel Police Station 842208 where your call will be treated in strictest confidence

### Peel Jubilee Week

To coincide with the Queen's Jubilee and 60th anniversary of the Peel Carnival, a Jubilee week was held in the last week of July. This included the Jubilee Shop Front Dressing-up competition, Jubilee Fun Run, Family Cycle Event, Hog Roast, Peel Bay Swim, Treasure Hunt, and Jubilee Sports event.

Thank you to all those who helped and took part in the events.

### CCTV

CCTV equipment will be installed on Atholl Place. The Commissioners are also looking at upgrading its CCTV system.

### Peel Achievers

Physiotherapist Isla Scott was presented with the Peel Achiever Award in recognition of her sport physiotherapy work for Sport Aid and the Isle of Man Squad at the Commonwealth Youth Games.

In addition, Ian Baker and the Peel Carnival Committee received recognition for all they have done over the years (this year was in fact the 60th anniversary of the Peel Carnival) and were presented with the Community Award which was donated by Peel Community Church.

Meanwhile, Muriel Quayle was presented with the T.A. Kelly Shield by Malcolm Kelly in recognition of her charitable work in Peel.

Peel in Bloom winners also received their prizes at the ceremony, which was also a charity night raising £336 for the Peel & District Support Group.

The Commissioners are seeking nominations for people who have achieved something special for next year's Peel Achievers. Do you know anyone – or a group of people who deserve recognition?

### Peel in Bloom Competition 2012

The Peel in Bloom gardening competition judging took place during the first two weeks of August with over 32 entries and the standard of all entries was excellent.

This year's judge was Mr Robert Watson of Watsons Nurseries, Greeba who kindly donated the garden gift vouchers for the events lucky winners and runners up. Thank you to Thelma and Geoff Birkett for the three main winners' cups and the Peel Town Commissioners for the prize money.

There were four categories:

**Best Garden - won by Mrs Scarffe and Mr Cooley**

**Hanging Baskets – won by Mr and Mrs J Griffiths**

**Commercial – won by Mr and Mrs Sperring, Albany House B & B**

**Young Persons – Joint winners Master Joseph Lace and Master Joseph Thornley**

The Young Persons was a new category this year and was to encourage young people to take an interest in gardening, plants and horticulture.

**The joint winners of this year's class both received a gift voucher for six months supply of Davison's Manx ice cream.**

**A big thank you to all who took part. We hope the 2013 event will be even bigger so we look forward to receiving lots of entries. Application forms will be available from the Town Hall in June 2013.**

### **Youth Club**

**Peel Youth Club need your help. Please let us know if you have: printer paper, chalk board & chalk, pool cues & tips, pool table balls, balls for a table football game, speakers for a stereo or does anyone have an iPod docking station they wish to sell cheap or donate?**

**We also need glass or poster paints, forks, old X Box games, plaster of Paris, table tennis table, bats, balls.**

**Thank you.**

### **Cycle Race**

**The Commissioners have been approached to support a cycle race in Peel on 27 July 2013 which will form part of a Town Centre Series around the Island. The race will take a different format and is intended to involve the community. The exact route and event details have not yet been decided but a road closure will be needed. The Commissioners are very supportive of the proposal and look forward to seeing this new event in Peel next year.**

### **Western Civic Amenity Site**

**The opening hours of the Civic Amenity Site are:-**

**Monday to Saturday 8:00am to 4:00pm**

**Sunday 9:00am to 4:00pm**

**Last entry at 3:45pm**