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**RICHMONDSHIRE LANDSCAPE TRUST**

# NEWSLETTER

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## Support in high places

We are pleased to announce that Baroness Hale of Richmond has become the Patron of the Richmondshire Landscape Trust.

Educated at Richmond High School and currently a resident of the town, Brenda Hale gained national prominence last year when she became the first female law lord – one of the 12 judges that make up Britain's highest court. She has had a distinguished career as both an academic and legal practitioner, holding many high profile positions. These include: Professor of Law at Manchester University, Law Commissioner, Queen's Counsel and Lord Justice of Appeal.

In accepting the role as the Trust's Patron, Lady Hale said: "These pieces of land are so important to the people of Richmond and for everyone visiting our beautiful town. I am delighted to support ROSA and will do whatever I can to help."

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## Volunteers please!

Congratulations to everyone in achieving our initial target of £40,000. However, it is crucial that we do not lose the fundraising momentum as there is still a lot of money to be raised over the next two years.

At a meeting this summer, members generated a vast array of fundraising ideas. We now have to put as many of these into action as possible and produce a calendar of events.

With this newsletter, we are circulating a volunteer sheet listing a number of events and fundraising activities. We would like you to indicate which of these areas you could either organise or assist with. This will help us to gauge the level of support for each activity and also determine whether they would be viable in terms of organisation.

Please complete the form and send it to the ROSA events' organiser at: 23 Westfields, Richmond, North Yorkshire, DL10 4DD.

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## New land hand over date

We had hoped to report in this newsletter that the first instalment of £40,000 had been made to the District Council at the end of September, and that the purchase of the five pieces of land was therefore secure.

Unfortunately, despite the fact that the Trust had the money in hand, completion has not taken place for reasons completely beyond our control. Instead, the Council has set a new target for the end of October.

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## How are we doing?

Since launching its appeal on 22 April 2004, the Trust now has 470 members and has raised £26,000. A further £17,000 has been promised as interest free loans. Please keep up the good work, every bit helps!

## Station Group offer

The Richmondshire Building Preservation Trust has offered ROSA free use of the Richmond station building in March 2005 for a major fundraising event.

If anyone has any ideas for an event that would be suitable for this venue, please contact Stuart Parsons on 01748 823456.

## Round-up of events

Over the past few months there have been a number of events and fundraising initiatives. We are very grateful to all those who have organised them, assisted with them or supported them.

People are often interested to know how much specific activities have raised, so we thought we would report on some of the most recent events.

If an event or activity is not listed here, it means that we have not been able to finalise amounts and will include details in the next newsletter. Thank you once again for all your efforts and support!

**'Kids Who Care' concerts - £290**  
**Pie and Pea supper - £226**  
**Film show - 'Vintage Richmond' - £1,356**  
**Boundary Walk sponsorship - £893**  
**Tennants' Tour - £202**  
**Coffee mornings - £1,265**  
**Market Place collections - £646**  
**Catering for Richmond Castle Run - £376**

## Dates for the diary

### Saturday 30 October - Grand Auction Sale

Oliver and Valerie Blease are hosting a charity auction in the garden of 26 Newbiggin, Richmond (access from Fryers Yard, Victoria Road). The sale will start at 10.30am with viewing from 8.30am. Items required for auction include, antiques, art and household goods. Donations gratefully received. Collection service available. Refreshments served. Everyone welcome. Please call 01748 823344 for details.

### Thursday 25 November - Edinburgh Woollen Mill Fashion Evening

Enjoy a fashion show and early Christmas shopping at the Edinburgh Woollen Mill. Further details are not available at the time of going to print, so please watch out for information in the local press and event posters. Contact Veronica Robson on 01748 824218 for information.

### Monday 20 December - Christmas at St Nicholas, Richmond

## Concert for town charities

Three Richmondshire charities – ROSA, the Richmondshire Building Preservation Trust and the Easby Footpath Restoration Appeal – were the joint beneficiaries of funds raised by a folk concert held at the King's Head Hotel on 22 October.

The event featured international artists Cathryn Craig and Brian Willoughby, and was sponsored by Richmond firm, Alt-berg.

## Further information

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