

## Award winning Architects dRMM to work with BPT Hastings Pier designers to develop new plans for Bognor Regis Pier

Award-winning studio **dRMM Architects** have been appointed by the Bognor Pier Trust to create design proposals for Bognor Regis Pier fit for the next generation of users and visitors to the Pier. These proposals will form a key part of the Round 1 Bid submission to the Heritage Lottery Fund.

**dRMM** have been involved in the design architecture of Hastings Pier and have won many awards for creating architecture that is innovative, high quality and socially useful.

The Trust looks forward to working with **dRMM** in the coming months and is looking forward to the initial ideas and concepts that will be produced.



Two of the exciting designs created by **dRMM Architects** for the on-going Hastings Pier Redevelopment Project

### Celebrating Bognor Pier Trust Funders



## Photograph Competition Winners

A big 'Thank you' to everyone who entered the Bognor Pier Trust 2nd Photographic Competition.

The outstanding quality and variety of images was just incredible and highly praised by the independent judging panel.

With stiff competition from over 200 entries the Directors and Friends offer their heartfelt congratulations to the winners.



Category: Places  
**Simon Taylor**



Category: People  
**Pauline Hatcher**



Category: Pier  
**Darren Collyer**

See more competition winners over the page...

# News from Bognor Pier Trust

## Director's Report

Doesn't time fly, where has the last six months gone!! But what an exciting six months we have had!!

Bognor Pier Trust Directors have been working towards the Round 1 Bid which we hope to submit in 2016. Ken Blamires Bid Project Manager has commissioned all the necessary professional work required for the bid and has produced an excellent presentation for our HLF meeting. Be assured that the BPT Directors are working tirelessly on the Bid to achieve our goal.

The Friends' Annual Meeting held last October at the Regis Centre was a great success. The Friends have organised the Halloween Murder (31.10.15) and everyone attending absolutely "EXCELLED" themselves with their costumes and the recent Schooldays Murder (19.03.16) again produced some outstanding costumes. Both murders were enjoyed by everyone and were great fun. We had our first Choir Singing event at the Pier Point in December 2015, which we will certainly repeat this year. The Friends are starting to get out and about with the Gazebo now, so check out the events.

On behalf of the BPT Directors and myself, THANK YOU for your continuing support as we move forward.

**Paul Wells** : Chairman

## Directors and Committee

### Paul Wells

(Chairman)  
Local Councillor,  
Managing Director, author.  
Resident of Bognor Regis  
since 1973



### Marvyn Turrell

(Vice Chairman)  
Chair of Amberley Museum  
and other Directorships.  
Resident of Bognor Regis  
since 2006



### Jim Brooks

Local Councillor and  
Managing Director.  
Resident of Bognor Regis  
since 1985



### Jan Malpas

(Treasurer)  
Retired Accountant and  
Chair of the Friends of BRP.  
Resident of Bognor Regis  
since 2006



### Ken Blamires

(HLF Project Manager)  
Retired multinational  
Planning Executive.  
Resident of Bognor Regis  
since 2008



### Paul Vanzeebroek

Retired Senior Technician  
(working with students studying Radio,  
Film & TV in the University Sector)  
Resident of Bognor Regis  
since 2014



At the FoBRP Annual Meeting in October, Marvyn Turrell (BPT Director) introduced the new cheeky BPT Mascot; a smiley crab called Claude - who BOUNCED onto the theatre screen to give us a guided tour of his brand new Young Supporters' website which contains lots of downloadable activities.

Visit him at  
'Claude's Corner'

[www.bognorpiertrust.co.uk](http://www.bognorpiertrust.co.uk)



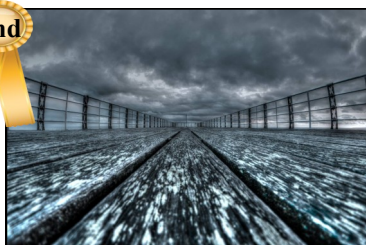
## Nick Gibb gives his support

Nick Gibb MP came to Bognor Regis to meet the BPT Directors on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2016, so that he could be updated with how the Bognor Pier Project is progressing. He was very pleased with the progress that we have made in such a short time and wishes us every success as we move forward. We are very grateful for Nick's support.



