

Press Release

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RECORD ATTENDANCE AT COASTGUARD'S HISTORICAL FOOD FESTIVAL

The Coastguard, St Margaret's Bay, nr Dover, Kent, CT15 6DY

The 2nd Annual Coastguard Historical Food Festival held last Sunday 4th September was a resounding success surpassing all expectations. With additional attractions and producers, visitor numbers also increased and not even the odd shower dampened people's enthusiasm.

"We were amazed at the turnout" said Sam Wydymus chef and owner at The Coastguard. "Not only from regulars and locals but people who had heard about our festival and planned their holiday around the date. I've been told our Historical Food Festival is quite unique and we even had a documentary crew filming us this year for broadcast in America".

The medieval encampment created especially for the festival contained all sorts of culinary goodies including Mead, Raw milk cheeses, Wild yeast bread and Ginger Fairings with great Kentish Beer and Cider to wash it all down and even an ancient recipe breath freshener! There were cookery demonstrations, basket weaving and a blacksmith on hand forging cutlery to cater for the poshest of Dark Age Dinner Parties!

Everyone joined in with the festivities with adults and children making great use of the dressing up tent to try on authentic medieval garb – as well as the odd Princess and Knight for the little ones. The historical puppet shows were also extremely popular as was the medieval band.

"The response this year has been tremendous with people already asking about 2012" said Sam " It has certainly paved the way to making the Historical Food Festival one of the great small events of the South East calendar".

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Notes to Editors:

1. For more images of the festival please contact Erin Bannister using the contact details above.
2. Contact details of stall holders are available at their consent.