

An aerial photograph of the town of Alton, showing a dense residential area with many houses, interspersed with green fields and trees. The sky is blue with some white clouds. The text 'Celebrating ALTON' is overlaid on the top part of the image. 'Celebrating' is in a yellow, cursive font, and 'ALTON' is in a large, bold, blue font. A yellow rose is positioned to the left of the 'A' in 'ALTON'.

Celebrating
ALTON

Programme

**Alton Assembly Rooms
13th November 2010**

**Exhibition to mark
the 40th Anniversary
of The Alton Society**



ABOUT THE SOCIETY

Leaflets are available on the Alton Society stand giving full details of the Society. Please take one, and also a copy of the Town Design Statement that the Society played a large part in producing. It is a wonderful record and guide for future building in the town.

Our website : www.altonociety.org.uk

We hope to post the Celebrating Alton! video which is being prepared for the exhibition by Martin Saban-Smith.

The collection of individual submissions, poems, pictures, reminiscences is to be found on

<http://celebratingalton.blogspot.com/>

AGM

The 40th Annual General Meeting of the Alton Society will be held here in the Alton Assembly Rooms, next Saturday, 20th November, 10.30 am.

There will be a short talk about the beginnings of the Society by the founding Chairman, Mr. Les Packett, and at the end of the formal business there will be an open discussion about the highly topical Museums and the Supermarkets issues.

All are most welcome to attend, but only members may vote.

Please consider becoming a member

Working together for the future of Alton

GROUPS EXHIBITING

Alton Society Island

Alton Society display
Alton Society Tree Warden
Celebrating Alton Video

Alton Town Island

History of Alton display
Amery Hill Residents Association
The Lawn
Alton Infants School
Friends of Curtis Museum & Allen Gallery
Molson-Coors (History of Brewing in Alton)
ThisIsAlton.co.uk
Alton Town Council

Clockwise around hall from right of stage

Alton College
Alton Choral Society
Alton Local Food Initiative (ALFI)
Greening Alton & Holybourne Campaign
Alton Horticultural Society
North East Hants Agricultural Association
Alton Morris
Alton Community Care
Paper Furniture Social enterprises
Alton U3A (University of the 3rd Age)
Alton Counselling
Alton Art Society
Alton Community Choir
Alton Natural History Society
Alton Community Hospital
Citizens Advice Bureau
Rotary Clubs of Alton
REHAB
Alton Tennis Club
Holybourne Youth Theatre
Alton Ramblers
Alton Lions Club
Open Sight Alton
Probus Club (Alton & District)
Alton Allotment Association
Alton Faith Communities (Combined)
Alton & District Youth Council
Alton Bowling Club
Alton Town Twinning Association
Alton Camera Club
Alton Community Association
Alton & District Trefoil Guild (Guides)
Alton Westbrooke Guides
Alton Inner Wheel
Ancora (chamber choir)
Alton Bridge Club
Alton Operatic & Dramatic Society
Alton Runners
Alton Concert Orchestra
Alton Health & Fun Club
Alton Fringe Theatre
Anstey Junior School
Alton Library
Alton Modern Sequence Dance Club



PROGRAMME

- 9.30 am *Opening by the Mayor*
Alton Concert band
- 10.00 Alton Operatic and Dramatic Soc
- 11.00 Mini Morris (Alton Infant School)
- 11:45 King's Pond Shantymen
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- 1:10 Alton Morris
- 1.30 Jess, Ed and Ellan (jazz group)
- 2.00 Alton Community Choir
- 2.30 Suspirium (Recorder Group)
- 3.00 Ancora (Female voices)
- 3.30 Alton Choral Society
- 4.30 *Close of exhibition*



INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Thank you to the many individuals who have added to this unique event. Their contributions are displayed on the "What I love about Alton..." panels throughout the exhibition, on the web at <http://celebratingalton.blogspot.com/> and in the video. Here is a tiny sample:

*"Wherever you are in Alton,
you can always see the edges. Lovely*



*'... has moved with
the times but
retains that
friendly small
market town feel*



Alton Community Hospital



*"I like the people, I find them
very helpful, obliging and friendly*



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