## 2nd and 3rd place winning photographs

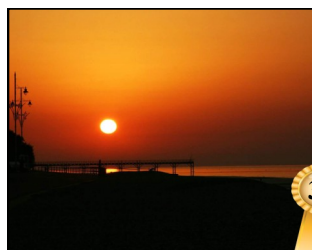
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Category: Pier  
**Andrzej Środa**

Category: Pier

**Carlee Richards**



3rd

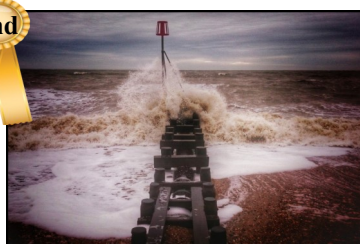
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**Michele Julie Coulton**



3rd

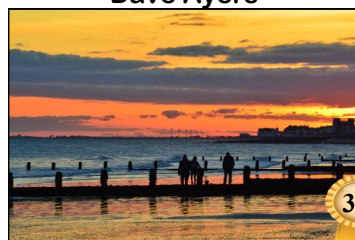
2nd



Category: Places  
**Kate Smit-Geraets**

Category: People

**Dave Ayers**



3rd

2nd



Category: People  
**Kate Smit-Geraets**

We had over 200 entries! More will be on show at our Pier Point Visitor Centre

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# News from the Friends of Bognor Regis Pier

## A pier into the future

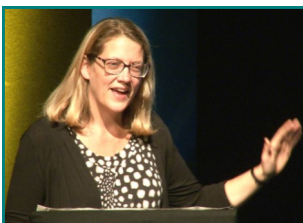


Friends of Bognor Regis Pier Annual Meeting 09.10.15

For our second Annual Meeting we took over the Alexander Theatre, the Studio and the foyer of The Regis Centre. How we have grown in just one year with 150 members attending the meeting.

There were displays showing the work of the [Bognor Pier Trust \(BPT\)](#) and the [FoBRP](#), as well as stunning pictures around the story of our Pier.

In the theatre, we started and ended the meeting with Pier Videos, produced by talented FoBRP Colin Clark, who put together a fantastic pictorial history of the pier from its inception right up to present day.



A fantastic motivational speech, from **Jess Steele**, compared her Hastings experience of achieving the Heritage Lottery Bid, to the work that the BPT and FoBRP need to do for the Bognor Regis Bid.

### Key points:

1. "People Power" showing the visual support of the local community.
2. Volumes of work needed for the Round 1 and Round 2 Bids.
3. Making sure that every i is dotted and T crossed.
4. Commitment - Patience - Persistence!

Jan Malpas and her FoBRP team provided wine and nibbles in the interval for the members. What a fantastic evening which was enjoyed by everyone!

## **Wanted: Happy passengers to ride our Carnival float - Saturday 11th June**

This could be you!



For more details: Phone or text Jan on 07854 854 787 or come and have a chat at the next coffee morning



## Become a part of our **Royal Birthday Card Challenge**

So, just how many birthday wishes can you fit into a Queen-sized greetings card?

How we will commemorate the 90th birthday of Queen Elizabeth II



- \* Pick up one of our specially designed greetings at the next coffee morning, or download a copy from our website, or visit one of the Gazebo events listed on the back page.
- \* Write your greeting, add your Post Code for future generations to see, then bring to the next coffee morning or post to: Bognor Pier Trust CIC, 6 Bradlond Close, Bognor Regis PO21 2RQ
- \* Get your friends and family to complete their own message too and we'll put them all together as a reminder of this unique occasion.
- \* Along with your written contributions we shall be going out into the community (i.e. schools, rest homes and businesses) to try and gather over 5,000 Birthday Greetings to present to the Queen after her official birthday on 12th June 2016.
- \* Please return your greetings by Wednesday 1st June, 2016 to ensure that you are included in our Queen-sized card before we deliver it personally to Buckingham Palace.

*Just you watch out Mr Guinness Book of Records!*

## getting to know you - and us!

### 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of Friends of Bognor Regis Pier Members' Coffee Mornings

**WOW** what a turn out! On 13th January 2016, over 75 Members came to the very first anniversary of our FoBRP monthly coffee mornings.

