

The Essex Association of Change Ringers

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Sparks Will Fly in Essex – A Cultural Festival for everyone to celebrate the London 2012 Games

Dear All,

Back in November 2011, I promised to provide you with more details of the events being planned throughout Essex by Essex County Council (Legacy from the 2012 Games), in collaboration with Chelmsford Borough Council, Walk the Plank, and The Arts Council of England.

Arrangements are now moving at a very fast past and we have agreed to take part in four of the events on a large scale. You may already be hearing details of different activities through local schools and community groups who are also getting involved in arrangements for the events by designing banners, writing poetry, making costumes, practicing dancing and having competitions etc.

Please visit the Sparks Will Fly website <http://www.sparkswillfly.org.uk/> which has just gone live for details of the whole Festival and the dates when it is hosting an event near you. There is also a dedicated Facebook page and Twitter feed, so do join in the fun. It will be lovely to see you all posting your stories and pictures over the coming weeks and it should all get us thoroughly in the mood for the Olympic Torch Relay and the start of the Games themselves.

I will be sending out appeals for helpers at the four events very shortly. That does not preclude local bands from taking part in any of the other events local to them on a smaller scale. If you would like any help with these in terms of borrowing display equipment, please let me know.

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