



Press Release

Tynwald Day 2002 will be a great day for all the family

The President of Tynwald, The Hon. Noel Cringle, has unveiled plans for enhancements to Tynwald Day and promises there will be something for all the family at this year's event.

The Tynwald Setting Enhancement Sub-Committee has radically improved the day's programme over the past few years, adding to the formal proceedings of the open air Tynwald Ceremony which takes place this year on Friday, 5th July.

'Tynwald Day will follow the success of recent years with plenty to do starting at 11am and continuing after the Tynwald Ceremony until around 11pm,' said Mr President.

'As well as an opportunity to meet friends and family, activities this Tynwald Fair Day will range from the Three-Legged World Championships on the Fair Field during the afternoon, to model aeroplane displays in the marquee in Balladoyne field.

'The perennially popular Punch and Judy will give three shows during the afternoon, while in addition there will be a showcase of local choirs and performers to keep people entertained throughout the evening.'

The day's activities will culminate with the Beating the Retreat by the Band of the Royal Airforce College at 9pm, plus the atmospheric pipers on Tynwald Hill at 10pm, followed by the fireworks finale.

Details of the full programme of events will be published in a leaflet distributed with the *Isle of Man Courier* on June 27. It will include a new Tynwald Day competition with a prize of £1,000 for the winner.

The additional attractions at St John's on 5th July have been approved by the Tynwald Setting Enhancement Sub-Committee which is chaired by Mr President. Other members are the Speaker of the House of Keys, The Hon. Tony Brown SHK, the Hon. Pamela Crowe MHK and the Hon. Steve Rodan MHK.

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