The Bognor Pier Trust Directors gave an update regarding our Round 1 Heritage Lottery Bid submission and Jan Malpas (Chair of FoBRP) announced details of the action-packed Programme for 2016. Don't forget to make a note of 'Dates for your Diary' overleaf. During a short presentation, we all enjoyed coffee and cake whilst watching the very popular Bognor Regis Pier montage; followed by a raffle which included some fantastic Pier photographs.

To celebrate our first Anniversary we had a Special "Membership Number Draw", where 3 of the 712 membership numbers were drawn and the winners won Marks and Spencer Vouchers.

1st prize - 538, 2nd - 334, 3rd - 325 (winners have been notified).

A great time was had by everyone. These regular coffee mornings have gone from strength to strength, giving our membership an opportunity to chat, contribute or just listen - we look forward to meeting you.



### **Did You Know?**

The First Chairman of Bognor Pier was the great grandfather of the Queen, the Honourable **CLAUDE** Bowes-Lyon!

# News from the Friends of Bognor Regis Pier

## 2016 forthcoming events

April	6th	Members' Coffee Morning
	29th	Gazebo - Tesco Bognor Regis
May	4th	Members' Coffee Morning Bognor Regis Pier 151 today!
	26	Gazebo - Tesco Bognor Regis
	Various	Pier Point Openings to be announced
June	1st	Members' Coffee Morning
	11th	Carnival - Float & Gazebo
	Various	Pier Point Openings to be announced
July	6th	Members' Coffee Morning
	2nd/3rd	BR Kite Festival - Gazebo - West Park
	9th	Members Horse Race Night
	10th	Drive through time - Gazebo - West Park
	31st	Middleton-on-sea Village Fete - Gazebo
	Various	Pier Point Openings to be announced
August	3rd	Members' Coffee Morning
	6th/7th	Hotham Park Country Fair - Gazebo
	28th	Illuminations Gala - Float - West Park
	Various	Pier Point Openings to be announced
Sept	3rd/4th	Birdman - Gazebo - BR prom
	7th	Members' Coffee Morning
	24th/25th	South Down Folk Festival
	Various	Pier Point Openings to be announced
Oct	7th	FoBRP Annual Meeting - Regis Centre
Nov	2nd	Members' Coffee Morning
Dec	7th	Members' Coffee Morning
Christmas		Carol Singing - Pier Point

## What a lucky, 'LUCKY DIP'!

Who'd have thought a jam jar, a handful of goodies and a piece of gingham would have become such a fundraising success!



...and everyone loves a Pier!

Third Murder Mystery - 'Schooldays'  
Information and more photos on our website



Head Boy  
Duffer Jones 9C  
Hermione Swott  
8A  
Retiring Head  
'Inky' Wells  
German Teacher  
Frau Schlupher



Members' carol singing at the Pier Point  
December 2015 - with mince pies and mulled wine

## Did You Know?

The Pier Master in 1910 was called  
Mr Pierpoint!!

## Ask yourself: "Does size matter?"

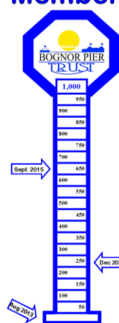
A resounding YES! when it comes to showing our Pier Point visitors how many members have joined the **Bognor Pier Trust**.

Many thanks go to the **Friends Members Fabrication Team**, John and Doreen, for making the two super metre-high targets.

Membership now...

**750**

...and rising!



## Spreading the word

A big, big 'thank you' to the **gazebo gang!**



Lesley, Val, Tricia, Jan, Paul - London Road, Bognor Regis 20 Feb 2016

Fighting high winds, wayward display stands and damp grass, in words and pictures, our intrepid **Friend's Team** have been telling the public all about our project and the vital Heritage Lottery bid.

Not only are they signing up lots of lovely new members, but the **BPT** profile is being rapidly raised both within the Bognor Regis community and the surrounding area.



Keep a look out for these future FoBRP member events

## Horse Race Evening

with fish & chips £10 a head



Saturday 9th July 2016  
at the Regis Centre

All bets are on!

An exciting evening at the races!

A very, very  
General Knowledge



autumn



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Friends of bognor regis pier



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Lots more pictures  
and  
information  
on our website

Email Address: If you are on email and haven't given it to us, we are unable to keep you up updated with current information.  
We send out monthly emails. Please forward your email address to [janmalpas@gmail.com](mailto:janmalpas@gmail.com) if you want to be included in the monthly email.

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