

✘ An estimated 2,000 people turned out for the Road To Agincourt's Medieval Weekend, which saw the Mayor of Eastleigh Cllr Des Scott officially open the King's Great Ships Trail, a new accessible, interactive walkway at Manor Farm & Country Park, supported by Tesco Bags of Help.

The family friendly Medieval Weekend featured a host of medieval entertainment including re-enactments performances, storytelling of the *Legends of Sir Bevis*, a Maritime History Discovery Bus, guided walks from Heritage guides and demonstrations from a medieval village complete with cooking, herbalists and arrow making.

Showcasing from leading experts, Dr Ian Friel and Professor Jon Adams, was also seen over the weekend with a popular guided walk with Dr Ian Friel, Writer and Historical Consultant and traditional shipbuilding methods demonstrated by Professor Jon Adams, Professor of Archaeology at the University of Southampton. ✘

Quote from Eastleigh Borough Council Head of Culture Cheryl Butler, the organiser of the event:

"We were overwhelmed by the positive response from visitors and participants to Road to Agincourt Medieval Weekend.

The new King's Great Ships Trail was a big hit and everyone loved they soundscape. We look forward to unveiling the virtual museum of the Grace Dieu next year."

✘ The woodland trail through Manor Farm and Country Park leading to the River Hamble explores the history of the 'great ships' used by Henry V during the famous Battle of Agincourt, through the use of a soundscape filled with medieval music and facts and tales.

The King's Great Ships Trail can be accessed by following the newly designed way-markers and visitors can try out the temporary soundscape and give feedback before the permanent Zappar codes affixed. For more information email roadtoagincourt@outlook.com.