



## New opportunities in 2013

2013 looks like being another busy year with lots of new opportunities for the Friends, especially now that we have our superb new base in the pavilion by the bowling greens, which we share with the Greenhead Park Bowling Club (see box below for more information about the Club). The Bowling Club and Friends are planning some taster sessions for people new to bowling and we are collecting sets of crown green woods to loan out to people who'd like to have a go. If anyone has any unwanted woods, we would be very happy to give them a good home!

As well as providing a base for bowling and for the Friends group, the new pavilion has already proved to be a great venue for smaller events such as the Poetry in the Park sessions. We want to make sure the building is well-used and ideas for future events include music or craft workshops, if we can find enough volunteers!

You can find out more about plans and activities for 2013 - and tell us your ideas - by coming to our Annual General Meeting (see below).

### Young musicians in the park

Lots of people have told us that they'd like to see more music in the park, so we've got together with Kirklees Music School to plan a series of performances on the bandstand by music groups from local schools and the KMS Music Centres.



If our recent bid for funding is successful, performances will take place on Saturday

afternoons in June and early July.

### The Friends of Greenhead Park Annual General Meeting

**Saturday 16 March at 11am**

**Greenhead Park Community Room** (in the cafe building by the tennis courts)

Come along to find out more about the Friends and discuss plans and activities for 2013.

Everyone is welcome at the AGM and to join us afterwards for a cuppa in the new pavilion.

### Still bowling along!

The bowling greens opened to the public in June 1927, and Greenhead Park Bowling Club was formed in the October.



The Club remains in existence to the present day and, with the new pavilion as a base, hopes to extend its range of activities into the future.

As well as competing in the Huddersfield & District Veterans League on Mondays (6 Man) and Tuesdays (10 Man), the Club runs Individual & Pairs competitions, usually on Thursdays. So during the bowling season (early April to the end of September), you'll find members in the park between 10.30am and 4.30pm most Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please note that non-members are welcome to bowl on the greens when not in use for competitions.

Members get together during the off season too, meeting in the Pavilion for indoor games and a chat on Tuesdays, 11am to 4pm.

For more information about the Club's activities, please drop in on a Tuesday or call 07766 520706.

### There are lots of ways to find out what's on in the park

- ★ Take a look at the noticeboards at the main park entrances and window displays in the pavilion and community room
- ★ Go to [www.friendsofgreenheadpark.org.uk](http://www.friendsofgreenheadpark.org.uk)
- ★ Sign up for FoGP e-mail updates
- ★ Check out the Greenhead Park Facebook page
- ★ Look out for details in the local press

## Exploring the past

The lunchtime History Hour programme organised by the Friends will be starting up again in May. The free sessions are on the first Wednesday of the month from 12.30pm to 1.30pm in the Greenhead Park Community Room.



On May 1 we will hear from local historian David Griffiths about some of the residents of the former Greenhead Hall.

The June 5 session will be another chance to see a fascinating compilation of old and new film of Greenhead Park shown by Trevor Spencer from Huddersfield Film Making Club.

## Wednesday Gardening Group

Our Wednesday afternoon gardening group continues to lend a hand to park staff to help keep the park looking good. Jobs range from weeding and edging to planting out bedding and herbaceous plants. New volunteers would be very welcome - we meet at 2.15pm in the Pavilion by the bowling greens. Contact us - see box below - if you'd like to know more.

We are planning a walkabout with gardening staff shortly - open to all members of the Friends - to look at ideas and priorities for future planting and landscaping.



Rose Garden herbaceous border in full bloom last summer

## More sports and fitness activities on offer in the park

New **Run Wild** sessions are for anyone over 12 who wants to get up and running. Led by a qualified run leader, they are suitable for all fitness levels and include a proper warm up and cool down as well as a variety of running drills to keep you motivated! Sessions start from the Community Room on Mondays at 6pm and Tuesdays at 1pm and last an hour, with a small charge of £2.50 per session.

Plans are also in hand for more sports activities starting in April. These include **archery** for beginners, the return of **tennis coaching** and new **cardio tennis** fitness sessions - watch out for more details. We'll be getting a trim trail this year too, which should be a great addition to the park's sports facilities.

## Join the Friends of Greenhead Park

Do you care about Greenhead Park?  
Would you like a say in future plans for the park?  
Do you have ideas about park events or activities?

### Then why not join us?

Come along to our AGM on March 16 or get in touch by post, on line or in person  
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Drop-in session, Wednesdays from 1.30pm to 3pm in the new pavilion by the bowling greens

## 6 million + In Our Hands

In 2005 more than 6m buttons were collected by the people of Kirklees and beyond to create a stunning artwork as a memorial to those who were killed during the Holocaust and more recent genocides - each button representing a person who died.

After 6 years on display in a variety of public venues across Britain, the time has come to find a new permanent form and home for the work and, thanks to a grant from Arts Council England, the feasibility of siting the buttons as a new outdoor artwork in Kirklees is currently being investigated. Greenhead Park has been chosen as one of three possible sites and this summer will see workshops and activities to involve local people in this exciting project.

Watch this space for more news....