



Haddenham Association of Scouts & Guides

Charity No.270223

Haddenham Scarecrow Festival 2024

Open for Entries from 4th to 31st May

Entries can be submitted any time from 4th May until midnight 31st May. To take part, simply complete and return an entry form in one of the following ways:

- Complete and submit an **online form** at:
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfFiZHEjfCwbL3JFjeJifl1OnBlzmsTr2QZBEcHxsV-yGNRyw/viewform>
- **Download and print a form** from haddenham.net website
- Pick up a **paper form** from Blooming Fruity Community Greengrocer
- **Contact us** at scarecrowhaddenham.festival@gmail.com or 07554 141810

All entries submitted by the closing date will be included on the official List of Entrants and Scarecrow Trail Map. Unfortunately, any entries received late, even the next day, cannot be included on the official map due to the very tight printing deadline, but late entrants are welcome to display their scarecrow in support of the event.

We are challenging people to use their imagination and creativity to make a Scarecrow on the theme of “Our Natural World” (this theme can be very loosely applied!) using *any* resources you may have at home, in your loft, garden, shed or garage. No need to include straw unless you would prefer to do so. There are very few rules to follow:

1. Your Scarecrow can be ANY shape or size and made of any material or item(s).
2. “Natural World” themed entries are invited but this is optional...anything goes!
3. All scarecrows or displays **MUST** be given a name. With a village-wide event on this scale, some name duplications are inevitable, but each and every creation is unique and appreciated, so please don't worry about this.
4. Entries **MUST be visibly displayed at the front of your own property** 24 hours a day from 9am on 8th June (**NOT BEFORE PLEASE**) until the end of Sunday 30th June.
5. We respectfully request that scarecrows are not used to make political statements or presented in any way which may cause offence to any spectators, especially young children – it just needs to be fun!

Scarecrow Festival Open from 8th to 30th June

We request visitors do not enter private property unless invited to do so. We will arrange to display photos of the scarecrows online for anyone unable to see for themselves.

Fundraising for ReLEAF Haddenham and Tiggywinkles

The Scout and Guide Association is inviting voluntary donations from entrants and spectators towards this year's chosen charities which are:

ReLEAF Haddenham: Set up in 2020 with the aim of doubling the tree cover in the parish of Haddenham. According to scientists, planting billions of trees across the world is by far the biggest and cheapest way to tackle the climate crisis. This is because wood is 50% carbon, so trees are a great carbon store, they take carbon out of the atmosphere. Many trees have already been planted throughout the village.

Tiggywinkles Wildlife Hospital: Based in Haddenham, Tiggywinkles is dedicated to rescuing and rehabilitating all species of British wildlife. All British wild animal casualties brought to the hospital are treated completely free of charge and are released through a controlled programme, back to the wild, when they are fully fit. Tiggywinkles doesn't receive government or lottery funding, so they are dependent on donations.

Donations can be made in one of three ways:

1. Online at: <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/ScarecrowFestival2024>
2. In cash posted or delivered with your entry to 7 Dovecote, Haddenham HP17 8BP
3. By bank transfer to a designated Haddenham Scarecrow Festival Account held at Lloyds Bank, Sort Code: 30-98-56; Account No: 29225168; Account Name: F J Flaxton; Ref: Scarecrow24

Scarecrow Trail Maps and Voting for Favourites

Copies of the official Scarecrow Trail Map will be made available both online and in paper form from outlets in the village (locations tbc) in return for a donation.

There will be an opportunity for everyone to vote for their three favourites. Details about how to do this will be published nearer the time. There will be a prize for the three most popular Scarecrows. ALL scarecrow entrants will receive a Certificate of Participation.

Scouting and Guiding in Haddenham

Haddenham Scouting and Guiding units are run entirely by volunteers. Could you help? If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the relevant section:

Beavers: haddenhambeavers@gmail.com **Cubs:** Contact Richard Lay on 07949756164

Scouts: haddenhamscouting@gmail.com

Guiding (Rainbows/Brownies/Guides): Contact Diane Austin - 07788 594626 or email thirdhaddenbrownies@btinternet.com or

A final reminder:

To be included on the 2024 Scarecrow Trail Map, completed entry forms **MUST be returned by midnight on 31st May at the very latest**, either by e-mail to

scarecrowhaddenham.festival@gmail.com or posted or delivered to: Haddenham Scarecrow Festival c/o 7 Dovecote, Haddenham HP17 8BP.

Thank you for your support!