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**Axe Vale Show – Celebrates with Grant Recipients!**

The June 2019 Axe Vale Show was one of the most successful Shows in our history. The sun was mostly shining, the Showground was brimming with locals and holiday makers and feedback was overwhelmingly positive. Once again, the Show raised a record amount of £30,000 and is now in the position to distribute awards to local community organisations and clubs who met the grant criteria.

Simon Hodges the Show’s Chairman said, “The Axe Vale Show is a charitable fundraising event that celebrates the best of everything that Axminster has to offer. The Show continues to support the Flamingo Pool as well as a record number of other worthwhile causes.”

“The Grants Committee has the best job, but it’s also the hardest” said Elizabeth Stonex the head of the Grants Committee. “We had a whole range of applications from Men’s Sheds to Primary Schools. We know that the amounts awarded will help to make a great difference to the local community.”

This year the following organisations received awards from the Axe Vale Show and all enjoyed a festive ceremony in the Axminster Heritage Centre.

***The following organisations were awarded grants; Axe Valley Swimming Association (Flamingo Pool), ACT Axminster Christmas Together, All Saints Primary School, ARC Axminster, Axe Valley & West Dorset Ring and Ride, Axe Yacht Club, Axminster Allotment & Leisure Gardeners, Axminster Heritage, Axminster Home Educators, Axminster Musical Theatre, Axminster Town Football Club, 1st Axminster Scout Group, B Sharp, Beer Men’s Shed, Chardstock Park Trust, Dalwood Community Shop, Dragonflies Preschool, Five Alive Duke of Edinburgh, Kilmington PTFA, Kilmington Tennis Club, Axminster League of Friends Axminster, 1st Lym Valley Scouts, Lyme Regis RC Church, Minster Church Bellringers, Seaton Majorettes, Shute Festival and Shute School, St. John’s the Baptist Church Hawkchurch, St. Mary’s VC Primary School, and a pledge to Axmouth Playground Association.***

(PHOTO of Award Winners with Big Cheque)

The 2020 Show is already under preparation. If you would like to take part as an Exhibitor or help out as a volunteer please contact us via enquiries@axevalefestival.org.uk

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The Axe Vale Show is a charitable fundraising event for the charity ‘Axe Vale Festival Limited